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CHAIRPERSON BISP CHAIRS 26th MEETING OF BISP BOARD

BOARD APPROVES PAYMENT MODEL TO RE-CREDIT BENEFICIARIES

Islamabad (): Minister of State and Chairperson BISP, MNA Marvi Memon chaired 26th meeting of BISP Board at BISP Secretariat today. It was 5th BISP Board meeting since she assumed office of the Chairperson in February 2015. The following Board members participated: Dr. Zeba A. Sathar, Mr. Yawar Irfan Khan, Dr. Sania Nishtar, Dr. Ali Cheema, representatives of Finance Division, Cabinet Division, Foreign Office and Secretary BISP, Mr. Muhammad Saleem Ahmed Ranjha.

The agenda items of the Board meeting included: Recommendations of the 2nd meeting of the Governance and Integrity Committee, Payment model to re-credit beneficiaries and BISP employees Efficiency and Discipline Rules.

During her welcome note, Chairperson BISP briefly discussed the agenda items and also shared the various initiatives being undertaken by the organization. She informed the Board



that the pilot phase of new poverty survey of BISP is getting launched soon. She further said that two survey approaches i.e. Door to Door Approach and Desk Approach (Self-registration) are being employed in the 16 pilot phase districts to establish value for money of both the approaches, which will facilitate in the decision regarding the approach to be adopted in national rollout for 2017-18.

After thorough deliberations, Board approved the payment model to re-credit beneficiaries. As per approved model, BISP can request its partner banks to use available de-credited funds for disbursement of payments to 32,217 re-credited beneficiaries, after bio-metric verification of beneficiaries.

The Board was apprised that Part-VIII of BISP Employees Service Regulations dealing with code of conduct is under review. The Board decided to replace the Part-VIII (Code of Conduct) of BISP Employees Service Regulations with Government Servants (Efficiency and Discipline) Rules, 1973 till the institutionalization of BISP's own Regulations. This measure has been taken to ensure that BISP can take tighter action against corruption and take tighter disciplinary action against its own employees.

The BISP board appreciated the strategic vision and able guidance of the Chairperson BISP and Minister of State, MNA Marvi Memon in steering BISP towards being one of the best Social Safety Net Programmes of the world.