

## Chairperson BISP calls on the Prime Minister

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Federal Minister and Chairperson Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP), Madame Farzana Raja called on Prime Minister Raja Pervez Ashraf at the PM's House this morning and apprised him about the initiatives taken by BISP.

The Prime Minister told the Chairperson BISP that he has conveyed his appreciation to the British Government for reposing complete trust in BISP and providing it financial assistance.



Prime Minister Raja Pervez Ashraf talking to Ms. Farzana Raja, Federal Minister and Chairperson Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP) who called on him at PM's House, Islamabad on February 22, 2013.

Appreciating the performance of BISP, the Prime Minister said that thousands of families have already started their businesses under the Waseela-e-Haq Programme while technical and vocational training is being imparted to the children of beneficiary families.

The Chairperson BISP informed the Prime Minister about the Waseela-e-Taleem Initiative and said that with the help of assistance of the British Government, 3 million children ranging from age of 5 to 12 years from beneficiary families would be enrolled in schools to secure their future.

The Chairperson BISP further apprised Prime Minister that 99 % of the nationwide poverty survey has been completed. With the help of this survey, 7 million families would be registered with BISP that compose 40 million people and from 20 to 22 % of entire population including 4.5 lacs families from Balochistan and 2 lacs families from FATA.

The Prime Minister also appreciated the state of art delivery of 3 million Benazir Debit Card among the beneficiary families. He directed that this facility should be extended to all beneficiary families of BISP before June 30, 2013.