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Editorial

His Excellency Chung Hongwon, Prime Minister of South Korea, visited Pakistan; his visit was historically very important as it was the first ever Prime Minister level visit to Pakistan since the establishment of diplomatic relations in 1983. The Prime Minister was given red carpeted welcome as Federal Minister for Planning, Development and Reforms Ahsan Iqbal received the South Korean Prime Minister and his delegation at Islamabad. During the official visit he held meetings with the President, and Prime Minister of Pakistan and exchanged views regarding economic cooperation between the both countries. The economic progress of South Korea is an example for Pakistan as per capita income of S Korea was US\$80 in 1960 but in 2012 it surged to US \$20,000 whereas the exports of South Korea were US \$ 55 million in 1960 but in 2013 it increased to US \$560 billion on the other hand Pakistan's increase is miserable. The success of South Korea is a result of political stability, sound economic agenda, strong emphasis on education and human resource development, export led growth strategy, and strong collaboration between government, private sector, and research institutions. No doubt Pakistan has suffered a lot due to political instability of past, mismanagement and wrong economic priorities. The present government should evolve an effective policy to transform economy and to make human resource development top most priority in development plans as Public sector reform holds key to success of plans. Pakistan has huge opportunities for South Korean businessmen and companies in diverse fields including energy, infrastructure and Railways and telecommunications so South Korean investors and entrepreneurs should come and invest in these sectors in order to avail the lucrative incentives in Pakistan.



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Queen Elizabeth celebrates 88th birthday

By Mian Fazal Elahi

The Queen's 88th birthday marked with traditional zeal. A 41-gun royal salute was fired in Green Park in London and a 62 gun-salute from the Tower of London. Gunners from 105th Regiment Royal Artillery fired two 21-gun royal salutes at Edinburgh and Stirling Castles.

The Queen was born on 21 April 1926 at the home of her mother's parents in Mayfair.

However, her birthday is also celebrated officially each year in June at the Trooping the Colour service - which this year will take place on 14 June.

The gun salute at Green Park was carried out by the King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery using 13-pounder World War One guns drawn by 71 horses.

Her Majesty Queen

The Queen was born at 2.40am on 21 April 1926 at 17 Bruton Street in Mayfair, London.

She was the first child of The Duke and Duchess of York, who later became King George VI and Queen Elizabeth.

At the time she stood third in line of succession to the throne after Edward, Prince of Wales (later King Edward VIII),

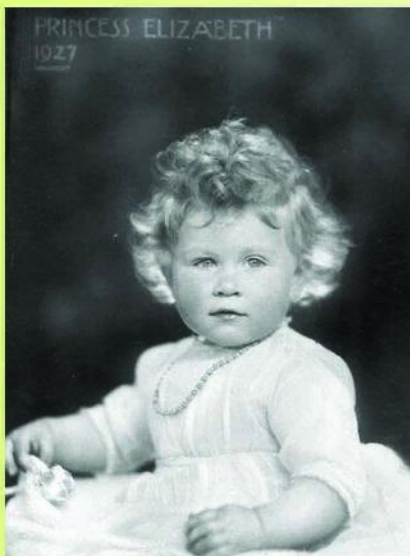
and her father, The Duke of York. But it was not expected that her father would become King, or that she would become Queen.

The Princess was christened Elizabeth Alexandra Mary in the private chapel at Buckingham Palace. She was named after her mother, while her two middle names are those of her paternal great-grandmother, Queen Alexandra, and paternal grandmother, Queen Mary. The Princess's early years were spent at 145

Piccadilly, the London house taken by her parents shortly after her birth, and at White Lodge in Richmond Park.

She also spent time at the country homes of her paternal grandparents, King George V and Queen Mary, and her mother's parents, the Earl and Countess of Strathmore.

In 1930, Princess Elizabeth gained a sister, with the birth of Princess Margaret Rose. The family of four was very close.





Princess Elizabeth tinkering with an engine during her ATS training in World War II.

When she was six years old, her parents took over Royal Lodge in Windsor Great Park as their own country home. In the grounds of Royal Lodge Princess Elizabeth had her own small house, Y Bwthyn Bach (the Little Cottage), which was given to her by the people of Wales in 1932.

Princess Elizabeth's quiet family life came to an end in 1936, when her grandfather, King George V, died. His eldest son came to the throne as King Edward VIII, but, before the end of the year, King Edward VIII had decided to give up the throne in order to marry the woman he loved, Mrs Wallis Simpson.

Upon his abdication, Princess Elizabeth's father acceded to the throne as King George VI, and in 1937 the two Princesses attended their parents' coronation in Westminster Abbey.

Princess Elizabeth was now first in line to the throne, and a figure of even more intense public interest.

Princess Elizabeth was educated at home with Princess Margaret, her younger sister.

After her father succeeded to the throne in 1936 and she became heir presumptive, she started to study constitutional history and law as preparation for her future role.

She received tuition from her father, as well as sessions with Henry Marten, the

Vice-Provost of Eton. She was also instructed in religion by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Princess Elizabeth also learned French from a number of French and Belgian governesses. It is a skill which has stood The Queen in good stead, as she often has cause to use it when speaking to ambassadors and heads of state from French-speaking countries, and when visiting French-speaking areas of Canada.

Princess Elizabeth also studied art and music, learned to ride, and became a strong swimmer. She won the Children's Challenge Shield at London's Bath Club when she was thirteen.

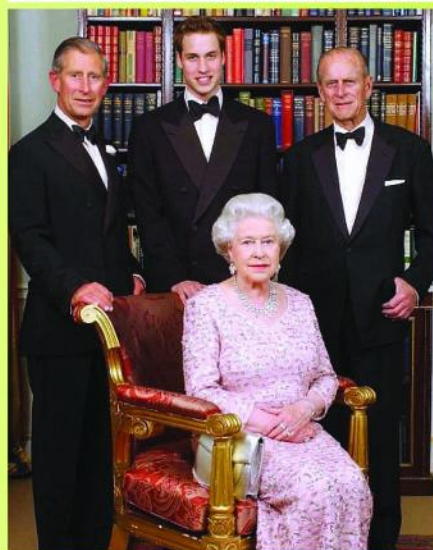
Princess Elizabeth enrolled as a Girl Guide when she was eleven, and later became a Sea Ranger.

In 1940, at the height of the Blitz, the young Princesses were moved for their safety to Windsor Castle, where they spent most of the war years.

It was a time of austerity and anxiety for the whole country, including the Royal Family. But at Christmas time there was a period of light relief when the young Princesses put on pantomimes with the children of members of staff for the enjoyment of her family and employees of the Royal Household.



The Queen feeds a foal at Sandringham in 1964.



The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary on 20 November 2011.

Shortly after the Royal Family returned from South Africa in 1947, the Princess's engagement to Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten was announced.

The couple, who had known each other for many years, were married in Westminster Abbey on 20 November 1947. The event was fairly simple, as Britain was still recovering from the war, and Princess Elizabeth had to collect clothing coupons for her dress, like any other young bride. They spent their honeymoon at Broadlands, Hampshire, the home of Lord Mountbatten, and at Birkhall, Balmoral.

Lieutenant Mountbatten, now His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, was the son of Prince Andrew of Greece and a great-great-grandson of Queen Victoria. The Queen has paid public tribute to her husband on several occasions, recalling his loyal support and service to the country.

They have four children, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Prince Charles, now The Prince of Wales, heir apparent to the throne, was born in 1948, and his sister, Princess Anne, now The Princess Royal, two years later.

After Princess Elizabeth became Queen, their third child, Prince Andrew, arrived in 1960 and the fourth, Prince Edward, in 1964. Prince Andrew and Prince Edward were the first children to be born to a reigning monarch since Queen Victoria had her family.

Their grandchildren are Peter and Zara Phillips (b. 1977 and 1981); Prince William of Wales and Prince Henry of Wales (b. 1982 and 1984); Princess Beatrice of York and Princess Eugenie of York (b. 1988 and 1990); and The Lady Louise Windsor and Viscount Severn (b. 2003 and 2007), children of The Earl and Countess of Wessex.



Their first great-grandchild, Miss Savannah Phillips, the daughter of Peter and Autumn Phillips, was born in 2010.

celebrated her 80th birthday by taking a cruise with all her family through the Western Isles of Scotland.

6 February 2013 marked the 61st anniversary of The Queen's Accession to the throne.

After her marriage in 1947, Princess Elizabeth paid formal visits with The Duke of Edinburgh to France and Greece, and in autumn 1951 they toured Canada.

Princess Elizabeth also visited Malta four times while Prince Philip was stationed there on naval duties, and enjoyed the life of a naval wife and young mother.

This way of life was not to last long, as her father's health was deteriorating. In 1952, King George VI's illness forced him to abandon his proposed visit to Australia and New Zealand. The Princess, accompanied by Prince Philip, took his place.

View three films from the archives charting the death of King George VI and The Queen's Accession and Coronation.



The Queen with Mother Theresa in India in 1983.

Family life has been an essential support to The Queen throughout her reign. The family usually spends Christmas together at Sandringham in Norfolk, attending church on Christmas Day.

And in the summer of 2006, The Queen



The Queen meets veterans of World War II in 1995, the 50th anniversary of the end of the war.

H.E. Mr. Philip Barton celebrated 88th Birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth at British High Commission, Islamabad Mr. Sartaj Aziz Advisor to PM on National Security and MOFA was the Chief Guest of the Ceremony





President of Pakistan H.E. Mamnoon Hussain exchanging views with H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Federal Secretary of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Argentina in Islamabad.

Pak-Argentina

economic cooperation enhancement urged

President Mamnoon Hussain has urged for further enhancing Pakistan- Argentina bilateral ties and emphasized the need for concerted efforts on both sides to explore new ways of expanding mutual cooperation particularly in the realms of economy and trade.

The President was speaking to Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Federal Secretary of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Argentina, who called on him at the Presidency.

Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, Ambassador of Argentina to Pakistan and Ambassador Celeste Koch, Foreign Ministry

of Argentina were also present during the meeting.

Welcoming Mr. Eduardo Antonio on his visit to Pakistan, the President said that Pakistan and Argentina enjoy close and friendly ties however there exist a huge potential to further underpin bilateral



Senator Haji Muhammad Adeel Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain Foreign Secretary of Argentine Republic discussing bilateral relation at Parliament House Islamabad.



Foreign Secretary Aizaz Ahmed Chaudhary in a delegation level meeting with the Foreign Secretary of Argentina H.E. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Islamabad.



Foreign Secretary of Argentina H.E. Eduardo Antonio Zuain in a meeting with Advisor to the PM on National Security and Foreign Affairs Sartaz Aziz in Islamabad.

at various levels to realize the true potential of trade existing between the two countries.

The President expressed hope that the visit of Foreign Secretary for the Third Round of Bilateral Political Consultations would be instrumental in identifying areas of cooperation in various fields of mutual interest.

The President expressed satisfaction at the close cooperation between Pakistan and Argentina at the UN and other international fora.

The President welcomed the re-launch of Argentine-Pakistan Parliamentary Friendship Group in the Honorable Congreso de la Nacion and said that Pakistan has also reconstituted the Parliamentary Friendship Group in the National Assembly. Regular exchange of parliamentary delegations would help strengthen people to people contacts besides creating better understanding between the two countries, the President

trade and economic ties. He underscored the need for frequent bilateral exchanges



A group photo of the Foreign Secretary of Argentina H.E. Eduardo Antonio Zuain with the Parliamentarian Group Association of Argentina at the National Assembly. Federal Minister of Commerce Mr. Khurram Dastgir Khan and the MNA Mr. Dayanl Aziz are also present.



Secretary BOI Imran Afzal Cheema and Foreign Secretary of Argentina, H.E. Eduardo Antonio Zuain sign a MOU on Investment at Foreign Office, Islamabad.



Foreign Secretary of Argentina H.E. Eduardo Antonio Zuain talking to Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq at Parliament House. Ambassador of Argentina H.E. Rodolfo Martin Saravia, and Director Asia & Oceania, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Argentina Republic Ambassador Celeste Koch are also seen in the picture.

continued.

Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Federal Secretary of Foreign Affairs of Argentina thanked the President for meeting and said that 63 years relationship between the two countries is exemplary as both the countries have commonality of views on various international issues. He said that Argentina was keen to further enhance and diversify its relations with Pakistan in various fields to the mutual benefit of the people of the two countries.



Mr. H.E. Eduardo Antonio Zuain shakes hand with the Chairman Defence Committee of the Senate Senator Mushahid Hussain. Ambassador of Argentina H.E. Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia also present.



Ambassador of Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia meets Adviser to PM, Sartaj Aziz in Islamabad.



H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, shakes hand with the Federal Minister of Foreign Affairs, Sartaj Aziz Adviser to PM in Islamabad.



H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Foreign Minister of Argentina being presented a Memento by the Speaker of the National Assembly Mr. Sardar Ayaz.



MoU on Education Cooperation: Signed by Foreign Secretary of Argentina H.E. AMB. Eduardo Antonio Zuain and Federal Secretary of Education Training and Standards Ministry, Mir. Muhammad Ahsan Raja.



Federal Minister of Commerce, Khurram Dasgiri Khan, H.E. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, MNA Daniyal Aziz, Ambassador Rodolfo J. Marin Saravia during a meeting in Islamabad.



Syed Zulfiqar Gardezi, H.E. AMB. Aizaz Chaudhry, Federal Foreign Secretary of Pakistan, H.E. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Ambassador Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia, AMB. Celeste Koch.



H.E. AMB. Aizaz Chaudhry, Foreign Secretary of Foreign Affairs Pakistan presents Souvenir to H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Ambassador Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia.



H.E. Mr. Faridullah Khan, Mr. Irshadullah Khan, Prince Adnan Aurangzeb during the ceremony.



Ambassador Alamgir Babar, Ambassador Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia, Mrs. Alamgir Babar and H.E. Mr Jesus Zenen Buergo.



Ambassador Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia, Mr. Khushro Bakhtyar, H.E. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Syed Zulfiqar Gardezi.



By Mian Fazal Elahi

President Mamnoon Hussain addressing the gathering during 2nd LCCI-OICS Ambassador and Trade Conference at Lahore.

LCCI-OIC trade conference

President for exploiting full trade potential

President Mamnoon Hussain underlined the need for enhancing trade volume among the Organisation of Islamic Countries (OIC) member countries, which have great potential for economic co-operation with their immense natural and human resources.

"Unfortunately, trade among the OIC countries does not reflect the existing potential. The LCCI's 2nd OIC Trade and

Investment Conference is a giant leap towards bringing the OIC members closer. Such initiatives would not only enhance trade and economic co-operation between the Muslim countries but would also pave the way for progress and prosperity in the Muslim countries," the President said speaking at the 2nd LCCI-OIC Ambassadors and Trade Conference.

The President said it was the utmost desire of Pakistan that trade among the OIC

countries may flourish. I see it expanding further and OIC Bloc being the second biggest bloc emerging as one big economic power on the economic map of the world. Mamnoon said role of the private sector must be emphasised for trade promotion and economic development and it has to be involved by the governments of OIC member states in their endeavors to achieve this goal. He said there is a dire need for a centralised electronic database



President Mamnoon Huasain distributing Shields among the Ambassadors and Diplomats on the Occasion of 2nd LCCI-OICS Ambassadors and Trade Conference at Lahore.

on trade, investment policies and tariffs and its sharing amongst the OIC countries. There may be frequent trade exhibitions and interaction amongst the chambers and the governments of these Muslim brotherly countries, he added.

Pakistan wants unity amongst the Muslim countries as harmony is the key to every success. There may be differences amongst many Muslim countries; being an important member of the OIC, Pakistan wishes that all differences and disagreements must be resolved without involving alien forums. "Negotiations are always the most effective methods for resolving issues," Mamnoon added.

Moreover, he said, technology exchange, technical skills development, capacity building, medical research, educational expertise and religious knowledge could also be proved an effective tool. He said Pak-China Economic Corridor will usher in a new era of economic development for the whole region, as it would not only benefit Pakistan and China but Middle East, Central Asian States and other neighbouring countries as well. He said efforts are being made to improve energy and security situation in the country that are the biggest impediment in foreign investment. It is not the GDP alone that would get a boost but the foreign investment would also increase considerably in next few years. He said presently Pakistani merchandises are being exported to 216 countries but the 70 percent of the total trade is with only 20 countries that should be expanded.

Commerce Minister Khurram Dastgir invited the investors of Muslim countries to initiate joint ventures with their Pakistani counterparts and take full advantage of investment-friendly policies of the present regime that is taking all possible measures to facilitate the stakeholders.

Punjab Governor Chaudhry Muhammad Sarwar said the LCCI has always played a very supportive role in the development of bilateral relations of Pakistan with the Muslim countries. He said Muslim countries comprise approximately of one-

fourth of the world population and possess all sorts of natural resources. They are rich in liquid gold, ie, oil. Despite this, their economies are fragile and far from being knowledge-based economies. They depend on the West for their needs for high-tech machinery and products. They have remained the producers of primary products.

He said Pak-China Economic Corridor will usher in a new era of economic development for the whole region, as it would not only benefit Pakistan and China but Middle East, Central Asian States and other neighbouring countries as well.

Speaking on the occasion, LCCI President Sohail Lashari said OIC is the second largest world forum after the United Nations with an enormous market with colossal opportunities. He said if there is unity and realisation of collective power OIC can rise on the world map as an economic force. The OIC countries have a great potential both in terms of natural resources and the human manpower for vigorous economic collaborations which

can increase the trade to a larger extent. We are a bloc of talented nations with rich knowledge and culture. Islam is our strong bonding point, he added.

He said strong leadership with clear directions is a must to achieve the desired goals. He said mutual co-operation and shared assistance is required to strategize our approach towards the achievement of economic prosperity and affluence. He said issues and conflicts amongst the Muslim countries should be addressed within themselves. There should be peaceful resolutions and amicable settlements of any religious, ethnic or cultural disputes which may spring up.

Lashari said significantly increasing trade between the OIC states despite an economic crunch experienced by the world, is an ample proof of potential of the Muslim world. He said total market of the 57 OIC member states gives access to 1.6 billion consumers which is a gigantic market. But, unfortunately, it has not been exploited to even half of its actual potential.

The LCCI President said development through SME sector in the OIC member states could be a stepping stone in achieving the goal of trade enhancement and trade sufficiency. He informed the participants that LCCI has launched a very important and significant initiative, ie, the establishment of 5 countries, including Russia, China, Iran, Turkey and Pakistan, Strategic Joint Chamber.

Punjab Governor Chaudhry Muhammad Sarwar, Commerce Minister Khurram Dastgir Khan, Ambassadors, businessmen of OIC member and observer states, Bank Alfalah Chief Executive Officer Atif Bajwa, Chief Executive Officer Synthetic Products Enterprises (Pvt) Limited Almas Hyder, Vice President Kashif Anwar, LCCI's former presidents, former senior vice presidents, former Vice Presidents and Chairman of LCCI Standing Committee on OIC Husnain Raza Mirza were also present on the occasion.

Diplomatic Correspondent



Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif on one-on-one meeting with Prime Minister of Republic of Korea H.E. Mr. Chung Hongwon at PM House, Islamabad.

PM for developing strong economic ties with Korea

Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea H.E. Mr. Chung Hongwon along with a high level delegation met Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif at the PM House. Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz said that Pakistan is happy to witness the progress and development of the Republic of Korea and we are interested to learn from Korean experience. Moreover, the two governments must promote interaction and cooperation between their private sectors and regular interaction between respective Boards of Investment, and Chambers of Commerce and Industry, said the PM.

While discussing the economic prospects, PM Nawaz Sharif said that it is heartening to note that trade between our two countries reached US\$ 1.6 billion in 2012. Pakistan has proposed a comprehensive Free Trade Agreement (FTA) that covers trade, investment and services so that trade between the two countries could be further enhanced, PM added.

PM Nawaz Sharif appreciated the 'Joint Business Forum' organized by KOTRA



Prime minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif in delegation level talks with Prime Minister of Republic of Korea H.E. Chung Hongwon at PM House.

(Korea Trade Investment Promotion Agency) and Board of Investment, Pakistan, on the sidelines of this visit and expressed hope that as an outcome of the 'Business Forum'; the Korean companies would be engaged in the Energy, Infrastructure Development, Railways and Telecommunication sectors.

PM stressed upon the need of preparing a

Country Partnership Strategy between the two countries for the next three years (2013-15). The Lahore – Islamabad Motorway bears testimony to the mutually beneficial cooperation between the two countries and we want to replicate and enhance such cooperation in other fields, added PM Nawaz Sharif.

PM Nawaz Sharif said that Pakistan offers

huge opportunities to the Korean business companies in energy generation including hydel, wind, solar, biomass and coal generation and we would appreciate if Korean companies participate in initiatives such as Gaddani Power Park and Quaid-e-Azam Solar Park.

PM said that construction of off-shore and on-shore LNG terminals also offer investment opportunities to Korean companies and Pakistan would welcome and facilitate Korean capital and technology in these sectors.

PM said that the Free Economic Zone along the China-Pak economic Corridor also offers investment opportunities to Korean investors. In this Economic Zone, Korean SME's can establish JVs in manufacturing sector to cater for a large and growing domestic market as well as, Korean and regional markets, PM added.

PM invited Korean financial institutions to start their operations in Pakistan adding that opening of a branch of Korean bank in Pakistan would boost business between the two countries.

Cooperation in science & technology, bio-engineering, information technology, and



Children presenting flower bouquet to South Korean Prime Minister Jung Hong Won on arrival at Islamabad.

exchange of human resources and other areas of common interest with Korea were also discussed. PM thanked the Korean

government for looking after 900 Pakistani students and expressed the hope for increasing further scholarships being offered to Pakistani students.

Korean Prime Minister thanked PM Muhammad Nawaz Sharif, government and people of Pakistan for extending warm welcome during his visit. H.E. Mr. Chung Hongwon said that Pakistan and Korea should expand their trade, economy and energy sectors and enhance bilateral relations by increasing personnel exchanges in the private sector.

Views were also exchanged on regional and international issues.

Earlier the Two Prime Ministers witnessed the signing of MOU between the Pakistan and Korea on Trade, Industry and Energy. The MOU was signed by Mr. Muhammad Shahzad Arbab Secretary Commerce from Pakistani side and Mr. Han Jinhun vice Minister for Trade and Energy from Korean side.

Before the Delegation level talks, the two PMs held one-to-one meeting. While welcoming the Korean PM, Muhammad Nawaz Sharif said that we are very happy to host you as the first ever Korean Prime Minister to visit Pakistan since the establishment of our diplomatic relations 31 years ago. It is my government's resolve to strengthen and expand relations with the Republic of Korea in all fields, added the PM. Prime Minister said that the traditional cordial relationship between Pakistan and the Republic of Korea needs to be transformed into a substantive partnership in trade, investment, energy and infrastructure.



Mr. Chung Hongwon, Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea planting a sapling at Shakar Parian, Islamabad.

Pak-Korea FTA vital for enhanced bilateral trade

Mamnoon, Korean PM review economic ties

President Mamnoon Hussain has urged the need for transforming the traditional close and cordial relationship between Pakistan and Republic of Korea into a substantive trade and economic partnership to the mutual benefit of the people of the two countries. The President said this during his meeting with Mr. Chung Hongwon, Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea at the Presidency.

The two leaders exchanged views on Pakistan-Korea bilateral relations and regional and international issues of mutual interest.

Welcoming the Korean Prime Minister on first ever visit to Pakistan, the President said that Pakistan attaches great importance to its comprehensive and broad-based relations with Republic of Korea in the context of its Vision East Asia Policy and expressed hope that the visit of the Prime Minister would prove instrumental in further deepening bilateral ties between the two countries.

Highlighting the investment potential of Pakistan, the President said that Pakistan offers huge opportunities to the Korean business companies in diverse fields including energy, infrastructure and Railways and telecommunications and invited Korean investors and entrepreneurs to invest in these sectors and avail the lucrative incentives offered by the government to the foreign investors.

Discussing bilateral ties, the two leaders expressed satisfaction that bilateral cooperation during the past three decades have expanded and intensified in various areas and urged for further enhancing bilateral trade and investment ties to the mutual benefit. President Mamnoon said that mutual interaction of businessmen and entrepreneurs was crucial to explore new avenues for investment and trade and urged for frequent exchange of business delegations to tap the huge trade potential existing between the two countries. The President also stressed the need to transform Pakistan's economy into a knowledge based economy with the help and cooperation of South Korea.



President Mamnoon Hussain greets Korean Prime Minister Mr. Chung Hongwon on his arrival at the Aiwan-e-Sadr, Islamabad.

The President emphasized the need for rigorous efforts on both sides including business community for bolstering the current trade volume between the two countries to a level commensurate to bilateral trade potential. The President said that Pakistan has proposed a comprehensive Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with Korea encompassing trade, investment and services with the purpose to further enhance trade between the two countries.

The President expressed hope that the various MoUs and agreements signed during the visit of the Korean Prime Minister in various fields would explore new avenues of mutual cooperation and would help boost Pak-Korea trade and economic ties to new heights.

On Parliamentary ties, the two leaders expressed satisfaction that both Pakistan and Korea have Parliamentary Friendship Groups established in their respective Parliaments. President Mamnoon urged

for frequent exchange of Parliamentary delegations which he said was crucial to promote people to people contacts and enhancing better understanding and cooperation between the elected representatives of our two countries.

The President on his own behalf and behalf of the people of Pakistan conveyed his best wishes to the President and people of the Republic of Korea.

Korean Prime Minister Mr. Chung Hongwon thanked the President and government of Pakistan for the warm welcome and hospitality extended to him and the accompanying delegation and said that Republic of Korea values its ties with Pakistan and was keen further boost the existing relations through enhanced economic and trade cooperation. He expressed hope that high level interaction between the two countries would provide new impetus to the existing strong partnership between Pakistan and South Korea.



Federal Minister for Defence Production, Rana Tanveer Hussain, shaking hands with Ambassador of Korea, Dr. Song Jong Hwan, Islamabad.

Ambassador of Korea meets Rana Tanveer to discuss bilateral ties

H.E Song Jong Hwan Ambassador of Korea called on Federal Minister for Defence Production Rana Tanveer Hussain here at the Minister's Chamber in Islamabad. He thanked the minister for sparing time for the third important meeting in a few months' time. Korean Ambassador was warmly welcomed by minister. He commended Korean efforts for working towards joint cooperation for the second shipyard to be built in Pakistan.

Minister for Defence Production has been keenly supporting the project and had undertaken a visit to China to assess the features and feasibility of a deep sea shipyard. He added that the work on

second shipyard is being done speedily and rigorously and after some important and final deliberations the project will be in full serving.

Ambassador Mr. Song Jong Hwan presented minister for Defence Production with a proposal to efficiently handle the project. Minister commended the skill and technical expertise of Korea adding that Pakistan will seriously look into the proposal.

Minister hoped that Korean firms will come forward and venture into projects in Pakistan and facilitate issuance of export licenses to their firms. "The workmanship of Korea is highly commendable and we

want more Korean firms to invest in Pakistan". Minister added that Korean firms should also step forward in proposing their deals and after scrutiny of terms and conditions we will be in a good position to decide.

Minister during the meeting also called for revising some of the strict laws so that cooperation can be enhanced and desired that pending MoUs will be expedited by Korea. The meeting was also attended by Secretary Defence Production Lt Gen (Retd) Tanvir Tahir and senior officials of the ministry.

Diplomatic Correspondent

MoUs on energy, investment inked with Korea

By Sajid Ali Zaidi

Pakistan and Republic of Korea inked a memorandum of understanding for enhanced co-operation in the field of energy, trade and investment. Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif and his Korean counterpart Chung Hong-won witnessed the signing ceremony at the Prime Minister's House. Secretary Commerce Mohammad Shahzad Arbab and Korea's Vice Minister for Trade and Energy Han Jinhyun signed the documents on behalf of their respective governments.

The ceremony was attended by Minister for Planning Ahsan Iqbal, Minister for Commerce Khurram Dastgir, Advisor to PM on National Security Sartaj Aziz,

Special Assistant to PM Tariq Fatemi and Foreign Secretary Aizaz Ahmed Chaudhry. The Korean side included Second Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs Chao Taeyul, Deputy Minister for National Agenda Shim Otaeg, Foreign Policy Advisor to PM Noh Kwargil and Deputy Minister for Public Info and Press Affairs.

The bilateral trade between the two countries stands at \$1.341 billion, and the MoU is aimed at creating an enabling environment to further increase the trade between the two countries. A number of Korean companies are investing in Pakistan in chemical industry, hydel and thermal power and infrastructure projects.



Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif and the Korean Prime Minister H.E. Mr. Chung Hongwon witnessing the signing of MOU between the Pakistan and Korea on Trade, Industry and Energy in Islamabad.



Mr. Na Zuberi, MD PP18 and Mr. Yoon Tae Hak, CEO of Gulpur Hydro Power Project signing agreement for development of 100MW Hydel Project to be setup in Kotli, AJK, in Islamabad. Federal Minister for Water & Power, Khawaja Muhammad Asif also witnessing the ceremony.



Khawaja Muhammad Asif & Chairman Privatisation Commission, Mohammad Zubair, at the inaugural session of 2014 Pakistan-Korea Investment Cooperation Forum in Islamabad.

Inauguration

ceremony of the

Islamabad Polo Club

President Mamnoon Hussain inaugurated the First Polo Ground in Islamabad. The Islamabad Club has developed an international level polo facility in collaboration with Battro Polo Fields, the leading Argentinean

experts in this field. The Organizing Committee for the inauguration of the Islamabad Club Polo Ground included the Ambassador of Argentina H.E. Mr. Rodolfo Martin Saravia and members from Managing Committee of the

Islamabad Polo Club. The ceremony was attended by diplomats, members of the parliament, polo players and people from all walk of life.

Participants of the ceremony enjoyed a friendly inaugural match. The Teams were President Blue and President Red. The Blue team had Marcus Hancockat (England), Raja Tamur, Hissam Ali Hyder and Maj. General Isphandiyar Patuadi. And Red team had Sufi Aamir, W/C Nausher Khan, Oliver Hipwood (England), and Augustin Canale (Argentina).

Diplomatic Correspondent



Pak Ambassador to Serbia meets President

Pakistan's Ambassador-designate to the Republic of Serbia Arif Mehmood called on President Mamnoon Hussain in Islamabad and discussed matters pertaining to his diplomatic assignment.

The President felicitated Mr. Arif Mehmood on his new responsibilities and urged him to focus on strengthening Pakistan's bilateral relations with Serbia particularly trade and commercial ties.

The President on the occasion said that government attaches great importance to the promotion of trade and economic cooperation as an integral part of its foreign policy objectives and underscored the need for pursuance of robust economic diplomacy by all the diplomats to further enhance Pakistan's economic and trade ties with the countries of their posting, hence underpinning economic footprints of the country in the comity of nations.

The President stated that Pakistan values its bilateral relations with Serbia and advised the newly appointed ambassador to focus on strengthening Pak-Serbia

bilateral relations and mutual cooperation in diverse areas.

The ambassador designate thanked the President for reposing confidence in him and assured that he would do his

best to augment Pakistan's bilateral relations with Serbia with particular focus on enhancing trade, business and Commercial ties.

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Pakistan's Ambassador-designate to the Republic of Serbia, Arif Mehmood exchanging views with President Mamnoon Hussain at Aiwan-e-Sadr, Islamabad.

Ambassador designate to Ethiopia calls on President

Mr. Imran Yawar, Pakistan's ambassador-designate to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and permanent observer to African Union (AU) called on President Mamnoon Hussain at the Aiwan-e-Sadr and discussed matters pertaining to his diplomatic assignment.

Congratulating Mr. Imran Yawar on his new responsibilities, the President said that Pakistan values its close and cordial relationship with Ethiopia and urged the newly appointed ambassador to focus on further consolidating Pakistan's bilateral relations with Ethiopia particularly trade and commercial ties.

The President said that Pakistan's relations with Africa in general and Ethiopia in particular are not commensurate with the real trade potential and existing goodwill and emphasized the need for more concerted efforts to strengthen trade and economic ties with African countries.

The ambassador designate thanked the President for reposing confidence in him and assured that he would concentrate on augmenting Pakistan's bilateral ties with Ethiopia with particular focus on enhancing trade, business and economic ties.

Diplomatic Correspondent



Mr. Imran Yawar, Pakistan's Ambassador designate to Ethiopia and permanent observer to African Union (AU) called on President Mamnoon Hussain at Aiwan-e-Sadr Islamabad.

Pak High Commissioners designate to Maldives, Singapore and Brunei Darussalam meet President to review assignments

Pakistan's High Commissioner -designate to Maldives, Syed Sail Abbas, High Commissioner –designate to Singapore, Mr. Tanveer A. Khaskheli and High Commissioner –designate to Brunei Darussalam Brig (R) Muhammad Zareef Malik separately called on President Mamnoon Hussain at the Aiwan-e-Sadr and discussed matters pertaining to their new assignments.

The President felicitated the newly appointed envoys and urged them to focus on further deepening Pakistan's bilateral relations and multifaceted cooperation with the countries of their respective posting.

The President on the occasion highlighted that present government attaches great importance to the development of trade and economic cooperation as an integral part of its foreign policy objectives. He urged the need for robust pursuance of economic diplomacy by all the diplomats to further strengthen economic footprints of Pakistan in the world markets.

The President said that Pakistan enjoys close and cordial relations with Maldives, Singapore and Brunei and expressed hope that the newly appointed envoys would work with full devotion for further cement Pakistan's trade and commercial ties with these countries.

The envoys designate thanked the President for reposing confidence in them and assured that they would do their best to augment Pakistan's bilateral relations with the countries of their posting with particular focus on broadening trade, business and investment ties.



Pakistan's High Commissioner designate to Singapore, Mr. Tanveer A. Khaskheli, called on President Mamnoon Hussain at the Aiwan-e-Sadr, Islamabad.



Pakistan's High Commissioner designate to Brunei Darussalam Brig(R) Muhammad Zareef Malik talks to President Mamnoon Hussain at the Aiwan-e-Sadr, Islamabad.



Pakistan's High Commissioner designate to Maldives, Syed Sail Abbas, exchanging views with the President Mamnoon Hussain at the Aiwan-e-Sadr, Islamabad.

Diplomatic Focus Thru lens



Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif talks to Ex President of Pakistan Mr. Asif Ali Zardari at PM House, Islamabad.



Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif in a meeting with National Security Advisor of UK, Kim Darroch who called on him at PM House, Islamabad.



President Mamnoon Hussain in a meeting with a delegation of Vimplecom limited, A Global provider of Telecommunication Services headed by its CEO Mr. Jo Lunder, at the Aiwan-e-Sadr.



Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif in a meeting with delegation of International telecom sector at PM House, Islamabad.



Ambassador of China to Pakistan, Mr. Sun Weidong meets President Mamnoon Hussain at the Aiwan-e-Sadr, Islamabad.



Mr. Zahid Malik, President and Editor-In-Chief, Pakistan Observer meets President Mamnoon Hussain at the Aiwan-e-Sadr.



Minister of state for Petroleum & Natural resources, Jam Kamal Khan in a meeting with H.E. Mr. Sadik Babur Girgin, Ambassador of Turkey to Pakistan in Islamabad.



Minister of State for Education, Training, Standards in Higher Education and Interior, Eng Muhammad Baligh-Ur-Rehman discussing issues of Mutual Interest with Deputy Home Minister South Africa, Ms. Fatima Chohan in Islamabad.



Prime Minister's Special Envoy, Ambassador Javed Malik being presented a recognition by CEOs and entrepreneurs in Islamabad.



Federal Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control, Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan, in a meeting with US Ambassador H.E. Richard Olson in Islamabad.

Diplomatic Focus Thru lens



Federal Minister for Defence Production, Rana Tanveer Hussain meets South Korean Prime Minister Jung Hong Won in Islamabad.



Federal Minister for Commerce, Engineer Khurram Dastgir Khan, meeting with a delegation of US journalists in Islamabad.



Federal Minister for Commerce, Eng. Khurram Dastgir Khan in a group photo with the delegation of the Central Asian Business Opportunities Conference in Islamabad.



Ambassador of Afghanistan to Pakistan, Mr. Janan Musazai exchanging views with Federal Minister for Commerce Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan at his Chamber in Parliament in Islamabad.



Federal Minister for Commerce Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan in a group photo with Rawalpindi Chamber of Commerce & Industry.



Dr. Miftah Ismail, Special Assistant to the Prime Minister/Chairman, Board of Investment meeting with delegation of M/S GAMA holding, Turkey in BOI.



Advisor to the MP on National Security and Foreign Affairs Sartaj Aziz in a delegation level meeting with the National Security Adviser of UK Sir Kim Darroch in Islamabad.



Special Assistant to the Prime Minister, Syed Tariq Fatemi, in a meeting with Ms. Laila Bokhari, State Secretary of Norwegian Prime Minister's Office in Islamabad.



Advisor to the Prime Minister on National Security and Foreign Affairs, Sartaj Aziz in a meeting with Deputy Minister of Japan, Shinsuke Sugiyama in Islamabad.



A Chinese delegation called on Federal Minister for Ports & Shipping, Senator Kamran Machael in Islamabad.

Armed conflicts can be disastrous: Nawaz



Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif addressing the Boao Forum for Asia Annual conference at China.

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif has urged the Asian countries to prioritise conflict resolution as armed conflicts could turn disastrous. Delivering his keynote address at the Boao Conference in China's Hainan province on Thursday, Nawaz Sharif called for coordinated efforts for economic prosperity. The Boao Asia Forum (BAF), a non-governmental organisation, arranged the four-day event.

The prime minister said top priority should be given to the resolution of disputes as peace is a prerequisite to economic development. He particularly appreciated China's economic revival and growth in the last several years.

Nawaz said Asian countries should particularly focus on regional connectivity to strengthen mutual contacts through road, sea, and train links. He said the Pakistan-China Economic Corridor will open new avenues for development in the region.

The prime minister said the Asian countries should take effective steps to tap the energy of their youth. He said the Pakistani government has started the Prime Minister's Youth Business Loans scheme and announced scholarships for youth to integrate them into the national economic mainstream.

Nawaz said the government is also concentrating on overcoming the energy shortfall to ensure its economic development. The prime minister said Pakistan has emerged from the lengthy war on terror, which has negatively affected its economy, trade and industry. Speaking on the occasion, Nawaz's Chinese counterpart Li Keqiang said China wants the eradication of poverty from the world. He said Asian countries should build a consensus, make active efforts and jointly fulfil their due responsibilities to achieve peace and stability in Asia.

"We should actively explore the establishment of a regional security cooperation framework in Asia," the

Chinese premier said at the opening ceremony. "We should promote security dialogue and consultation, strengthen cooperation on non-traditional security issues, including disaster management, maritime search and rescue, counter-terrorism and combating transnational crimes," he said.

The four-day conference features the theme of "Asia's New Future: Identifying New Growth Drivers" this year. The Chinese premier said, "We have excellent cooperation in all sectors with Pakistan and we have convergence of policy on regional and global issues."

Earlier, Nawaz said, "Destiny has made us neighbours and put us together. Let us now make conscious efforts to build a harmonious region, through mutual trust, mutual benefit, equality, consultation, respect for diverse civilizations and pursuit of common development." He said since its inception, the BFA has transformed itself into a globally recognised platform contributing to evolving ideas that truly reflect the voice of Asia, on global economic issues. He said the conference was taking place at a critical juncture as recently the world witnessed the worst financial crisis of modern history that crippled the global economy.

"We are witnessing a transition of economic power from West to East, as Asia is increasingly becoming the powerhouse of the global economy," he said. He said the forces of globalisation, urbanisation and innovation in technology were changing not only the destiny of Asia, but also of the entire world.

Nawaz said despite stagnant growth rates in various parts of the industrialised world and the massive shocks faced by international financial system since 2008, China has consistently registered high growth rates. "This remarkable growth augurs well for all of us," he added.

Nawaz said all growth strategies would be

futile without investment in green energy technologies and closer attention to clean environment and sustainable development.

"Pakistan of 2014 is a confident country, open for business, trade and investment. We assure you ease of business and healthy dividends on your investment," the prime minister said. Nawaz said the revival of Silk Road can prove an important instrument for the economic growth and prosperity of the region.

He said Pakistan is located at the southern edge of the New Silk Road. He appreciated China's President Xi Jinping for proposing a visionary concept of the New Silk Road last year and renewing everyone's interest in the subject.

He mentioned that a policy for revival of Silk Road could be based upon four elements: coordination to ensure mutually beneficial endeavours in peaceful and secure settings; introduction of cohesive laws and regulations regarding movement of humans and merchandise; regional infrastructure for better connectivity by building better transport networks and convertibility of currencies and uniformity in financial and banking sectors.

Nawaz said Pakistan is at the confluence of China, the Eurasian land-bridge and the Middle East which enables it to be en route to a three-pronged economic corridor between China, Central Asia and the Middle East. He said Pakistan believed that the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO), with its diverse membership and strong institutional framework, was well positioned to promote peace and security, in the wider neighbourhood. He said the SCO was playing an important role in settling disputes and managing conflicts which would help revive the Silk Road. Yang Jiechi, State Councillor of China and Zhang Guobao, Chairman Advisory Board, National Energy Commission of China also spoke on the occasion.

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Nawaz urges China to invest more in energy, infrastructure

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif urged his Chinese counterpart Li Keqiang to encourage Chinese companies to invest in Pakistan, especially in energy and infrastructure.

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, who is in China to attend the Boao Forum for Asia (BFA) 2014, held a bilateral meeting with his Chinese counterpart on the sidelines of the BFA. Both the leaders also discussed bilateral, regional and global issues. Congratulating Premier Li Keqiang and Chinese leadership on the successful holding of the 14th BFA, Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif highlighted that the Boao event was a demonstration of China's willingness to assist and guide the developing countries in their pursuit of harmonious growth and shared prosperity.

Describing Pakistan's friendship with China as an exemplary inter-state relationship, the prime minister stressed that Pakistan attaches the highest priority to its relations with China. Reviewing the whole range of bilateral relations, the two leaders focused on enhancing connectivity between China and Pakistan and agreed that expanding economic and trade cooperation, promoting economic integration, fostering economic development of the two countries would not only benefit China and Pakistan but also transform the whole region.

Chinese Premier Li Keqiang appreciated Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif's participation in the Boao Forum and reiterated the high priority attached by China to its relationship with Pakistan. He expressed the commitment towards deepening strategic cooperative partnership with Pakistan. Premier Li Keqiang thanked Pakistan for its consistent and strong

support on issues relating to China's core interests, including the fight against terrorism, extremism and separatism. He said that China would continue to strongly support Pakistan's sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity. He acknowledged sacrifices rendered by Pakistan in fighting terrorism and extremism and assured China's full support

regard, he urged the relevant authorities to continue their efforts to achieve concrete results.

The two leaders reiterated the resolve to translate the high level of mutual trust and cooperation in political sphere of their bilateral relations into practical project-oriented cooperation for shared prosperity of the two countries. Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif was accompanied by Punjab Chief Minister Shahbaz Sharif and Special Assistant to the Prime Minister on Foreign Affairs Syed Tariq Fatemi.

Chief Minister Shahbaz has said that the basic purpose of foreign visits of leaders of the Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) is to find ways and means to overcome the energy crisis and to develop infrastructure, transport and education sectors with the help of friendly countries. Talking to the press in Boao on the second day of his visit to China, Chief Minister Shahbaz said that it was for the first time that the federal as well as Punjab government have signed agreements of mutual cooperation with China.

According to a handout, the chief minister said that a historic agreement had been signed with a Chinese company at the beginning of this month to carry out exploration of iron ore reserves near the city of Chiniot. He said that the agreement had paved the way for establishing first coal-powered steel mills in the country. It would also result in creation of over 100,000 jobs, he added. He said that initial results about quality of iron ore were highly encouraging and the standard of iron ore was not less than that of iron ore found in Brazil, Russia and India.

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Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif Shaking hand with Chinese Premier Li Keqiang before their meeting on the sidelines of Boao Forum of Asia.

against these menaces. The Chinese premier, terming the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) as a common vision of the leadership of the two countries, expressed satisfaction on the progress made in the corridor project. He hoped that the corridor would soon start to take practical shape and yield tangible benefits, within the time-frame agreed upon between the two countries. In this

Pak-Saudi bilateral cooperation

reviewed at Joint Commission



Based on the Agreement of Economic, Trade and Technical Cooperation between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia signed in 1974, the meetings of the 10th Session of the Pakistani - Saudi Joint Commission were held in Riyadh.

The heads of both missions highlighted the issues which included the promotion of trade, enhancement of cooperation among different government and private sectors in both countries, finalization of draft agreements and MoU's previously discussed between the two sides as well as Customs, Scientific, Educational, Cultural and media cooperation.

Both sides agreed upon organizing mutual fairs, business and industrial exhibitions, in both countries, to exhibit each country's products in the other. All concerned sectors are expected to participate.

Exchanging information between the concerned authorities of the two countries in combating all types of commercial fraud and cooperation in the field of private laboratories for consumer goods.

Activating the Saudi-Pakistani Business Council to contribute to the development of trade, economic and investment relations between both countries.

Proceeding with cooperation between chambers of commerce of both countries and organizing joint events to introduce the service of the Saudi Exports Financing Program of the Saudi Fund for Development in a way that achieve the aspired development of trade between both countries.

Both sides confirmed the necessity of facilitating the procedures of business visa issuance in both countries and addressing

all obstacles and restrictions imposed so far.

Enhancing the Financial capability of the Saudi-Pakistani Investment Company by



Federal Minister for commerce, Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan and Saudi Arabian Minister for Commerce and Trade H.E. Dr. Tawfiq Bin Fauzan Al-Rabiah at the signing ceremony at the meeting of 10th Pak-Saudi Arabia Joint Ministerial Commission in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

raising its capital fund. Both sides agreed that the meeting of the board of the company be called as soon as possible to finalize these issues.

Pakistan side requested to evolve a mechanism for early solution to the problems being faced by the Pakistani workers like delays in hearing and disposal of labour cases in the courts, deportation, and release of prisoners who have completed their imprisonment / sentences as well as transportation of dead bodies of Pakistani workers to Pakistan.

Pakistani side requested that Saudi side may convey specific requirements for import of skilled manpower from Pakistan. The Pakistani side further requested for enhancement of quota for Pakistani

workers in the on-going projects in the Kingdom. Pakistani side offered to establish Centers in Pakistan sponsored by Saudi Arabia so that Pakistani manpower could be trained according to the Saudi requirements. Saudi side agreed to favorably consider the request and to communicate its requirement for skilled manpower through usual diplomatic channel.

The Joint Commission commended the efforts made by the Saudi Fund for Development (SFD) to finance a number of development projects in Pakistan and stressed the importance of the agreement signed with the SFD in the fields of Hydropower, urea, petrochemicals, plastics, and the agricultural sector.

The Joint Commission called upon the concerned authorities in both countries to discuss investment opportunities in the field of renewable energy generation, including the solar energy and production of photovoltaic cells with high efficiency.

Benefiting from the Pakistan medical staff eligible to work in the Kingdom, particularly in rare specialties.

The Pakistani side welcomed the decision of the Kingdom of lifting the ban on import of live animals, hatching eggs and chicks from Pakistan.

Planning short-term courses for Saudi veterinarians and veterinary assistants in domains related to clinics quarries, and veterinary laboratories in Pakistan.

The Pakistani side expressed its desire for the Saudi companies specialized in the field of oil to explore for oil in Pakistan in collaboration with the OGDCL Ltd The Saudi side manifested that this requested will be circulated to the concerned companies and the Pakistani side will be informed with any developments. Enhancing the mutual cooperation and information exchange in the field of combating narcotics and forfeiture.

The Pakistani side was headed by Eng. Khurram Dastgir Khan, Minister for Trade; the Saudi side headed by H.E. Dr. Tawfiq Bin Fauzan Al-Rabiah, Minister for Commerce and Industry.

Diplomatic Correspondent



Saudi Ambassador wife's donation to special children

The wife of Saudi Ambassador in Pakistan, Ms Aljourah Abdullah A. Alarifi, has donated Rs. One million to special children in a ceremony held at her residence in Islamabad.

During the ceremony, Saudi Ambassador's wife gave check worth Rs. One million to Shaheen Saifullah, Executive Director of special children's center Umeed-e-Nau.

While talking to media Saudi Ambassador's wife emphasized that these children need our special attention. She also stressed on building such centers in the country so that these children can become useful member of the society.

She further said that being a Muslims it is our obligation to financially support the centers working for welfare of the special children.

She also said, "This donated amount is a gift for the children of Umed-e-Nau from me and I hope that this amount will be used for the better care of the children of this center."

"I, at this occasion, appeal from the other Ambassadors, wives of the diplomats, and well-off people not to leave such children alone and for their betterment contribute in this noble cause so that tomorrow these children can become useful citizens of our country," she said.

IIRO 2200 to the women donated sewing machines of Pakistan

International Islamic Relief Organization (IIRO) donated 2200 sewing machines for onward distribution among poor women of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Azad Jammu and Kashmir, Gilgit-Baltistan and the Punjab. The sewing machines were handed over by Aljourah Abdullah A. Alarifi, wife of Saudi ambassador in Pakistan, here at IIRO office. Addressing the ceremony Aljourah Abdullah A. Alarifi lauded the efforts of IIRO and said that these were the right steps for empowerment of women. She said that for the first time, IIRO initiated sewing machine project to help poor women and it would help people a lot. She said this project will lead the society of the poor needy ones to a better tomorrow and enhance their financial status.

Managing Director Pakistan Bait ul Mal (PBM) Barrister Abid Waheed Sheikh appreciated the efforts of IIRO of distributing sewing machines among poor women. He said that PBM should collaborate with IIRO for eliminating poverty and enabling poor people to lead an honorable life. He said PBM is running 11 different projects to provide various social

safety services to orphans, widows, disabled and other needy persons.

He said Pakistan Bait ul Mal has established 168 vocational training centres for women empowerment and 157 national centers for rehabilitation of child labor. Minister for Social Welfare AJK Farzana Yaqoob appreciated IIRO for distributing sewing machines among poor women. She said that



Saudi Arabia has always stood by Pakistan in difficult hours including earthquake in 2005 and floods of 2010 and 2011.

She said that AJK government also established women development centres to empower women. Earlier, Regional Director General IIRO Dr. Abda Bin Muhammad Atteen said that the relief activities, are underway under the supervision of Khadim Al-Haramain Al-Sharifain Ambassador Abdul Aziz Bin Ibrahim Al Ghadeer, to help Pakistani brothers and sisters. He said that Pakistan and Saudi Arabia are tied in strong brotherly relations, adding that in all difficult times Saudi organizations will extend help to their Pakistani brothers.

The ceremony was also attended by Managing Director Pakistan Baitul Mal Barrister Abid Waheed Sheikh Social Welfare Minister AJK Farzana Yaqoob, ex-Minister KPK Sittara Imran, Ambassador of Lebanon, and Regional Director General IIRO Dr. Abda Bin Muhammad Ibrahim Atteen. Special delegate from Saudi Arabia Sheikh Al Zanati also attended the ceremony.



Federal Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage, Senator Pervaiz Rashid cutting a cake in a reception, hosted by Australian High Commissioner, H.E. Mr. Peter Heyward to celebrate Australian Day in spring, Islamabad.

Australia Day in Spring 2014 celebrated

Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage Senator Pervaiz Rashid has said Pakistan and Australia enjoy cordial relationship and the present government will endeavour to further strengthen it for the mutual benefit of people of both countries.

Addressing participants in the function, arranged by the Australia High Commissioner to celebrate "Australia Day in Spring 2014", the minister emphasized that the existing ties between the two countries should be further enhanced in the times to come.

The minister also appreciated Australian art and culture including language, music and aboriginal tradition, depicted in the paintings.

He said the art and culture has always been hallmark of every civilization since ages.

Senator Pervaiz Rashid said art helps in portraying true images, symbols, dynamics and traditions of any society in its particular social milieu.

On the occasion, Australian High Commissioner Peter Heyward said Australia enjoyed warmth in its bilateral ties with Pakistan, adding that around

10,000 Pakistanis are studying in a wide range of disciplines in Australia including medicines, engineering, and agriculture and business studies.

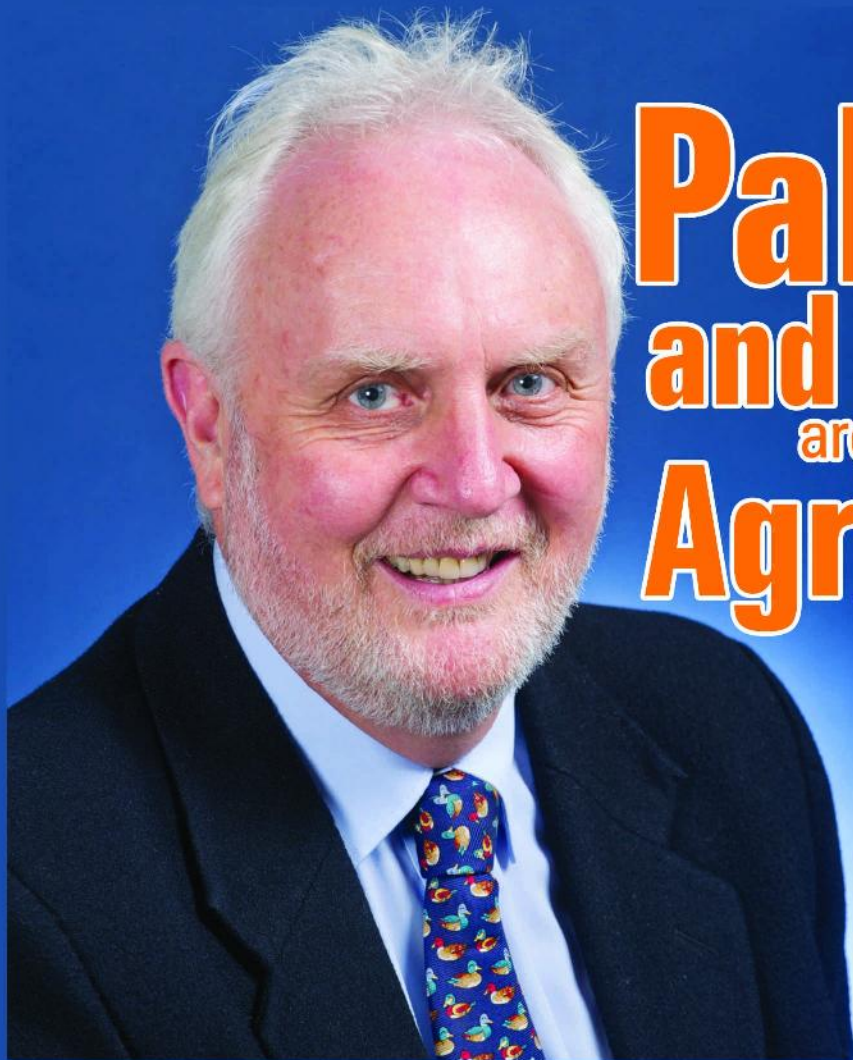
He said Australian High Commission is working with Australian and Pakistani education institutions to explore the potential for stronger linkages through

student and faculty exchange programmes. Pervaiz Rashid also witnessed exhibition of contemporary indigenous Australian culture.

The Minister also gave away awards to the students who studied in Australia and now are serving in various fields in Pakistan.



Federal Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage, Senator Pervaiz Rashid witnessing an exhibition of paintings reception, hosted by Australian High Commissioner, H.E. Mr. Peter Heyward to celebrate Australian in Spring in Islamabad.



Pakistan and Australia are natural partners in Agri sector

Pakistan and Australia are natural partners in Agriculture sector as Pakistan has a rich Agriculture tradition while Australia is world leader in Agriculture Research and innovation. This was stated by Australian High Commissioner Peter Heyward while talking to LCCI President Engineer Sohail Lashari.

The High Commissioner, who was heading a six-member delegation of Australian companies working in Agriculture sector, urged the Pakistani farming community to avail the Australian expertise in the Agriculture and livestock sectors to increase their produce in these two areas. He said that Australia's experience and expertise combined with Pakistan's abundant natural endowments make a strong partnership. He said that both the Australian government and the private sector were ready to join hands with their Pakistani counterparts in Agriculture and livestock sectors.

The High Commissioner said that there exist huge opportunities to cooperate and learn from each other in Agri Research and Economics. He said that both the countries have a long standing friendship built on shared interests and growing people to

people contacts.

Peter Heyward said that Pakistan's Agriculture sector could enhance its efficiency and growth by joining hands with Australia.

Australia has been playing a very significant role in enhancing the productivity of the dairy sector in Pakistan. Dairy farms in Pakistan have improved their productivity through introduction of Australian Cattle and high quality fodder & forage seeds.

Australian companies can provide value added solutions in breeding goat, cattle and sheep for meat consumption for the domestic & export markets. There is also the potential to strengthen ties in water management, horticulture and development of a supply chain from farm to market.

He also offered cooperation in the field of coal in which Australia enjoys sufficient expertise.

Speaking on the occasion, the LCCI President Engineer Sohail Lashari said that Pakistan was in dire need of bringing and introducing modern technology in

Agriculture sector.

He said that although the concept of corporate farming had been introduced in Pakistan but its magnitude was very insignificant so far as only a fraction of agriculture sector has modern machinery, hybrid seeds, fertilizers, pesticides and post harvest technology.

The LCCI President said that transfer of knowledge as well as technology from developed countries like Australia can bring good results.

There is a large portion of land available in Pakistan which can be cultivated but due to lack of water and the issues like salinity, its utilization does not go over 75 per cent.

Pakistan is the fourth largest producer of milk in the world but is unfortunately preserving a little amount of this heritage. Things have improved over the time but the actual potential of this sector has yet to be fully exploited.

Similarly, Pakistan is known for livestock and especially in producing Halal meat. The major section of this sub sector uses conventional ways and hence fetches very little worth of their produce.

Australia is among the top countries in the world in these sectors and we look forward to have joint ventures with Australian businessmen.

Overall trade and economic relations between two countries, the LCCI President said that Australia is some of the major countries which are investing in Pakistan but the size of investment is not up to a desirable level therefore the High Commission should motivate the Australian businessmen to consider Pakistan as one the highest yielding places for investment.

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President stresses enhanced Pak, Russia ties for peace, prosperity



Mr. Zaheer A. Janjua, Pakistan's Ambassador-designate to Russian called on President Mamnoon Hussain at the Aiwan-e-Sadr.

President Mamnoon Hussain said Pakistan and Russia are important players in the region and stressed the need for two countries to further consolidate their relations and enhance mutual cooperation for peace, prosperity and stability of the region.

The President expressed these views while talking to Zaheer A. Janjua, Pakistan's ambassador-designate to Russia, who

called on him here at the Aiwan-e-Sadr.

The President while felicitating the ambassador-designate on his new responsibilities said that Pakistan values its relations with Russia and urged the newly appointed ambassador to focus on further cementing Pakistan's bilateral relations with Russia.

The President also urged the ambassador-designate to especially focus on enhancing

trade ties of the country with the host country, as the current volume of bilateral trade does not commensurate with the trade potential existing between the two countries. Zaheer A Janjua, Ambassador designate thanked the President for reposing confidence in him and assured that he would concentrate on augmenting Pakistan's bilateral ties with Russia with particular focus on enhancing trade, business and economic ties.

Nisar, UK High Commissioner discuss regional security situation

High Commissioner of United Kingdom to Pakistan Philip Barton called on Federal Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan and discussed overall security situation in the region with particular reference to FATA and Afghanistan.

The Minister said that peace in Afghanistan is key to peace in entire region and Pakistan will continue to work closely with new Afghan government for establishing lasting peace in the region.

He hoped that durable peace would prevail in the region especially in FATA as a result of government's policy of dialogue.

He added that government was

trying to expedite this process of dialogue with positive outcome without any inordinate delay.

Expressing his views on bilateral relations between Pakistan and UK, the Minister said that both countries enjoy decades old political and economic relations which have now flowered into "special relationship".

This has been manifested through exchange of high profile visits between the two countries. He also praised the institutional support of UK in capacity building of civil armed forces of Pakistan.

The High Commissioner appreciated the commitment of present government of Pakistan in putting the country on the path of peace and



development.

He also highlighted the areas where UK could play a more vibrant role like policing, counter terrorism, anti human and drug trafficking.

Appreciating the recently announced National Internal Security Policy, the Higher Commissioner particularly mentioned the cooperation

build up in this sector in recent past.

He hoped that forthcoming visit of Prime Minister would add to already strong relationship between two countries.

The Minister said that close Pakistan-UK relations can play very important role in improving geo-political situation of the region.



Launching ceremony of CPRD

The launching ceremony of Center for Policy Research and Dialogue was held at the Marquee.

The ceremony was attended by chief guest Interior Minister Chaudry Nisar, eminent Muslim scholars, intellectuals and media persons.

The speakers who addressed the occasion, including Mufti Mhd Taqi Usmani, Editor in Chief Pakistan Observer Zahid Malik and Chairman Council of Islamic Ideology Mhd Khan Sherani, touched on burning issues being faced by Pakistan. They said that the Pakistani nation should strive for a just social order based on the eternal message of Islam.



Mian Fazal Elahi CEO/Editor/Publisher of Diplomatic Focus gives a reception at Serena Hotel to celebrate Award of Hilal-e-Pakistan to H.E. Mr. Rodolfo J Martin Saravia, Ambassador of Argentina and Dean of Diplomatic Corps





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Ambassador of Russia H.E. Alexery Dedov talks to Adviser to the Prime Minister on National Security and Foreign Affairs, Sartaj Aziz in Islamabad.



Adviser to the Prime Minister on National Security and Foreign Affairs, Sartaj Aziz in a meeting with H.E. Janan Mosazai, Ambassador of Afghanistan in Islamabad.



Adviser to the PM on National Security and Foreign Affairs, Sartaj Aziz in a meeting with Ramiro Lopes da Silva Assistant Executive Director UN World Food Programme.



Finance Minister, Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar, in a group photo with Canada-Pakistan Business Council at Toronto.



Finance Minister, Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar meeting with Minister of Afghanistan Mr. Omar Zakhilwal in Washington D.C.



Federal Minister for Finance, Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar addressing the audience at a Public Speaking Session at United States Institute of Peace, Washington D.C.



Finance Minister, Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar meeting with Ms. Justine Greening of State for International Development UK in Washington D.C.



Finance Minister, Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar with Representatives of M/s Standard & Poor's lead by Mr. Noritz Kraemer in Washington D.C.



Minister of State for Education, Training and Standards in Higher Education and Interior, Baligh-ur-Rahman presenting a souvenir to Mayor of Wetham for Forest Nadeem Ali in Islamabad.



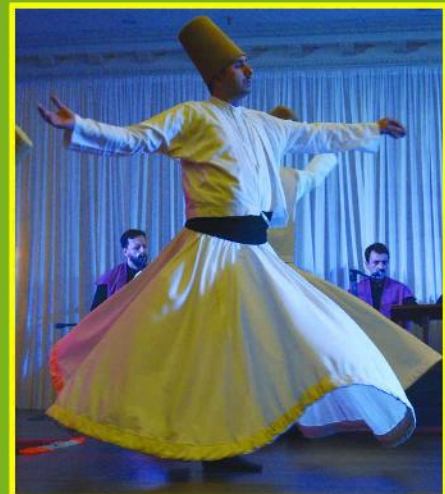
National Security Adviser of UK Sir Kim Darroch exchanging views with Federal Minister for Defence, Khawaja Mohammad Asif in Islamabad.

Whirling Dervishes of Turkey

The Turkish Embassy in collaboration with the Islamabad Marriott Hotel organized "The Whirling Dervishes of Turkey," at the elegant Marquee, an event which was attended by special guests including ambassadors, diplomats, the elite of the twin cities and members of the press. The Ambassador of Turkey H.E Sadik Babur Girgin played the perfect host and graciously welcomed guests to the event.

The audience experienced a mesmerizing seven century old Sufi tradition associated with the dancing of whirling dervishes, who originated in the 13th century as followers of the poet and Muslim mystic, Rumi. The event, co sponsored by Telenor, featured the revolving dance of the dervishes cloaked in long white robes accompanied by spiritual Sufi music performed live on traditional instruments dating back to the times of Rumi. This dance is a traditional form of Sufi worship, a continuous twirling with one hand pointed upward reaching for the divine and the other hand pointed toward the ground.

Attendees of the performance had the unique opportunity to witness this intensely spiritual and inspirational performance of the Whirling Dervishes without having to travel to Turkey.



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Federal Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control, Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan in a meeting with Sir Kim Darroch, National Security Advisor of UK in Islamabad.



Federal Minister for Finance, Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar meeting with Ms. Keiko Honda, Executive President MIGA in Washington DC.



Foreign Secretary Aizaz Ahmed Chaudhary in a delegation level meeting with the Deputy Foreign Minister of Japan Shinsuke Sugiyama in Islamabad.



Finance Minister for Finance, Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar meeting with Dr. Jim Yong Kim, President World Bank in Washington D.C.



Finance Minister for Finance, Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar meeting with Takehiko Nakao President Asian Development Bank in Washington D.C.



Federal Secretary for Economic Affairs Division, Ms. Nargis Sethi and Ambassador of France, Philippe Thiebaud signs the Credit Facility Agreement (CFAS) for the establishment of Pakistan Q2 Hydropower projects in Islamabad.



Federal Minister for Planning, Development & Reform, Prof. Ahsan Iqbal being presented a shield at PIMA Convection in Islamabad.



Finance Minister for Finance, Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar shaking hands with Dr. Ibrahim bin Abdul Aziz Al-Assof, Finance Minister of Saudi Arabia prior to their meeting on the sidelines of World Bank/IMF spring meetings in Washington D.C.



Ambassador of Tajikistan in Pakistan, H.E. Sheer Ali, presenting a book on history, culture and civilization of Tajikistan to Federal Minister for Commerce, Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan in Islamabad.



Finance Minister, Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar Meeting with Dr. Rajiv Shah, USAID Administrator in Washington D.C.

US, Pakistan see opportunity for innovative financing of Diamer Bhasha Dam

Finance Minister Ishaq Dar and Dr. Rajiv Shah, Administrator USAID agreed that, with positive mood on the turnaround in Pakistani economy and successful launch of Eurobond, it is an opportune moment to explore innovative financing for Diamir Bhasha Dam.

They also discussed programme portfolio and future priorities when Dr. Raj Shah along with his team, called on Finance Minister Dar at the World Bank.

Senator Dar was assisted by Pakistan's ambassador to the United States Jalil Abbas Jilani, Secretary Finance Dr. Waqar Masood Khan, Secretary Economic Affairs Division Ms. Nargis Sethi, Acting Governor State Bank Ashraf Mehmood Wathra and Additional Secretary (EF) Shahid Mahmood, according to the Pakistani embassy.

At the outset, Dr. Shah congratulated the Finance Minister on the successful 2nd review of EFF Programme and the successful launching of Eurobonds.

Furthermore, he appreciated that the efforts of the Pakistan government bore fruit and Dasu Hydropower Project was going to the World Bank Board on 29th May 2014.

He reiterated his commitment to increase the 'on budget' portion of USAID disbursement to 35% in the current calendar year.

He informed that the three equity funds, which had been given \$20 million each under Pakistan Private Investment Initiative, were now in the process of raising matching capital and would soon begin lending funds to the small and medium enterprises.

He stated that since the mood of the investors and lenders was very positive towards Pakistan, therefore it was an opportune moment to have conference on Diamir Bhasha Dam in which major construction firms may be invited.

These firms, in his opinion, would be interested to finance Diamir Bhasha Dam through supply of machinery through EXIM Bank when the project would reach construction phase.

Finance Minister Ishaq Dar thanked Dr. Shah for his positive comments on the turnaround of the Pakistan economy.

The Finance Minister briefly informed him about the macro indicators like economic growth, fiscal deficit and debt to GDP ratio, inflation, current account deficit, exchange rate and stabilization of the Rupee, revenue generation and the outstanding performance of the Karachi Stock Market, all of which were pointing towards resurgence of Pakistan economy.

The Finance Minister stated that the months of March, April and May were important for Pakistan as during this

period World Bank had approved the CASA-1000 project while it was also taking the two Development Policy Credits and Dasu Hydropower Project (DHP) to its board.

Moreover, during this period Pakistan had second successful review of the EFF and was all set for the 3rd review for the period which ended on 31st March.

The Finance Minister said that holding a potential investors' conference on Diamir Bhasha Dam and approval of the Dasu Hydropower project are aligned with the stated policy of the PML(N) Government.

He stated that according to his information, US EXIM Bank was offering finances to other countries in the region for a period of 20 years without the requirement of sovereign guarantee while in the case of Pakistan, the period of financing was 7 years and for that too sovereign guarantee was required.

The Finance Minister observed that this treatment was denying a level-playing field and discouraging investments in Pakistan.

Dr. Shah promised to intervene in the matter and also to hold conferences on Diamir Bhasha Dam after the approval of DHP by the World Bank as this would send strong signals about the improved health of energy sector in Pakistan.

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Reception hosted by the H.E. the Ambassador of the Argentine Republic, **Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia**, in the honor of the Foreign Secretary, H.E. Ambassador Eduardo Zuain.



H.E. Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, H.E. Ambassador Celeste Koch-Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Argentine Republic, Mrs. Susana Negri and H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain Foreign Secretary of the Argentine Republic during the reception.



Mr. Awaiz Leghari, Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, Advisor to PM Tariq Fatimi, H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Secretary of Foreign Affairs of Argentina, during the reception.



Mr. Zulfikar Ali, H.E. Ambassador Celeste Koch, Mrs. Susana Negri, H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, H.E. Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, H.E. Ambassador Richard G. Olson.



H.E. Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Mr. Aftab Sherpao



H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, H.E. Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, H.E. Mr. Javier Carbajosa-Ambassador of the Kingdom of Spain.



H.E. Ambassador Celeste Koch, Mrs. Susana Negri, H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, H.E. Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, AMB (R) Riaz Khokhar



H.E. Ambassador Celeste Koch, Mrs. Susana Negri, Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Mr. Enver Baig Chairman PISP



AMB(R) Sarwar Naqvi, H.E. Ambassador Celeste Koch, Mrs. Susana Negri, Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, Mrs. Sarwar Naqvi, H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Dr. Shahzad Waseem



Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, H.E. Mr. Qamar Zaman Chairman NAB



H.E. Ambassador Celeste Koch, Admiral (R) Tariq Khan, Mrs. Susana Negri



Mrs. Walid Mushtaq , Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Mr. Walid Mushtaq



Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, H.E. Mr. Faridullah Khan



Zulfikar Haider KHAN, H.E. Ambassador Celeste Koch, Mrs. Susana Negri, Muhammad Ali



H.E. Ambassador Celeste Koch, Mrs. Susana Negri, Mrs. & Lt. Gen. (R) Mr. Shabazada Yaqub Khan , H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia



Mr. Awais Leghari, H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia



H.E. Ambassador Celeste Koch, Mrs. Susana Negri, H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, H.E. Mr. Muhammad Baligh ur Rehman



Mr. Aftab Shergao, Commander Khalil-ur- Rehman , Mr. Enver Baig, H.E. Dr. Miftah Ismail



Mr. Awais Leghari, Mr. Abid Hasan, Mr. Enver Baig, Mr. Daniyal Aziz



Lt. Gen (R) Mr. Talat Masood, H.E Ambassador Richard G. Olson, Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia,



H.E. Mr. Javier Carbajosa, Mr. Faisal Mushtaq, Mr. Musa Chohan, Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, Mr. Osman Waheed, H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, H.E. Ambassador Naela Chohan, Major. Genl. (R) Ali Masood Akram



Lola Castro, H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, H.E. Mr. Muhammad Baligh ur Rehman, H.E. Dr. Miftah Ismail



AMB (R) Qazi Humayun, Lt. Gen (R) Mr. Talat Masood, AMB (R) Riaz Khokhar, Ambassador Rodolfo Martin Saravia, H.E. Mr. Eduardo Antonio Zuain, H.E. Ambassador Naela Chohan, Mrs. Zahra Fatemi

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Ambassador of Argentina and Dean of the Diplomatic Corps

H.E. Rodolfo Martin Saravia

hosted a Dinner in honour of Mr. Zareef Malik and Nayyara Malik,
Designated High Commissioner of Pakistan to Brunei Darussalam



Dean of the Diplomatic Corps H. E. Mr. Rodolfo Martin Saravia with ambassadors of Romania, Tunisia, H.C. of Bangladesh, Switzerland, Cuba, Austria, Nepal, Italy, Spain, H.C. of Mauritius, H.C. of Canada, H.C. of South Africa, Amb of Netherlands, Amb of Bosnia, Brunei, Philippines, Amb Zaheer Janjua and Madame (Former Chief of Protocol), Naeem Sarfraz and Madame on their trip to visit the beautiful Temples of Katas Raj and Mallot Temple in the province of Punjab.





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Sports Diplomacy Invitational Golf tournament 2014

Organized by Serena Hotel & HBL at Islamabad

Sunday, March 30, 2014 - The 2nd Foreign Office Golf Tournament was held today under the "Sports Diplomacy Initiative". The tournament took place at Islamabad Golf Club with the collaboration of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Serena Hotels and Habib Bank Limited.

84 avid golfers teed off at 8.00 in the morning for an 18-hole shot-gun match. The customary 19th hole was held at Islamabad Serena Hotel over a sumptuous dinner.

The winners of the day were as follows:

Closest to Pin: Lt. General[®] Abdul Qayyum

Longest Drive: Shahid Aziz

Winner Gross 'Foreign Office & Retd Ambassadors: Basharat

Winner Gross 'Diplomatic Corps':

Harish Thukral

3rd Gross: Ahmed Sarwar

Runner up Gross: Iftikhar Awan

Winner Gross (Overall): Ibrar Khan

Winner Net (Overall): Air Marshall Asim

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Winners of the tournament received trophies and Serena gift vouchers for properties across Pakistan. Chief Guest at the occasion Mr Sartaz Aziz, Advisor to the Prime Minister on National Security & Foreign Affairs, lauded the efforts of the three organizations and specifically the efforts of Mr Aizaz Chaudhry, Foreign Secretary, Mr Aziz Boolani, CEO Serena Hotels and Mr Muhammad Ali, Chief Representative HBL for promoting diplomatic ties through sports.



Shahban Khalid, President, Islamabad Chamber of Commerce & Industry is presenting shield to H.E. Mr. Nedim Markarwvic, Ambassador of Bosnia to Pakistan on his visit to Chamber House.

Bosnia shows interest to enhance trade with Pakistan

Bosnia enjoys quota free market access to European Union and Pakistan should promote trade relations with Bosnia for getting enhanced market share in European countries. This was said by H.E. Nedim Markarevic, Ambassador of Bosnia while addressing business community at Islamabad Chamber of Commerce & Industry.

He said Sarajevo Business Forum being held from May 14-15, 2014 provides a good platform to Pakistani entrepreneurs to meet with their counterparts and they should participate in that forum to explore available business opportunities in Bosnia and through Bosnia into Europe. He said Bosnia has managed very low inflation rate and high per capita income, which provide sufficient reasons to do business in that part of the world.

He said Bosnia is moving forward to get EU Membership and Pakistan's enhanced collaboration with Bosnia would provide it great opportunities for enhancing exports

to European markets. He added that business in Bosnia means business with European countries as the strategic location of Bosnia opens up doors to a number of EU countries.

He also highlighted the potential of steel, metals and engineering industries of Bosnia gave a video presentation about business and investment opportunities in his country.

Speaking at the occasion, Shaban Khalid, President, Islamabad Chamber of Commerce & Industry said that Bosnia is an energy rich country especially in the field of hydro and coal and it should cooperate with Pakistan in technology transfer for utilizing abundant coal reserves in Pakistan.

He said the existing volume of bilateral trade between Pakistan and Bosnia is around half million US dollars, which is far below their respective potential. He said both countries should facilitate interactions between their private sectors

and encourage frequent exchange of trade delegations to explore all untapped areas of mutual cooperation.

Shaban Khalid said for promoting bilateral trade and economic relations, it is essential that diplomatic missions of both countries should develop continuous interaction with Chambers of Commerce, facilitate exchange of business delegations and cooperate in arranging single country exhibitions as well as introduction of products of each other countries as such measures would prove highly helpful in improving business cooperation between the two countries. He briefed the Bosnian envoy about the business and investment potential in different sectors of Pakistan's economy and added that Bosnian investors should explore Pakistan for investment and joint ventures. He assured that ICCI would like to work closely with Bosnian Embassy for bringing private sectors of both countries closer.

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Charity on behalf of First Lady of Azerbaijan

The Charity function on behalf of Mrs. Mehriban Aliyeva, First Lady of Azerbaijan, President of Heydar Aliyev Foundation, Goodwill Ambassador of UNESCO and ISESCO was held at Anjuman-e Suleymania Model Children Home (orphanage), Lahore.

Speaking at the ceremony Ambassador of Azerbaijan to Pakistan, H.E. Mr. Dashgin Shikarov greeted participants and children on behalf of First Lady and people of Azerbaijan and spoke about ties and shared values of two nations that bring the people of Azerbaijan and Pakistan together. Mr. Dashgin Shikarov briefed participants of the event on activities of Heydar Aliyev Foundation in Azerbaijan and other countries of the world. He noted that the foundation had implemented number of healthcare, education and humanitarian projects in all districts of Pakistan as well.

Addressing audience the presenters vice-president of Anjuman-e Suleymania Model Children Home Mr. Rauf Khalid Mustafa and Executive Director of School Mrs. Shahida Riaz thanked Mrs. Mehriban Aliyeva for the gesture of love to people of Pakistan, spoke about unique cordial relations that exist between Pakistan and Azerbaijan and shed light about the cooperation which is covering all spheres of life. They also apprised about the activity of the model school and ongoing reconstruction work.

After the distribution of gifts to the beneficiaries of the orphanage the guests got acquainted with facilities of Anjuman-e-Suleymania. The Foundation also made financial aid to the orphanage.

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Japanese ambassador calls on Finance Minister to discuss energy issues



Federal Minister for Finance, Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar in a meeting with Ambassador of Japan Mr. Hiroshi Inomata to discuss Assistance in Energy Sector Reforms Program in Islamabad.

Minister for Finance Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar said that Pakistan is working on a model where private sector takes the lead and it is high time for our friendly countries like Japan to get benefit from investor-friendly atmosphere of Pakistan. The Finance Minister stated this while talking to Hiroshi Inomata Ambassador of Japan to Pakistan who called him here at Finance Ministry. Dar further said that there is huge potential in Pakistan's energy and communications sectors for foreign investment.

The Minister informed the Ambassador that Karachi Circular Railway Project is one of the top priorities of the country. Hiroshi Inomata on the occasion

congratulated the Finance Minister on the successful roadshows and the launch of Eurobonds worth US \$ 2 billion in the international financial market which is the result of hard work and confidence building measures adopted by the present government.

The Ambassador also appreciated that all the economic indicators of the country are showing positive development and are a sign that the country is moving fast on the road to prosperity.

The Finance Minister informed the Ambassador that, as a result of structural reforms and measures introduced by the present government, the economy has started to show positive results.

He said tax collection, GDP growth rate

and foreign exchange reserves are moving up and the rate of inflation is going down.

The Japanese Ambassador assured the Minister that Japan fully supports the reforms programme and economic policies undertaken by the present government and looks forward to renew its economic relations with Pakistan.

He mentioned that 5 billion Japanese Yen loan programme for energy sector reforms will be announced soon.

The meeting was also attended by Dr Waqar Masood, Finance Secretary, Ms. Nargis Sethi, Secretary Economic Affairs Division and senior officials of the Finance Ministry.



Pakistan grabs Assistant Secretary General slot of OIC

Pakistan's Ambassador to Saudi Arabia Muhammad Naeem Khan has been elected the Assistant Secretary General of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), according to the foreign ministry.

The election was held in Jeddah during the meeting of the OIC Permanent Representatives.

Candidates from Pakistan, Afghanistan, Indonesia and Malaysia contested for the position of Assistant Secretary General from the Asian Group.

Foreign Office Spokesperson Tasnim Aslam said the consecutive election of Pakistan's candidate to the senior post of assistant secretary general indicates the prestige and confidence Pakistan enjoys in the OIC.

"Pakistan attaches high importance to the OIC. Ambassador Naeem Khan would continue with our efforts to project and promote the common interests of the Muslim ummah through the OIC," she added.



President FPCCI Zakria Usman presenting bouquet to Cuban Ambassador

Pak businessmen urged to explore Latin American markets thru Cuba

Republic of Cuba has invited Pakistani business community to explore opportunities in the upcoming international expo being held in Havana.

Pakistani business community can have a chance to build bridges with participants from seventy countries which are taking part in this mega event, said Ambassador of Cuba to Pakistan Jesus Zenen Buergo Concepcion.

Talking to a delegation of businessmen led by President FPCCI Zakria Usman, we want enhanced commercial, political and cultural ties with Pakistan.

Mr. Concepcion said that Pakistani textiles, sports goods, surgical instruments, leather goods, handicrafts, marble and rice are greatly admired in his country but the volume of bilateral trade does not reflect our cordial ties.

He said that he will push the Cuba Chamber of Commerce for linkages and exchange of delegations with FPCCI.

Health and medical education system of Cuba was considered one of the best in the world and we desire to upgrade Pakistani system to that level, he offered.

The Ambassador said that Cuba has offered biggest ever fully paid scholarship programme to Pakistani students who have shown outstanding performance among students of 105 countries undergoing studies there.

The ambassador said relations between Pakistan and Cuba were based on mutual trust and confidence; our ties are growing that must be converted into trade and economic cooperation.

He said Pakistan is victim of disinformation spread by foreign media which is contrary to the ground realities. He thanked

Islamabad for supporting a UN resolution for lifting of embargoes on Cuba.

At the occasion, President FPCCI Zakria Usman demanded transfer of medical related technology and training facility to local technicians.

He thanked Cuban support after the 2005 earthquake, provision of free education to Pakistani students, support during the dengue outbreak and its services in promotion of sports in Pakistan.

The FPCCI chief assured that Pakistani business community will participate in Cuban expo to evaluate to opportunities as a region of 600 million people with over five trillion dollars of combined GDP cannot be ignored.

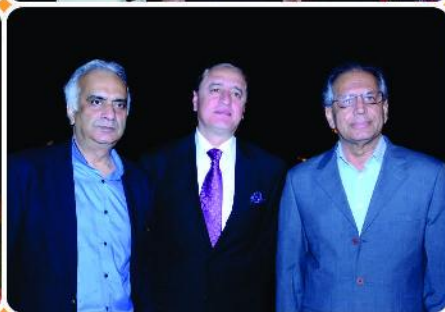
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H.E. Mr. Alireza Haghighian, Ambassador of the Islamic Republic of Iran and Military Attaché hosts reception to mark Armed Forces Day at Serena Hotel



Mr. Aziz Boolani CEO of Serena Hotels with the collaboration of HBL north zone host a dinner reception on Sports Diplomacy invitational Golf Tournament 2014





ASEAN Islamabad Committee & the Indonesian Embassy hosting Asean Food Festival with their cultural musical dance performance and Arts Exhibition Ceremony at Auditorium Hall Indonesian Embassy Islamabad





Bangla New Year celebrated at Bangladesh High Commission, Islamabad



Award Ceremony of Hajj Organizer Association of Pakistan (Islamabad Zone)

Federal Minister for Religious Affairs Mr. Sardar Muhammad Yousaf, and Ambassador of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia H.E. Dr. Abdul Aziz Ibrahim Bin Salih AL-Ghadeer give awards to successful travel agents



Consul General (honorary) of Paraguay Mr. Kanwal Muhammad Tariq hosts a dinner Reception and Sufi musical evening in the honor of **H.E. Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia,** Ambassador of Argentine Republic and Dean of Diplomatic Corps at Multan Ramada Inn.

The Consul General (Hon) of the Republic of Paraguay in Pakistan Mr. Kanwal M. Tariq hosted a reception followed by dinner and a sufi musical evening in honour of His Excellency Mr. Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia, Dean of the Diplomatic Corps and Ambassador of the Argentine Republic to Pakistan to pay tributes on conferring him

. He was of the view that he is delighted to be here as he has got an opportunity to meet the important personalities of Multan from every walk of life. He further said that he feels proud by honoring him the highest civil award by the Government of Pakistan. Syed Yousaf Raza Gillani, in his speech paid tributes to H.E and said that he wholeheartedly welcome both the

presented a special shield to the honorable Ambassador on behalf of the Consulate General of the Republic of Paraguay and the event was followed by distribution of shields to the notable personalities of the region.

Then started the most important event of the program, a sufi musical evening with



the Hilal-i-Pakistan by the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

The reception was largely attended by the prominent political and business dignitaries of Multan including former Prime Minister of Pakistan H.E Syed Yousaf Raza Gilani and other prominent personalities of civil society of Multan.

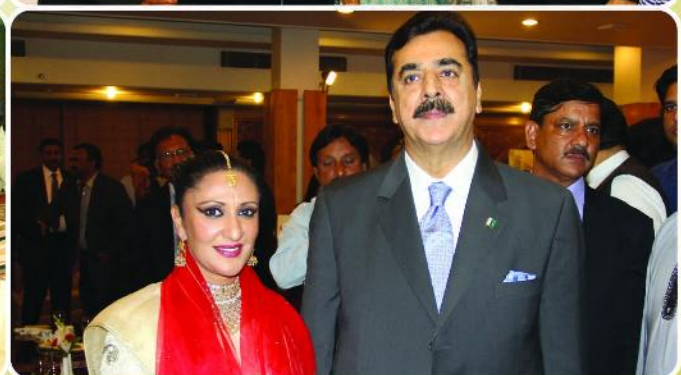
H.E Mr. Rodolfo, talking on the occasion thanked Mr. Kanwal M. Tariq for arranging such a wonderful reception to honour him

Excellencies in Multan.

Mr. Kanwal M. Tariq congratulated H.E Mr. Rodolfo for this prestigious award and told the audience that Mr. Rodolfo is always helpful to the diplomatic circles to fulfill their tasks and assignments. He further said that Mr. Rodolfo has agreed to visit Multan to launch Green Multan campaign on his request and continuously attended so many events arranged here at Multan.

Thereafter, H.E. Syed Yousaf Raza Gillani

special performance by Mis. Nighat Choudhary, a globally renowned Kathak classical performer which enthralled the audience with her superb dance performances. Mr. Shauqat Manzoor one of the most famous classical singers of Pakistan sung on the occasion with his most popular mystical Kaafis. The participants of the musical evening were unanimously of the view that this was one of the most gorgeous performance in the history of Multan.



His Excellency Mr. Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia, Ambassador of Argentina and Dean of the Diplomatic Corps kicks off Green Multan Campaign



His Excellency and Mr. Kanwar M. Tariq planted trees at Qila Qasim Bagh, Multan to promote the green Multan campaign. This was one of the most significant events of the visit of His Excellency. The ceremony was attended by the district administration of Multan and His Excellency was warmly welcomed here by the prominent citizens of Multan. In the welcome address DCO Multan appreciated

the efforts of His Excellency Mr. Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia for launching of tree plantation campaign in Multan and offered all their resources to make this campaign a great success. In his statement Mr. Rodolfo and Mr. Kanwar Tariq announced the contribution with the half a million trees to the Multan administration and this quantity would be enhanced gradually. He stressed upon the need to look after these

plants not only by the district administration but also the citizens of Multan from all walks of life. Terming Multan as the Mango city he said that Mango growers should use modern techniques of packaging to boost their exports. He was also of the view that Argentina could help Mango growers by providing them technical help in preservation and packaging process





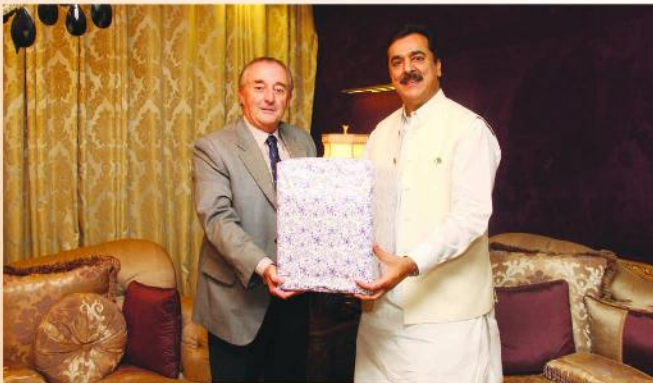


Former prime minister hosts a Dinner in the honor of the Ambassador of Argentine Republic and Dean of Diplomatic Corps H.E. Mr. Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia in Multan

The former Prime Minister of Pakistan H.E Syed Yousaf Raza Gillani hosted a sumptuous dinner in the honour of H.E the dean of Diplomatic Corp and the Ambassador of Argentine Republic at his residence in

Multan. The dinner was attended by prominent political and business dignitaries of Multan. Both the Excellencies exchanged views on different topics of mutual interest and also discussed the recent global issues. H.E

Syed Yousaf Raza Gillani shared his feelings as a Prime Minister of Pakistan. He also mentioned how he strengthens the relations with the Diplomatic Corps which the Ambassador is heading at present.





His Excellency Mr. Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia, Ambassador of Argentina and Dean of the Diplomatic Corps visits Nishtar Medical College Multan

Ambassador visited various departments, labs and classes of the college and was of the view that Nishtar Medical College seems to be the best higher learning

institution of medical discipline in Pakistan. The Principal of the College informed His Excellency that NMC has completed its 50 years and now it is globally renowned

institution. The college is providing medical facilities not only to the city of Multan, its suburbs but also to the whole of Pakistan.





His Excellency Mr. Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia, Ambassador of Argentina and Dean of the Diplomatic Corps Visits South Punjab Women Chamber of Commerce Multan



On 16th April 2014, during the visit to Multan, the Ambassador of Argentine Republic was invited by the South Punjab women Chamber of Commerce Multan to interact with business women and to address full house session of chamber. His Excellency chaired

session of the South Punjab Women Chamber of Commerce and Industry. He was warmly welcomed by the President of the SPWCCI said that the Chamber was putting all its efforts to encourage women entrepreneurs to actively participate in the economic development of the country. His

Excellency in his remarks stressed upon the need for Pakistani businesswomen to focus on diversifying exports to Argentina as sticking to the traditional export items would not yield positive results.





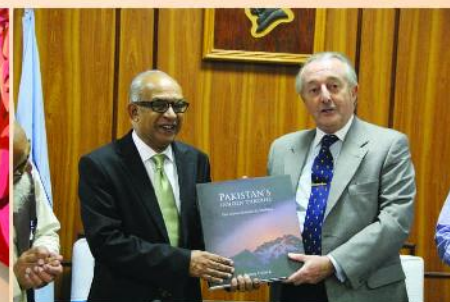
His Excellency Mr. Rodolfo J. Martin Saravia, Ambassador of Argentina and Dean of the Diplomatic Corps inaugurates an Art Exhibition at Fine Arts Collage, Multan



During the visit of His Excellency the Ambassador to Bahauddin Zikriya University (BZU) His Excellency also inaugurated an arts exhibition at the Art Gallery of the Fine

Arts Department. He was warmly received by principal collage of fine arts with other senior teachers. He wholeheartedly appreciated the work of the students and said that they have put

great effort in their work and their paintings depict that their work would come out of international standards some day.



Vertex strives to stay competitive in construction industry through provision of innovative Ideas

Mr. Asif Chaudhry, CEO & Founder Vertex International



MESSAGE

Asif Shafiq Choudhry, CEO

"As Chief Executive of Vertex International & Vertex Builders I am extremely proud to oversee Pakistan's most visionary projects in its Real Estate Sector which represent nothing less than the hopes and aspirations of the people of our country."

Pakistan's Real Estate Sector is bringing to life a comprehensive and vibrant city master-planned around mixed-use developments that creates diversity, integration and sustainability. It also represents a new way of thinking about the environment in which residents, employees and visitors will enjoy living close to work and all the recreational facilities.

Our vision is to stay competitive in the construction industry through provision of innovative Ideas. We are committed to provide luxury and modern lifestyle living at the affordable prices. We cater to the needs of luxury living of the people of Islamabad, Karachi and Lahore at affordable prices.

We would also like to thank the leaders of Pakistan Real Estate sector for their cooperation guidance and support which were vital for the successful launching of these projects. At the end we would like to pledge once again that we will endeavor to devote our full efforts to exceed our customers' expectations & fully satisfy their needs and requirements.



VERTEX INTERNATIONAL & VERTEX BUILDERS



Vertex International has a vision of giving clients the highest quality of service and value for their real estate investments in Pakistan and abroad. This company is one of the most established and trusted real estate development companies in Pakistan, focusing on large scale projects in Islamabad and other main cities in Pakistan in the residential and commercial sectors. The company has some of Pakistan's well-constructed projects; "Vertex Arcade" (the first commercial project at Bahria Enclave Islamabad), Margalla Villas (50 villas project of 11 marlas each at Bahria Enclave Islamabad), Vertex Villas (1 kanal project with 2 years payment plan) and The Dreams (13 marla villas project at Emaar Islamabad, Pakistan). The company has a large inventory of land that was purchased with equity, for future development in Islamabad and Lahore's most prestigious areas.

Vertex International is a team of specialists with a global dominance. We feature variety of properties for sale and purchase in destinations all over Pakistan. Vertex International develops, owns, manages and markets property throughout all major Cities in Pakistan. We also specialize in all spheres of real estate matters.

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The Dream is the new Vertex International's & Vertex Builder's Project at Emaar DHA Islamabad. It has exclusive villas of 4 bedrooms and the total covered area is 4000sq. Ft.

- Allotment letter of the property will be issued by Emaar Pakistan & DHA Islamabad.
- 24/7 Facility Management by Emaar is also there to facilitate.

EVENTS

Vertex International held a handing over ceremony on..... To our valuable and satisfied customers. We deliver as per promised!!!



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Margalla Villas

- 4 bedroom double story luxury villas with study room, store & servant quarter.
- Exclusive double gated community living.
- Air conditioning, designer's kitchen & wardrobes.



Vertex Arcade

Keeping the same tradition Vertex Builders has launched 1st Commercial Project of Bahria Enclave as well, with the name of Vertex Arcade.

- Neat and clean environment
- Un-interruptible Electricity
- Elevators, 24/7 security
- Modern Elevators



Vertex Villas

Bahria Enclave is located in CDA's Zone 4 of Islamabad with lush green Environment and surrounded by Margalla hills.

- Exclusive villas of 1 kanal.
- 100 feet wide road, landscaped with green belts & footpaths.
- Complete gated community.
- Underground provision of electricity, gas & water.
- All basic amenities like Electricity, gas and water available at site.



The Dreams

The Dream is the new Vertex International's and Vertex Builder's Project at Emaar Islamabad

- Exclusive Villas of 4 Bedrooms, 4000 Sq.ft
- Spacious Interior & imported Kitchens
- Allotment Letter by DHA Islamabad
- 24/7 Facility Management by Emaar



TESTIMONIALS

"Margalla Villas is one of the fastest projects being executed in Bahria Enclave. I am impressed by the quality of construction and speed. Friendly and flexible management treats you in a very cultured manner which is one of the unique propositions about this team."

By: Mr. Salman Nayyar, Regional Manager, Acision

"In my interaction with Vertex International, I found their personnel to be helpful and courteous. It is a refreshing change to be dealing with professionals who do their job well, and meet their deadlines. My communication with their team has made me confident that the work will be done without compromising on quality."

By: Mrs. Onaoza Maqbool, Senior Professor, International Islamic University, Islamabad

"Being an overseas Pakistani what was very important for me was to select a builder which has three important qualities; firstly a builder who executes the task in timely manner, secondly honest and reputable company that doesn't compromise on quality, and the last but not least someone who effectively communicates with clients. Now I am satisfied as I deal with the people at Vertex International."

By: Mr. Asim Mohammad Rafiq, NOC Team Leader, Telenor Pakistan

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Bahria enclave is located in CDA's zone 4 of Islamabad with lush green Environment and surrounded by Margalla Hills.

- Exclusive and limited Villas of 1 Kanal on 2 year installment plan. With a Covered Area : 5500 Sq ft
- 100 feet wide road, landscaped with green belts and footpaths.



Luxurious Living in Bahria Enclave Islamabad



Vertex International carried out its operation as first construction company in Bahria Enclave Islamabad by taking the 1st Project of 50 luxurious villas by the name of Margalla Villas

- 4 bedroom double story luxury villas with study room, store and servant quarter
- Exclusive double gated community living
- Air Conditioning, Designer Kitchen and Ward robes



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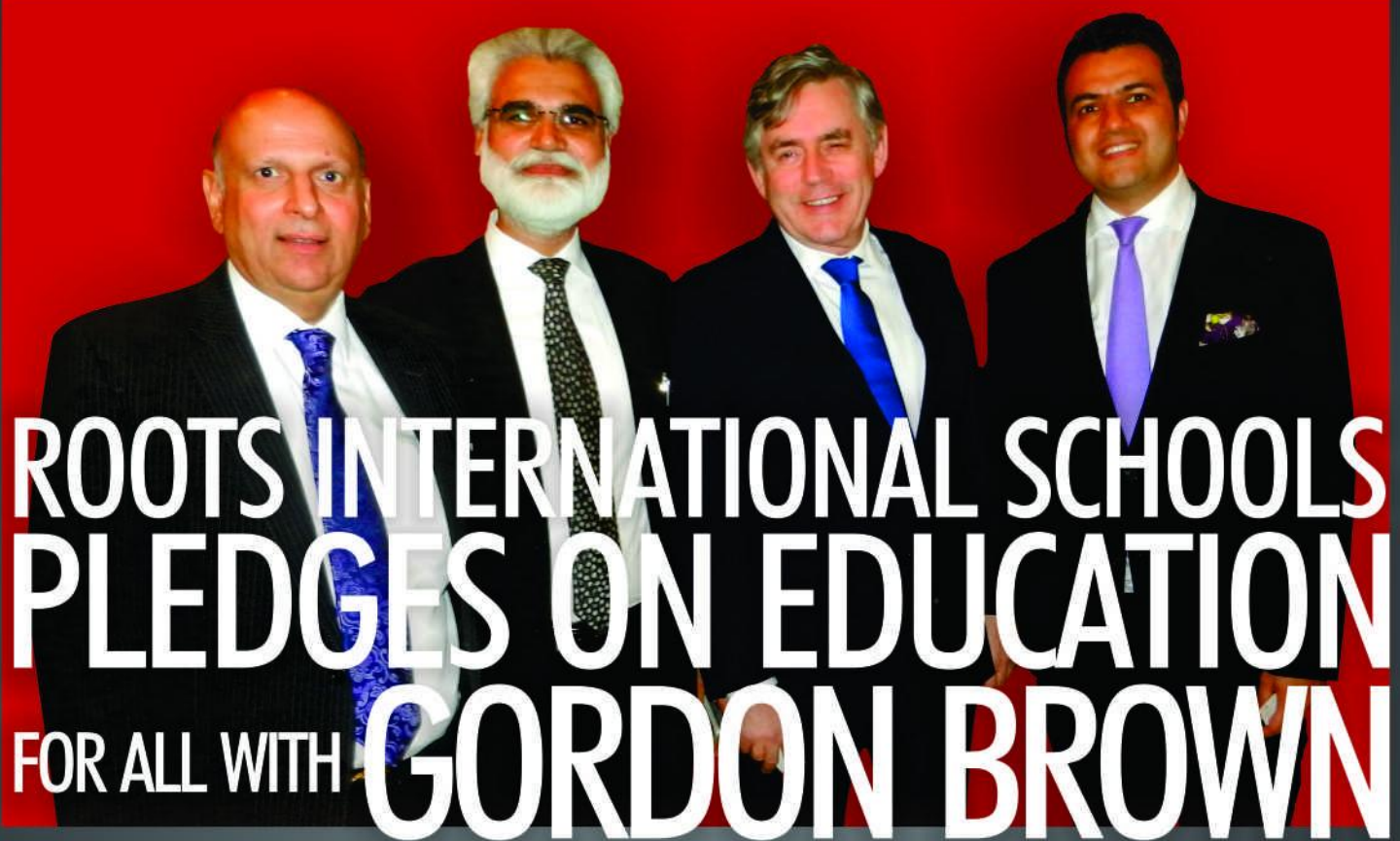


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ROOTS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS PLEDGES ON EDUCATION FOR ALL WITH GORDON BROWN

Under the dynamic mentorship of Mr. Walid Mushtaq female students of Roots International Schools participated in the dialogue with Former Prime Minister of UK Gordon Brown for promotion of education and Education for all.

Mr. Walid Mushtaq chaired the conference as one of the dignified educationist. He contributed toward and highlighted the issues faced by government schools and put forth his ideas for joint venture to develop and promote education sector in Pakistan. He emphasized on quality education and promoting education and book reading rather than promoting the curriculum. He stressed on the accountability of the school system to ensure optimum performance by staff.

Mr. Walid Mushtaq said that according to the current government, state has taken all the responsibility for education of children between the ages of 5-16 years, which is a landmark in the history of Pakistani Governments and showed his willing to provide the government sector with all the assistant they require in making the education accessible to all.

Gordon Brown appreciated the potential of Pakistani corporates and said that he can see the sincerity and urge in them to help state get over these issues and is pleased to see the response! He promised \$100Billion grant to Pakistan and is determined to make education accessible to all. At the end of the ceremony Alice Albright Head of Global Partnership for Education announced the good news of aid of \$100 million from GPE, the USAID \$140 million and the European community \$100 million, besides support from Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, United Nations and other countries.



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Roots International Schools' Annual Convocation/Students Recognition day was held at Jinnah Convention Center with around 1000 students receiving platinum, gold and silver medals by the Federal Ministers and 5000 proud parents and a bunch of Alumni.

The president of Islamic Republic of Pakistan H.E. Mr. Mamnoon Hussain due to his commitments could not attend the event but he sent a written message to congratulate Mr. Walid Mushtaq, the faculty and High achievers saying "Your success is a testimony of your effort and hard work, the commitment and professionalism of the staff of RIS and the prayers of your parents and guardians. As you all are ready to enter your professional life, I wish you all success in achieving best and also upholding repute of Roots International Schools."

The chief guests congratulated the students saying that before the students stretch a lifetime of adventure and opportunity. They must look back with fondness and happy memories but always look forward with strength and determination.



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