



Press Release

DR. UMAR SAIF BRIEFS BRITISH PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION ON AUTOMATION OF EDUCATION-HEALTH-LAW & ORDER-EMPOERMENT OF YOUTH

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The use of technology in education, health, law and order, judiciary, revenue, empowerment of youth and monitoring of other services in the highly populated Province of Pakistan, the Punjab has established transparency, minimized the delays and accelerated the performance by providing prompt services to the masses. This was stated by Dr. Umar Saif Chairman Punjab Information Technology Board (PITB) while briefing a visiting British Parliamentary Delegation led by Mr. Rehman Chishti Member Parliament for Gillingham and Rainham along with other members of the delegation Mr. Nigel Huddleston - MP, Mr. Mark Pawsey – MP, Mr. David Morris – MP, Mr. Henry Smith - MP, Mr. Matthew Offord – MP and Mr. Royston Smith – MP who visited PITB here today.

Dr. Saif said that 6200 high schools in the Punjab were being equipped with digitalized text books containing visual and video lectures while through random visits the collection of digital data of public schools in real time, the evaluation of performance has improved the educational indicators, which were confirmed through 26 million spot tests.

eVaccs in the health sector being implemented through smartphones has shown remarkable results through village to village visit by 2750 vaccinators by increasing the immunization coverage area from 21 % (October 2014) to 88 % (May 2016) in the Punjab, which has also been replicated in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on their request, he added.

The Chairman PITB informed the delegation that for improving law and order situation 712 police stations of the province have been computerized while police record and investigation process have also been automated. Automation of judicial system, land revenue management, e-Stamping and eRozgaar were the hallmark programs of PITB as eRozgaar would train 10000 graduates as freelancers by end 2017 for self-employment through 40 centers, he stated.

The leader of the delegation Mr. Rehman Chishti MP and the members of the delegation took keen interest in the automation of various projects and termed them brilliant while lauding the result oriented use of technology to facilitate the masses.