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Swedish Ambassador appreciated the efforts of BISP for poverty
eradication**

ISLAMABAD: Swedish Ambassador to Pakistan, H.E. Mrs. Ulrika Sundberg, has lauded the efforts of Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP) with regard to poverty eradication and said that a delegation of Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA) would visit BISP during its forthcoming visit to Pakistan aiming to explore the possibilities of mutual cooperation in the social sector, especially for the poverty eradication. She said this while talking to Ms. Farzana Raja, BISP, during a meeting at BISP Secretariat.



Chairperson BISP Ms. Farzana Raja talking to Swedish Ambassador to Pakistan H.E. Mrs. Ulrika Sundberg here in BISP Secretariat.

Ms. Farzana Raja, on the occasion, said that BISP is the largest social safety net in Pakistan which is striving for poverty eradication and women empowerment in the country. She added further that within a short span of 3 years BISP has reached out to around 4 million beneficiary families throughout the country and disbursed approximately Rs 76 Billion as Cash Grant to them.

Chairperson BISP also informed the ambassador about various initiatives of BISP including provision of demand driven vocational training to its beneficiary families under Waseela-e-Rozgar scheme in line with job opportunities available both at national and international level. She presented the details of Waseela-e-Haq and other innovative steps of BISP including Life insurance, Health insurance, Benazir Smart Card and Mobile Phone Banking and said that these steps are contributing significantly in poverty eradication.