



FINANCE DEPARTMENT  
KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA

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Addl: Secretary Finance

Subject: Continuation of Support from ASP-RSPN

*Dear Jonathan,*

The Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (GoKP) has initiated an institutional reform program to improve the effectiveness of government services in the province through better public financial management. In line with this reform agenda and with the approval of the Cabinet, GoKP planned to prepare 'Strategic Plans' for each of its administrative departments.

2. The Finance Department, who is spearheading this exercise, appreciates the commitment of USAID funded ASP-RSPN in this endeavor. Under its Capacity Building Program ASP-RSPN through its team of experts has provided technical assistance for developing Strategic Plans, Annual Action Plans and Output Based Budgets of six line departments of Government of KP i.e., Health, Irrigation, Public Health Engineering, Higher Education, Population Welfare and Social Welfare. Formulation of the strategic plans has helped these departments in prioritising their objectives and make their budgets result-oriented by ensuring value for money. Strategic Plans and Annual Action Plans of these six departments are being integrated with annual budget to ensure that objectives are budgeted for and achieved. ASP-RSPN's Capacity Building Team has assisted in formulation of performance indicators that will track performance over the medium to long term outcomes.

3. Finance Department appreciates & acknowledge ASP-RSPN and USAID for their invaluable support in strengthening public financial management in KP. This will go a long way in overcoming the issues of weak financial management persistent in most government departments in KP.

4. From the Financial Year 2013-14, the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa intends to extend this programme in at-least ten more departments, apart from, further commenting it in the six pilot departments. In this respect the Finance Department, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, would seek commitment on part of ASP-RSPN for its continued Technical Assistance.

5. I look forward receiving a positive reply in this respect.

Yours sincerely

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