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**MARVI TOURS SOUTH PUNJAB TO ENSURE TIMELY RELEASE OF  
FULL PAYMENTS TO BENEFICIARIES**

Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP) is committed to bring dignity, empowerment and meaning to life of its beneficiaries. Adoption of best international practices, technologically innovative solutions and zero tolerance for corruption make it a model social safety net. This was stated by the Minister of State and Chairperson BISP MNA Marvi Memon during her visit to various payment points and beneficiary households at Bhakar, Kot Adu and Muzaffargarh.



The purpose of the visits was to inspect the timely release of full payments to beneficiaries by the banks and interact with the beneficiaries and gain firsthand knowledge about their satisfaction level with the service delivery and customer care of BISP. BISP has recently released its quarterly payments worth Rs.25 billion in last week of December.

The payments in Bhakar, Kot Adu and Muzaffargarh are made through Debit Cards therefore the Chairperson visited different ATMs and point of sale (POS). The Chairperson inspected the disbursement of the stipend and interacted with beneficiaries for their feedback. She told them to contact BISP Hotline 080026477 in case of any difficulty.



While speaking to media, the Chairperson said that elections would take place in 2018 as mid-term elections are out of question. The government is working with dedication under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Muhammad Nawaz Sharif. PTI after repetitive failures is using Panama case as their last resort to disturb the current wave of development in the country. PML(N) will emerge victorious as courts decide on evidence not mere allegations. She suggested PTI to deliver in KPK as elections are contested on performance not hollow claims.

The Chairperson reiterated that BISP is shifting its payment mechanism to Biometric Verification System (BVS) for payments. This will further ease payment mechanism and eliminate middleman culture. At present, 83.9% of beneficiaries are drawing their stipends through debit cards, 13% through biometric mechanism and 3% are receiving funds through Pakistan Post.

During her visits to beneficiary households in Basti Dore Wali of Kot Addu and Muzaffargarh, the Minister stated that she is representing the Federal Government, which is committed to the welfare of the poor in the country.

In KotAddu, Chairperson BISP also visited the house of MNA Malik Sultan Hanjra and Minister for Jail Punjab Malik Ahmed YarHanjra. She condoled the death of Malik AjmalYarHanjra, brother of Malik Sultan Hanjraand father of Malik Ahmed YarHanjra.