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# KAROT PROJECT RESETTLEMENT ACTION PLAN BROCHURE

## What is the Karot Power Project?

Karot Power Company (Pvt) Limited (KPCL) is developing a 720 MW Hydropower Project on the Jhelum River in Punjab Province and Pakistan-administered Kashmir. The Karot Hydropower Project will be built approximately 74km upstream of the Mangla Dam and about 27km downstream of the proposed Azad Pattan hydropower project, at the location of Karot village in Kahuta Tehsil of Rawalpindi District and Hollar Village in Pakistan-administered Kashmir.

The Project's major components include the following:

- Dam, powerhouse, reservoir and construction laydown areas
- Access roads
- Permanent operations support buildings
- 500kV transmission line



## What are the impacts to people's assets and livelihoods from the project?

Because of the Project, 74 resettlement affected households (RAHs) will be moved (49 from Karot Village and 25 from Hollar Village) with approximately 578 people and 78 commercial structures. Households with land close to the riverbanks may lose some of this land from the inundation of the reservoir. The majority of this land is barren land on the riverbanks. The total number of households affected by the reservoir has not yet been determined. This information will be provided by the relevant Land Departments. So far, 27 households have been identified as being vulnerable due to extreme poverty or because they were female-headed households.

Other impacts of the Project include loss or relocation of public infrastructure and services, including two schools, two mosques, the Karot and Azad Pattan bridges. Measures are included to protect cultural infrastructure including a shrine and its graveyard.

The Project team has consulted with government officials and local communities about the relocation of the public services and facilities. Following construction replacement public infrastructure such as the bridges and education facilities will be handed over to the relevant government department.

## Principles for resettlement

KPLC is addressing resettlement impacts according to the laws of Pakistan and international guidelines of the International Finance Corporation (IFC) so that the livelihoods and standards of living for all people who are relocated are improved, or at least restored to pre-project levels. Additional support will be provided to people who are identified as very poor or vulnerable.

## Who is eligible for compensation?

All people who lose land or access to land because of the Project will be entitled to compensation. The compensation will include items on the land such as houses, commercial buildings, crops and trees. Compensation will take into account whether a portion or all of the land holding is affected and whether the loss is temporary or permanent. Lack of legal documents or titles will not affect eligibility for compensation and assistance. Customary rights of occupancy will be recognised.

If people or households reside, occupy or use land needed for the Project prior to the cut-off date then they will be considered resettlement affected and eligible for compensation and entitlements. The cut-off date for entitlements is the date that the government issued the Section 4 notification. These dates vary between villages. People who occupy or move into the Project area after the cut-off-date are not eligible for compensation or resettlement assistance. Any changes made to the land to establish or improve it after the cut-off date will not be compensated.

Resettlement affected people who have leasing, tenancy or sharecropping agreements will be provided with compensation in line with what has already been agreed between the lessee and leaseholder.

## What compensation are people entitled to in the resettlement?

People are entitled to compensation for their losses, including homes, land, crops, and trees. People may also be entitled to allowances. The table below shows what compensation people may be entitled to according to the different types of Project losses.



## Project Entitlements

Type of Loss	Affected Persons	Entitlement and Compensation
Permanent loss of land	Land owners whether titled or not	Cash compensation based on replacement cost
	Lessee/ tenant/ sharecropper	As agreed between lessee and lease holder, either renewal of existing lease in other plots of same characteristics or cash refund for the duration of remaining lease period Cash compensation equivalent to market value of gross yield of affected land for remaining lease period up to a maximum of 1 years
Temporary loss of land	Land owners whether titled or not	Rent payment for the time land is used - as negotiated between the land owner/user and the project company
	Lessee/ tenant/ sharecropper (registered/ un registered)	Cash compensation equal to current market value (based on gross yield of lost harvest) of share of two lost harvests proportionate to size of lost plot
Residential buildings/ Structures	Owners whether titled or untitled	Cash compensation at replacement rates for affected structure, free from depreciation and free from salvageable materials Transportation allowance to move items to new location of Rs 30,000 Relocation allowance of Rs 20,000 per month for 12 months
	Tenants	Tenants will be given one month notice to move out of houses Transportation allowance to move items to new location of Rs 30,000 Relocation allowance of Rs 20,000 per month for 12 months
Loss of income from rental property	Landlords renting houses	A one-time payment for loss of income from rent at the cost of 3 months' rent or 3 months of the national minimum wage, whichever is higher
Permanent business loss	Business owners	Cash compensation at replacement rates for affected structure, free from depreciation and salvageable materials Business loss allowance equal to 3 months average income for the business or 3 months of national minimum wage, whichever is higher Transportation allowance to move items to new location of Rs 30,000 Relocation allowance of Rs 20,000 per month for 12 months
Business loss - temporary stoppage during construction	Business owners	Business loss allowance for the period of disruption up to 3 months average income for the business or 3 months of national minimum wage, whichever is higher
Permanent employment loss	Employee of affected business	Employment loss allowance of 6 months of wages or 6 months of the national minimum wage, whichever is higher Priority employment on the Project.
Temporary employment loss - during construction	Employee of affected business	Employment loss allowance for the period of disruption up to a period of 3 months of wages or 3 months of the national minimum wage, whichever is higher.

Type of Loss	Affected Persons	Entitlement and Compensation
Trees – permanent loss	Tree owners	Fruit bearing/fuel wood/timber trees will be compensated at current market value taking into account the type, size, produce and wood volume of the tree Cost of seedlings and the required inputs to replace the tree
Crops - permanent loss	Crop owners	Cash compensation of the value of one year’s worth of crops valued at the current market rates Cost of seedlings and the required inputs to replace the crops
	Parties to a sharecrop agreement	Compensation of the value of one year’s worth of crops valued at the current market rates distributed between the landowner and the tenant according to the legally stipulated or the traditionally or informally agreed share
Vulnerability allowance	Vulnerable persons	Lump sum amount of 6 months of the official minimum wage Preferential selection for Project related employment
Permanent loss of community structures	Community	Relocation of mosques at appropriate places with the consent of the affected community Construction of protection wall around the graveyard and shrine

Permanent loss for public infrastructures will be compensated by the relocation of primary school and access road with the consent of the government and the local community. Compensation measures will cover the rehabilitation and relocation of remaining affected structures with the consent of the concerned authorities.

## Livelihood Restoration

Some people may find that they cannot return to the same means of livelihood in their new resettlement location or may experience livelihood losses because of the time it will take to restart their businesses in alternative locations. The Project will provide training and skills development to assist resettlement affected people, including women, so they can retain or improve their livelihoods. The Project will also provide priority employment to resettlement affected men and women if they have the required skills. Livelihood initiatives proposed include:

- Financial literacy training for affected household members over 16 years of age
- Employability skills to help people understand what job opportunities are available with the Project and training on how to apply for jobs
- Skills development course on the most useful skills needed for project construction

To help with the transition to the new location each resettlement affected household will receive a package of goods to help the family during the first few days after they move. As mentioned in the matrix, funds to buy seeds and inputs for crops and trees will also be provided.

## How do people register a concern or complaint about the project or the resettlement process?

If a person has a concern or complaint about the Project or about resettlement, they can use the form at the back of this brochure to register a grievance. People can also contact a member of KPCL or speak to a village representative who will pass their grievance to KPCL or its representatives. The company's Community Liaison Officer can receive land acquisition and resettlement grievances and will work with KPCL and relevant organisations to address the issues. Complaints may also be lodged at the Union Council offices. KPCL will respond to grievances in both oral and written form.

When KPCL cannot address the grievance to the adequate satisfaction of the complainant or where a more formal investigation is required, a Grievance Redress Committee will be constituted. Grievance Redress Committees normally include representatives of the local government, company and communities.

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Contact Information	By Post: Please provide mailing address
Please identify how you wish to be contacted (mail, telephone, e-mail)	By telephone: By e-mail:
Preferred language of communication?	Urdu / Punjabi Other (please specify).....
Description of incident or grievance (What happened? Where did it happen? Who did it happen to? What is the result of the problem?):	
Date of incident/grievance	
	One time incident/grievance (date _____) Happened more than once (how many times? ____) On-going (currently experiencing problem)
What would you like to see to resolve this problem?	
Internal Use Only Grievance received by: Date: Reference number:	