

INTRODUCTION

The Pakhtunkhwa Highways Authority previously known as Frontier Highways Authority was established on August 29, 2001 through NWFP Ordinance No. XIX of August 29, 2001. The basic idea of its creation was to conceive, plan and ensure the Construction, Improvement, Maintenance, and Repair of Provincial Highways and Maintenance, of Provincial Highways and Roads. It will also undertake other communication projects as indicated by the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Initially 8No roads with a total Length of 1988Km were given the status of Provincial Highways. Later on, some of the Provincial Highways were federalized and handed over to NHA while some more roads were declared as Provincial Highways. Presently PKHA is the custodian of 32No Provincial Highways with a total length 2747-Km.

PKHA is mandated to:

- Prepare and notify in the official gazette, list of Provincial Highways.
- Advise government on matters relating to Provincial Highways and other roads.
- Acquire any land in accordance with legal procedure.
- Prepare a master plan for the development, construction, operation and maintenance of Provincial Highways and Roads in KPK.
- Incur expenditure on acquisition of land and disposal of assets.
- Procure plant, machinery, instruments and materials required for its use.
- Levy, collect or cause to be collected tolls on Provincial Highways and other roads.
- Notify Right Of Way (ROW).
- Conduct studies, surveys, experiments and technical research.
- Seek and obtain advice and assistance.
- Raise funds (local and foreign)
- Ensure mutation of land as soon as the land is taken over.
- Exercise power to award contracts for projects.
- Pre-Qualification of Consultants for planning, designing and supervision of projects.
- Registration / Enlistment of Contractors for execution of projects.
- Grant NOC for installation of Petrol / CNG Station on provincial highways