



SPECIAL TECHNOLOGY ZONES AUTHORITY

We build knowledge ecosystems for an entrepreneurial,
innovative, and tech-driven Pakistan.

TECH ZONES AROUND THE WORLD



TUSPark 



Silicon Valley 



Samsung Digital City 



Research Triangle Park 



Teknopark Istanbul 



Shenzhen Tech Zone 



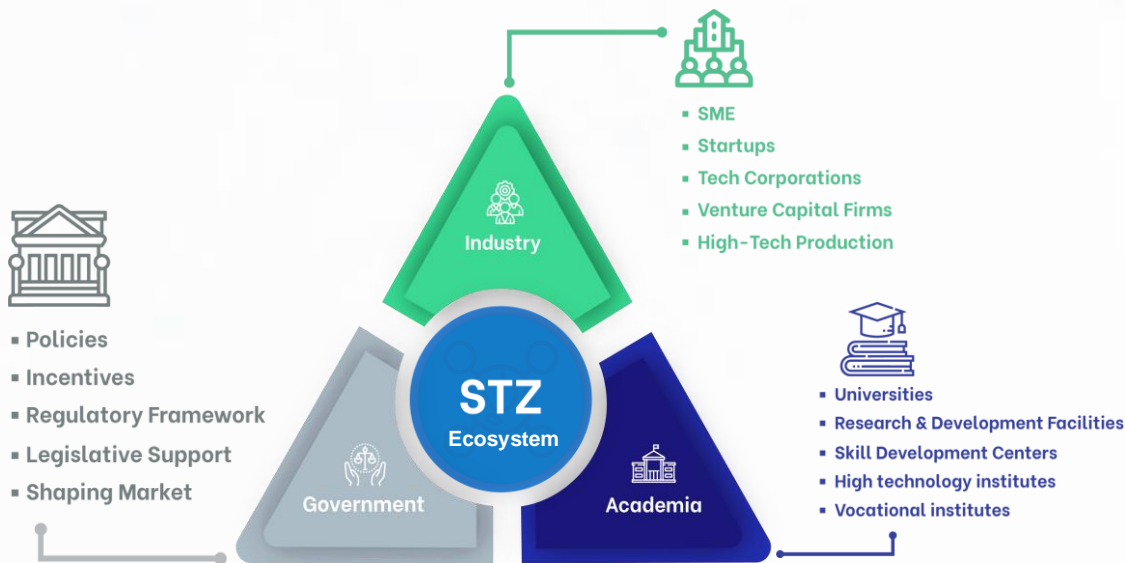
Bangalore Technopark 



LG Science Park 

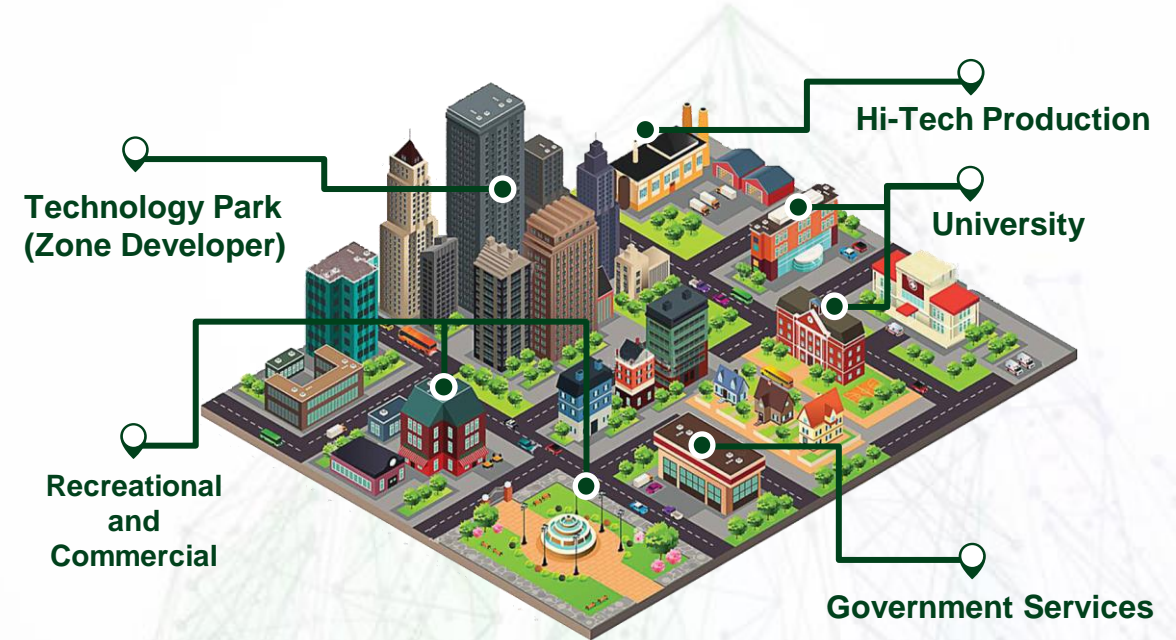
TRIPLE HELIX MODEL OF INNOVATION

The Model



Technology innovation and commercialization thrives when industry, academia, and government synergize their efforts

The Manifestation



An ecosystem where the development, promotion, and proliferation of technologies is catalyzed by special incentives offered by government.

TOP TECH COMPANIES – STARTED IN ZONES



Annual Revenues
(2021)



Apple Inc.
\$365 Billion



Google Inc.
\$257 Billion



Intel
\$79 Billion



Hewlett-Packard
\$63 Billion



Cisco
\$50 Billion



HUAWEI
\$94 Billion



Lenovo
\$60 Billion



Baidu
\$19 Billion



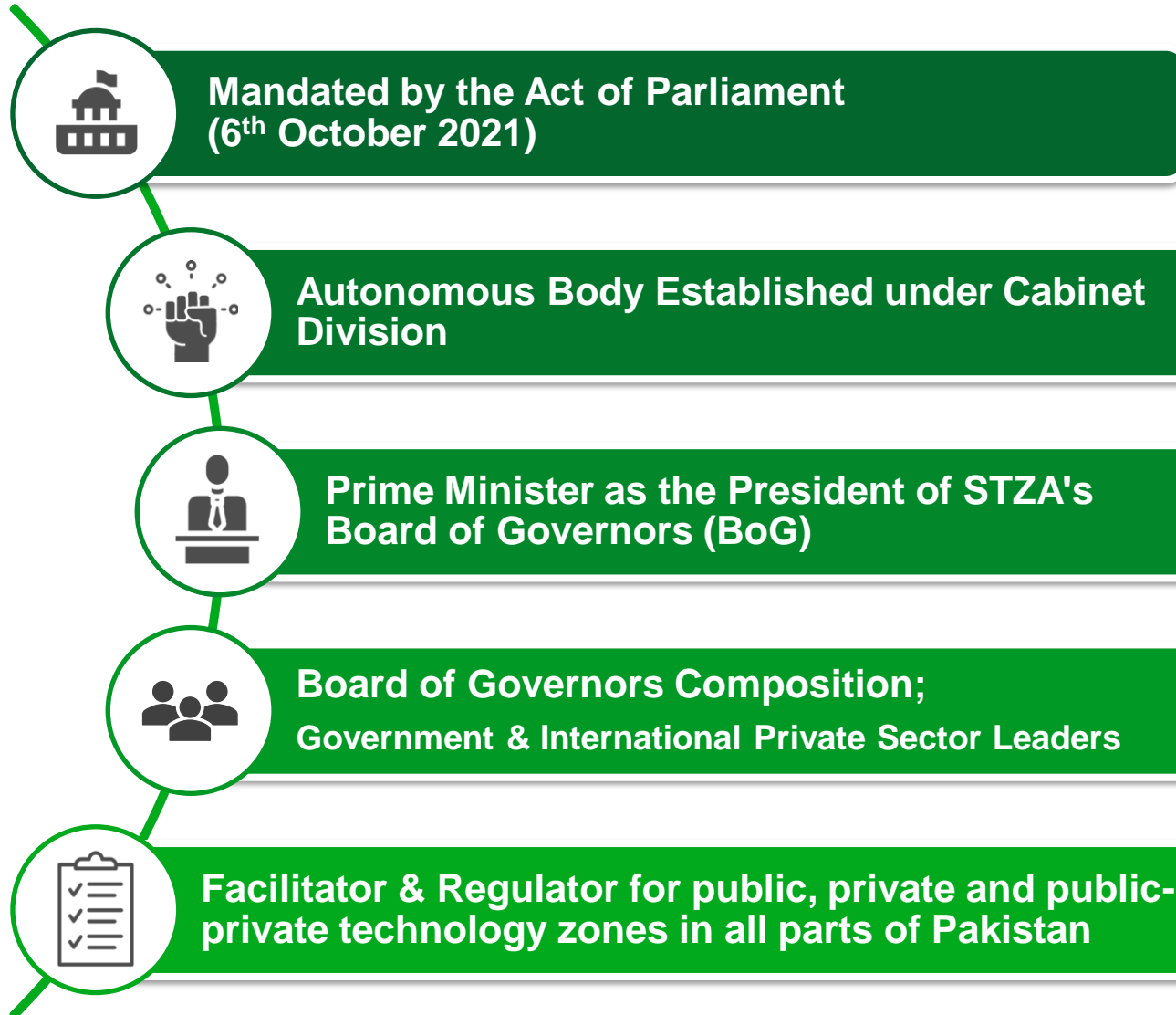
Tencent
\$86 Billion



Xiaomi
\$51 Billion



SPECIAL TECHNOLOGY ZONES AUTHORITY



Our Mandate

- Approve, Notify, and License Zones & Zone Entities
- Develop independent Rules and Regulations for Special Technology Zones
- Provide fiscal and monetary incentives for the period of 10 years to Zone Entities
- Enable development of Pakistan's Tech Ecosystem

STZA VISION & MISSION

VISION

»»» “Enabling inclusive socio-economic development through knowledge & technology driven growth.”

MISSION

»»» “Develop the national innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem through setting up world-class technology destinations (STZs) across Pakistan.”

STZA STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES



Technology Transfer



**Investments
(FDI and Local)**



**Human Capital
Development**



Research & Development



Job Creation



**Tech Exports &
Import Substitution**

STZA LICENCE TYPES



Zone Enterprises are entities licensed to operate inside STZs and are mandated to foster innovation, entrepreneurship, R&D, and create tech jobs.

Examples: Tech Companies (48 Areas), R&D Units, Advanced Production Units, BPOs, Startups & SMEs, Universities, VC Firms, etc.




Zone Developers are licensed companies responsible for developing, operating, and managing infrastructure inside a STZ.

Examples: Science & Technology Parks, Software Technology Parks, Co-working spaces, etc.

STZA NOTIFIED ZONES


Rawalpindi



NASTP - ALPHA

20 Acres,
400,000 SFT


Haripur



PAF-IAST

20 Acres,
140,000 SFT

Islamabad



New State Life Tower

300,000 SFT


Faisalabad



University of Agriculture

38.29 Acres

Karachi



NASTP - SIERRA

279,000 SFT

Karachi



Pakistan Maritime S&T Park

1 Acre,
350,000 SFT

Islamabad



Islamabad Technopolis

140 Acres


Haripur



Pakistan Digital City

11 Acres

Lahore



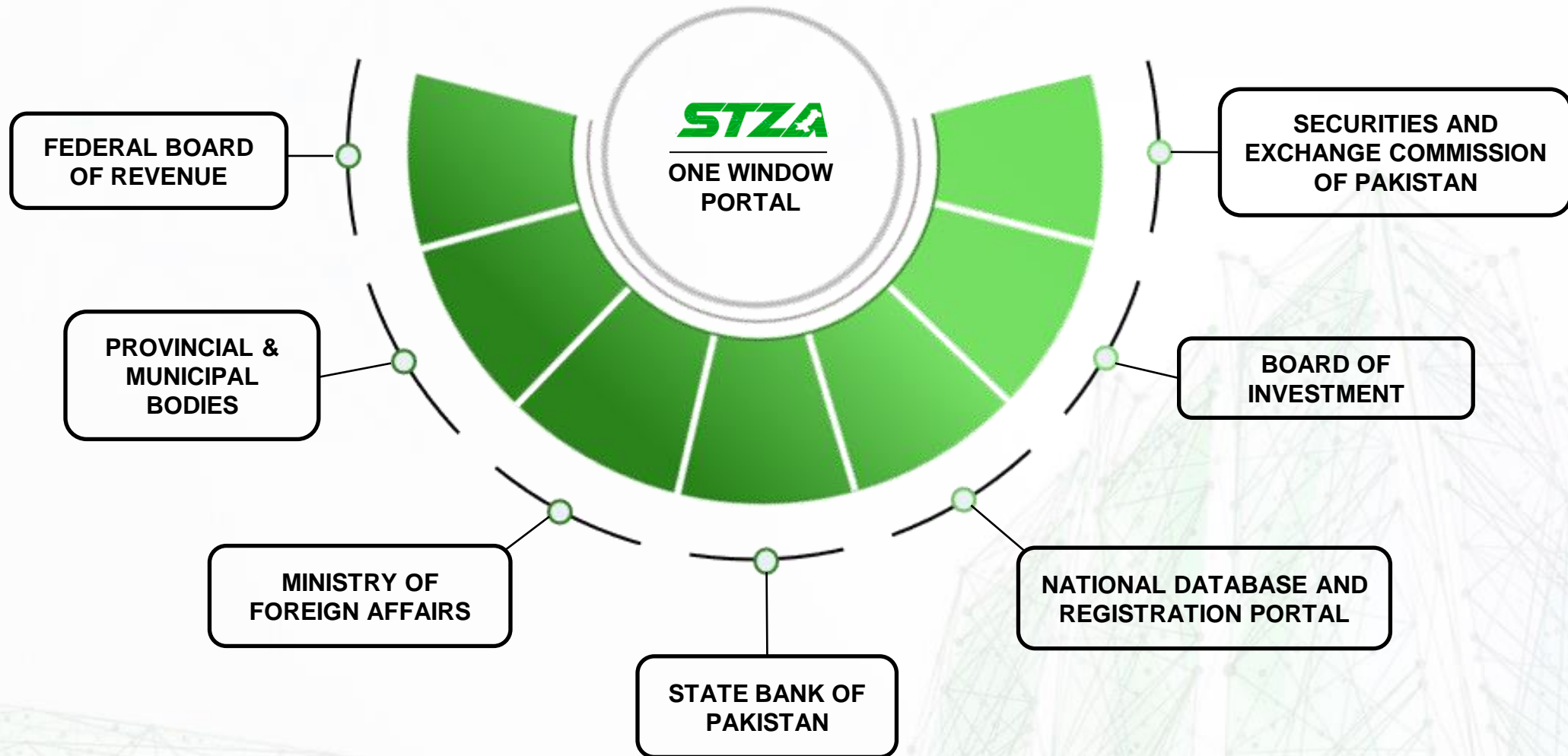
Lahore Knowledge Park

800 Acres

Readily Available Infrastructure (Operational)

Infrastructure Under Construction

STZA DIGITAL ONE-WINDOW



With the One-Window Portal, STZA provides an automated single-entry centralized hub for paperless end-to-end onboarding process

STZA INCENTIVES FOR PUBLIC & PRIVATE SECTORS



Exemptions*

- ✓ Profits & Gains
- ✓ Turnover Tax/MAT
- ✓ Dividends & long-term capital gains of Venture Capital funds
- ✓ Customs Duty, Sales Tax, & WHT on capital goods at time of import
- ✓ More (Coming Soon!)

- 10 years from date of license issuance
- Sales Tax (goods, services) and Property Tax
- Other approvals can be sought from Federal Govt.

ForEx Bank Account*

- ✓ Special ForEx Regs by **SBP**
 - Creation of Special ForEx A/C
 - Any sum from abroad can be credited to the A/C
 - Amount in A/C can be used for legitimate payments abroad
 - Local payments can be made in PKR but ForEx cannot be withdrawn

- 10 years from date of license issuance
- In case sufficient funds are not available in ForEx, the same can be from inter-bank market.

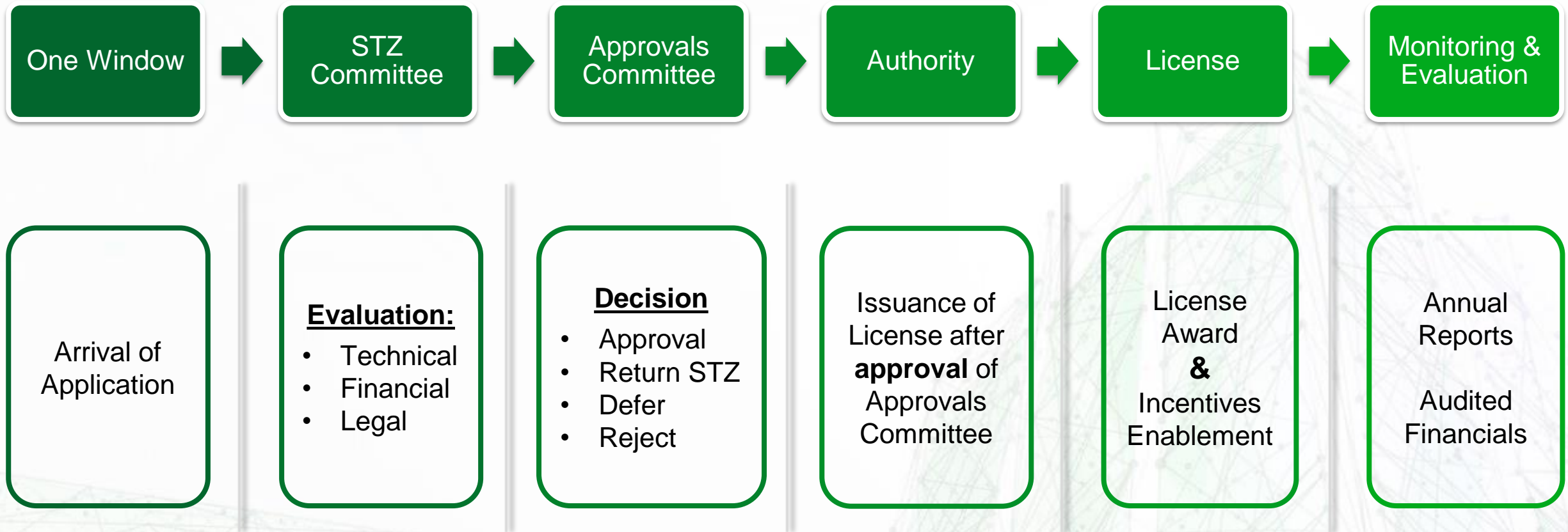
STZA INCENTIVES (CURRENTLY OPERATIONAL)

Levy	Reference of Laws	Nature of Exemption / Tax Concession
Income Tax	Clause 126EA of Part 1 of 2 nd Schedule to the income Tax Ordinance,2001	Exemption from Income Taxes on Profit and Gains
Income Tax	Clause 11A (xlili) of Part IV of 2 nd Schedule to the income Tax Ordinance, 2001	Exemption from Minimum Tax on turnover @ 1.25%
Income Tax	Clause 60DA of Part IV of 2 nd Schedule to the income Tax Ordinance, 2001	Exemption from advance collection of tax under section 148 of the Income Tax Ordinance ,2001on import of capital equipment
Income Tax	Clause 103D of Part I of 2 2 nd Schedule to the income Tax Ordinance, 2001	Dividend income and long-term capital gains of any venture capital fund from investments in ZEs as defined in STZA Act 2021
Custom Duty	Clause 4(ii) at PCT Code 9917 of Chapter 1 to 99 of the 1 st Schedule to the Customs Act,1969	Exemption from Customs Duties on import of capital goods including plant, machinery, hardware, equipment, and software as defined in STZA Act 2021
Sales Tax	Clause 161 of Table-1 of the 6 th Schedule to the Sales Tax Act,1990	Exemption from Sales Tax on import of plant, machinery, equipment, and raw material for consumption of these items within STZs
ForEx Account	Special Foreign Exchange Account as per Special Foreign Exchange Regulations for Special Technology Zones (STZs) issued by State Bank of Pakistan on Dec 11, 2020 (Paragraph 9A of Chapter 6 of Foreign Exchange Manual of SBP).	

STZA APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ZEs

- Application Letter
- Company Profile (Company Reg Docs, List of Dirs / Partners, NTN etc)
- Audited Financial Statements for last 03x Fiscal Years
- Financial Proposal
- Technical Proposal
- Business Plan
- Authorization letter (PoC Nomination)
- Proof of Paid Application Fee
- Master Plan / Maps / Drawings (For ZE PBF)

STZA APPLICATION / LICENSE PROCESS





THANK YOU