

BISP to end quota system in Gilgit-Baltistan: Farzana Raja

Benazir Income Support Programme will provide financial assistance to all deserving families of Gilgit-Baltistan and end the quota system, said Federal Minister/Chairperson BISP Farzana Raja on Monday.



ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister/Chairperson Benazir Income Support Programme Farzana Raja gestures during a meeting with Chief Minister Gilgit-Baltistan Syed Mehdi Shah along with a delegation of MLA's from the province.

In a meeting with the Chief Minister of Gilgit-Baltistan Syed Mehdi Shah, who visited the BISP Secretariat along with a delegation, BISP Chairperson said financial assistance will be provided based on criteria being followed in other provinces and said the quota system has been ended. She said the pilot phase of poverty survey

in Gilgit-Baltistan has been completed and a province-wide survey will begin soon. She said the development of Gilgit-Baltistan is among the top priorities of the Pakistan People's Party government. "Following the vision of Shaheed Zulfikar Ali Bhutto and Shaheed Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto, the government has initiated the development process to end the sense of deprivation among the people of Gilgit-Baltistan," Farzana Raja said.

Mr. Shah thanked BISP Chairperson for ending the quota system and bringing the whole deserving population of the province into BISP's cover through poverty survey. BISP Chairperson said the government is committed to making women economically independent. Mr Shah congratulated BISP Chairperson on running the programme successfully and appreciated her hard work in this regard. Members of Legislative Assembly accompanying Mr Shah were Muhammad Jaffer, Dr Ali Madad Sher, Aftab Haider and Mohammad Naseer.

