Financial Governance Committee (FGC) Meeting Summary
71st Meeting – 4th November 2025, Mogadishu, Somalia

Overview

The Financial Governance Committee (FGC) held its 71st meeting on 4th November 2025 in Mogadishu. The meeting reviewed key developments in fiscal and institutional reforms, the constitutional review process, natural resources sector management, corruption perceptions, and revenue mobilisation. Members also discussed updates on concessions and contracts, including plans for major infrastructure projects. The meeting reflected the FGC's continued role in promoting fiscal discipline, transparency, and institutional coherence across Somalia's governance landscape.

Corruption Perceptions Index

Members reviewed the actions taken by countries that have improved their position in the Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI) over time, through sustained reforms focused on accountability, transparency and institutional development. The FGC will support FGS to develop a CPI action plan for engaging with CPI source indices and broadening understanding of the CPI amongst Somali policy makers.

Petroleum and Natural Resource Management

The Committee received updates on the petroleum sector and management of existing Production Sharing Agreements (PSAs). They noted that amendments to the to Liberty Petroleum PSAs, which were approved by the Inter-Ministerial Concessions Committee (IMCC) and signed in August 2025 addressed key shortcomings in the original agreements and improved FGS's fiscal position.. The Committee welcomed progress in bringing these agreements into alignment with the Somali law.

Members discussed FGS's preparations for conducting a competitive licensing round in 2026 and emphasized the importance of acquiring appropriate technical support from development partners..

Public Property

The Committee reviewed the public property provisions of the Public Financial Management (PFM) Act and discussed ways to clarify provisions on the sale and leasing of public property. The Somali Development and Reconstruction Bank (SDRB) provided an update on its property portfolio and ongoing improvements in lease management.

Revenue Mobilisation

The Ministry of Finance reported progress in domestic revenue collections in the third quarter of the year, despite aid-related fiscal pressures. The Committee noted the positive performance of inland revenue and implementation ongoing reforms under the Medium-Term Revenue Plan. Members discussed the regularization of Mogadishu port fee deductions and at-source collections from the airport, stressing the importance of consistency in revenue reporting and reconciliation across agencies.

Concessions and Contracts

The Committee reviewed several ongoing concession and procurement matters. In particular, the Committee received an update on FGS's efforts to identify financing for the New Mogadishu Port Project, including recent positive interactions with the European Investment Bank (EIB) and European Union (EU). Development of a new greenfield port is a policy priority for FGS, as the current Mogadishu port is increasingly capacity constrained.

Conclusion

The Chair, H.E. Bihi Iman Egeh, Minister of Finance, thanked members for their active participation and reaffirmed the Committee's commitment to strengthening Somalia's fiscal governance and institutional transparency. Follow-up actions were agreed across agenda items, with progress to be reviewed at the next FGC meeting.