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Public–Private Dialogue (PPD) Report

Held at AIC Hall, Engineer – 18TH November 2025

1. Background and Purpose

A Public–Private Dialogue (PPD) was convened in 18TH November 2025 at AIC Hall, Engineer, to strengthen collaboration between government institutions, private sector actors, development partners, and civil society. The meeting aimed to:

- Review the current business and investment climate
 - Identify priority constraints affecting growth and service delivery
 - Gather stakeholder input to inform sector planning and budgeting
 - Present and validate the proposed Public–Private Partnership (PPP) Framework under development
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2. Participants

The dialogue brought together representatives from:

- National and County Government departments
 - Private sector associations and individual enterprises
 - Financial institutions
 - Civil society organizations
 - Youth and women entrepreneur groups
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3. Key Issues Discussed

3.1 Regulatory and Policy Environment

Participants noted the need for:

- Streamlined licensing and permit processes
- Predictable tax and regulatory policies
- Faster dispute resolution mechanisms

Private sector representatives emphasized the importance of reducing administrative bottlenecks to improve investor confidence.

3.2 Infrastructure and Service Delivery

Priority infrastructure gaps were identified in:

- Roads and transport networks
- Water and sanitation systems
- Energy access and reliability
- ICT infrastructure

Participants agreed that infrastructure improvement is critical to unlocking local investment potential.

3.3 Access to Finance

Stakeholders highlighted:

- Limited access to affordable credit for SMEs
- High collateral requirements
- Need for blended finance mechanisms

Financial institutions expressed willingness to explore risk-sharing arrangements with government.

3.4 Skills Development and Employment

Discussion focused on:

- Aligning technical training with industry needs
 - Strengthening apprenticeship and internship programs
 - Supporting youth and women entrepreneurship
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4. Emerging Public–Private Framework

A key highlight of the dialogue was the presentation of a developing **Public–Private Partnership (PPP) Framework** intended to formalize collaboration between government and private actors.

4.1 Objectives of the Framework

- Enhance structured engagement between public and private sectors
- Mobilize private capital for public infrastructure and service delivery
- Improve transparency and accountability in partnerships
- Promote inclusive economic growth

4.2 Core Components

1. **Institutional Structure**
 - Establishment of a PPP Coordination Unit
 - Defined roles for line ministries and private sector representatives
2. **Project Identification and Preparation**
 - Transparent project selection criteria
 - Feasibility study requirements
 - Environmental and social safeguards
3. **Financing Mechanisms**
 - Co-financing models
 - Risk-sharing arrangements
 - Viability gap funding options
4. **Governance and Oversight**
 - Clear procurement guidelines
 - Monitoring and evaluation framework
 - Periodic stakeholder review forums
5. **Stakeholder Engagement Platform**
 - Institutionalization of bi-annual Public–Private Dialogue sessions
 - Digital feedback and reporting mechanism

5. Conclusion

The November 2025 Public–Private Dialogue marked a significant step toward institutionalized collaboration between public and private stakeholders. Participants expressed strong commitment to sustaining structured engagement and accelerating the development of the PPP Framework.

The dialogue reaffirmed that coordinated planning, transparent governance, and shared accountability are essential to achieving sustainable economic growth and improved service delivery.