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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Prime Minister's Tasks Assigned to Ministry of Planning, Development and Special Initiatives- Pro-poor goals and indicators for every Ministry

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Under Ehsaas Program, one of the policy interventions is "Pro-poor goals and measurable indicators for every ministry". This task has been assigned to the Ministry of Planning, Development and Special Initiatives through Prime Minister's Task Management System.

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2. This policy intervention requires action on part of all ministries/division. Each federal ministry/division is officially requested to mention their already established pro-poor goals, otherwise set pro-poor goal/KPIs and share a draft policy/ legislation/ strategy in light of these pro-poor goals and indicators.

3. The MoPD&SI will share its feedback for stakeholders and experts' consultations and their finalization. This would help monitor progress each ministry making efforts towards eradicating poverty and achieving inclusive growth and development.

4. A concept note in this regard has been drafted and is attached herewith. In light of this concept note, all ministries are requested to define their pro-poor goals and measurable indicators.

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Concept Note on
Implementation of Pro-Poor Goals and Indicators for Every Ministry
Initiative # 5 under Ehsaas Program

Poverty in Pakistan is measured by using Cost of Basic Need (CBN) and Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) approaches. In the low growth scenario, with rising inflation and cost of borrowing and lower public investment, the poor and vulnerable segments need special attention in order to safeguard them against these shocks.

Pakistan's political leadership has set poverty alleviation as its prime agenda and has expressed its resolve for poverty eradication. Special emphasis has been laid on establishing a special mechanism to supplement existing poverty alleviation efforts in the poorest districts across all provinces of Pakistan.

To strengthen social safety nets for the vulnerable segment of society and minimize the potential impacts of unanticipated shocks, the government launched, a broad based national poverty alleviation program, Ehsaas in 2019 to expand social protection, safety nets and to support human capital development throughout the country.

Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety (PASS) Division, established last year, spearheads to implement Ehsaas program and take initiatives to reduce poverty in all its dimensions. Some of the recent initiatives under Ehsaas include inflation adjusted BISP instalments, assets ownership for graduation out of poverty, health insurance, skill development, access to finance for the youth.

Out of 134 policy actions, to address Elite Capture under Pillar I of this program, Pro-poor goals and measurable indicators for every ministry (#5) is initiated. This policy intervention requires action on part of each ministry/division. In order to implement this policy statement, each ministry would be required to make pro-poor goals/ key performance indicators in their respective areas.

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