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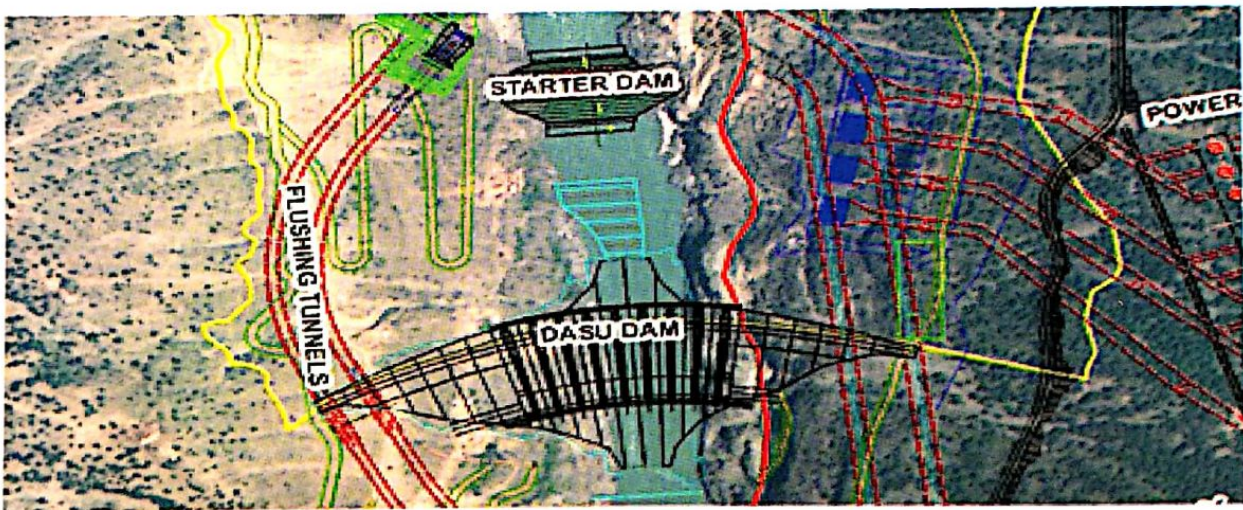
Newsletter

Chairman Wapda

It gives me immense pleasure to write a few words for Newsletter on Dasu Hydropower Project. It is currently the largest hydropower project under implementation not in Pakistan but in the whole of South Asia. I feel proud that work on Dasu HPP is gaining momentum with the passage of time. The perseverance and dedication of all employees and workers of WAPDA, consultants and contractors are indeed worth appreciating. I strongly believe that Dasu HPP will play a pivotal role in the development and prosperity of the country. I pray to Almighty Allah for blessing us with the commitment and courage to complete this project successfully.

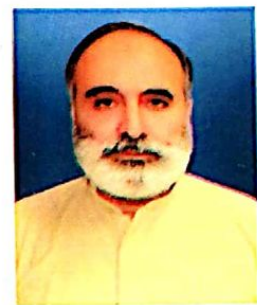


Lt. General (Retd)
Muzammil Hussain



General Manager/PD Dasu HPP

Dasu HPP is no doubt a vital project of the country in the Water and Energy Sectors. The launching of Dasu HPP newsletter is an important milestone since it will be an important tool for information sharing among all stakeholders of the Project. I appreciate the efforts of the Communication Section of DHPP - SRU and hope that they will continue to make progress in this context.



Engr. Javed Akhtar

Deputy Commissioner Kohistan

Dasu Hydropower project's importance is multidirectional. It will play a vital role in socioeconomic uplift of district Kohistan as well as the overall economic development of the country. The district administration of Kohistan will continue to provide assistance to WAPDA not only in the acquisition of land required for this project, but also in removing day to day obstacles of its ongoing work.



M. Asif



Faqr Muhammad Baig (Late)-1st Director of Social & Resettlement Unit, Dasu HPP, died due to an accident while performing duty in Dasu. May his soul rest in peace.

Kohistan – The Project Area

Kohistan literally means the land of mountains. It is bounded on the North and North-East by Ghizer and Diamer Districts of Northern areas, on the South. East by Mansehra District on the South by Battagram District and on the West by Shangla and Swat Districts. The River Indus flows through the heart of Kohistan from start to end while dividing the District into Hazara Kohistan (East) and Swat Kohistan (West). Few Indo Aryan languages in addition to Pashto are spoken in this area. The two areas have different history and culture with some commonalities. The narrow Indus valley in Kohistan is flanked by two mightiest ranges of the world. On the left bank are the offshoots of the Himalayas while on the right bank are the offshoots of the Karakorum. The District is warm in summer except some areas of high altitude and very cold in winter. There is heavy snowfall and temperature generally falls below freezing point especially in upper elevations. Monsoon reaches the lower parts of Kohistan i.e. Banded, Batera, Ranolia, Dubair and Jijal only.

Dasu Hydropower Project with a capacity of 4320 MW is being constructed about 7 KM upstream from Dasu, the capital of Kohistan. Indus River has a unique and feasible nature for construction of dams. In this background, a series of dams are being or proposed to be constructed over River Indus like Bonji, Diamer Bhasha, Dasu Dam, Pattan Dam, Thakot Dam and Tarbela Dam etc.



Indus River View



Jirga - Culture of Kohistan



WB mission representative during his visit to PIC.

World Bank Delegation Visits to Dasu HPP

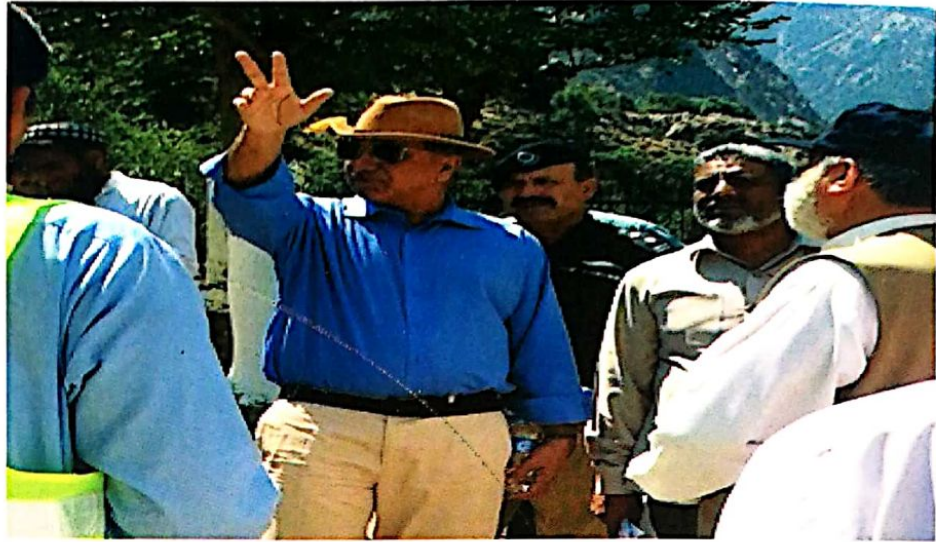
World Bank delegation visited Dasu HPP to review the progress and share their input to improve effectiveness and efficiency in the project deliverables. The visit was for a period of two days from January 8, 2017 to January 9, 2017. The delegation consist of experts who had meetings with all the sections of the project.



WB - Progress Review Meeting

Chairman visits Dasu HPP

Chairman WAPDA Lt.Gen (R) Muzammil Hussain visited DHPP site on July 5, 2017 and reviewed the progress. He was updated on all the components of the project with a detail presentation by GM/PD Dasu HPP. He visited different construction sites to inspect the progress. He met with the community representatives and local religious and political leaders to listened to their reservation and to get their support for the project.



Main Dam civil works contract signing ceremony

Water and Power Development Authority (WAPDA) on March 09, 2017 signed two contracts, MW-01 worth Rs115 billion and MW-02 worth Rs64.4 billion with M/s. China Gezhouba Group Company (CGGC) for execution of main civil works of the Dasu hydropower project.



Main Works Contract Signing Ceremony

Capacity building of SRU staff by (NCRR) University of the Punjab.

A 3 days training workshop was arranged by WAPDA at National Centre for Resettlement and Rehabilitation, University of the Punjab for Social & Resettlement team of WAPDA. International Advisor for Social & Resettlement, Dr. Muhammad Zaman and a team from NESPAK also participated in this training session and shared their experiences on Resettlement with WAPDA team. The platform provided excellent opportunity and such trainings will benefit Dasu HPP in the long run.



Group photo of the participants in Capacity Building Training Workshop by NCRR - University of The Punjab

Communication Need Assessment (CNA) survey in Project area.

A survey regarding Communication Need Assessment (CNA) was conducted in all the affected villages of Dasu Hydropower Project. Communication team, in collaboration with DHC, conducted the survey to identify all the possible and most feasible modes of information dissemination in the Project area. Total 169 samples were collected and analysed for further implementation.



CNA Survey at Uchar Village



CNA Survey at Looter Village

Dasu Hydropower Project Main Components.

A. Relocation of Karakorum Highway (Dasu-KKH-01)

Contract Agreement between WAPDA and M/s. China Civil Engineering Construction Corporation (CCECC) signed on March 16,2015. The contractor has commenced services from August 24,2015 . Uchar and Barseen access roads have been completed.

B. Right Bank Access Road (Dasu-RAR-01)

Contract Agreement between WAPDA and M/s. China Civil Engineering Construction Corporation (CCECC) signed on March 16,2015. The contractor has mobilized to Dasu site and construction of retaining walls, widening of existing road, earth work and allied activities at different sections are in progress.

C. 132 Kv transmission line from Dubair HPP to Dasu (Dasu-TI-01)

Contract Agreement between WAPDA and M/s. power China signed on April 24,2015.The contractor has commenced services from November 02, 2015. Topographic survey, subsoil investigation, detail design of route and grid station completed.

D. Project Colony and Infrastructure (Dasu-PCI-01R)

Contract Agreement signed between WAPDA and M/s China Railway First Group on November 17,2015. WAPDA issued Notice of Termination to the contractor on November 17,2016 due to fundamental breach of contract by contractor. The new bid opening is planned subject to verdict of court.

E-Main Works

Water and Power Development Authority (WAPDA) on March 09, 2017 signed contracts for main works with M/s. China Gezhouba Group Company (CGGC). A Notification of Commencement for both MW 01 (RCC Dam) & MW-02(Underground powerhouse) issued on June 20,2017 with the Commencement date of June 23, 2017 as agreed during meeting between Employer, Engineer and Contractor, on May 17,2017.



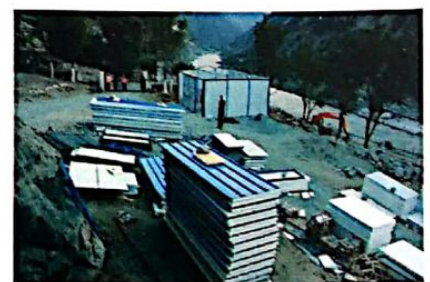
Mr. Motohiko Ijima (PM- DHC) and General Manager Dasu HPP briefing to Chairman WAPDA during his visit to Dasu HPP on 20 Feb, 2017.



GM/PD DHPP Javed Akhtar inaugurating free of cost transport facility for the School going children of affectees of Dasu Hydropower Project.



Work in Progress on KKH-01



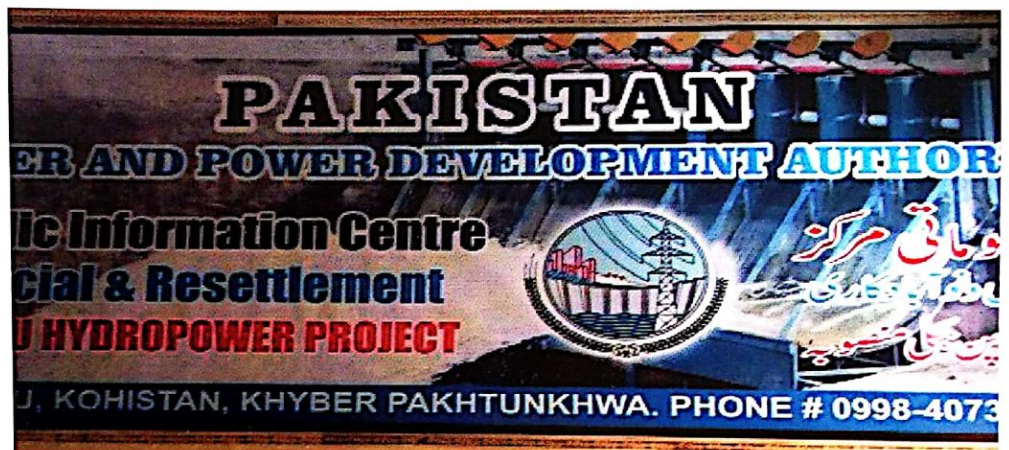
CGGC Camp Barseen

Free Medical Camps

Keeping in view the available health facilities in the project area. Gender & Community Health Section Dasu HPP organized 1st free medical camps in Kandia, Shatyal, Doga, Barseen, Summer Nala and Khoshi from February 6-9, 2017 and 2nd free Medical Camp for affectees of Dasu HPP at Sigloo area on 16 July 2017, 2501 and 201 people were treated respectively in both camps. Majority of patients were children and women.



Free Medical Camps For Affectees of DHPP



NADRA MRV for Project Affectees

In the wake of the fact that majority of the PAPs, especially, the women did not possess National Identity Cards which was a kind of hindrance in smooth compensation payment, Communication team of Dasu HPP in collaboration with DHC and District Administration had initiated the process for provision of NADRA MRV for the registration of PAPs with NADRA in all the 34 villages of project area. Almost all villages were covered during this campaign thereby registered total number of beneficiaries 598. Out of the total, 80% were women.



Public Information Centre (PIC) established for information sharing with the affected community & general public regarding Dasu Hydropower Project.



NADRA MRV-People gathered for NIC Registration

Capacity Building Training in Trade of Fish Farming / Fish Hatchery Management for the Affected Persons of Dasu HPP.

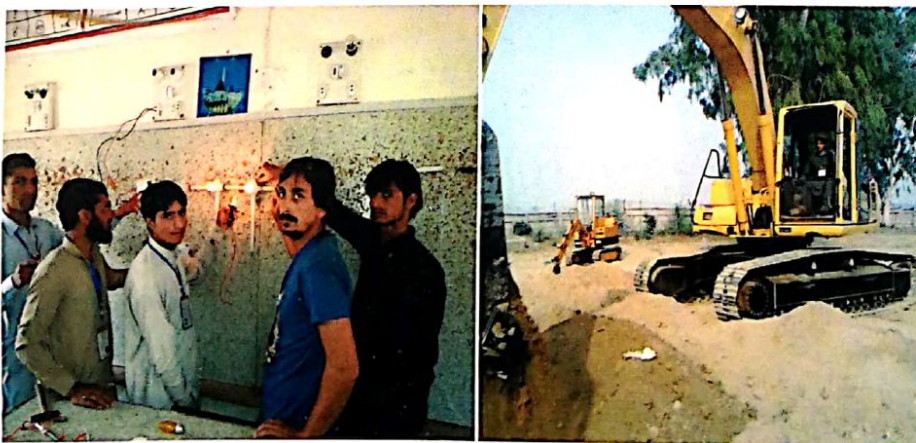
Dasu HPP, WAPDA has arranged one week training for Dasu affectees in the field of "Fish Farming/Fish Hatchery Management" from 21st – 27th September 2017 at Trout Culture and Training Center, Swat. The training was organized to improve the existing socio-economic condition and capacity building of Dasu affectees. Total 14 participants from project area have participated in this training.



Group photo of participants of fisheries training with Chief Engineer (SR&E)

Vocational Trainings of Dasu Affectees

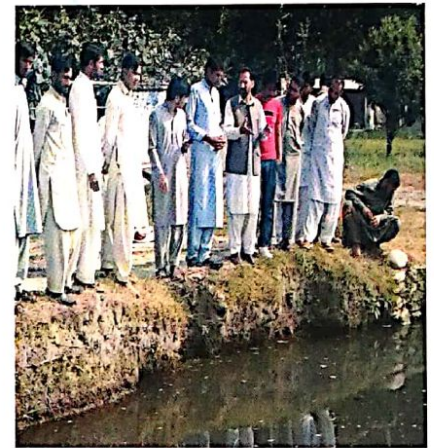
Dasu HPP, WAPDA has arranged 6 months Vocational Training Program from July, 2017 to December, 2017 for Project Affectees to enhance their skills for the betterment of their livelihoods. Total 20 participants are getting training in different trades from ATIN, NLC Mandra District Rawalpindi.



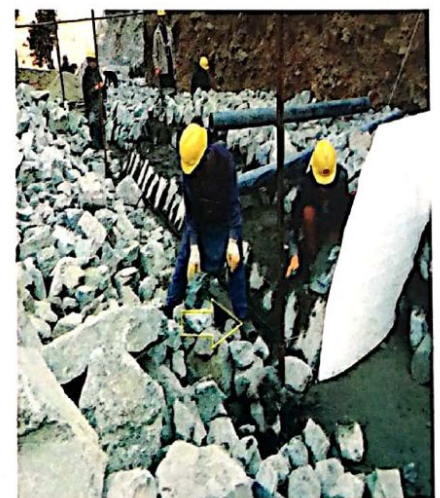
Vocational Training Program for Dasu HPP Affectees-Participants getting training in different trades at ATIN, NLC Mandra.



Chief Engineer (SR&E) distributing Certificates



Mr. Jansher Khan from Fisheries Department KPK is briefing on fish pond management to the trainees



Construction of retaining wall in progress on RAR-01

In-Migrants Management

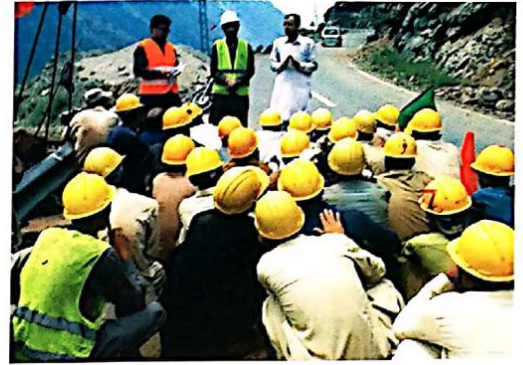
Dasu HPP has a dedicated team for in-migrants management and they are performing their duty according to their scope of work for the benefit of in-migrants and local community. The team is like a bridge b/w local community and in-migrants. They visit contractors camps for conflicts resolution b/w contractors and local labor. They are responsible for maintaining detail data of employees working on the project, conducting awareness session for in-migrants and compliance of code of conduct by all the stakeholders.

Vocational Trainings of Dasu HPP Affectees

Establishment of Vocational Training Schools both for males and females at Dasu HPP are proposed to be constructed in the long term program of Livelihood. Therefore, as immediate step, vocational training of male affectees of Dasu HPP, WAPDA has arranged 6 months Vocational Training Program from July, 2017 to December, 2017 for Project Affectees to enhance their skills for the betterment of their livelihoods. Total 20 participants have completed their training in different trades from ATIN, NLC Mandra, District Rawalpindi. Four (04) batches of Dasu affectees have already completed their training in different trades from ATIN NLC. Dina since December 2013.



Migration Management team during meeting with main contractor (MW1 & MW2) , regarding labor issues



Awareness session with the labors working on Transmission Line.



Resettlement & Rehabilitation team working in the field for selection of resettlement sites in coordination with local community / affectees.



Dasu HPP management in presence of World Bank representatives & consultants discussing issues with reservoir community.



GM/PD Dasu HPP is distributing certificates among the successful candidates of vocational training conducted in ATIN, NLC Mandra, Rawalpindi.



Group photo of trainees with the GM/ PD Dasu HPP.at ATIN, NLC, Mandara, Rawalpindi

Compensation Payments

The compensation payment of the land, crops, trees and built-up property is in progress. Out of the total amount to be paid in this connection, a sum of PKR.1,272,055,505 already been disbursed among 371 PAPs for 2366.6 Kanals of land. Land required for Zaal Camp, Uchar Camp, WAPDA Coloy & grid statin in Chchange, KKH-01 & Barseen bypass have been acquired. Also payments have been made to the owners of PTDC & FWO Camp and main Contractor has established camp there. Thus out of the total land required (approx. 91000 Kanals), a total of 2366.6 Kanals have so far been acquired.



Disbursement payments

Gender Sensitization & Capacity Building Training Workshop

Gender & Community Health Section Dasu HPP organized Gender Sensitization & Capacity Building Training Workshop for Project Staff of Dasu HPP from 25-28 April 2017. Thirty Three (33) staff members from PMU and Seventeen (17) from DHC were trained.



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