



**Program Support Unit
Sindh Devolved Social Services Program
Finance Department, Government of Sindh**



**Minutes of 1st Meeting of the Sub Group for
Strengthening of F&P and CDD Group of Offices**

(The List of Participants enclosed)

A meeting of a Sub-group on Strengthening of offices of CDD and F&P was convened on 9th May 2007 in the PSU-SDSSP at Karachi with following agenda:

- a) Review status and adequacy of the devolved functions and powers of group of offices in CDD & F&P as envisaged under SLGO.
 - b) Review prevailing conditions / capacity status of these offices with reference to availability of offices, staff, equipment, and training/capacity building needs.
2. The following deliberations took place and recommendations precipitated out of discussion.
- i. The participants pointed out that there were various issues in delegation and exercise of powers related to the CDD group of offices that have not yet been devolved fully.
 - ii. In the F&P group of offices the quoted issues pertained to levy of taxes, their recovery and disbursement. There were issues related to actual implementation of various functions, which have otherwise been devolved to the districts.
 - iii. Procedural gaps existing in the framework of SLGO were also pointed out.
 - iv. A major issue that came up was the insufficient office paraphernalia i.e. office space, equipments, furniture, etc especially in case of CDD offices.
 - v. It was also pointed out that in most districts the posts of various officers/staff are lying vacant in the CDD and F&P group of offices.
 - vi. There is lack of proper training and capacity in officers and staff both. Hands on trainings for relevant staff were recommended.
 - vii. Keeping in view the above discussion it was decided that a proforma for feedback on the powers devolved under SLGO would be sent to districts to identify the impediments in implementation



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The contents of performance may be as follows: -

Powers/issues under SLGO	Extent of Devolution	Hindrances in Implementation	Recommendation / Remarks
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The meeting was wrapped up on the note that the information as per Performa and any other inputs from District with regards to Strengthening of lower offices and changes in Organogram of Group of Offices would be collected and shared with the relevant provincial departments before submission to the concerned Working Groups for presentation to the government.

The Sub-group members were thanked for their participation and input.

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Please find enclosed the minutes of meeting held on 08th May 2007 on strengthening of lower group of offices of CDD and F&P. Kindly furnish the requisitioned information on Performa enclosed with in one week.

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A copy for information to:

- > R.O to Secretary Finance, Government of Sindh, Karachi
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