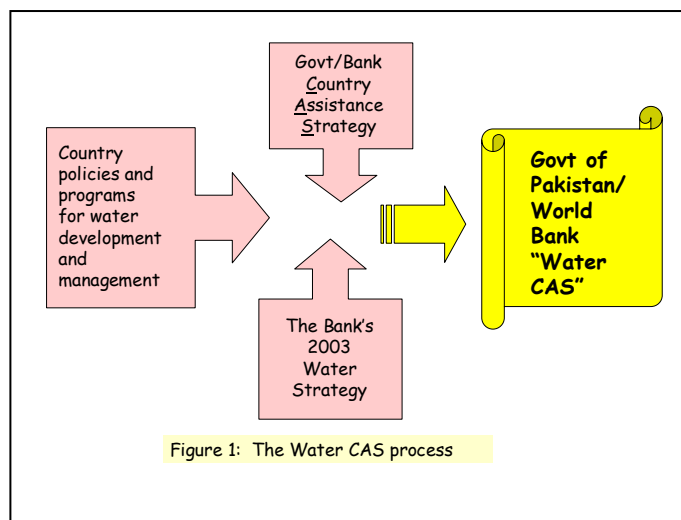


I: THE PROCESS FOLLOWED

In 2003, the Board of Executive Directors (representing the 180 countries who own the World Bank) approved a new Water Resources Sector Strategy. Two important conclusions of the Strategy were that the general principles adopted needed to be adapted to the widely-varying conditions pertaining in the Bank's borrowing countries and that there needed to be more systematic and integrated incorporation of water-related issues into Country Assistance Strategies (CAS, the "contract" between the Government and the Bank which defines an indicative four-year package of investment and advisory services to be provided by the World Bank). Water management is a major issue for Pakistan and area where the Bank has a long history of engagement and a perceived comparative advantage. As part of the process of preparing a Pakistan Country Assistance Strategy for the period 2006-2010 it was agreed that the Bank would do a Water CAS for Pakistan, following the logic shown in Figure 1. Generous support was provided by the Bank Netherlands Water Partnership Program.



The Pakistan Water CAS process involved several related elements:

- Extensive discussions with senior officials of the provincial and the federal governments, including a major formal consultation on institutional issues;
- A consultation with about 50 stakeholders from the private sector, academia, NGOs, professional associations and government; and
- The commissioning of the following background papers by prominent Pakistani practitioners and policy analysts.

BACKGROUND PAPER	AUTHOR(S)	DESIGNATION
1: Water, growth and poverty	Sarfraz Khan Qureshi	Former Director, Pakistan Institute of Development Studies
2. Human and Social Dimensions.	Karin Siegmann and Shafqat Shezad	Research Fellows, Sustainable Development Policy Institute
3. Water and environmental sustainability.	Vaqar Zakaria	Managing Director Hagler Bailley
4. Water and energy.	Imitiaz Ali Qazilbash	Retired WAPDA official
5. Water balances and evapotranspiration.	Shahid Ahmad	Chief Scientific Officer Water Natural Resources Division, Pakistan Agricultural Research Council
6. Water rights and entitlements.	Faizul Hasan	Chief Engineer ACE (Pvt.) Ltd. / Project Coordinator General Consultants for WAPDA
7. Sustainable, accountable institutions.	Sardar Muhammad Tariq and Shams-ul-Mulk	Former Member (Water), and Chairman WAPDA respectively
9. Drinking water and sanitation.	Khurram Shahid	Consultant
10. The political economy of reform.	Imran Ali	Professor, Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)
11. The role of large dams in the Indus System.	Pervaiz Amir	Economist Asianics Agro. Dev. International
12. Ground water development and Management	Frank Van Steenbergen Shamshad Gohar	Metameta Research and Ground Water/Water Quality Specialist PCWSSP
13: Modernization of Agriculture	Pervaiz Amir	Economist Asianics Agro. Dev. International
14. The policies and prospective plans for development and management of water resources by the Federal and Provincial Governments.	Sardar Muhammad Tariq and Shams-ul-Mulk	Former Member (Water), and Chairman WAPDA, respectively
15. Flood Control and Management	Asif Kazi	Former Special Secretary Ministry of Water and Power and Ex-Chairman Federal Flood Commission
16. Drainage and salinity management.	M. N. Bhutta and Lambert Smedema	Director General International Water Logging and Salinity Research Institute (IWASRI)
17: The evolution of Bank lending and non-lending for water in Pakistan	Usman Qamar	Senior Irrigation Engineer, World Bank
18. The evolution of Bank lending & non-lending for water supply and sanitation	Pervaiz Amir and Nadir Abbas	Economist Asianics, and Sr. Water Supply and Sanitation Specialist, World Bank