



Mustehkam Parlmaan is a project funded by the European Union, dedicated to supporting parliamentary development in Pakistan. The project is being implemented by the German Agency for International Cooperation (GIZ) International Services and the Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS).

## Project Overview

**Project Duration: Mar 2021 – February 2025**

### Core Components

- Enhanced legislative, oversight, budgetary and representation capacity
- Strengthened capacity for administration and support service
- Facilitated inclusive parliamentary processes, addressing socio-economic issues (i.e. poverty, hunger, health, education)



### Key Areas of Focus

#### Enhancing committee systems and structures

The Project is working to make committee processes more effective and efficient for performance, legislative and budgetary oversight, helping to ensure that citizens' taxes are used efficaciously.



#### Enhancing Members engagement with media and sensitising journalists understanding of the Parliament

Identifying key areas in which journalists can be helped to better understand the workings of the Parliament to enhance their ability to appropriately provide coverage of the Members' work. These efforts will include Parliamentary Rules of Procedure, types of legislative processes, Parliamentary Ethics and Etiquette, and journalistic norms; and, how to use social media in covering Parliament and remaining within Editorial Guidelines.



#### Strengthening institutional development of Provincial Assemblies' Secretariats

Developing and refreshing provincial secretariat staffs knowledge and understanding of parliamentary processes to enhance their ability to maintain the smooth functioning of House Business.



#### Legislative Drafting

Developing a handbook on drafting techniques of delegated legislation for the National Parliament Houses to ensure that provides for well-structured delegated legislation, explaining key drafting techniques and illuminating practical aspects of delegated legislation.



#### Womens Parliamentary Caucus

Revitalising Women's Parliamentary Caucuses (WPC) in the Provincial Assemblies is a key project goal, to strengthen the effectiveness of the role of the WPCs and ensure its impact, while highlighting the role of women in decision making boards.



#### Young Parliamentarians Forum

The project is working with the newly reconstituted the national Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF), whose membership includes both the National Assembly and the Senate, to decide the future agenda of the forum, as well as helping provincial assemblies for the formation of provincial YPFs.

