





## EU BRACE Technical Assistance – DAI UPDATED Key Performance Indicators (KPI) 2021-22

## Role of the Technical Assistance Partner

The Technical Assistance (TA) Project of the BRACE Programme is responsible for policy advice and capacity building regarding local governance reform, both on provincial and (sub-) district levels The TA Project is implemented by DAI, who are mandated to facilitate the Government of Balochistan (GoB) to Local establish an innovative Community-Led Governance (CLLG) Policy and Fiscal Framework. The GoB CLLG Policy and the supporting Fiscal Framework will build on a Public Financial Management (PFM) Framework, that is to enable and regulate the devolved resources and budgets in support of the CLLG Policy. The CLLG Policy and Fiscal Framework are, to enable establishment and sustainable operations of mobilised and empowered Community Institutions (CI), and to facilitate citizens to get institutionally organised, and become equal partners to the GoB and participate in a Community-Led Local Development Dialogue. The BRACE Technical Assistance (TA) is specifically tasked with achievement of BRACE Specific Objective 2 (SO2), "to foster an enabling environment for strengthening the capacities of local authorities to manage and involve communities in the statutory processes of the local public sector planning, financing and implementation process". The TA facilitates the innovative GoB policy reforms processes, and presents descriptive process-indicators, to explain the TA performance and progress of the TA deliverables, the bottlenecks and challenges, and the way forward. The TA Project is structured along five TA Expected Result (ER) Areas

#### The TA implements Five (5) TA Result Areas

- **1** Dedicated GoB CLLG Policy Framework
- **2** Capacitated Local Government Authorities
- **3** Capacitated Rural Development Academy
- **4** Institutionalized Community Institutions
- **5** Cross-cutting Tasks & Project Management

#### EU BRACE TA Progress During 2021-22

After the 2020 Covid Lock Downs, and from June 2021, the activities of the TA Work Plan gained momentum, and major progress was made in the finalization of the GoB Community Led Local Governance (CLLG) Policy.

#### Strategy & Policy Dialogue Cie (SPDC) Chaired by ACS

The BRACE Programme's Strategy and Policy Dialogue Committee (SPDC), is the Project Steering Committee of BRACE, chaired by the ACS (Dev). The SPDC has two major objectives; 1) to report on progress of the empowerment of the targeted communities in the 10 BRACE Districts, and 2) to guide the formulation of a Government of Balochistan's (GoB) Community Led-Local Governance (CLLG) Policy. The SPDC is to meet at least once in 6 months. From May 2021 the SPDC meetings resumed regularly. The TA team worked closely with the LG&RDD, P&DD, RSPs and other GoB stakeholders to convene the 4<sup>th</sup> BRACE programme SPDC meeting in July 2021. An SPDC meeting was merged with the Foreign Aided A-projects Steering Committee Meeting, called by the Planning and Development Department (P&DD) in December 27, 2021, and the 5th SPDC Meeting held in March 2022

In the SPDC Meeting the findings of 4<sup>th</sup> External Monitoring Mission were discussed in detail and responded to by the partners. The key decisions of the 5th SPDC meeting were concluded that LGRDD expedites the amendments related to CIs formal inclusion in the development process, joint meeting(s) to be convened by all BRACE partners/stakeholders to address any shortcomings regarding findings of 4<sup>th</sup> EMM, the chair advised all partners to achieve he targets in a timely manner and convene follow-up meetings.

5th Strategic Policy Dialogue Committee (SPDC) at P&DD, March 2022



The 6<sup>th</sup> SPDC meeting was held September2022 and included participation by the EU Delegation, in person







and online. The **CLLG Policy** that was earlier duly endorsed by the SCC forum headed by LGRDD, was presented and in the SPDC and the **6<sup>th</sup> SPDC** meeting **successfully the Final draft CLLG Policy.** The meeting concluded that all efforts must be made to meet all the targets of BRACE programme in time, during the No Cost Extension year of the RACE Programme.

## GoB Community Led Local Governance (CLLG) Policy

The TA Component has been facilitating the GoB, counter parts to design the GoB Community-led Local Governance (CLLG) Policy, aiming at firm commitments to fiscal resources; and putting in place robust Provincial and District PFM systems that support future Development Partners to provide (sector) Budget or Project Support for on-budget Community Led Local Development.

## GoB Ownership of the Policy Formulation Process

The Combined/Joint 4 Working Groups/Sector Coordination Committee (SCC) meeting (Round 4) in session (26-10-2021)



To ensure GoB leadership and regulate the Policy Reform Dialogue on a GoB CLLG Policy, the GoB notified the Sector Coordination Committee (SCC) on CLLG). In 2020 the GoB notified four Working Groups (WG) to prepare the groundwork on 1) Legal Context for the GoB CLLG Policy, 2) the PFM systems and Financial Regulations in support of CLLG Policy, 3) the Institutional Context for a CLLG Policy, and 4) Capacitybuilding requirements for effective implementation of a GoB CD CLLG Policy and for LG&RD Community Led Development Programmes.

By December 2021, four rounds of SCC and of each of the WGs meetings, were conducted. The SCC and WGs combined meeting held on 26 October 2021 concluded that the WG-1 Legal Framework can cease to function, because the New LG Act (Amendment Bill 2021) was in last stages of approval and was to provide the legal cover to the proposed CLLG Policy. WG-4 on Capacity building would also cease to operate, as the BRDA Capacity-building Workplan has been worked out by LGRDD/BRDA/TA with implementation to start from Q1-2022. WG-2 PFM & FR, and WG-3 on the Institutional Set-up to implement the CLLG Policy, as the PFM and Institutional reform proposals reached un a final draft stage. The finalized proposals, Legal, PFM/FR, and Institutional were to be worked out in nine CLLG Policy Implementation Arrangements. The LG&RD SCC forum would provide the final inputs for the higher strategic high level Policy Reform recommendations, that would then be presented at the SPDC level for approval=in a series of consultative meetings scheduled till end of June 2022.

The formulation of the GoB Community Led Local-Governance (CLLG) Policy and the CLLG Policy Implementation Arrangements reached their final stages in Q2-2022 and included plenary and bilateral meetings with all key policymakers: LGRDD, P&DD, SWD, WDD, FD & and the RSP.

Meeting with Secretary Local Government and his Team, March 31, 2022



The final draft Community-Led Local Governance (CLLG) Policy, and the CLLG Policy Framework, will be operationalized through a CLLG Policy Implementation Manual (PIM) that presents clear detailed CLLG Policy Implementation Arrangements, required for Policy operationalization both at the provincial and the district levels.

SCC Meeting in progress on 22 April 2022 at Secretary BLGB Office, LG&RDD



The CLLG Policy aims to provide a holistic package of the full range of community mobilization and support interventions (CPI, CIF, IGG, TVET, ALC, MHI etc.) to









alleviate poverty of the targeted beneficiaries, and foresees a role of CM NGOs. The CLLG Policy is flexible and will allow any other, type of community mobilization support intervention that may be introduced in future, as long as these are aligned with the GoB Community Led Local Governance and Local Development approach as captured in the GoB CLLG Policy objectives. The CLLG PIM will contain separate guidelines for planning, funding and construction of prioritized community physical infrastructure (CPI) schemes, to be constructed against the most economical rates, with possible engagement of a thirdparty sub-contractor in full compliance with the GoB FR and PFM rules.

Given the scattered population in the rural areas, a three-tiered model will be followed (1) Province level, then (2) District level, with District Council and JDDC and (3) the UC level with the UC-LC with the CI, to stimulate community organization/mobilization. In urban areas the third tier may include the Municipal Council. To simplify the Institutional structure under CLLG Policy, a subcommittee, composed of three members, one from LGRDD, TA, and BRSP, were tasked with revising and suggesting a simple institutional framework under CLLG Policy to be implemented at the province, district, and subdistrict levels

## SCC Meeting in progress on 06 June 2022 at Secretary, LG&RDD Office



On 03 August 2022 the SCC forum in its last meeting unanimously endorsed the CLLG Policy under the chairmanship of Secretary LGRDD.

## LG Act Reforms in support of the CLLG Policy

The TA submitted proposed LG Act Articles Reforms to Secretary LGRDD (Sept 2020) for submission to Cabinet Sub-Cie LGA Reforms. The LGA reforms on CLLG and RD were also shared with stakeholders, incl MPAs, in Q4-2020. In Q1-2021 the Cabinet Sub Cie on LGA Reforms held internal deliberations, and considered adoption of the proposed reforms in relevant clauses/sections, thus providing a legal context for more inclusive Community Development, and formally recognizing the position and role of Community Institutions, in GoB Local Governance RD.

EU BRACE TA Team meets Qadir Ali Nayal, MPA & Chair Balochistan Assembly Sub Committee and the Minister for Youth and Culture on 23 June 2022.



To lobby for the proposed reforms the TA Team engaged and visited Hon Qadir Ali Nayal, MPA who is the Chair Balochistan Assembly Sub Committee on Local Government, and were given re-assurances that also through his leadership, the Local Government Act (LGA 2010) Reforms, would include in the proposed inclusion of Mobilized Community Institutions (CI) in Section 87 of the amended LG Act.

The Cabinet meeting held on July 14, 2021 decided that the Working Paper on Local Government Act reforms will be re-submitted for consideration as a single agenda item at the upcoming meeting. On September 7, 2021, an All-Parties Conference on Local Government Act 2010 Amendments was conducted in presence of treasuries benches and opposition parties on the advice of the CM Balochistan. The All-parties conference subject to further legislative drafting and scrutiny by the Law and Parliamentary Affairs Department made the recommendations and built some consensus on the proposed amendments. The proposed amendments Section 87) remained the same with the key amendment, being the recognition of the role of Community Institutions (CIs) as important actors in local governance.

## This provision will provide legal coverage to the proposed Community Led Local Governance (CLLG) Policy, and this is a major achievement of the LG&RDD and the Government of Balochistan

Finally, the Standing Committee on LGRDD Reforms met on 27 July 2022 with the PA Balochistan. The Committee discussed all the proposed amendments including the Section 87 on Cis involvement. The (new)









members of the Committee were briefed on Section 87. BRACE Focal point LGRDD, Secretary LGRDD and the Chair of the Standing Committee (Mr. Qadir Ali Nayal) explained Section 87 on CIs involvement to the committee members. All the members not only agreed but appreciated the proposed amended Section 87 and unanimously endorsed.

The Committee was scheduled to present the BLGA 2010 amendments to the Provincial Assembly for final approval during the PA Session scheduled for 06 August 2022. The PA session was delayed and held on 23 August 2022 wherein the GoB has notified the Balochistan Local Government (Amendments) Act 2022 including the amendments proposed in Section-87.

## JDDC and District Development Planning

The TA has designed systems and procedures, and provided on-the-job capacity-building support, to ensure that local government/authorities become "developmental", and are able to mobilize and allocate their resources in support of communities, and systematically involve CIs in planning, co-resourcing and managing local development activities and investments.

The TA targets two strategic Outputs 1) the Joint District Development Committee (JDDC), being the forum where the LG Authorities, the Local Bodies, and the CIs (VO/LSO) meet to discuss their Village, UC and District Development, and 2) the District Development Plan (DPP) being the procedures and formats that allow alignment of the bottom-up demand-driven CIprioritized development activities, with the top down LG or other Departmental GoB Rural Development budgets/projects and local development investments.

## Joint District Development Committee (JDDC)

From 2019, JDDCs were held, irregularly, in 9 BRACE Districts, under different JDDC ToR. In 2020, the first step by the TA, was to streamline the various different JDDC ToR, and prepare a consolidated version for renotification by GoB Competent Authority, the P&DD. During 2021. The TA, LGRDD and P&DD reviewed the Consolidated JDDC ToR and it was concluded that the streamlined and consolidated JDDC ToR could be notified and activated under the cover of an adopted CLLG Policy. The streamlined JDDC ToR transparently prescribe the JDDC Forum Membership and spell out clearly the 12 JDDC ToR functions and for each function a clear Guideline has been worked out. The JDDC ToRs and the JDDC Guideline will be integrated in the CLLG PIM.

#### Joint District development Coordination Committee (JDDC) Meeting KECH



District Development Strategy and Plan (DDSP)

GoB-led comprehensive District Development Plans are not in operation in Balochistan. The BRACE TA implemented a pilot assignment in which District Development Strategy and Plan Guidelines, in 3 Districts, were tested. The BRACE TA 'District Development Strategy and Plan (DDSP) Assignment was implemented by two Consultants, in two rounds, in 3 pilot BRACE Districts (Kech, Loralai, Pishin). The introductory DDS&P activities started in Q3-2021 with a Situation Analysis, and the DDSP assignment outputs were delivered in Q4-2021. The DDS&P consultants facilitated a series of consultative meetings, workshops and Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) with district administrations, LG&RDD officials, relevant line departments, BRSP/NRSP/RSPs staff, LSO members, Ex-Councilors, Union Council Secretaries, and various minority groups. The proposed DDSP Guidelines were test in actual JDDC meetings in the 3 pilot districts. A major key finding, and conclusion was that there was a "great appetite" and need for an institutionalized JDDC forum which will bring government and citizens closer to each other. DDSP guidelines, formats, and tools were developed to streamline the JDDC meeting proceedings further and these JDDC Meeting standardized procedures, templates, and tools were then used and tested in the JDDC meetings.

Deliberations took place on identifying and developing synergies between government's top-down development efforts and communities bottom-up development planning, and this resulted in a list of practical examples for each sector, of synergies that should be pursued.







DDS&P Assignment workshop (September – December 2021).



At the end of the DDSP Assignment, the DDSP findings and recommendations were presented in a Quetta based DDSP Dissemination workshop, with participation of (i) kev GoB Policymakers (LGRD/FD/PBB/SWD/WDD), (ii) (NRSP, RSPN, and and selected District Officials, BRSP), and representatives of Civil Society organizations, and (iii) other key stakeholders including key development partners and politicians. It was agreed that public service delivery enhancement can be achieved, through a streamlined JDDC forum, which integrates the Bottom-Up Community Development Plans with the Top-Down Government local development plans and investments.

#### DDSP Dissemination Workshop with Provincial Key Policymakers (09-12-2021)



## PFM and a LGRD Sector MTBF

The TA facilitated through the Working Group-2 discussions a review on how to adjust District Financial Regulations that will enable (sub-)District funding of Clinvestments, and to validate how the GoB PFM Act can allow the implementation of a GoB CLLG Policy. The TA also engaged in discissions with the Finance Department (FD), to investigate how the CLLG Policy fund flow, from Province to District, and then from District to UC/Community could be channeled. The TA is also collaborating with the OPM Consultants, who are supporting the FD, was required, and OPM participate fully in the WG-2 discussions.



The aim is to include CIs in community-based PPP that would (a) allow the CI to be a recognized budget partner of the Local Government, and (b) allow for community identified schemes to be (co-)funded from GoB Budget. Legal cover can be found in Section 141 of the LGA Act 2010, on the Balochistan Local Council (Account) rules 2018, and sub section 1 of section 122 of the LGA Act 2010, on the Balochistan Local Government (Fiscal Transfer) rules 2018.

During the No Cost Extension year ("022/23) the LGRDD will finalize how the budgets and cash flow to CIs can be regulated following GoB District Financial Rules, in particular under: a) Balochistan Local Council (Accounts) Rules 2018, b) Balochistan Local Council (Budget)Rules 2018, and c) the Balochistan Local Government (Fiscal Transfer) Rules 2018.

Limited progress made on developing a LGRD Sector Mid-Term Budgetary Framework (MTBF), and then negotiating on fiscal allocations. It was agreed that first the domain of LG&RD Sector and a LGRD Sector Plan need to be clarified and decided, before a mediumterm framework of fiscal allocations can be identified. The range of possible Budget Funding Projections will be identified and reflected in a MTBF template during Q1/Q2 2023 of the NCE Year, when a GoB LGRD Sector Plan is expected to be formulated.

Staffing and Funding the CLLG Policy are the crucial next steps for operationalization of the Community-Led Local Governance (CLLG) Policy. With regard to the CLLG Policy Grant Management and Fund Flow Mechanism, to secure smooth financial resourcing procedures a series of bilateral consultative meetings have been held during Q2-2022 with the most relevant government departments (PDD, FD. SWD) and with non-government entities (PPAF) and with the OPM/PFM Consultants, to discuss the possible options for CLLG Grant Management and Fund Flows, in alignment with Government FR and Accounts/Audit Rules.









Meeting with Regulation Wing, Finance Department, GoB



Meeting with PPAF Balochistan Team



Several options for possible fund flow arrangements for the CLLG Policy were discussed in detail during these consultative meetings ranging from Assignment Account Model to Regular Financial Procedures Fund Flow Arrangement (based on the KP-CDLD Model), to Grant in Aid Arrangements through a (third party) Implementation Partner. When adopting the CLLG Policy, a decision will be made on the most appropriate fund flow arrangement for the GoB CLLG Policy.

## Local Government and Rural Development (LG&RD) Sector Plan

The TA facilitated the development and finalization of the Terms of Reference (ToR) for a Local Government and Rural Development (LG&RD) Sector Plan assignment, through a notified Advisory Committee on LG&RD Sector Plan, chaired by Secretary, LG&RDD. EUD approval was obtained. Arrangements were made for a Tender procedure, (June/July 2022) and the Request for Proposal and the advertisement for a GoB LG&RD Sector Plan assignment was issued in July 2022. Proposals review and award is scheduled for Q3-022, with an expected start of the LGRD Sector Plan Assignment in Q3-2022. The LGRD Sector Plan assignment is expected to be completed in Q2-2023

The LG&RD Sector Plan assignment will be outsourced as an output-based assignment in the NCE Year, under TA Project. The KLG&RD Sector Plan is expected to be completed in Q2-2023. The LG&RD Sector Plan will guide and support the Policy/Programme Objectives of a future CLLG Policy and possible CLLG Rural Development Programmes.

## Strategic Development Partners Forum (SDPF)

A Concept Note on the Strategic Development Partners Forum (SDPF) was prepared (2018), but no progress was made to finalize the SDPF ToR and a GoB SDPF Forum. The SDPF aims to provide a platform to engage with major Development Partners on Project or Sector Budget Support. The finalization of the CLLG Policy and the GoB LG&RD Sector Pan are now set for Q3/Q4 2022, and Q2 2023 respectively, and following this t becomes opportune to establish a SDPF Forum, focusing on resource mobilization for the CLLG Policy and the GoB LG&RD Sector Plan. The TA will provide technical assistance to establish and active a GoB SDPF Q1 2023.

## Synergy EU Portfolio

BRACE Programme coordinates directly with the EUfunded OPM/PFM, the GRASP, and the LEAD/SDG projects, seeking synergies of our respective outputs in the shared areas of development. TA also facilitated and participated in the EUD Portfolio Meeting(s) which were held last in November 2021, to review progress of EU funded project. OPM/PFM and GRASP partner.

## District Coordination (DC) Training Courses

TA, with the BRDA, started in Dec.2019, the 3-days Capacity-building District Coordination Training "Induction" Course for 57 participants from Deputy Commissioner Office, Local Government Department Dept, RSPs and TA-District staff, aiming to build their Intra-District coordination capacity. The DC Courses are an important component of a broader capacity building and training programme, and the DC Courses targets a "critical mass" of district and provincial level officials and selected RSPs representatives, who are to play a key role in the anticipated reforms that will promote the Community Led Local Governance (CLLG) in Balochistan Province

DG, BRDA (R), presents certificates to trainees of DC Course Topic-1 "Bottom-Up Development Approaches"











After the 2020 Covid lock-downs the DC Course continued in 2021. The TA DC CB/Training Course restarted, with preparations made by TA in partnership with the BRDA, to conduct the **District Coordination (DC) Training Course Topic 1 on** " "Bottom-Up Development Approaches", held July 2021 at BRDA complex in Quetta.

DC Training Topic 2. held 7+8+9 October 2021 at BRDA



The momentum and progress with the District Coordination Courses was regained and the 3-day **District Coordination Training Course Topic 2** on "Top-Down Approach: Government of Balochistan (GoB) Local Government (LG) Systems" was held at BRDA in October 2021.

Topic 3. Course held 15, 16, 17, December 2021 at BRDA.



The **District Coordination Training Course, Topic 3** on "Integrating Community Institutions with the Local Government Systems" was held December 15–17 2021 at BRDA. The BRACE TA has planned for the DC training Topic-4 to be implemented in the NCE Q3-2022.

## **BRDA Capacity-Building**

The BRDA Capacity-Assessment Report was prepared, and updated with feedback, recommendations, and inputs by members of the SCC Working Group 4 on Capacity Building/BRDA. The key recommendations were reviewed in the preparation of the BRDA Capacity Building Plan. TA continued worked with the BRDA staff in the development of the BRDA Capacity Building Plan. The BRDA Capacity Building Plan was formulated and covers a) Introduction; b) Situational Analysis; c) Strategic Direction; d) Coordination & Implementation Framework; e) Monitoring, Evaluation, and Reporting. BRACE TA Team discussing BRDA's CB Plan with Director General BRDA (Mr. Naimatullah Khan) on 16 June 2022.



In addition, the TA discussed with the LGRDD and the BRDA how to include DC Course CLLG Training Modules in regular pre In-service training provided through the BRDA to LG and other GoB Officials. The DC Training Modules will be adapted and then presented as part of the regular training curriculum.

As part of the broader BRDA Capacity building plan, the TA engaged with BRDA on the development of (a) the BRDA dedicated CLLG & Local Development Training Curriculum/Training Modules and (b) establishment if a Pool of BRDA (Internal/External) CLLG and LD Experts and Trainers

# Foreign Training and Group visit/Exposure Visit by a Delegation of GoB Officials to the HAfLG.

The HAfLG is a globally reputed training institute and the capacity to provide capacity-development support to training Institutes, to develop organizational capacity in developing training modules & manuals based on globally best practices and new & innovative local governance initiatives that are directly related to the Local Government and Local Governance models, which directly link to the CLLG Policy Reforms, which the TA and GoB are pursuing under the BRACE Programme. s

As part of the BRACE TA BRDA Capacity building programme, and after the 2020 Covid Lock-downs, the TA re-established contacts with the Hague Academy of Local Governance (HAfLG) to activate training for a) short-term HAfLG open training courses for selected GoB officials; b) a Study Tour/Exposure Visit for a Group of Gob Officials and c) investigating twinning and collaborative linkages between the HAfLG and BRDA on areas like: ToTs, coaching and mentoring, training curriculum development and delivery.

The TA. EUD and LG&RDD agreed on a procedure to nominate trainees for the HAfLG short open training courses, relevant to the BRACE TA Objectives that match the subject and expertise areas of the







nominated GoB Official. TA coordinated with the HAfLG their participation in the selected course.

#### Foreign Training of GoB Officials at the HAfLG.

TA facilitated the participation in the open course at HAfLG (12 June – 24 June 2022) on "Citizen Participation & Inclusive Governance" for Mr. Ali Akbar, Ex-Secretary Local Government & Rural Development Department and Mr. Zafar Ali, Ex-Secretary WDD



Group visit/Exposure Visit by a Delegation of GoB Officials to the HAfLG

During Q1/Q2 2022, the BRACE TA concluded preparations for a Study Tour/Exposure visit of a group of senior GoB Counterparts; Government Officials; Elected Representatives and NGO/community leaders, to (a) expose them to innovative Local Government and Local Governance systems, and (b) create a group and critical mass of Balochistan changeagents/stakeholders, who can advocate the proposed innovative CLLG Policy Reforms upon their return. A one-week Tailor Made Training (TMT) Programme was designed with the HAfLG, scheduled for Q3-2022

Linkages between BRDA and HAfLG Contact was also established with the Hague Academy for Local Governance (HAfLG), in the Netherlands, to investigate possible twinning linkages between the BRDA and HAfLG for tapping technical resources and capacitybuilding, providing technical inputs for designing course modules, introduction of new approaches to transfer of knowledge, providing support for production of manuals etc. TA ND HAfLG will further coordinate options during the planned Study/Exposure visit in Q3-2022

#### BRACE Communication and Visibility

In Q1-2021, the TA facilitated two workshops on the BRACE Programme Communication and Visibility (C&V) Strategy and developed C&V Action Plans for RSPs, TA, and the GoB stakeholders. As a follow-up, the TA made preparations for the implementation of the joint

TA also organized the predeparture briefing for both the GoB officials at TA office on 08 June 2022 at. The briefing package all relevant documents for travel such as nomination from LG&RDD, NOC from Chief Secretary Office, Travel Itineraries, Travel Insurance, Invitation Letter from HAfLG, Registration Forms, Letter from DAI Global (TA PD) confirming the financial support from the BRACE TA project etc.

Pre-Departure Briefing with GoB Officials Participating in Short Training Course at HAFLG 08 June 2022.



comprehensive BRACE Programme C&V Strategy Action Plan by activating the BRACE C&V Working Groups with M&E specialist from RSPs and TA

**The BRACE C&V Working Group** is chaired by the BRACE implementing partners on a rotating basis, to organize the C&V WG meetings which have been held regularly, monthly, from December 2021.

The BRACE C&V Working group presented to Mr. Imran Gichki Secretary LGRDD the BRACE C&V Strategy and Action Plan 2022/23, on 13 May 2022



BRACE C&V Working Group presented the BRACE C&V Strategy and Action Plan 2022/23 to Secretary LGRDD, who pledged his full support for implementation. –

The TA also initiated the establishment of **the BRACE C&V Committee**, to be chaired by a GoB Official, as a first step towards GoB ownership post BRACE of the B RACE C&V Tasks. There is a need to include more GoB representatives, in n particular from the Information











Technology Department (to manage GoB BRACE Websites) and the Directorate of Public Relations (DGPR), the GoB media wing, to ensure quality content of GoB BRACE C&V Messages. On 10 June 2022, TA organized an introductory meeting with the nominated C&V Committee Chairperson at the TA office to provide briefing on BRACE Programme and C&V Committee ToRs. To, Mr. Haji Ali Khan (Administrative Officer, Devolution LG&RDD)

Orientation Meeting for Mr. Haji Ali Khan (Administrative Officer LG&RDD) and Chair BRACE for C&V Committee at BRACE TA Office on 10 June 2022



