

ISLAMABAD (News Desk): The Ambassador of the Sultanate of Oman to Pakistan, Mr. Fahad Sulaiman Khalaf Alkharusi, called on President Asif Ali Zardari at Aiwan-e-Sadr and discussed ways to further promote bilateral cooperation. Both sides underlined the need to deepen relations for the mutual benefit of the two brotherly nations. Speaking to the Ambassador, the President said that Pakistan and Oman enjoy close fraternal relations based on shared religion, culture and values. He emphasized that enhanced interaction at the leadership level would further strengthen the cordial ties between the two countries. The President highlighted the importance of expanding trade and economic cooperation, saying that Pakistan is keen to increase bilateral trade and investment in areas such as information technology, construction, healthcare, food security, and energy. He stressed that government-to-government engagement would encourage robust private-sector collaboration, thereby boosting trade and investment between the two nations. President Zardari expressed his gratitude to Oman for supporting Pakistan's candidature as a non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for 2025-2026. He also appreciated Oman for hosting over 400,000 members of the Pakistani diaspora, who not only contribute to Oman's development but also act as a vital bridge of friendship between the two brotherly countries.

Islamabad (News Desk): August 06, 2025 – In a major leap towards boosting Pakistani exports, a delegation from NLC and DP World, led by Director General NLC, met the Federal Minister for Commerce, Jam Kamal Khan. Also present were Mr. Fakhr Alam, Vice Chairman of DP World and CEO of the Pakistan Mart Project in the UAE, Rana Ishaan Afzal, Coordinator to the Prime Minister, and Muhammad Ashraf, Executive Director General from the Ministry of Commerce. The delegation presented plans for “Pakistan Mart,” a landmark commercial hub to be built near Jebel Ali, UAE, with DP World pledging to construct the project at zero cost for Pakistani stakeholders. The Mart will include warehouses, retail shops, showrooms, and e-commerce fulfillment centers, offering a one-stop marketplace to showcase Made-in-Pakistan products to regional and global buyers. Minister Jam Kamal Khan termed the initiative a “transformational project” for boosting exports, particularly in textiles, surgical instruments, sports goods, food, and nutraceuticals. He also emphasized the need for e-commerce logistics solutions. The Ministry of Commerce, including TDAP, was directed to fully support the development. The Pakistan Mart is set to become a key step in export diversification and trade diplomacy in the Gulf.



Karak (News Desk): Federal Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi has strongly condemned the terrorist attack by Indian-sponsored terrorists on a vehicle carrying FC personnel in Karak. He paid tribute to the three martyred personnel and the driver, stating that Lance Naik Mehmood Shah, Sepoy Shahid, Sepoy Rauf, and driver Shahpur attained the highest status of martyrdom. The Interior Minister expressed heartfelt condolences to the families of the martyrs and saluted their ultimate sacrifice. He emphasized that the sacrifices of these martyrs further strengthen the nation's resolve in the fight against terrorism, adding that the government stands shoulder to shoulder with the bereaved families and fully shares their grief.



FAISALABAD (News Desk): Financial literacy is not just about managing money but about empowering our youth with informed economic decisions to help them grow their startups and small businesses. It was said by speakers at an interactive session titled “Financial Literacy and Management” arranged by the Business Incubation Center, University of Agriculture Faisalabad at New Senate Hall. The session was arranged on the directive of Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Zulfiqar Ali. Director Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC) Prof Dr Imran Arshad said that in today’s rapid evolving world, knowledge-based economies are proving their mettle across the globe. He added that the cemented ties between academia and industry would prove a millstone for economic uplift and generate employment opportunities. He urged the participants to come up with innovation with smart business skills so that they can become job providers rather than job seekers. UAF Business Incubation Center (BIC) Director Dr Iftikhar Ahmad said that the innovation was the science of new ideas, creativity and value addition which results in new products, services and business models, contributing to enterprise’s growth. He said that to equip the students and young entrepreneurs with financial literacy is need of the hour for economic growth at national level. Resource person Zeeshan Ahmad from Partner from Parker Russell AJS Chartered Accountants talked about the key role of financial management in both personal and professional settings. He called for flourishing the culture of startup that includes three stages of hatching, incubation and accelerator. Manager Research Management ORIC Dr Khurram Zia said that entrepreneurship not only generate income for the entrepreneurs but also create opportunities for others. He said that in current global landscape, the entrepreneurs must play pivotal role in shaping the future by generating new ideas to uplift the society.



France: (News Desk) – To express solidarity with the people of Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK), the Embassy of Pakistan in France organized a special event marking Youm-e-Istehsal, today. Messages of the President, Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Pakistan were read out on the occasion, focusing on the origin of the Kashmir dispute, and the Indian suppression of the people of IIOJK. Speaking on the occasion, Ambassador Mumtaz Zahra Baloch said that six years ago, India took a set of illegal and unilateral actions on 5 August 2019 in IIOJK by scrapping IIOJK's special status and ending the last remaining semblance of autonomy. India took these measures to further consolidate its control over IIOJK; undermining its internationally-recognized disputed status; and to convert Kashmiris into a dispossessed and disempowered minority in their own land. The Jammu & Kashmir dispute is our national cause and the main pillar of Pakistan's foreign policy. Pakistan will therefore continue to call upon the international community to hold India accountable for its crimes in IIOJK. Prominent speakers while condemning India's unilateral and illegal actions of 5 August 2019 as blatant violations of UNSC resolutions and international law demanded that the same must be reversed by the Indian Government. They denounced Indian efforts to alter the demographic composition of the occupied territory by issuance of domicile certificates to non-Kashmiris, introduction of new laws on ownership of land and redrawing electoral constituencies in IIOJK converting Kashmiris as a minority in their own land. A large number of people representing Pakistani diaspora, academics, journalists, students and professionals participated in the event that highlighted the seven decades long legitimate struggle of the Kashmiri people for their right to self-determination in accordance with the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) resolutions on Jammu and Kashmir.

SUKKUR, (News Desk) Syed Mehmood Ali Shah, Regional Head of the Federal Ombudsman Secretariat Sukkur, presided over a public hearing on Wednesday under the Out-Reach Complaint Resolution program. A total of 90 cases involving Sui Southern Gas Company Limited (SSGCL) and Sukkur Electric Power Company (SEPCO) were addressed. Representatives from SSGCL's Regional Office in Larkana and SEPCO's Larkana office participated alongside the complainants, whose grievances were heard and resolved. The Ombudsman's office directed both agencies to strictly comply with the orders of Honorable Federal Ombudsman Aijaz Ahmed Qureshi, reinforcing its commitment to citizen grievance redressal and accountability. Notably, 32 cases related to SSGCL and 58 against SEPCO were resolved on the occasion.