

Business Plan, strategy and operationalisation of infrastructure PPP facilities/ funds in Pakistan

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Client: The World Bank, Public-Private Infrastructure Advisory Facility (PPIAF), and the Ministry of Finance, Pakistan

Country / Region: Pakistan

CEPA is currently working on two separate but related assignments in Pakistan. The first involves advising the Government of Pakistan and the management of an 'Infrastructure Project Financing Facility (IPFF)' on developing and adopting a strategy and business plan for the IPFF that will maximise its impact in providing financing for infrastructure public-private partnerships (PPPs). The IPFF is a Government-backed financing intervention that seeks to address underlying infrastructure financing gaps in the Pakistan credit and capital markets. The scope of the study is cross-sectoral, covers all provinces of Pakistan, and includes a consultative workshop with key stakeholders towards the latter part of the assignment.

On the second assignment, CEPA is advising the World Bank on the preparation of a detailed operational plan for a Project Development Fund (PDF) and Viability Gap Fund (VGF) for PPP infrastructure projects in Pakistan. The PDF will provide resources to support early-stage development of PPP projects through feasibility studies and other viability assessments across a wide range of sectors. It will also fund project structuring, negotiation and other later stage development activities. The VGF will provide resources through various instruments to improve the financeability of PPP projects that are regarded as economically justified but otherwise 'unbankable' from a transaction financing point of view.

Links:

- The World Bank
- Public Private Infrastructure Advisory Facility