

نگران وزیر بلدیات سے پراجیکٹ ڈائریکٹر پنجاب سٹیز پروگرام سید زاہد عزیز کی ملاقات

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ک رہے گی، ترم چوک اور ماحقہ روئس پرایل ڈبلیو ایم سی کا عملہ اور مشینری متحرک رہے گی

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ورلڈ بینک کے تعاون سے چلنے والے پنجاب سٹیز پروگرام ہارے وزیر بلدیات کو بریفنگ

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تقریباً 23 ارب روپے کی لاگت سے 16 شہروں میں بنیادی ضروریات زندگی کی فراہمی کے منصوبے جاری

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زی متحرک رہے گی ایل ڈبلیو ایم سی کے 60 سے زائد کرسیوں شفتوں میں روئس

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ورلڈ بینک کی طرف سے ان منصوبوں کے لئے مزید 16 ارب روپے فراہم کئے جائیں گے، بریفنگ

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60 سے زائد کرسیوں شفتوں میں روئس کی صفائی پر مامور رہیں گے، مجالس اور جلوس کے قبل اور بعد تمام

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رہیں گے، مجالس اور جلوس کے قبل اور بعد تمام روئس کی دھلائی کی جائے گی، سی ای او ایل ڈبلیو ایم سی

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دھول و مٹی کے خاتے کے لیے واٹر بوزر کی مدد سے پانی کا چھڑکاؤ کیا جائے گا، روئس پر تمام کنٹینرز کو بر

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پنجاب سٹیز پروگرام کے تحت جاری منصوبے مقررہ مدت کے اندر اندر مکمل کئے جائیں، ابراہیم مراد

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کا چھڑکاؤ کیا جائے گا، روئس پر تمام کنٹینرز کو بر وقت خالی کیا جائے گا، سی ای او ایل ڈبلیو ایم سی

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# Minister for timely completion of WB-funded projects

By Our Staff Reporter

LAHORE: Caretaker Minister for Local Government in Punjab Ibrahim Murad directed senior officials on Tuesday to ensure timely completion of all ongoing development projects being executed in 16 cities under the World Bank's Punjab Cities Improvement Programme.

Mr Murad emphasised that all WB-funded projects related to water supply, drainage and other types of infrastructure improvement across Punjab should be completed on time and with priority.

To ensure transparency and

achieve sustainable development, he added that necessary training should also be provided to local government department employees for their capacity building.

During a meeting to review the pace of work on the projects, Project Director Syed Zahid briefed the minister on the progress made thus far.

He stated that the relevant local governments were completing projects for providing basic amenities of life in 16 cities of Punjab at a cost of Rs23 billion. An additional Rs16 billion will be provided by the World Bank for these projects in the next financial year, bringing the total

available funds for the execution of these projects to Rs39 billion.

Mr Zahid also noted that the projects currently under completion included water supply, drainage, solid waste management, construction of roads and streets, construction of parks, and bus stands.

These projects are being carried out in the cities of Daska, Hafizabad, Jhelum, Kamonki, Muridke, Wazirabad, Gujra, Jordanwala, Jhang, Kamalia, Okara, Bahawalpur, Borewala, Khanewal, Kot Addu, and Vehari.

LDA: Caretaker Minister for Housing and Urban Development

Syed Azfar Ali Ansar on Tuesday visited the LDA One-Window Cell area and directed Commissioner Muhammad Ali Randhawa and others concerned to try to make the system online and provide facilities to the public at large at their doorsteps.

He also met the people and heard their problems.

Later, Mr Randhawa at a meeting of the committee established to improve the living environment of the provincial capital reviewed progress on nine model roads.

"The teams must remove the encroachments from the green belt and parking area of model roads in the first phase," he said.

# Expanded immunisation drive launched in 35 districts

## Our correspondent

### LAHORE

THE Expanded Programme on Immunisation (EPI) Punjab has embarked upon its largest routine immunisation catch up activity, the Integrated Outreach Activity (IOA), in 35 districts to vaccinate zero dose and defaulter children in the province.

The activity is being carried out throughout the month of April 2023 with the technical and financial support of the WHO. On the eve of the IOA activity, Director General Health Services Punjab Dr Ilyas Gondal said, "The World Immunisation Week is commemorated around the world every year from 24 to 30th April to create awareness about the miraculous impact of vaccines in saving human lives. Vaccines, I have to say, are the most cost effective Public Health Intervention ever introduced in human history. The IOA this year is aligned with the theme of the World Immunization Week 2023 'the Big Catch up'. We are complementing Demand Generation with improved service delivery."

In the first round of IOA in April, 4,486 vaccinators with as many social mobilisers are carrying out the activity in 3,407 Union Councils of the province. There are 586 supervisors are engaged in the activity which include CEO, DHO-PS,

DDHOs, EPI Focal Persons, DSVs and ASVs. Director Dr Mukhtar Ahmed said, "We are conducting the IOA in all districts 35 districts of the province except Lahore where it will be conducted in second round in July 2023. Our special focus is on weak Union Councils identified with the support of Synergy Evaluation System developed by PEI-EPI team. The activity provides the provincial programme a catch-up vaccination opportunity to cover Zero Dose Children/Communities & Defaulters, ensure Covid-19 Vaccination and administer OPV to Still Missed Children. We are grateful to the WHO for providing technical and financial support for the activity."

Dr Mukhtar Ahmed elaborated that the special outreach activity follows an integrated approach where vaccinator visits villages and communities under a defined tour plan for Immunization Service Delivery, social mobilisers help in linking services with the community and EPI Supervisors and Managers conduct Supportive Supervision.

The LHVs provide vaccination services at Fixed EPI Centres and LHWs support them in Community Mobilization and provision of MCH services. Polio staff is strengthening monitoring to identify gaps and frontline healthcare workers are ensuring preventive outreach

team reach villages and communities. Head of Office, WHO Sub Office Punjab Dr Jamshaid Ahmed said, "The WHO will continue to support the EPI Programme. The Round-I will be completed by 30th April 2023 and next round shall begin a couple of months later. The idea is to ensure no child misses his essential vaccination."

**UPLIFT PROJECTS:** Punjab Caretaker Minister for Local Government Ibrahim Murad has directed for meeting the deadline for completing the ongoing development projects being executed in 16 cities of the province, with World Bank funding at a cost of Rs23 billion under the Punjab Cities Programme. The minister observed this during a briefing by Syed Zahid Aziz, Project Director Punjab Cities Programme, on Tuesday.

The minister directed that the projects related to water supply and drainage should be completed on priority basis. To finalise the projects transparently and achieve sustainable development as a result of these projects, necessary training should be imparted to the employees of local government department for their capacity building, he added. Project Director Punjab Cities Programme Syed Zahid briefed the minister about the details of Punjab Cities Programme being funded by the World Bank.

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