



“Mir Hazar Khan Bijrani commit to implementation of UN’s global Agenda 2030 in Sindh”

23rd August, 2017: Mr. Mir Hazar Khan Bijrani, Minister for Planning & Development, Government of Sindh expressed support and commitment to the implementation of UN’s global Sustainable Development Goals in Sindh, in a meeting held recently in the “SDGs Support Unit-Sindh”, established by Government of Sindh in collaboration with United Nations Pakistan. Accompanied in the meeting were Mr. Muhammad Waseem, Chairman, P&D Board-Sindh, Ms. Rehana Ghulam Ali Memon, Member (Development), P&D Board-Sindh/Project coordinator for SDGs Support Unit, Mr. Muhammad Ali Khoso, Additional Secretary, Planning & Development Board-Sindh, and team of SDGs Support Unit.



Photo 1: Mr. Mir Hazar Khan Bijrani, Minister Planning and Development, Government of Sindh being briefed about SDGs Support Unit – Sindh which has been set up as a joint-collaboration between Planning & Development Board-Sindh and UNDP-Pakistan to support implementation of global Agenda 2030/sustainable development goals in Sindh

“Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)” Support Unit” has been set up in Planning & Development Board-Sindh, in collaboration with United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Pakistan for implementation of UN’s global Agenda 2030, which has 17 Sustainable Development Goals, aiming to end poverty in all its forms, and promote healthy lives and wellbeing for all; end hunger for all; and ensure availability and sustainable management of water and energy for all. The devoted efforts by Government of Sindh for SDGs implementation go hand in hand with the National Initiative on SDGs, led by the Government of Pakistan at the federal and national level.



In the meeting, *Union Council Based Poverty Reduction Programme*, Sindh was also discussed, and Mr. Muhammad Ali Khoso, Additional Secretary, Planning & Development Board-Sindh/Programme Coordinator, Sindh Growth & Rural Revitalization Programme, shared key progress towards reducing poverty in 05 districts in Sindh: Shikarpur, Kashmore, Jacobabad, Tharparkar & Khairpur, through various interventions.

Expressing support and appreciating Planning & Development Board's and SDGs Support Unit's efforts, Mr. Mir Hazar Khan Bijrani, Minister for Planning & Development, Government of Sindh said, *"Government of Sindh is heading in the right direction with dedicated and focused efforts towards sustainable development. Real challenges lay in rural areas and uplifting living standards there requires cohesive team effort and involvement of multiple stakeholders. This can ensure accelerated progress before time. Myself, Ministry of Planning & Development, Government of Sindh, are there to support these efforts."*



Photo 2: Mr. Mir Hazar Khan Bijrani, Minister Planning and Development, Government of Sindh appreciating Government of Sindh's efforts towards implementing the global sustainable goals in Sindh

With in-house experts in the areas of project management, social and economic sector, advocacy/communication, research, and monitoring and evaluation, the SDGs Support Unit will work closely with line departments of Government of Sindh, as well as UN Agencies, civil society organizations, academia and the private sector to



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generate awareness and build knowledge around sustainable development in Sindh, and integrate the strategies and policies with the 2030 Agenda to support implementation of sustainable development goals in Sindh, contributing towards accelerating progress in Sindh and in Pakistan.

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