



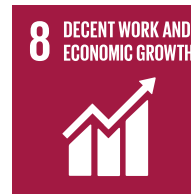
SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT GOALS



SINDH SDGS SUPPORT UNIT



SUPPORT PROJECT FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS IMPLEMENTATION SDGS SUPPORT UNIT SINDH, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF SINDH



Government of Sindh, as part of the national initiative on SDGs, signed on to the Agenda 2030 in 2016 and has initiated its efforts to support the mainstreaming, localization, and implementation of the 2030 Agenda in collaboration with UNDP Pakistan, acting as an implementation partner for the project.

Project Duration: March 2016 - ongoing

Location: SDGs Support Unit Sindh, Planning & Development Board, Government of Sindh

A) Plans, policies, and resource allocation aligned with the 2030 Agenda;

B) SDGs monitoring and reporting strengthened;

C) Financing flows increasingly aligned with the 2030 Agenda and

D) Innovation and Partnerships: building synergies, implementation of pilots, etc.

A) PLANS, POLICIES, AND RESOURCE ALLOCATION ALIGNED WITH THE 2030 AGENDA

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- Assisted in developing the Flood Response Strategic Action Plan at the Geneva Climate Resilient Donor Conference, aligning with the 2030 Agenda.
- Collaborated with Sindh's Urban Planning Directorate to create an SDG 11-aligned Master Planning Manual, refined through a stakeholder workshop.
- Developed an ADP guidebook for integrating SDGs, offering instructional design principles for alignment with targets.
- Supported UNDP Pakistan in crafting the fourth National Human Development Report (NHDR) on impact of digital transformation on development challenges
- Conducted a strategic planning meeting on district profiling with UNDP and GIS experts to enhance health, education, livelihoods, and value chains.
- Presented a 5-year harmonization plan to P&DD and GoS, analyzing institutional progress toward SDGs, identifying gaps, and proposing the way forward.
- Collaborated with UNICEF to develop situational analyses and policy recommendations for SDG 1, SDG 4, and SDG 6, presenting to P&DD for feedback.
- Developed an Acceleration Guide for SDG 8 in Sindh, addressing relevant targets, identifying key drivers, and proposing an implementation monitoring plan.
- Played a pivotal role in advancing SDGs, mapping provincial legislation, and aligning plans with thematic sub-committees.
- Compiled a VNR report, supported the alignment of key plans and policies (Climate in Action Policy, Sindh Education Sector Plan), and produced impactful knowledge products fostering integration at various levels.
- Organized a Gender Mainstreaming Capacity Building Training with UNDP Pakistan to address gender knowledge gaps and equip participants with tools.
- Held consultative sessions on pro-poor, gender-sensitive legislation for Gender Equality in Sindh and identified gaps for parliamentary intervention.
- Conducted divisional-level sensitization sessions on SDGs Framework localization in Shaheed Benazirabad, Sukkur, Larkana, Hyderabad, and Mirpur Khas, with representatives from various departments.





B) SDGS MONITORING AND REPORTING STRENGTHENED

- Based on consultations with the BoS, the Gender MIS Portal architecture has been developed. It will be integrated into the SDGs digital portal.
- The Unit conducted a two-day GIS mapping capacity-building training for BoS. Participants learned map generation, plotting, database management, and analysis techniques, including calculating multidimensional poverty.
- The SDGs Unit collaborated with the R&T Wing of the P&DD for a two-day government training session on SDGs and Agenda 2030. It involved various departments and focused on key goals to enhance citizen-centric service delivery.
- Developed a digital SDGs portal with Sindh BoS and P&DD, supported by an IT consulting firm. Enhances monitoring and reporting for SDGs; Sindh BoS team trained online as Master Trainers.
- Two-day BoS Capacity Strengthening training in Sindh focused on data collection and analysis, including modules on multi-dimensional poverty calculation and GIS training. Attended by over 30 BoS officers.
- Collaborated with National and Provincial BoS, UN agencies, and Line Departments to continually update the reporting status of SDGs data from national and provincial surveys and institutional datasets of Government of Sindh (GoS) Departments.
- Achieved a significant increase in data reporting status for SDG indicators, rising from 33% to 61% between 2017 and 2023.
- Developed a Results-Based Management (RBM) Framework for provincially applicable SDG indicators.

C) FINANCING FLOWS INCREASINGLY ALIGNED WITH THE 2030 AGENDA

- Collaborated with the Finance Department to embed SDGs targets and indicators within the Government of Sindh's budgetary framework, mapping over 11,000 cost centers of the recurrent budget since FY 2019-20 at the target and indicator level for effective budget tracking.
- Assisted in mapping the Provincial ADP at the goal level since FY 2016/17, enhancing alignment with SDGs.
- Facilitated collaboration with the Country Office and Foreign Aid Section of the P&DD to develop pitch decks containing SDGs-aligned project proposals in sectors like agriculture, livestock, health, and education.
- Additionally, organized a National Stakeholders' Roundtable on Climate and Disaster Insurance and Risk Finance during a UNDP mission, focusing on industry needs and market development.

D) INNOVATION AND PARTNERSHIPS: BUILDING SYNERGIES, IMPLEMENTATION OF PILOTS, ETC

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- The Unit collaborated with over 50 private sector partners, including organizations such as Artistic Milliners, Gadoon Textiles, Dawood Foundation, and others, to gather insights into their contributions to SDGs and assess their progress.
- In collaboration with the Friedrich Naumann Foundation and Shehri - Citizens for a Better Environment, organized a consultative workshop to promote the transition to a green economy. Participants included P&DD, GoS, academia, CSOs, private sector stakeholders, and more. The workshop included booths run by young entrepreneurs showcasing eco-friendly businesses aligned with SDG 13 (Climate Action).
- In partnership with RSPN and PINS, SDGs Unit organized a workshop highlighting the vital role of WASH focusing on women in Sindh and its link to malnutrition, stunting, and diseases. The event included a panel discussion for policy recommendations and a roundtable discussion to develop a roadmap for implementing SDG 6 in Sindh.
- The Unit partnered with Artistic Milliners and Fahmida Begum Foundation, training and employing 53 beneficiaries. This program is currently ongoing with its 3rd cycle in place.
- The Unit conducted a multilingual radio campaign in Sindh to raise awareness about various SDGs, including health, education, gender equality, clean water, sanitation, climate action, life below water, and life on land. The campaign, delivered in Urdu, Sindhi, and English, reached 3 million people, promoting public knowledge and mainstream adoption of the SDGs.
- Conducted awareness activities on gender-based violence during the 16 Days of Activism, including a two-day employable skills workshop at Panah Shelter Home, developed a resource pack for abuse victims, collaborated with Gadoon Textile Mills, and ran a radio campaign in Sindh with partners like Radio Pakistan, Legal Aid Society, and Aurat Foundation.
- In collaboration with McDonald's Pakistan, the Unit celebrated International Family Day at Sirat-ul-Jannah Orphanage, engaging children in interactive activities like coloring books, SDG quizzes, art sessions, and storytelling to promote awareness and advocate for the implementation of SDGs.



- The Unit participated in the International Day of Persons with Disabilities Awareness Walk organized by the DEPD, Govt of Sindh.
- The Unit partnered with Artistic Milliners and Fahmida Begum Foundation for the "Tomorrow's Trailblazers: Youth Skills for a Changing World" event, convening over 150 guests, including private sector organizations, to celebrate and prepare the youth for future opportunities and challenges.
- In collaboration with SM Traders and Water Care Services, the Unit conducted a plantation drive in the S.I.T.E area, focusing on native species to enhance local ecology and biodiversity.
- The Unit supported UN-organized SDGs Dialogues in Hyderabad and Sukkur, addressing gender-based violence, youth employment, and community needs. Led by the UN Resident Coordinator, these discussions informed local concerns for the upcoming SDGs Summit and general elections.
- In collaboration with Re Skills and the Sindh HEC, the Unit initiated a scholarship program to help 100 students from Sindh's public and private universities improve their job prospects in IT and artificial intelligence skills.
- Collaborated with Soorty Enterprises in Karachi for awareness sessions on sustainable industrial practices, emphasizing SDGs 3, 4, and 6 to encourage private sector commitment.
- The Unit partnered with UNDP on a sewage treatment and reuse project in Trans Lyari, Karachi, addressing SDGs related to clean water, sustainable cities, climate action, and partnerships.
- The Unit coordinated with FPCCI to raise awareness about SDGs.
- The Unit collaborated with UNDP Pakistan and Citibeats to develop an ethical AI technology platform funded by the Tech for Democracy initiative. An event was organized to brief stakeholders, including the DUPSP, on utilizing the platform for Social Risk monitoring data, mitigation, and planning.
- The Unit collaborated with Bachaa Party and KMC Karachi for an Art for Social Change project. The initiative featured a mural promoting SDGs to raise awareness through the art.
- The Unit collaborated with educational institutions to integrate SDGs into their institutions as part of the project's overall goal. This includes collaborations with Sindh HEC, Nixor, Ziauddin, KU, and IoBM.





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