September 18, 2015

Mr. Muhammad Saleem Sethi  
Secretary  
Economic Affairs Division  
Government of Pakistan  
Islamabad

Re: TFSCB Grant for Capacity Building of the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics  
TFSCB Grant TF0A0812

Dear Mr. Sethi:

I am writing on behalf of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and International Development Association (collectively the “World Bank”), acting as administrator of grant funds provided by various donors (the “Donors”) under the Trust Fund for Statistical Capacity Building (TFSCB), to indicate the World Bank’s agreement, to make a grant in an amount not exceeding one hundred forty thousand (U.S.$140,000) (the “Grant”) to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan (the “Recipient”).

The Grant is made in response to the Recipient’s request for financial assistance and for the purposes and on the terms and conditions set forth in the Annex to this letter agreement (the “Agreement”). The Recipient hereby confirms its request that the Bank carry out the activities described in paragraph 1 of the Annex to this Agreement, and represents that it is authorized to contract the Grant for the said purposes and on the said terms and conditions.

Please note that it is the Bank’s policy to make publicly available this Agreement and any information related thereto, after this Agreement has become effective and the Recipient has given its consent to such disclosure. The Recipient, by countersigning this Agreement, confirms its consent to such disclosure.

Please confirm your agreement with the foregoing, on behalf of the Recipient, by signing, dating, and returning to us the enclosed copy of this Agreement. Upon receipt by the Bank of the copy of this Agreement countersigned by you, this Agreement will become effective as of the date of the countersignature.

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Very truly yours,
INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

By
Anthony Cholst
Acting Country Director, Pakistan
South Asia Region

Attachment: Annex

AGREED:
ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF PAKISTAN

By

Name  TARIQ BASWA
Title  Secretary Economic Affairs Division
Date  25th Nov. 2015
Purposes, Terms and Conditions of the Grant

1. The purposes of the Grant are to provide support to the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics with the rebasing of the Consumer Price Index (CPI); improving sampling for the Household Integrated Economic Survey (HIES) and Population and Agricultural Censuses; the implementation of the HIES and Pakistan Social and Living Standard Measurement (PSLM); and the implementation of computer assisted personal interview (CAPI) to collect price data. The activities (the Activities) for which the Grant is given are as follows:

(a) Development of custom software solutions;

(b) Provision of technical assistance with software and hardware development and troubleshooting, including CPI rebasing and sampling; and development of software based on Open Data Kit (ODK) to promote price pilot using CAPI; and

(c) Provision of equipment including tablets for the purposes of training on surveys.

2. The Grant shall be used to finance consultants’ services required for the Activities; provision of training on sampling, including field visits by the staff of Pakistan Bureau of Statistics; and equipment purchase mainly to conduct surveys/census/interviews.

3. The Bank shall carry out the Activities on behalf of the Recipient. The Recipient shall cooperate with the Bank to the extent necessary to permit the Bank to carry out the Activities promptly and effectively, and to evaluate the results of the Activities. The Recipient shall indemnify the Bank against any costs or liabilities incurred by the Bank as a result of claims against the Bank in connection with the Activities, except those resulting from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of its staff or external consultants.

4. The Bank shall carry out the Activities pursuant to this Agreement only to the extent that the Grant funds required for such Activities are available to the Bank from the Donors.

5. The Activities shall be completed by not later than December 31, 2016 or such later date as the Bank may establish by notice to the Recipient (the Closing Date). After the Closing Date, the Bank may at any time cancel the remaining balance of the Grant.

6. The engagement and supervision of the consultants (the Consultants) required to assist in the carrying out of the Activities shall be the responsibility solely of the Bank and shall be done according to the Bank’s applicable procedures.

7. The Recipient may at any time request the Bank in writing to terminate the Activities. Whether or not the Recipient has made such a request, the Bank may at any time suspend or, after consultation with the Recipient, terminate the right of the Recipient to receive Grant funds for the Activities if any of the following events has occurred and is continuing: (a) the Recipient has failed to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement; or (b) the right of the Recipient, or any other entity to which the Bank has made a loan with the guarantee of the Recipient, to make withdrawals under any loan agreement with the Bank or any development credit, grant or financing agreement with the International Development Association has been suspended.
8. The Bank is not an agent of, or trustee for, the Recipient and shall not have any fiduciary relationship with the Recipient. The Recipient shall have no right to any portion of the Grant that is not expended by the Bank pursuant to this Agreement.