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Three-day conference begins

RAWALPINDI (APP): A three-day international conference on 'Asia-Pacific Policy Dialogue on Water, Energy and Food Security for Poverty Alleviation in Dryland Regions' commenced at Pir Mehr Ali Shah Arid Agriculture University (PMAS-AAUR), here Wednesday. PMAS-AAUR in collaboration with UNESCO with the support of Japan Funds-in-Trust and Malaysia Funds-in-Trust, organized the conference aimed at providing opportunity to policy makers, scientists, academicians, other experts and stakeholders for exploring new dimensions to increase water, food security and alleviate poverty in the resource deficient dryland regions worldwide, in Asia particularly in Pakistan. Federal Minister for Parliamentary Affairs Sheikh Aftab Ahmad was the chief guest at the inaugural session of the conference while Japan's Ambassador Takashi Kurai, High Commissioner of Malaysia Dr. Hasrul Sani Bin Mujtabar, AJK Finance Minister, Planning and Development and Public Health, Dr. Muhammad Najeeb Naqi, UNESCO Director Jakarta Dr. Shahbaz Khan, PMAS-AAUR Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Rai Niaz Ahmad, UNESCO Islamabad Director Ms. Vibeke Jensen, Water Expert Dr. Shams-ul-Mulk and progressive farmer Mumtaz Khan attended the conference. Over 200 participants from Pakistan and other countries including 50 delegates from Malaysia, Indonesia, Japan, China, Philippine, Nepal, Korea, Afghanistan, Australia and faculty members and a large number of students were also present.

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