

**One-window operation facility announced for investors**

LAHORE: “One-window operation is being commenced under which 26 provincial departments and 19 federal departments will work jointly under one umbrella for the facilitation of investors.”

Punjab Minister for Industries and Trade Mian Aslam Iqbal revealed this during a meeting with the Provincial Finance Minister Hashim Jawan Baksh here on Wednesday. Industrialization, investment in Information Technology sector and issues related taxation were also discussed in the meeting.

CEO Punjab Board of Investment and Trade, Chairman Punjab Industrial State & Management Company, DG Punjab Information Technology Board and representatives of investment companies attended the meeting.

He said that Punjab would be made real hub of social, economic and trade activities. Investment-friendly atmosphere has been created in Punjab and all possible facilities are being provided to the investors, he added.

He said that useful consultation has been done with the representatives of investment companies and future action plan will be evolved in the light of recommendations.

Provincial minister constituted sub-committee which will review the recommendations and proposals of the meeting for evolving action plan. He said that work on Quaid-e-Azam Apperal Park is being accelerated and strategy has been evolved for setting up of special economic zones and new industrial estates.

He said that good governance can be promoted through information technology that would also boost investment.

He said that state-of-the-art IT Park will be set up in the Punjab province. Problems faced by the industry can also be solved by promoting IT sector.

Speaking on the occasion, the minister said that IT industry has pivotal role to meet the demands of future and we are ready to take every step for the promotion of IT sector. If there is need to change the policy, it will be done where legislation required, he added.

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