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UNHCR Delegation Meets with PDMA Director General to Discuss Future Plans:

Peshawar: A delegation from the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) led by Ms. Robina Shaheen, Evaluation Expert visited the Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA) Headquarters in Peshawar. Led by Mr. Janat Gul Afridi, the Director General of PDMA, the meeting aimed to explore future plans and review previous interventions in response to the devastating flood of 2022.

During the meeting, the UNHCR delegation engaged in productive discussions with DG PDMA, exchanging valuable insights and experiences regarding the challenges posed by the flood and the subsequent relief and recovery efforts. The discussions emphasized the importance of collaboration to address the immediate and long-term needs of affected communities.

Mr. Janat Gul Afridi expressed his gratitude to the UNHCR delegation for their visit and reiterated PDMA's commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of the population in the face of natural disasters. He acknowledged the critical role played by international partners in supporting the efforts of PDMA and providing relief items to PDMA KP for further distribution to flood affected people across the province in 2022.

PDMA and the UNHCR delegation expressed their commitment to further strengthen their partnership in disaster risk reduction and emergency response. They emphasized the need for coordinated efforts to build resilience, improve early warning systems, and enhance capacity-building measures to mitigate the impact of future disasters.

Mr. Afridi reiterated that PDMA will continue to support international organizations as per its policy, highlighting the importance of sustained collaboration in achieving collective goals.

The UNHCR delegation commended PDMA for its prompt and effective response to the devastating flood of 2022, which resulted in widespread devastation. They also recognized the resilience of the affected communities and emphasized the importance of sustainable solutions that prioritize the protection of vulnerable groups, including women, children, and refugees.

This meeting between the UNHCR delegation and PDMA marks a significant step forward in strengthening cooperation and reinforcing the commitment to address the challenges faced by affected communities in the aftermath of the devastating flood. By working together, they aim to create sustainable and effective solutions that prioritize the well-being of those affected and build resilience for future disaster scenarios.

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