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# QUETTA VOICE

## Army top brass affirms commitment to take 'all measures necessary' to ensure availability of Pakistan's water share

NEWS DESK:

As India continues to violate the Indus Waters Treaty (IWT), the army's top brass on Monday affirmed its "resolute commitment" to undertake "all measures necessary" to ensure the availability of Pakistan's rightful share of water.

The development came as Chief of Defence Forces (CDF) and Chief of the Army Staff Field Marshal Asim Munir presided over the 27th Corps Commanders' Conference (CCC) at General

the jugular vein of Pakistan".

Reaffirming Pakistan's unyielding diplomatic, political and moral support to the Kashmir cause, the forum emphasised that "true regional stability hinges entirely on granting the Kashmiri people their inalienable right to self-determination in accordance with United Nations Security Council resolutions", ISPR said.

The forum noted that "post comprehensive defeat inflicted in Marka-Haq — the period of conflict with India last year — there was "increased reliance on an evolving pattern of externally



Headquarters (GHQ) in Rawalpindi, according to a statement from the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR).

The forum, taking note of Indian rhetoric surrounding the Indus Waters Treaty (IWT), reaffirmed the guidance given in the National Security Committee (NSC) directive of April 24, 2025, which followed India's unilateral move to put the treaty in abeyance.

"The forum expressed resolute commitment to undertake all measures necessary to ensure availability of Pakistan's rightful share of water as per the directives of the government and inspirations of the people of Pakistan," the statement read.

The top army brass "rejected and strongly condemned the ongoing human rights violations and unilateral denigration engineering in Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK), declaring that Kashmir remains

supported hybrid warfare and disinformation campaigns to cause unrest".

The forum condemned all such forms of state-supported financing, facilitation or sponsorship of proxies and underscored that any attempts to use hybrid means

to destabilise Pakistan would continue to be countered with strategic clarity and firm resolve," the statement read.

Reviewing the evolving regional landscape, the forum "appreciated Pakistan's constructive role in promoting dialogue, de-escalation and regional stability" as it remains a mediator in the peace negotiations between the United States and Iran.

The CCC "reaffirmed Pakistan's commitment to peaceful conflict resolution, respect for international law and enhanced regional cooperation to address shared security challenges", the ISPR said.



Quetta: Balochistan Home Minister Mir Ziaullah Langove has reaffirmed the provincial government's commitment to protecting citizens

## Hanna Urak Security Update: Mir Ziaullah Langove Confirms 3 Terrorists Killed, Rescue Efforts Continue

Syed Ali Shah:

Quetta: Balochistan Home Minister Mir Ziaullah Langove has reaffirmed the provincial government's commitment to protecting citizens following the terrorist attack in Hanna Urak, stating that security forces are conducting a comprehensive operation to restore peace and ensure public safety.

Addressing a press conference, Mir Ziaullah Langove said terrorists attacked the patriotic residents of Hanna Urak late Sunday night. He praised the courage of local residents, who resisted the attackers and forced them to retreat before security forces launched an immediate

counter-terrorism operation on the directives of the Chief Minister of Balochistan.

The Home Minister confirmed that three terrorists were killed during the operation, while two Anti-Terrorism Force (ATF) personnel were injured in the line of duty. He added that a security checkpoint has been established in Hanna Urak and the operation will continue until the entire area is fully cleared of terrorists.

Mir Ziaullah Langove said the attackers intended to create fear and force residents to leave their homes, but assured the public that the Government of Balochistan stands firmly with the people.

He emphasized that the concerns and sentiments of protest-

ers are being respected.

The Home Minister further revealed that seven individuals were abducted during the attack, adding that security forces are on full alert and making every effort to ensure their safe recovery.

Mir Ziaullah Langove also said he personally visited Hanna Urak following the attack to review the security situation on the ground. During the press conference, he alleged that the terrorists are supported by India while using Afghan territory to facilitate their activities.

Highlighting the government's response, the Home Minister announced that a committee has been formed under his leadership to engage with protesters and monitor the

evolving security situation. He also warned that strict legal action would be taken against those spreading fake news and misinformation on WhatsApp groups and social media.

Reaffirming the government's resolve, Mir Ziaullah Langove said protecting the lives and property of citizens remains the state's foremost responsibility. He urged the public to avoid rumors, rely only on verified information, and continue cooperating with security forces.

The Home Minister concluded by stating that the Government of Balochistan will continue taking all necessary measures to restore lasting peace and stability in Hanna Urak and surrounding areas.

## Outraged Tribesmen Block Main Airport Road Against Hanna Urak Attack

Ali Hamza:

QUETTA: Outraged citizens blocked the main Airport Road outside the B.A.

Mall today, launching a major protest after violent clashes between local residents and unidentified armed men left one person dead and several others injured.

The victim, identified as Nakeebullah, was killed during a heavy exchange of fire when unknown armed attackers targeted the Hanna Urak area.

Following the killing, demonstrators marched to the city center and staged a sit-in on one of Quetta's primary transit arteries, completely halting traffic to demand immediate justice and a decisive security operation.

### Violent Standoff in Hanna Urak

The unrest broke out in Hanna Urak when a group of unknown armed men engaged in a fierce confrontation with local tribesmen and residents.

The intense shootout resulted in multiple casualties, leaving several people wounded and claiming the life of Nakeebullah.

In response to the security breach and the loss of life,



Outraged Tribesmen Block Main Airport Road Against Hanna Urak Attack Photo by Muhammad Ismail

### Senator Manzoor Kakar Rushes to the Scene

As tensions peaked, Senator Manzoor Kakar visited Hanna Urak to meet with the grieving community and assess the situation. Addressing the locals, he expressed fierce solidarity and questioned why peaceful citizens were being

subjected to such violence. "I will stand shoulder to shoulder with our people until the very last drop of my blood," Senator Kakar declared.

"What is our crime. We must be told why this is happening."

He urged the community to remain steadfast, promising that a concrete plan to eliminate the armed threat would be enacted immediately.

## Abdul Rehman Khetran Removed from Balochistan Cabinet with Immediate Effect

News Desk:

The Balochistan government has officially removed Sardar Abdul Rehman Khetran from the provincial cabinet, ending his tenure as Provincial Minister for Public Health Engineering with immediate effect.

According to an official notification issued by the Services and General Administration Department (S&GAD), Governor Balochistan approved the de-notification of Khetran on the advice of Chief Minister Mir Sarfraz Bugti under Article 132(3) of

the Constitution of Pakistan.

The notification, signed by Chief Secretary Shakeel Qadir Khan, confirms that Khetran has been relieved of his ministerial responsibilities with immediate effect.

The provincial government has not announced the appointment of a new Public Health Engineering Minister, while the official notification does not specify the reason behind Khetran's removal.

The move marks a significant development in the Balochistan cabinet, as the provincial administration continues to implement changes within its executive ranks.



# QUETTA VOICE

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## Artificial Intelligence Just Taking Baby Steps

Syed Muhammad Qaseem:

**A**rtificial Intelligence (AI) is the simulation of human intelligence in computer systems. In simple words, AI enables machines to perform tasks that require human intelligence. Those tasks can be learning from past experiences, solving problems, and making predictions based on provided data. Until now, AI has just started taking baby steps but it is growing at a much rapid rate.

Every invention had various positive and negative impacts on human civilization. According to Google's CEO, Sundar Pichai "AI will have a more profound impact on human beings than fire, electricity, and the internet". This innovation also has both positive and negative impacts on human beings. If it is left unchecked it will have adverse impacts on human creativity, the job market, and the flow of information. However, the positive use of AI will bring major advancements in medical science, education, agriculture, etc. In the following paragraphs, the impacts of AI on humans are described.

### Negative Impacts of AI:

AI is a technological tool and its use can be both positive and negative, although, it is in the hands of human beings on how to use it. Following are some negative impacts of AI on humans.

### Deep Fakes Through Generative AI:

In the age of information technology, misinformation is a major issue.

The introduction of generative AI into public space has further worsened the predicament of information flow. Through generative AI, deep fakes are generated.

These deep fakes are difficult to judge, as original or fake, for a person who has no knowledge of AI.

The deep fakes can be an image, a video, or a voice note. Recently, in Slovakia's 2023 elections, a fake voice of a party's leader and a journalist was shared on social media, in which they were talking about purchasing votes from the poor population. This voice badly reduced the vote bank of that party during elections.

Another example of the deep fakes that created uncertainty was pictures of the former US president, Donald Trump's arrest, which provoked his supporter's sentiments against the state. Therefore, if the use of generative AI is left unchecked, bad actors in society will use it for their own purposes and spread wrong information.

### AI's use in War

Using AI for the purpose of AI will have ferocious results. Because AI unlike humans has no fear, doesn't commit mistakes, doesn't get tired, and has no mercy. So, it can fight much better than a soldier.

This, Countries are trying to develop AI fighters, robots, and drones for the maximization of power. This will attract the attention of their rival countries to build AI war machines for the race of power. Hence, like nuclear weapons, AI will further worsen security dilemmas if used for the purpose of war.

### AI is a Major Threat to Human Creativity

Creativity is a unique characteristic of human beings due to which they bring development, prosperity, modernization, and ease in their lives. But man-made intelligence is growing so rapidly that



it has posed a grave threat to the creativity of God's humankind. With only a few clicks and in some seconds, an AI program can write a book, a novel, a poem, an assignment and an article. Furthermore, it can sing a song, draw a painting, solve a problem, and make a prediction. On the other side, it takes much effort and time for a human to do all these tasks.

Due to the lazy and comfort-seeking nature of human beings, now they mostly rely on AI to perform these tasks. With the passage of time AI is learning more skills and human's reliance on AI is further increasing. This increase in reliance on AI will cause the death of creativity in humans.

### AI and Job Market

"AI is coming to take your job", this news was seen on many news platforms when

ChatGPT was launched in Nov 2022. As stated earlier, AI is efficient and less time-consuming in performing a task. Therefore, it has made millions of people jobless in almost every field, whether they are hotel waiters, drivers, journalists, software engineers and content writers etc.

AI-driven cars neither cross the speed limit nor have sleep problems, consequently, companies are manufacturing AI-driven cars to avoid road accidents. Journalists and content writers demand huge salaries for their work, while ChatGPT is a free AI app that can do the same tasks freely and quickly.

More interestingly, AI will replace its own founders (Software Engineers) who developed AI, as AI can write code and find errors in it. To sum up, AI has much potential to replace the human workforce.

### Positive Impacts of AI

Along with negative impacts, AI can also be advantageous for humans if used for welfare purposes. In the following paragraphs, some advantages of AI are described if AI is used positively.

### AI can Revolutionize the Medical Field

AI along with synthetic biology can transform the world shaped until now. AI and synthetic biology can eradicate debilitating diseases, and find treatments for pandemics, thus providing health benefits. AI has also made a lot of achievements in the field of surgery. Last year, an AI robot performed a successful egg surgery in which the inner layer of an egg was stitched. Additionally, an AI Chatbot

can also prescribe medicines and treatment for a disease based on the provided symptoms. In the coming years, AI will further advance itself in the medical field and people will take numerous benefits from it.

### Prediction Based on Provided Data

Humans remain curious to predict things or the outcome of events. If data is fed to an AI, it can find patterns in that data, and based on those patterns it can give predictions. For example:

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### Boosting Agricultural Through AI

Pakistan is an agriculture-based country, and enhancing the agriculture sector will boost the country's economic performance. AI can increase agricultural production by predicting the best time to cultivate and harvest a crop.

It is also capable of identifying soil conditions, plant diseases, weather forecasts, and when plants need to be irrigated. Moreover, AI can analyze the market's supply and demand chain. AI will be ef-

ficient in saving the loss of water during irrigation. Secondly, it will provide a suitable environment for the plants to grow through maintaining soil fertility and water needs.

To sum up, equipping agriculture with AI systems will boost agricultural production and prevent heavy water losses.

### Recommendations for the Pakistani Government

The world has entered into the race of AI development. Fortunately, Pakistan has a huge human resource, but making them skillful in the field of AI is a hard task to do. All provincial governments should include AI in the school curriculum.

There should be an AI portal for students, from where they can get updates about AI developments around the globe and jobs announced by the government. Furthermore, universities must be directed to increase practical work in AI rather than theoretical.

### Conclusion

In conclusion, AI nevertheless, advantageous, poses a grave threat to human civilization. If AI is left unchecked, it can spread misinformation through deep fakes, worsen the status quo of security dilemmas, cause the death of human creativity, and take jobs. So, all countries should sit on a single platform and form laws to control the development and introduction of AI tools in public space. In addition,

AI companies should include a watermark to the content generated through AI to cope with the misinformation. In the end,

AI will be more hazardous if it gets consciousness and moves physically freely without being dependant on humans.

## Balochistan: Qila Saifullah Hailstorm Destroys 7M Fruit Trees, 18,000 Farmers Hit

**Atta Kakar:** A devastating hailstorm accompanied by powerful winds has caused widespread destruction across Qila Saifullah district in Balochistan, damaging more than 7 million fruit trees and affecting nearly 18,000 farmers and landowners.

The storm struck on April 18, severely impacting one of the province's most important horticultural regions and leaving thousands of rural families facing major economic uncertainty. The disaster caused extensive damage to orchards, agricultural land, and seasonal crops, particularly apple, apricot, and grape farms that form the backbone of the local economy.

Farmers say years of hard work and investment were wiped out within minutes as hail and strong winds tore through villages and farming areas across the district. Local growers have described the situation as catastrophic,



warning that many families may struggle to survive financially without immediate government assistance. Agriculture remains the primary source of income for a large portion of Qila Saifullah's population, and the destruction of fruit orchards is expected to have long-term economic consequences for the region.

Residents and farming communities have expressed frustration over delays in relief and compensation efforts. Many affected farmers claim that official assessment and rehabilitation measures have been slow despite the scale of destruction. Calls are growing for the provincial and federal governments to announce emergency compensation packages, interest-free agricultural loans, and recovery support for affected communities.

Farmers and local representatives are also demanding restoration of damaged irrigation systems and the introduction of crop insurance mechanisms to help

rural communities recover from climate-related disasters. They argue that without urgent intervention, the crisis could deepen poverty and unemployment across the district.

The Qila Saifullah hailstorm has once again highlighted the vulnerability of Balochistan's agriculture sector to extreme weather events. Experts warn that climate-related disasters, including hailstorms, droughts, and flash floods, are becoming increasingly frequent in the province, placing additional pressure on farmers already struggling with limited infrastructure and rising production costs.

Analysts say stronger disaster management systems, climate-resilient agricultural policies, and faster emergency response mechanisms are essential to protect rural livelihoods and ensure long-term stability in Balochistan's farming sector.



President Zardari to depart today on four-day official visit to Kyrgyzstan: MoFA

NEWS DESK: President Asif Ali Zardari is to undertake an official visit to Kyrgyzstan from July 6 to 9 at the invitation of President Sadyr Zhaparov, marking the first visit by a Pakistani head of state to the Central Asian country in 21 years, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) announced on Monday.

In a post on X, MoFA described the trip as "a historic milestone" in bilateral relations. It added that the president's trip followed President Zhaparov's visit to Pakistan in December last year and reflects "the sustained upward trajectory of high-level engagement between the two brotherly countries."

Leading a high-level delegation, President Zardari is scheduled to hold one-on-one talks with President Zhaparov, followed by delegation-level discussions to review "the entire span of Pakistan-Kyrgyzstan relations" and exchange views on regional and international developments of mutual interest.

According to MoFA, the talks are expected to focus on "deepening cooperation" across a broad range of sectors, including trade and investment, energy, mining, agriculture, textiles, the halal industry, healthcare and pharmaceuticals, the digital economy, education, tourism, and people-to-people exchanges. During the visit, President Zardari is also due to receive the Speaker of the Kyrgyz Parliament for a courtesy call.

Saying that Pakistan and Kyrgyzstan enjoy "warm and fraternal relations", anchored in "shared history, faith, culture and common aspirations for peace, connectivity and prosperity in Central and South Asia," MoFA noted that President Zardari's visit reflects the two countries' commitment to



strengthening bilateral ties and expanding cooperation in areas of mutual interest, building on the momentum generated by recent high-level exchanges. President Zardari visited Kyrgyzstan in December 2025, with Islamabad and Bishkek agreeing to deepen cooperation in trade, investment, energy, and regional connectivity while reaffirming their commitment to regional peace and stability.

The countries had agreed to increase bilateral trade to \$200 million by 2027-28, signing a series of agreements and memorandums of understanding covering commerce, energy, mining, agriculture, tourism, healthcare,

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Further, Pakistani and Kyrgyz leaders also agreed that Afghanistan's Taliban authorities must honour their commitment to the international community and address Pakistan's security concerns by taking "concrete and verifiable actions" against militant groups operating from Afghan territory.

Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP's) Amjad Hussain sworn in as GB chief minister

NEWS DESK: PPP's Amjad Hussain was sworn in as the chief minister of Gilgit-Baltistan in a ceremony attended by his party chairman Bilawal Bhutto-Zardari.

Advocate Hussain was elected for the role on June 22 following the June 7 elections, in which the PPP emerged as the largest party, with 12 seats in the 24-member GB assembly.

Addressing the ceremony in Gilgit after taking the oath, Hussain said the PPP emerged as the "largest party" in the elections.

He noted that the region's youth and women "had a huge role" in the polls, in which his party secured several seats. Hussain particularly thanked the people of Gilgit and Baltistan for the PPP 100 per cent results and two seats, adding that the "heavy mandate" given to his party was an expression of the public confidence in the PPP. He highlighted that the Gilgit and Baltistan divisions were traditionally considered areas with a mandate for the PPP, thanking the residents there for maintaining that support.

"This mandate is not a new thing," the newly-sworn-in CM said, stressing that the relationship between his party and the people of GB had existed for three generations.

He further pointed out that it would form a government in GB with the support of the

Never had it happened that one party is in [power in] the Centre and another party given the trust in GB."

Hussain prayed that God may help him fulfil the "most difficult responsibility" given to him as the chief minister, as decided by the PPP leadership.

He appreciated PML-N President Nawaz Sharif, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, GB affairs minister Amir Muqam, and opposition leader Haleez Rehman for "adhering to democratic principles and giving the PPP the chance to form the government."

He also thanked Istehkam-i-Pakistan Party (IPP) chairman



Ali Khan for "helping" the PPP during the entire process that had resulted in the unopposed elections of his party and the people of GB had existed for three generations.

The PPP had announced that it would form a government in GB with the support of the

PML-N. However, they agreed that the PML-N would sit in the opposition.

"GB can be a prime example of good governance" in his maiden speech as the GB CM, Hussain shed light on the key attributes of the region.

He highlighted GB's population and land area, noting that the region was somewhat smaller than Khyber Pakhtunkhwa but housed 1.7 million people.

"GB can be a prime example of good governance for the country," he remarked. "We consider transparency our prime subject

and Diarmer had about 1,000 MW of potential. The chief minister also addressed issues in the region, noting that GB had a budgetary right to \$258 billion whereas it had only received Rs142bn from the federation — a deficiency of over Rs100bn, which out which he noted the

assured that the suspect, reportedly linked to a senior government minister, will not be treated differently from any other criminal in the investigation.

According to the prosecution, the case against SHO Farayad Ali was registered on allegations that he visited the residence of a judicial magistrate and allegedly threatened him during the process of the high-profile case involving the alleged abduction and rape of two foreign women. An FIR was subsequently lodged at the Mustafa Abad police station after the judicial magistrate.

While granting interim relief, the court directed the accused must cooperate with the investigation in accordance with the law.

One of the suspects is related to an influential

Pakistan, Saudi Arabia sign MoU to build new cricket stadium in Jeddah

NEWS DESK: Pakistan and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on Monday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on a new stadium project in Jeddah.

The MoU was signed by Saudi Cricket Federation Chairman Prince Saud bin Mishal bin Muhammad Al Saud and Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) Chairman and Federal Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi.

The partnership marked a step towards expansion of cricket in the Middle East, as well as Saudi Arabia's sports growth, with Pakistan bringing decades of expertise in stadium design, construction, and cricket facility management.

The prince added

that the project reflected a shared vision, strong partnership, and sustainable investment. He stated that the proposed stadium would play a significant role in enabling Saudi Arabia to host international cricket matches and major sporting events.

Further, the project is expected to promote investment in sports, tourism, and community engagement, which is in line with the goals of Saudi Vision 2030. Jeddah's new stadium could host international tournaments, and training camps, with the project fitting into Riyadh's Vision 2030 strategy to diversify entertainment and sports infrastructure.

Read: Pakistan, Saudi Arabia sign security MoU, agree to develop cricket stadium in Jeddah

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Lahore court grants five-day physical remand of three more suspects in foreign women abduction case

NEWS DESK: A magisterial court on Monday remanded three more suspects in police custody for five days in a case involving the alleged abduction and rape of two foreign women.

Police on Thursday rescued two foreign women within hours of receiving an emergency complaint, arrested four suspects, and launched an investigation into allegations of kidnapping, ransom demands, and sexual assault. Those produced today were the second group of suspects presented before the court in the case.

On July 3, Judicial Magistrate Azhar Mahmood in Lahore had granted police a five-day physical remand of four previously arrested suspects, identified as Raza Dar, Hassan Raza, Sajid Ali, and Sikandar Khan.

During the hearing of the case, police produced the three accused

— Rizwan, Nawaz, and Nasir — before the court and sought their physical remand for further investigation.

After hearing the matter, Judge Abdul Qadir granted the request and remanded all three suspects into police custody for five days.

Police informed the court that a criminal case



had already been registered against the accused persons and that their custody was required to complete the investigation.

Separately, an additional

tional district and sessions court granted interim pre-arrest bail to suspect in SHO Farayad Ali until July 10 in a case for allegedly threatening a judicial magistrate during proceedings.

After hearing preliminary arguments, the court restrained the police from arresting the

SHO until the next hearing. The court also issued a notice to the Mustafa Abad police seeking its response, and directed the accused to join the inves-



tigation by appearing before the investigating officer.

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Signing Ceremony MoU between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia

Businesses in Punjab banned from charging customers for plastic bags from Sept 6

NEWS DESK: Punjab's Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued an order banning businesses from charging customers for plastic bags from September 6, adding that they can only charge them for recyclable bags.

In a notice issued on July 5, a copy of which is available with Dawn, EPA Director General Imran Hamid Sheikh said retailers had started charging exorbitant prices for plastic shopping bags, which had increased plastic bag production and reduced the production of reusable bags made from "reusable and recyclable eco-friendly materials."

"No shop, retail center, restaurant, hotel, or other commercial establishment shall charge any fee/price for the provision of plastic shopping bags while selling their products. Nevertheless, they will be allowed to charge fee/price only for reusable or recyclable shopping bags made from any material other than plastic," he said, adding that this would come into force on September 6.

In a separate statement, he instructed retailers to provide plastic bags free of cost and advised consumers to act responsibly by minimising reliance on single-use plastics, ensuring plastic waste management and promoting the use of reusable or recyclable shopping bags.

"Businesses found in violation after the September 6 deadline may be fined between Rs5,000 to Rs50,000. Punishment may also entail sealing of the business and registration of a first information report, he said. The official said that businesses were charging extra for plastic bags that feature their own branding, making plastic bags another product to be sold to consumers.

Islamabad in spotlight as Iran plans key visit

NEWS DESK: A high-level Iranian delegation led by Interior Minister Eskandar Momeni is expected to undertake a crucial visit to Pakistan in the coming days, a trip that diplomatic sources believe could eventually pave the way for the next round of indirect talks between Iran and the United States.

The interior minister is likely to travel to Islamabad after the burial of the late supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei on July 9. The visit of the Iranian minister was first announced earlier last week when Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi held a joint press conference in Tehran.

Naqvi told reporters that arrangements had already been made for the Iranian delegation's visit to Islamabad and expressed satisfaction that Momeni would personally lead the delegation.

The visiting team is expected to include senior officials from Iran's ministries of agriculture, industry, mining and trade, roads and urban development, foreign af-

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airs, as well as representatives from the cultural heritage, tourism and handicrafts sectors.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL BPPRA - E-BIDS ONLY TSE-262707116914 The Project Director, Revamping Projects of SPM & BMC, Quetta invites Electronic Proposals (E-Bids Only) through the Electronic Public Procurement System (EPPS) from well-reputed National/International Consulting Firms (providing joint ventures for the hiring of consultancy services. No physical bid shall be accepted. Name of Consultancy Assignment: Consultancy Services for Revamping of Botani Medical Complex (BMC), Quetta (Design & Top Supervision) Bid Security 2% Sr. No. Description E/Bid Cost 1. Consultancy Services for Revamping of BMC, Quetta (Design & Top Supervision) 3,672,569 Eligibility Criteria: The interested Consulting Firms shall fulfill the following requirements: Registration with FBR (Income Tax) and appearing on the Active Taxpayers List (ATL). Valid BIDA Registration Certificate. Registration with PEC as a Consulting Engineering Firm. PEC Specialized Codes: 1201 and 0603. Experience of assignments of similar nature and complexity. Minimum average annual turnover of PKR 3,000,000 during the previous three (3) financial years. The firm must not be blacklisted by any Procuring Agency/Authority in Pakistan. Terms & Conditions: Procurement shall be carried out in accordance with the Balochistan Public Procurement Rules, 2014. Procurement Method: Single Stage - Two Envelope Procedure. A Bid Security equivalent to 2% of the estimated cost shall be submitted in the form of a Cash/ Demand Bank Draft from a scheduled bank in favour of the undersigned. Financial Proposals of only those consultants whose Technical Proposals qualify shall be opened. Consultant selection shall be made in accordance with the Evaluation Criteria provided in the Request for Proposal (RFP) document. Incomplete proposals or proposals received after the prescribed deadline shall not be entertained. The RFP Documents may be downloaded from the BPPRA website. Last Date & Time for Submission of E-Bids: 20 July, 2026 at 12:00 PM. Technical Proposals shall be opened on 20 July, 2026 at 01:00 PM. Submission of bids shall be made through EPPS only. Contact Information: Project Director Revamping Projects of SPM & BMC, Quetta Submission Portal: EPPS-Quetta Phone: 0331-2911872 Email: pdp@pandmrc.01@gmail.com