

**Government of Pakistan**  
**Benazir Income Support Programme**

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**PRESS RELEASE**  
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**Former Senator Mohammad Enver Baig Assumes the  
Charge of Chairman BISP**

**Islamabad:** ( ) Former Senator Mohammad Enver Baig, appointed as the Chairman Benazir Income Support Programme, assumed the charge of his office on Friday. He was received by the Secretary Haseeb Athar and other senior officers of the BISP, who later gave a general briefing about the Programme and its initiatives.

Mr. Enver Baig has been appointed by the President Mamnoon Hussain, as Chief Patron of BISP, on the advice of Prime Minister Mian Muhammad Nawaz Sharif. During the briefing held earlier, the Chairman shared his plans in brief with BISP's team and said that he would focus on all the initiatives of BISP while he made particular reference to the development of skills for the youth enabling them to stand on their feet and earn a respectable living.

Benazir Income Support Programme was started in 2008 for the families/households living in abject poverty, with the main objective of minimizing the impact of financial crunch on the poor masses. Later on, BISP initiated other projects as well, shifting its approach from providing financial support to a more consolidated approach towards poverty alleviation in the country. Waseela-e-Rozgar is one of those initiatives of BISP, through which skills development training is provided to the beneficiaries of BISP.