



Government of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan
Ministry of Mines and Petroleum
Directorate of Donor Coordination and Program Management

**Donor Coordination
Meeting Report**

15th August 2018

A. General:

The Donor Coordination & Program Management Directorate is charged with the task of acting as the one-stop shop for promoting and managing relations with the international donor community. The team is tasked with handling all donor related concerns and queries, working with other internal and external stakeholders as and when required, and serving as the communication channel between the Ministry's senior leadership and the international donor community. Keeping these objectives in mind, the Directorate, along with a core team drawn from certain other directorates such as Public Relations & Office of Chief of Staff, organized the second donor coordination meeting on 15th, August, 2018.

The event invited wide support from the donor community with over 20 international organizations' representation in the meeting. This report outlines the main points that were discussed in the meeting.



B. Objectives:

1. To inform the international donor community about MoMP's progress and needs.
2. To further establish contact with and a working relationship with the international donor community.

C. Agenda of the meeting:

Welcome Remarks: Mr. Shubham Chaudhuri – Country Director, World Bank

Opening Remarks: H.E Acting Minister of Mines and Petroleum

Ministry of Mines and Petroleum Achievements & Challenges 2017 to date:
By Senior Policy and Plan Advisor / Acting Director Internal Audit - Mr. Fahim Hashimi

Large Scale Mining projects: By Acting Director Legal Services -Mr. Waliullah Zadran

Open Discussion



1st Session:

Achievements & Challenges (2017 to date) :

The first session was presented by explaining the progress and challenges during the period of Oct/2017- Aug/2018. Considering the importance and implementation of the Reform Strategy, MoMP's leadership focused to align the annual work plan based on objectives and interventions defined and described in the reform strategy document. Progress and challenges on the five pillars were presented.

2nd Session:

Contract Management and Compliance

The Contract Management and Compliance presentation focused on the current matters of active contracts, such as Amu Darya and Afghan Tajik. The explanation was taken forward by focusing on ways forward and the anticipated constraints. In addition, the pending and new tender contracts were also discussed.

The below main points were also discussed:

- Ministry's approach to ensure the comprehensive legal regime and policy framework.
- Prioritization and identification of the required donor support based on the MoMP prioritized needs
- Ministry's approach for enhanced private sector engagement through providing an enabling environment.
- Gaps within directorates and the expertise required at different levels- Ministry's approach and vision for capacity building.
- Reform Strategy and capturing production and revenue collection data.
- Implementation of the cadastral (MCAS) and Non-Tax Revenue System (NTRS) and collection of debt from the companies.
- Ministry's conducted value chain studies for different commodities.
- A brief discussion on Zarkashan project.
- Encouraging and guiding investors for more investment in mining sector.
- Capacity building of Afghanistan Geological Survey (AGS).
- Bidding processes and addressing all funding issues.

