

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

For the

Support in Emergency Preparedness and Response Initiatives

Between

First Party

Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA), Sindh

And

Second Party

Save the Children International (SCI, UK)

List of Acronyms

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| i. | PDMA | : | Provincial Disaster Management Authority |
| ii. | SCI | : | Save the Children International |
| iii. | DMC | : | Disaster Management Cycle |
| iv. | GCC | : | Gender & Child Cell |
| v. | SOPs | : | Standard Operating Procedures |
| vi. | CPiE | : | Child Protection in Emergency |
| vii. | GiE | : | Gender in Emergency |
| viii. | DRR | : | Disaster Risk Reduction |
| ix. | CBDRM | : | Community Based Disaster Risk Management |
| x. | CTP | : | Cash Transfer Programming |
| xi. | HR | : | Human Resource |
| xii. | DRM | : | Disaster Risk Management |
| xiii. | MCP | : | Monsoon Contingency Plan |
| xiv. | FI | : | Food Items |
| xv. | NFI | : | Non Food Items |

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is entered into this Day of _____ August 2023 between Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA), hereinafter referred to as the “PDMA” having its principal offices in Address Plot No 26, Main Khayaban – e – Jami, Phase 7, Defence Housing Authority, Karachi, Sindh and Save the Children International, (hereinafter “SCI”), a non-profit organization headquartered at UK with offices in Pakistan located at NTC headquarters, Islamabad Pakistan. The Parties entering the Memorandum of Understanding have agreed to the following Articles and Clauses for future collaboration and cooperation.

Article I

1.1 PRELUDE:

PDMA Sindh has been working for enhancing resilience, leading policy and coordination for combating natural & human-induced disasters in the Province. PDMA manages the whole Disaster Management Cycle (DMC) which includes Preparedness, Mitigation, Risk Reduction, Relief and Rehabilitation. Provincial & District Disaster Management Plans are prepared and are followed for making better preparedness, mitigation, and response in case of disasters.

Gender and Child Cell (GCC): Gender and Child Cell (GCC) in PDMA was established in August 2013, in order to strengthen its efforts towards reducing the vulnerabilities of women, children, disabled and elderly in times of disaster. GCC aims at prioritizing and mainstreaming gender, needs and concerns of vulnerable groups/marginalized segments of the society in humanitarian response, crises management and DRR initiatives.

Save the Children International: SCI was established in the United Kingdom in 1919 to improve the lives of children through better education, health care and economic opportunities as well as providing emergency aid in natural disasters, war and other conflicts. SCI has been working in Pakistan since 1979, contributing upwards of 900 million USD in the areas of education, health, nutrition protection, gender, livelihoods, emergency preparedness and response among others.

1.2 PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVE:

Both parties intend to collaborate, put in joint efforts and contribute to resources mobilisation towards implementation of projects and activities across the Province i.e.

Balochistan in line with the Road Map of PDMA and SCI Country Strategy Plan 2022-2024. Both parties will ensure that actionable areas of Gender & Child Cell are identified and incorporated in various projects developed under this MoU. This may include support

in the development and strengthening of policies, SOPs, and strategies. The activities may also include conducting needs-based assessments, establishing district level coordination mechanisms for EiE, CPIEs, GiE, DRR & resilience building, safe schools, women and children as agents of change, advocacy and awareness of vulnerable groups, engagement of stakeholders, community level training, availability of disaggregated data through data management system during emergencies, CBDRM and SBDRM. In addition, the MoU may support the development of a resource pool of trainees and researchers, technical support to Academia for integration of concerns of vulnerable groups in course contents, and sponsoring Research Scholars for conducting research & publications in these particular areas and the provision of Internship opportunities to students.

Article II

2.1 OBLIGATIONS ON SCI

2.1.1 Resource mobilisation and support for PDMA, Sindh for response on floods impacts of Monsoon 2022 and for any other disaster/humanitarian crisis.

- Awareness, campaigning and availability of information for prevention and response to flash flood(s) in Sindh.
- Safety and prevention facilities for Government led educational institutions like WASH, IPC and safety and prevention educational support for Government led educational facilities (schools) under the Pakistan School Safety Framework during Preparedness /Mitigation Programmes
- Support to PDMA for the development of manual for Mental Health and Psychosocial support initiatives
- Resource mobilisation for education, health & nutrition, protection, gender, Community Based Disaster Risk Management (CBDRM), Cash Transfer Programming (CTP) and livelihoods programming

2.1.2 Resource mobilisation and support for future emergency preparedness and response across the Province:

- Resource mobilisation for and support PDMA through provision of unconditional funds and mobilization of resources for various joint projects under this MoU, mutually agreed upon by both organizations.
- PDMA Monsoon Contingency Plan (MCP) activities and Winter Contingency Plan.
- Advocacy and awareness raising to support PDMA and other line departments initiatives for various disasters and emergencies.
- Emergency preparedness and response/implementation for earthquakes, avalanche, floods, drought, epidemics outbreaks, locusts and any other natural or manmade emergencies.



Save the Children



- Resource mobilisation for education, health and nutrition, protection, gender, Community Based Disaster Risk Management (CBDRM), Cash Transfer Programming (CTP) and livelihoods programming.
- Support in Gender wise disaggregated data of Sindh.
- Development of SOPs for children and other vulnerable groups.
- Up-gradation and development of CBDRM and SBDRM Model keeping in view inclusion element.
- DRM Seminar at Academia.
- Trainings activities for the capacity building of PDMA and District Disaster Management Authority staff.
- Identification and coordination with partners/stakeholders for initiatives under this MoU.
- Support for DRR and National/International Days celebration.
- Advocacy and awareness at community level.
- Resource mobilisation for food security and livelihood programming like provision of food items/NFI for the vulnerable districts of Sindh as and when required.

2.2 OBLIGATIONS ON PDMA

- PDMA will enter into partnership with SCI and provide joint leadership for the implementation of the MoU activities.
- PDMA will Chair quarterly project planning and other meetings for review and taking stock of existing project activities.
- SCI will update PDMA Sindh by submitting periodic reports on all joint initiatives of the project as part of the joint MoU.
- PDMA and SCI will collectively develop concept notes/proposals for various projects under this MoU.

Article III

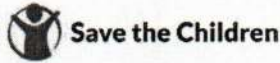
3.1 Dispute Resolution

In case of any dispute, both parties shall resolve any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this MoU by good faith negotiation among senior managers unrelated to the dispute. Any dispute in relation to any binding agreement entered into in furtherance of this collaboration, shall be governed by the provisions of such binding agreement.

3.2 Branding - Use of Name, Trademark or Logo/Visibility:

The Parties shall not use the logo, name, trademark of each other in any initiative/activity, advertisement, press release, correspondence, web/internet, media, (print/electronic/social media), publicity or other materials printed or published with reference to this MOU without the expressed written consent of both Parties.

3.3 Duration/ Term of Memorandum and Termination Process



This MoU shall commence upon signing by both parties and shall continue for a period of two (02) years, under a five (05) year partnership, with the possibility of extension by mutual agreement under the same terms and conditions. If this MoU is not extended by mutual consent, it shall be terminated on the original MOU end date.

3.4 This MoU may be terminated by any Party by giving the other party a three (03) month prior notice in writing.

3.5 Non-Binding:

It is expressly understood and agreed that this MoU memorializes the intent of the Parties, is not an obligation of funds, is non-binding, and that no enforceable liability or obligation of any nature whatsoever is intended to be created between the Parties hereto. In the event the Parties desire to be legally bound and create enforceable obligations and liabilities, they agree to proceed in good faith toward negotiation and execution of a mutually defined agreement.

Both the Parties have agreed to the above terms and conditions.

Signatures:

Provincial Disaster Management Authority Save the Children International

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Title: Director General, PDMA
Sindh**

**Name: Muhammad Khuram Gondal
Title: Country Director**

Date:

Date: *22.08.2023*

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Provincial Disaster Management Authority Save the Children International

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