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Government of Pakistan Finance Division (Budget Wing) *****

Islamabad, the 11th May, 2025

Subject: Budget Call Circular 2025-26 - Climate Tagging of Subsidies

In continuation of the Budget Call Circular (BCC) 2025-26, an additional form (Form-III-C) is hereby attached. This form has been developed as part of a new methodology to capture the climate-relevant component in subsidies. This initiative aims to enhance and expand reporting on climate considerations in all allocations made in the annual budget.

- 2. Concerned PAOs are requested to ensure submission of the duly filled-in Form-III C by 30th May, 2025. Finance Division is available for providing guidance and necessary support to Ministries/Divisions/Departments in filling out this form. Climate tagging of subsidies is also one of the requirements under EFF agreed with IMF.
- 3. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated, please.

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Climate Budget Tagging of Subsidies

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| Cost Centre No. | Cost Centre Description | Sector | B.E 2025-26 | Classification Mitigation/ Adaptation | Category* A, B, C, D, E |
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| *Choos | e one of the following Catego | ries; | | | |
| | Directly Favorable Indirectly Favorable | | et. | | |
| | Neutral or not assessed | | | | |
| | Mixed | | | | |
| E. | Potentially unfavorable | | | | |
| | he detail of determining the o | categories, specific | cations and exampl | es etc. are given in | instruction par |
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Background and Instructions for Climate Budget tagging of Subsidies

Federal Government of Pakistan started Climate Budgeting from FY 2023-24 whereby the federal budget has been mapped for climate relevance in three categories of Adaptation, Mitigation and Transition. At first stage, the public expenditure under Running of Civil Government (RoCG) and Development (PSDP) has been tagged. Now, this tagging exercise has been extended to other expenditures such as grants and subsidies to identify the overall climate related public expenditure. Subsidies are considerable portion of federal budget and it is often defined as a form of a government support that confers an advantage on consumers or producers, in order to supplement their income or lower their costs. From FY 2025-26, these subsidies will be tagged for their relevance with climate. Finance Division has designed a methodology to tag subsidies. The **Form III-C** has been designed which has to be filled by using following instructions.

Instructions to fill the Form III-C

- First of all, mention cost center ID and description of subsidies. For example, Tariff Differential Subsidy, "Metro-Bus Subsidy" etc.
- Please mention the category in which this subsidy expenditure falls. For example, Energy Sector, Transport Sector, Agriculture Sector etc.
- 3. Please provide B.E for next FY.
- Choose the Classification for subsidy expenditure, if the expenditure falls in Climate Adaptation or mitigation domain.

| Classification | Description and Examples* | |
|----------------|--|--|
| Adaptation | Agriculture and Livestock: Research, technology, risk management | |
| | Example: Subsidies for crop loan insurance schemes etc. | |
| | Infrastructure: Green Roofs and walls, climate resilient buildings, Smart Grids | |
| | and Energy infrastructure | |
| | Example: Subsidy for Solar panels, subsidy for climate/ disaster resilient buildings | |
| | and infrastructure etc. | |
| Mitigation | Energy: Clean energy technologies, Energy conservation and power efficiency, | |
| | Hydropower and Renewable energy, Green growth and fiscal reforms in the | |
| | energy sector and Electricity transmission and distribution etc. | |
| | Example: Subsidy for Power sector- hydropower, subsidy for power transmission | |
| | etc. | |
| | Transport: General transportation, Urban transport etc. | |

Example: Subsidy for mass transport to reduce pressure of individual vehicles on environmental pollution. Subsidy for electric vehicles etc.

*Note: For Broader Classification and list of areas in Climate and Environment, please refer to Form-III-A in BCC.

5. The following categories can be used to tag the subsidies for climate;

| Tag | Description |
|-------------------------|---|
| Directly Favorable | This expenditure is focused on, or will contribute, in a tangible and in |
| | aspecific way, to an improvement in one or more areas related to climate |
| | and environmental listed in Form III-A |
| Indirectly Favorable | This subsidy expenditure is not specifically targeted for a particular |
| | outcome or directed to achieve climate and environment related goal. |
| | However, the implementation of this measure is likely to contribute to an |
| | overall improvement in one or more climate and environmental area. |
| Neutral or not Assessed | This expenditure is not likely to result in a significant impact on the climate |
| | and environmental related listed areas, or has not been assessed in this |
| | iteration, or it has not been possible to determine the impact of the |
| | expenditure due to lack of data or current state of scientific knowledge. |
| Mixed | This expenditure has impacts that are likely to be both simultaneously |
| | favourable and unfavourable to one or more areas of climate and |
| | environment, and expenditure cannot be proportionally divided between |
| | favourable and unfavourable amounts. |
| Potentially unfavorable | This expenditure is likely to lead to an increase in activity or encourage |
| | behaviours that would contribute to a worsening of performance in one or |
| | more areas of climate and environment, and/or any positive intended |
| | impacts the expenditure may have to be at risk of being offset by negative |
| | impacts or potential rebound effects, which may contribute to worsening |
| | of performance in one or more areas of climate and environment |

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