

Partnership Fund Guidelines

Note: These guidelines elaborate rules and regulations for Grant Applicants of Partnership Fund, in addition to policy and procedures described in the Partnership Fund Brochure.)

- The Project Format – A is to be used if project budget is less than rupees six hundreds thousand (0.6 million).
- The Project Format – B is to be used if the project budget is above rupees six hundred thousand but less than rupees one million.
- The Project Format – B is to be used if the project budget is between rupees 1 million and 3 million. The logical frame matrix is required along with the project details.
- Maximum grant available for a project, under Partnership Fund is rupees three million.
- Maximum duration of a project is three years.
- The project executor required to contribute at least 20 % of total project cost. This share can be in cash or kind.
- Registered NGOs/CBOs are eligible to apply for grant. The preference will be given to the organizations having experience of project implementation in the field of nature conservation or environmental protection.
- Academic institutions applying for grant should be affiliated or registered with Higher Education Commission.
- Prior to their submission to Technical Committee, project proposals will be screened by a Project Review Committee (PRC) in light of grant policy.
- To verify the projects need and NGOs/CBOs strength, WWF will conduct field appraisal.
- Recommended grant recipients will have to present their projects to the Partnership Fund Technical Committee as part of the final approval.
- Projects proposals should focus on NRM and livelihood areas and the operational cost should not exceed 30 % of total project budget.
- Projects of purely capacity building or awareness activities are not allowed under Partnership Fund.

Additional Principles

Besides project implementation, the grant recipients are expected to ensure their commitment for environmental protection by following additional principles. Some of the general principles are described below, whereas area-specific and/or project-specific principles would be spelled out during the Project proposal development. Follow-up of these principles will be duly monitored by the WWF.

- Ensure Hygiene conditions in the project area

- Promote ban on the use of polythene bags in the project location
- Promote ban on illegal hunting, bird shooting and harmful fishing practices
- Enhance gender participation in decision making and co-management of natural resources
- Educate and aware general public about environment related civil rights
- Enrolment of children in schools
- Promotion of alternate energy sources

Project Area

The grant is available for the entire Indus Ecoregion but priority will be given to project proposal addressing the conservation issues of following fourteen priority sites of Indus eco-region.

#	Ecosystem / Habitat	Geographical Location	Map Code
1.	Indus Dolphin Habitat, Guddu	Guddu	G01
2.	Lower Guddu Wetlands	Lower Guddu	G02
3.	Upper Nara Desert	Upper Sukkur	G03
4.	Wetlands of Larkana	Larkana	S01
5.	Down stream Sukkur Riverine Forest	Sukkur	S02
6.	Freshwater Wetlands -Manchar Lake	Manchar Lake, Dadu	S03
7.	Nara Canal Wetlands	Nara (Chotiari)	S04
8.	Down stream Sukkur Riverine Forest	Nawabshah (Pai Forest)	S05
9.	Wetlands/riverine forest downstream Kotri	Kotri –Thatta	K01
10.	Freshwater Wetlands – Keenjhar Lake	Keenjar and Haleji Lakes, Thatta	K02
11.	Wetlands / LBOD	Badin, Mirpurkhas	K03
12.	Wetlands / LBOD	Narreri and Jabbo	K04
13.	Coastal Ecosystem – Karachi	Sandspits Beach, Karachi	C01
14.	Coastal Ecosystem - Thatta	Indus Delta	C02

Map of the Priority Sites of the Indus Ecoregion

