

Media Update

11 May 2016

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Media Advisory

You are cordially invited to the Launch of Provincial Fortification Alliances in Pakistan with the Minister of National Health Services Regulation and Coordination and the Australian High Commissioner to Pakistan

Date: 12 May, 2016

Time: From 10:45 AM To 1:00 PM

Venue: Kehkashan hall 1, Serena Hotel, Islamabad

Programme:

Time	Activity
10.30 – 11.00	Registration / Tea at Arrival
11.00 – 11.05	Recitation from Holy Quran
11.05 – 11.15	Welcome and opening remarks
11.15 – 11.25	Introduction to NFA and Progress
11.25 – 11.45	Comments by Provincial Secretaries/ DoH (Way forward for PFAs)
11.45 – 11.55	Technical Assistance to NFA/ PFAs
11.55 – 12.05	Comments by the Guest of Honor
12.05 – 12.15	Comments by the Chief Guest
12.15 - 12.30	Inauguration of PFAs / handing over of the memento to representatives of PFAs
12.30 – 12.35	Vote of Thanks
12.35 – 12.40	Group Photo of PFA representatives with honorable guests/media interaction
12.40	Lunch



For RSVP and further information please contact:

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You are cordially invited to the Press Event of the Australian High Commission and the World Food Programme for Australia's Support for IDPs and FATA Returnees

Date: 16 May, 2016

Time: From 1:45 PM to 3:00 PM

Venue: WFP Office, Plot 1, Diplomatic Enclave, Islamabad

Agenda:

Time	Proceedings
1:45- 2:00	Setting up equipment for media
2:00-2:05	Remarks from the Australian High Commissioner
2:05-2:10	Statement from WFP Country Director and Representative
2:10-2:15	Statement from Minister SAFRON





2:15-2:30	Group Photo and remarks to the media
2:30-3:00	Refreshments

There will be a WFP van to transport media from Diplomatic Enclave Gate 2 (in front of the Foreign Office) to the WFP Office.

In case of using your own transport, please send names, media channel name, CNIC and Car details for security clearance and entry in the Diplomatic Enclave to below contacts:

RSVP latest by Thursday, 12 May 2016 to:

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We look forward to your participation and coverage.

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Press Release

10 May 2016

RELIEF DISTRIBUTION OF SAUDI DATES COMMENCES

NOWSHERA: The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has provided 396 metric tons of dates to the World Food Programme (WFP) for relief assistance to vulnerable Pakistanis. These dates are a gift of the King Salman Humanitarian Aid and Relief Centre and will be distributed among 148,000 registered families from FATA while the Government's Return and



Rehabilitation process is well underway and is planned to conclude at the end of this year.

The distribution of dates commenced in Jalozai camp on Tuesday in the presence of Deputy Head of Mission of the Saudi Embassy, Jassim bin Mohammed Al-Khalidi, officials of the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Director PDMA, KP, Israr Khan, Director Operations FDMA, Dr. Qasim Ali Khan, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of SAFRON, Mirza M. Sana-ul-Haque and Section Officer, EAD, Dr. Haseeb Shahbaz Amin and WFP Pakistan Representative, Lola Castro.

The Deputy Head of Mission reaffirmed his government's commitment to continue supporting relief efforts for the affected communities of FATA and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. "Saudi Arabia has close brotherly relations with Pakistan and the wellbeing of the people of Pakistan is of great importance to the Kingdom," he said.

WFP Representative briefly highlighted WFP's projects in the area along with future plans of transition towards sustainable food security in the region. "WFP welcomes this donation and we look forward to continuing and broadening the partnership with the Saudi Government. Dates are an instant source of nutrition as they provide a range of essential nutrients, vitamins and minerals. Dietary diversification is an important feature in the improvement of micronutrient intake and status and, in turn, leads towards better nutrition. This is especially crucial in the case of populations affected by shocks whose ability to purchase or produce food is limited," said Lola Castro.

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