

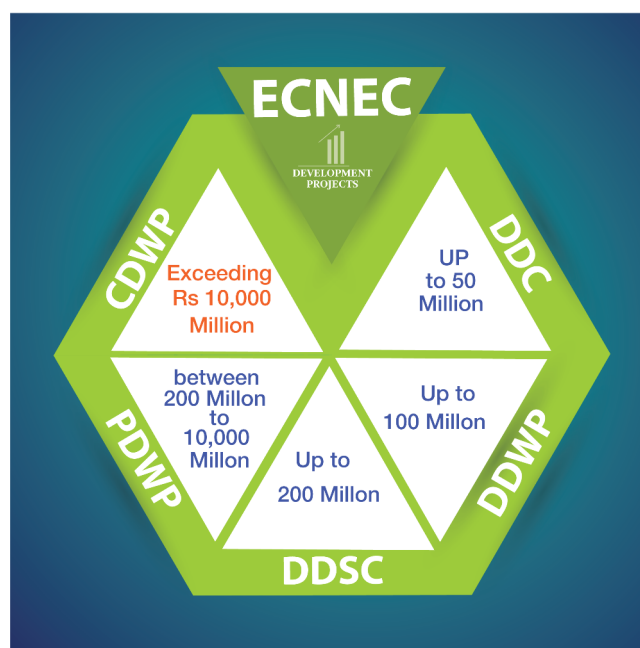
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## Approval of Development Projects

The Planning & Development Department acts as the Secretariat for the Provincial Development Working Party (PDWP).

The approval process of development projects is categorized as follows:



### Executive Committee of National Economic Council (ECNEC)

ECNEC is the final approving authority for any provincial project costing beyond 10,000 Million and projects as mentioned below:

- Any project involving foreign component
- Any project of irrigation costing 1,000 billion or more

### Central Development Working Party (CDWP)

CDWP, which is located at Planning and Development Division, Planning Commission, Islamabad, is a clearing house for any provincial project. The technical, financial and economic analyses of various projects are carried out by the Appraisal & Evaluation, Technical and other related sections. Projects with individual costs exceeding Rs. 10,000 million are recommended by the PDWP to the CDWP.

### Provincial Development Working Party (PDWP)

The Provincial Development Working Party (PDWP) is a clearing house of development projects sponsored by various line departments. The PDWP is empowered to sanction projects ranging from Rs. 200 million to Rs. 10,000 million.

The projects are sent by the administrative departments for approval to the PDWP, which comprises of:

Chairman, Planning and Development Board – Chairman

#### Members

- Secretary, Finance
- Secretary, Concerned (project sponsoring) Department

Secretary, Environment Protection Department  
Director, Punjab Economic Research Institute  
All members of P&D Board  
Any Co-opted Member

Note: Any survey and feasibility study (PC – II) is approved by PDWP, irrespective of the cost.

### Departmental Development Sub-committees (DDSC)

Projects costing between Rs. 100 million to Rs. 200 million are within the approving competency of DDSC. The DDSC constitutes of the following committee members:

Secretary of Administrative Department – Chairman

#### Members

Representative of Finance Department (not below the rank of Deputy Secretary)  
Representative of P&D Department (not below the rank of Chief of Section)  
Representative of C&W/ Engineering Department (not below the rank of Chief Engineer)  
Any Co-opted Member

Moreover, Heads of the attached departments (Officers in Category-I) have powers to sanction schemes up to the value of Rs. 2.5 million.

### Divisional Development Working Party (DDWP)

Projects costing upto Rs. 100 million are approved by the DDWP headed by the respective Commissioner. The DDWP constitutes of the following committee members:

Divisional Commissioner – Chairman

#### Members

DCOs of the division  
SE (Irrigation & Power)  
SE (C&W)  
Divisional Head of the sponsoring department  
Director (Dev/ Finance) (Member/Secretary)

### District Development Committees (DDC)

Project costing upto Rs. 50 million are approved by the DDC of each district. The DDC constitutes of the following committee members:

District Coordination Officer – Chairman

#### Members

EDO (Finance & Planning)  
EDO (Works & Services)  
EDO (Revenue)  
EDO (Concerned)  
District Officer (Planning) (Member/Secretary)

**Source:** Delegation of Financial Powers Rules, 2006 (Rule 8 of Second Schedule)

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