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Review report to the Members' On the Statement of Compliance with the Public Sector Companies (Corporate Governance) Rules, 2013

We have reviewed the enclosed Statement of Compliance with the best practices contained in the Public Sector Companies (Corporate Governance) Rules, 2013 (the Rules) prepared by the Board of Directors of Punjab Skills Development Fund ("the Company") for the year ended 30 June 2017.

The responsibility for compliance with the Rules is that of the Board of Directors of the Company. Our responsibility is to review, to the extent where such compliance can be objectively verified, whether the Statement of Compliance reflects the status of the Company's compliance with the provisions of the Rules and report if it does not and to highlight any non-compliance with the requirements of the Rules. A review is limited primarily to inquiries of the Company's personnel and review of various documents prepared by the Company to comply with the Rules.

As a part of our audit of the financial statements we are required to obtain an understanding of the accounting and internal control systems sufficient to plan the audit and develop an effective audit approach. We are not required to consider whether the Board of Directors' statement on internal control covers all risks and controls or to form an opinion on the effectiveness of such internal controls, the Company's corporate governance procedures and risks.

The Rules requires the Company to place before the Audit Committee, and upon recommendation of the Audit Committee, place before the Board of Directors for their review and approval its related party transactions distinguishing between transactions carried out on terms equivalent to those that prevail in arm's length transactions and transactions which are not executed at arm's length price and recording proper justification for using such alternate pricing mechanism. We are only required and have ensured compliance of this requirement to the extent of the approval of the related party transactions by the Board of Directors upon recommendation of the Audit Committee. We have not carried out any procedures to determine whether the related party transactions were undertaken at arm's length price or not.

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention which causes us to believe that the Statement of Compliance does not appropriately reflect the Company's compliance, in all material respects, with the best practices contained in the Rules as applicable to the Company for the year ended 30 June 2017.

Date: 21 December 2017

Lahore

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**STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH
THE PUBLIC SECTOR COMPANIES (CORPORATE GOVERNANCE RULES, 2013)**

Name of Company	The Punjab Skills Development Fund
Name of the line Ministry	Planning & Development Department, Government of the Punjab
For the Year Ended	June 30, 2017

I. This statement is being presented to comply with the Public Sector Companies (Corporate Governance) Rules, 2013 (hereinafter called "the Rules") issued for the purpose of establishing a framework of good governance, whereby a public sector company is managed in compliance with the best practices of public sector governance.

II. The company has complied with the provisions of the Rules in the following manner:

Sr. No.	Provision of the Rules	Rule no.	Y	N																																
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1.	The independent directors meet the criteria of independence, as defined under the Rules.	2(d)	Y																																	
2.	The Board has the requisite percentage of independent directors. At present the board includes:	3(2)	Y																																	
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	3.	A casual vacancy occurring on the board was filled up by the directors within ninety days.	3(4)	N/A																																
4.	The directors have confirmed that none of them is serving as a director on more than five public sector companies and listed companies simultaneously, except their subsidiaries.	3(5)		N																																



5	The appointing authorities have applied the fit and proper criteria given in the annexure in making nominations of the persons for election as board members under the provisions of the Ordinance.	3(7)		N
6.	The chairman of the board is working separately from the Chief Executive of the Company.	4(1)	Y	
7	The chairman has been elected from amongst the independent directors.	4(4)	Y	
8	The Board has evaluated the candidates for the position of the chief executive on the basis of the fit and proper criteria as well as the guidelines specified by the Commission.	5(2)	Y	
9.	(a) The company has prepared a "Code of Conduct" and has ensured that appropriate steps have been taken to disseminate it throughout the company along with its supporting policies and procedures, including posting the same on the company's website. (Address of website to be indicated " www.psdof.org.pk ") (b) The Board has set in place adequate systems and controls for the identification and redressal of grievances arising from unethical practices.	5(4)	Y	
10.	The Board has established a system of sound internal control, to ensure compliance with the fundamental principles of probity and propriety; objectivity, integrity and honesty; and relationship with the stakeholders, in the manner prescribed in the Rules.	5(5)	Y	
11.	The Board has developed and enforced an appropriate conflict of interest policy to lay down circumstances or considerations when a person may be deemed to have actual or potential conflict of interests, and the procedure for disclosing such interest.	5(5)(b) (ii)	Y	
12.	The Board has developed and implemented a policy on anti-corruption to minimize actual or perceived corruption in the company.	5(5)(b) (vi)	Y	
13.	(a) The Board has ensured equality of opportunity by establishing open and fair procedures for making appointments and for determining terms and conditions of service. (b) A Committee has been formed to investigating deviations from the company's code of conduct.	5(5)(c) (ii)	Y	
14.	The Board has ensured compliance with the law as well as the company's internal rules and procedures relating to public procurement, tender regulations, and purchasing and technical standards, when dealing with suppliers of goods and services, in accordance with PSDF Procurement Rules approved by its Board of Directors which are derived from PPRA Rules.	5(5)(c) (iii)	Y	
15.	The board has developed a vision or mission statement, corporate strategy and significant policies of the company. A complete record of particulars of significant policies along with the dates on which they were approved or amended has been maintained.	5(6)	Y	
16.	The board has quantified the outlay of any action in respect of any service delivered or goods sold by the Company as a public service obligation, and have submitted its request for appropriate compensation to the Government for consideration.	5(8)	Y	



17.	<p>a) The board has met at least four times during the year.</p> <p>b) Written notices of the board meetings, along with agenda and working papers, were circulated at least seven days before the meetings.</p> <p>c) The minutes of the meetings were appropriately recorded and circulated.</p>	<p>6(1)</p> <p>6(2)</p> <p>6(3)</p>	<p>(b) Y</p> <p>(c) Y</p>	<p>(a) N</p>															
18.	<p>The board has carried out performance evaluation of its members, including the chairman and the chief executive, on the basis of a process, based on specified criteria, developed by it. The board has also monitored and assessed the performance of senior management on annual/half-yearly/quarterly basis*.</p> <p>* Strike out whichever is not applicable</p>	8		N															
19.	<p>The board has reviewed and approved the related party transactions placed before it after recommendations of the audit committee. A party wise record of transactions entered into with the related parties during the year has been maintained.</p>	9	Y																
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21.	<p>All the board members underwent an orientation course arranged by the company to apprise them of the material developments and information as specified in the Rules.</p>	11		N															
22.	<p>a) The board has formed the requisite committees, as specified in the Rules.</p> <p>b) The committees were provided with written term of reference defining their duties, authority and composition.</p> <p>c) The minutes of the meetings of the committees were circulated to all the board members.</p> <p>d) The committees were chaired by the following non-executive directors:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Committee</th> <th>No. of Members</th> <th>Name of Chair</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>HR Committee (HRC)</td> <td>3</td> <td>Naved Hamid</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Program Design & Evaluation Committee (PDEC)</td> <td>5</td> <td>Mr. Almas Hyder</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Audit & Finance Committee (AFC)</td> <td>5</td> <td>Mr. Faisal Farid</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nomination Committee of Board</td> <td>3</td> <td>Dr. Ijaz Nabi</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Committee	No. of Members	Name of Chair	HR Committee (HRC)	3	Naved Hamid	Program Design & Evaluation Committee (PDEC)	5	Mr. Almas Hyder	Audit & Finance Committee (AFC)	5	Mr. Faisal Farid	Nomination Committee of Board	3	Dr. Ijaz Nabi	12	Y	
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23.	<p>The board has approved appointment of Chief Financial Officer, Company Secretary and Chief Internal Auditor, with their remuneration and terms and conditions of employment, and as per their prescribed qualifications.</p>	13/14	Y																
24.	<p>The company has adopted International Financial Reporting Standards notified by the Commission under clause (i) of sub-section (3) of section 234 of the Ordinance.</p>	16	Y																



25.	The directors' report for this year has been prepared in compliance with the requirements of the Ordinance and the Rules and fully describes the salient matters required to be disclosed.	17	Y																			
26.	The directors, CEO and executives do not hold any interest in the shares of the company other than that disclosed in the pattern of shareholding.	18	N/A																			
27.	A formal and transparent procedure for fixing the remuneration packages of individual directors has been set in place. The annual report of the company contains criteria and details of remuneration of each director.	19	Y																			
28.	The financial statements of the company were duly endorsed by the chief executive and chief financial officer, before approval of the board.	20	Y																			
29.	The board has formed an audit committee, with defined and written terms of reference, and having the following members:	21	N																			
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32.	The external auditors of the company have confirmed that the firm and all its partners are in compliance with International Federation of Accountants (IFAC) guidelines on Code of Ethics as applicable in Pakistan.	23(4)	Y																			
33.	The external auditors have not been appointed to provide non- audit services and the auditors have confirmed that they have observed applicable guidelines issued by IFAC in this regard.	23(5)	Y																			
34.	The company has complied with all the corporate and financial reporting requirements of the Rules.		Y																			

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Schedule II

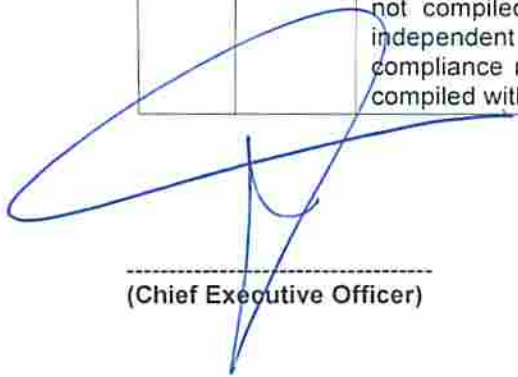
Explanation for Non-Compliance with The Public Sector Companies (Corporate Governance) Rules, 2013

We confirm that all other material requirements envisaged in the Rules have been complied with except for the following, toward which reasonable progress is being made by the company to seek compliance by the end of June 30, 2017.

Sr. No.	Rule/sub-rule no.	Reasons for non-compliance	Future course of action
4	3(5)	Compliance is confirmed other than Government nominated Directors as they are nominated under Ex-officio capacity (<i>Secretaries of Government Department</i>)	As per the directions of PSDF Board, This fact is already brought into the notice to the Law Department, Government of the Punjab.
5	3(7)	Since all the directors are appointed by the provincial Government, hence confirmation for applying Fit & Proper criteria cannot be confirmed.	As per the directions of PSDF Board, This fact was already brought into the notice to the Law Department, Government of the Punjab. The department has the view point that PSDF is a non-profit public sector company with the objective to serve at provincial level; hence Corporate Governance Compliance Guidelines are not applicable on PSDF in the light of section 05 read with section 506. The response of Law Department was also shared with SECP for further guidance, the response is awaited.
17	6(1)	A total three BOD meetings could be convened in FY 2016-17, The fourth BOD meeting was convened on July 18, 2017. (i.e. 30 th BOD meeting).	Compliance will be made in FY 2017-18
18	8	As per practice, the Board regularly carried out performance evaluation of CEO of the company. The senior management is evaluated by CEO through a well-defined performance appraisal criteria approved by Board. However, the performance of Board members is yet to be finalized.	Compliance will be made before June30, 2018.

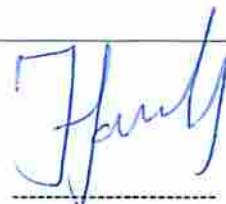


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21	11	<p>An in house session for awareness of Corporate Governance Rules 2013 was conducted with Board of Directors in the 29th Board meeting held on January 09, 2017. Another session regarding recent changes in Companies Act 2017 & Board of Directors' responsibilities is planned to conduct in FY 2017-18.</p>	<p>To be compiled with before June 30, 2018</p>
29	21	<p>PSDF has fully functional Board Audit Committee consisting of 05 members of the Board. CEO & Chairman of Board are not the members of Board Audit Committee. However, the representation of majority of independent member is not compiled. Because 02 out 05 are independent members. The rest of the compliance requirements of rule 21 are compiled with.</p>	<p>To be compiled with before June 30, 2018</p>



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