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CHAIRMAN BISP CALLS ON THE PRESIDENT MAMNOON HUSSAIN

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Islamabad: () Chairman Benazir Income Support Programme, Mohammad Enver Baig called on President Mamnoon Hussain at the Aiwan-e-Sadr today.

The President on the occasion reiterated that government accords high priority to the socio-economic betterment of the people particularly the poor and downtrodden segments of the society and said that all possible measures will be taken for poverty alleviation and socio-economic empowerment of the people.

The Chairman BISP on the occasion apprised the President of the initiatives of Benazir Income Support Programme and briefed on the steps taken to alleviate the sufferings of poorest of the poor segments of the society. During the call on, Chairman BISP specifically



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talked about the Waseela-e-Rozgar and Waseela-e-Haq initiatives of BISP, which are designed to provide vocational and technical training and soft interest-free loans to the beneficiaries respectively.

The Chairman shared his plans for BISP with the President and talked about the revised strategy for Waseela-e-Haq and Waseela-e-Rozgar, according to which the placement of workers in local as well as overseas markets will also be facilitated. The pilot phase of revised initiatives will be launched in February next year in KP province, which will be expanded to Southern Punjab during the 2nd phase.

During the call on, the issue of Manchar Lake was also discussed whereby Supreme Court of Pakistan had directed Advocate General Sindh to contact Chairman BISP to provide compensation for the people affected by water contamination. The Chairman assured the President that BISP would facilitate the Sindh Government in providing relief to the Manchar Lake affectees.