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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Training session for Female Councilors in Rawalpindi**

**Rawalpindi, April 23rd, 2018:** The Directorate of Women Development organized training sessions for female union councilors in Rawalpindi, here Monday.

The training session was organized in continuation of the ongoing sessions in different Union Councils of different cities in Punjab including Sargodha, Sahiwal, Rawalpindi, DG Khan, Gujranwala, Multan, Bahawalpur and Faisalabad with the aim of training, awareness and empowerment.

Addressing the training session in Lahore, The Secretary, Directorate of Women Development, Ms. Bushra Iman remarked, "The Training is aimed at capacity building of Union councilors for better understanding of Women rights and coordination in concerned union councils, so as to empower and eliminate all forms of discrimination against women"

The Secretary further added, We have set out on a journey to eliminate discrimination against women, make them aware of their rights, these workshops will help us achieve our goals in every nook and corner of the Province."

All union councilors attending the training session are being awarded a stipend of Rs.5400, so as to encourage them to attend such future trainings, in line with Punjab government's vision of women empowerment.

The ongoing trainings that started on 25<sup>th</sup> of January, 2018, with an aim to empower women will last till May 2018. However trainings have been completed in Lahore, Sahiwal and Sargodha, while leftover areas are being covered swiftly.

It is pertinent to mention here that more than 3000 women councilors are being trained keeping in mind the top down approach, so that they may further impart the same training to females in their respective Union councils.

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