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BISP provides exclusive one-off tranche of PKR 1,000 for its beneficiaries

September 10, 2019 – Islamabad: BISP has launched an exclusive one-off tranche of PKR 1,000/- for its beneficiaries to mitigate the effects of increase in inflation. The One-Off Tranche is an unprecedented measure being adopted by Government under “Ehsaas” programme to cope with inflation. It is expected to help the poorest segments of society to manage their financial woes to a certain extent.

The stipend is being exclusively provided to the BISP beneficiaries apart from the usual quarterly stipend of PKR 5500/-, which will be separately provided in each quarter of the year. BISP beneficiaries will be provided with a total of PKR 22000 as stipend this year.

Chairperson BISP Dr. Sania Nishtar hoped that this exclusive one-time grant will help deal with the financial issues of poorest households. “It will help our women beneficiaries to manage their financial worries to some extent,” she added.

This one-off cash stipend at the rate of Rs.1,000/- to all active beneficiaries is to be paid in 1st Quarter of financial year 2019-20 to address immediate impact of budgetary measures. An amount of Rs.5.2 billion is kept in budget for the purpose.

BISP has also launched a special awareness campaign to inform beneficiaries of arrival of the special tranche across the country. It is hoped that the effort will help in mitigating the challenge to beneficiaries for visiting banks continuously to confirm arrival of their payments, curb fraudulent practices and prevent tout mafia to fool around BISP beneficiaries. The entire campaign has been designed in consultation with disbursing banks of the special tranche which will inform the beneficiaries that the amount is released and they can collect it in their locality. Therefore, this campaign is being launched through different mediums to ensure communication of message with regards to payment process and the amount of special tranche i.e. PKR 1000 across BISP’s geographical outreach.