

Babar Aman Babar (PAS- BS 20)- A Gist of Service Profile in Last 10 Years

Babar Aman Babar has always successfully achieved the targets and has been passionately striving for Good Governance and strengthening the Institutions throughout his career!

- As **Executive District Officer, Finance & Planning, Rahimyarkhan,** (head of district Finance & Planning), he reduced the operational expenditures by around Rs 500 million. He was also instrumental in negotiating the mammoth floods of 2010 in South Punjab as head of relief works in district Rahimyarkhan. He got constructed the sprawling Daanish Schools for boys and girls, with boarding facility and residential areas for the staff, on 100 acres of a desert, in just around one year. Recruited the teaching and non-teaching staff on merit and got admitted the students strictly as per the PDS & CEA Act. Also held additional charge as DCO.
- As **Additional Commissioner (Coord./ Rev.) Bahawalpur,** he disposed off all the pending cases in his court (pending for years) within a record time of less than 3 months.
- As **MD Cholistan Development Authority,** he prepared the SOPs for better financial management and use of government rest houses. He got prepared the complete list of encroachers of state land and started taking action. He unearthed many irregularities which ruffled feathers and he was transferred. Dawn reported this event prominently as **“Efficiency of a DMG officer is not palatable to many”**.
- He remained the best **Regional Director Anti-Corruption Establishment** in all key indicators for consecutively 3 years from the year 2012 to 2014. The mega corruption cases challenged by him were more than the cases of all other regions combined. As **DG Anti-Corruption Establishment, GB,** he prepared the Law and Rules for that province.
- He contributed in the infrastructure development of the topographically challenging hard area of the country, Gilgit-Baltistan, as Secretary Public Works Department, Secretary Tourism and Secretary P&D for more than 4 years. He also held the additional charges of Secretary Finance and Secretary Home.
- As **Secretary Planning & Development (P&D),** he ensured 100% utilization against the allocated funds for consecutively 3 years which is a record in the country. He was instrumental in getting record mega projects approved from the federal government and hence served the people of the sensitive area of GB with heart and soul. For the first time, he got conducted a thorough survey

and collected reliable data for 122 indicators including health, nutrition, education, WATSAN, life satisfaction etc, published a detailed 400 pages report and devised online access through a user friendly application. On the basis of the primary data so collected he initiated evidence based planned and integrated Development of the area. He also devised a checklist for approval of the projects from the competent Development forum and ensured its sanctity. His efforts were recognized and highly appreciated by the United Nations, One UN. He had excellent working relationship with the public representatives/ Parliamentarians. **As a singular honour, the Gilgit-Baltistan assembly passed a unanimous resolution to eulogize and recognize the contribution he made for the Development of Gilgit-Baltistan and awarded one gross salary as a token reward.**

- As **Secretary Excise, Taxation, Revenue, Transport, Zakat & Ushr and Cooperatives** he doubled the revenue receipts of the province during his tenure. He also devised its proper Rules of Business, strengthened the legal regime and put in place a vibrant enforcement mechanism.
- As **Member (Governance, Coord, IT)/ PD, Punjab Reforms Management Program/ Acting Secretary P&D, Punjab**, he streamlined the Foreign Funded Projects (FFPs), got incorporated an Online Monitoring Portal, indicated the FFPs and DLIs in the ADP for the first time, mapped and brought on the horizon of P&D all grants also, along with loans, and strived to remove flaws and bottlenecks to ensure best value for money. He also assisted the Chairman P&D in formulating better schemes for ADP, 2019-20 including mega projects and scrapping projects having least cost-benefit ratio.
- **He was declared as the Most Assertive Officer of the 26th Senior Management Course (SMC).**
- While serving as the **Special Secretary, LG&CD**, he managed all the Covid-19 related initiatives day and night along with Secretary LG&CD during the pandemic and never got a single day leave. Due to his relentless efforts, covid-19 related SOPs were implemented in all 455 local governments and other establishments in true letter and spirit.
- He helped develop the Online Dashboard for Covid-19 and got daily reports from all the 455 local governments, the Waste Management Companies and Cattle Markets, pin- pointed the deficiencies and supervised them diligently. The reports included: Total Places visited for social distancing, Total hand washing facilities, Total places disinfected, Staff deputed at hospitals and

other establishments, masks and kits available, dead bodies buried under SOPs, quarantines established, awareness campaigns, Ehasas Programme related activities etc.

- During the hey days of Covid-19, he specifically monitored Lahore Division in an exemplary manner where the incidence of the pandemic was the highest in the whole of the province. Due to his personal efforts and sense of responsibility, 7 out of 15 best performing LGs in the whole of the province in "Disinfected Places" category, 5 out of 15 in "Hand Washing Facilities" category and 6 out of 15 in "Social Distancing" category were from Lahore Division. A gist of some of these activities in Lahore Division is as follows which is the best performance in the whole of the Punjab:

- Total Places visited for social distancing: 205,369
- Total instances of establishing hand washing facilities: 86,990
- Total places disinfected: 581,868
- Moreover, he contributed in putting in place an elaborate online monitoring mechanism for the cattle markets of Punjab. The above actions helped reduce the incidence of the disease in the whole province of the Punjab.
- Lastly, due to his personal efforts, the Cattle Markets Companies started earning huge revenues which could be gauged from the fact that only in the month of July, 2020, around Rs 15 crores were collected which has the potential of tremendous exponential increase in the days to come. The business plans for other such entities like Waste Management Companies (WMCs) were also finalized under his supervision so as to enable them to self-sustain the operations (presently only WMCs get around Rs 21 billion every year from the provincial exchequer).

- Worked as **Special Secretary, Primary & Secondary Health Department**, Government of the Punjab for around 4 months. As per his job description, he remained successful in disposing off record **771** number of promotion cases on merit, in such a short span of time. Thus, only in little more than 4 months he achieved 20% more than the preceding full year. For the first time, a Certificate from the officers was obtained on stamp paper, duly verified by notary public, certifying that no enquiry or case was pending against the officer in the Department or investigative agencies, Anti-Corruption, NAB, FIA. Further, all cases pertaining to the Selection Board were got cleared. Strict disciplinary actions were taken against officers, absolutely without any discrimination, to enforce discipline. All pending references w.r.t the Assembly Business were

disposed off and status of zero pendency achieved. Enquiries were conducted on merit and mega scams were unearthed. PM/ CM visits were conducted. Last but not least, Vaccination centres were visited and weaknesses were duly pointed out which helped enforce better practices.

- Presently, serving as **MD PPRA**. In a short span of time, after a thorough analysis, he prepared and delivered a comprehensive briefing to the Board of Management. E-Procurement Rules have been drafted, as a first of its kind, in the whole of country. Amendments to remove difficulties in PPR-14 have been submitted. Service Regulations, including Schedule of Posts have been devised and steps to initiate e-Tendering have been got approved. Last, but not least, financial package for the employees working in PPRA has been prepared and submitted for approval. PPRA will be in much better position to play its due positive role as a consequence to materialization of above initiatives.