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CHIEF SECRETARY PUNJAB VISITED CNF HEADQUARTERS TO REVIEW INSTITUTIONAL PERFORMANCE

LAHORE (March 12, 2026): The Chief Secretary of Punjab paid an official visit to the Punjab Counter Narcotics Force (CNF) Headquarters today. Upon arrival, the Chief Secretary was received by the Director General and senior officers of the force. During the visit, the Chief Secretary chaired a high-level briefing on the department's operational achievements, intelligence-led crackdowns, and future strategies to eliminate drug trafficking across the province. The Chief Secretary evaluated the operational

metrics of the CNF since its deployment, noting the seizure of over 22 tonnes of narcotics worth billions of rupees. Emphasized the expansion of targeted crackdowns against drug networks, with a zero-tolerance policy for smugglers and zero political interference. Promised the provincial government's complete administrative support to enhance CNF's technological capabilities, including advancements in IT and Artificial Intelligence infrastructure.



PROVINCIAL INFORMATION MINISTER AZMA ZAHID BUKHARI VISITED CNF HEADQUARTERS

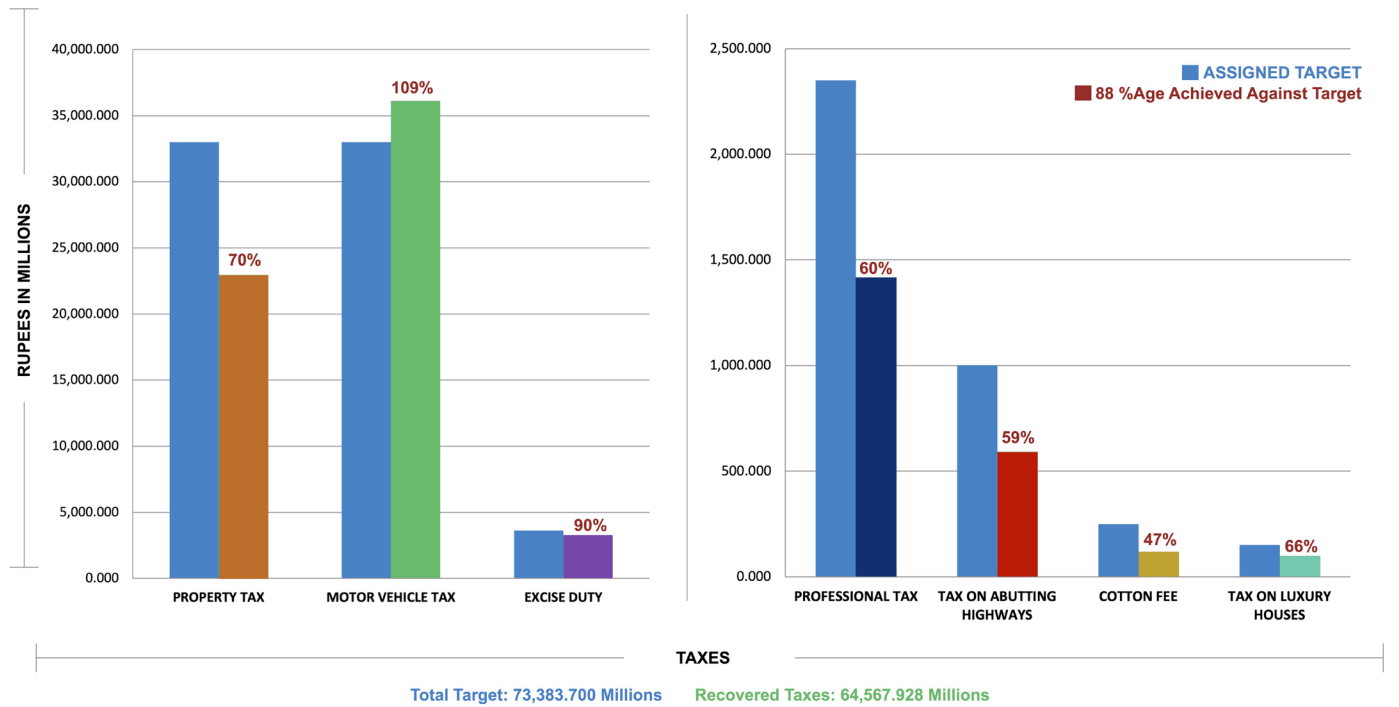
Punjab Information Minister Ms. Azma Zahid Bukhari visited the CNF Headquarters on 17 February 2026, where she was warmly received by the senior management and officers of the organization. During her visit, she was briefed on the department's ongoing initiatives, achievements, and future plans aimed at enhancing institutional performance and public service delivery. The Minister appreciated the dedication and professionalism of the CNF team and emphasized the importance of transparency, innovation, and effective communication in achieving organizational goals. She also interacted with officers and staff, acknowledging their contributions and encouraging them to continue their efforts in serving the public with commitment and excellence. The visit concluded with a productive discussion on strengthening interdepartmental coordination and exploring new avenues for further development and cooperation.



STATUS AT THE END OF 3RD QUARTER RECOVERY

By the end of **3rd quarter** in **April 2026**, ET&NC Department successfully collected **Rs. 64.567 billion** in revenue against target of **Rs. 73.383 billion** for financial year **2025-2026**, achieving **88%** of annual target set by the government. This performance reflects the department continued efforts towards efficient tax collection and fiscal responsibility.

TARGET & RECOVERY COMPARISON LEVY WISE 2025-2026 > UPTO APRIL



ESTABLISHED DISTRICT NARCOTICS CONTROL STATIONS (CNF)

The Government of Punjab has established the Punjab Counter Narcotics Force (CNF) under the administrative control of ET&NC Department for effective counter-narcotics operations across the Punjab Province. After establishment of CNF setup at the divisional level, now Punjab CNF has expanded its network at the district level and recently the Government has approved Narcotics Control Stations (NCSs) at **17 District in the**

Punjab and Notification issued vide dated 17.04.2026. Currently CNF has its operational setup at 26 districts and work in process for establishment of NCS in remaining districts at the end of June 2026. This is a marvelous achievement of the Punjab Government in eradication of narcotics in the Punjab.

INAUGURATION OF PAK ID APPLICATION FOR BIO METRIC

Verifying vehicle owners was a challenge not just for the owners themselves, but also for the Excise Department. Previously, overseas vehicle owners had to provide a Power of Attorney for verification, and overseas Pakistanis had to visit embassies repeatedly to verify their ownership. Through the 'Pak ID' app, the Excise Department will share its data with NADRA. Hence, online verification facility for vehicle owners across all four provinces particularly for overseas

Pakistanis will be available. The Pak ID in collaboration with NADRA was inaugurated by Director General Excise & Taxation in February, 2026. From now on, vehicle owners residing across Pakistan and around the world can complete their biometric verification from the comfort of their homes. After verification, the transfer process will become highly transparent following the online payment of dues through e-Pay and other digital services.



KASHMIR DAY

Kashmir Solidarity Day in 2026 was observed on Thursday, February 5. ET&NC Department also celebrated the Kashmir Day in the Directorate

General E&T Punjab showing support for the self-determination of the people of Kashmir and honoring Kashmiri martyrs.



CAMPAIGN AGAINST ILLEGAL TOBACCO

FBR, Govt. of Pakistan vide Notification dated 15.07.2025, authorized to exercise the powers and perform the functions of the officers of Inland Revenue to crackdown against illegal Cigarettes. FBR authorized DCs/ADCs/AC(G), Assistant Revenue, and officers of Excise & Taxation Department to launch operations in the warehouses & in retail outlet and motor vehicles on the roads. Accordingly, the directions were issued to all Excise & Taxation Officers to crackdown for the assigned tasks. Massive crackdown / operation were launched by Excise authorities who also compiled the data all over Punjab being a focal department on the direction of the Chief Secretary Punjab.

970465 packets which constitute 66% of total seizure. This is an excellent performance made by the department.



Out of total 1468087 seized packets of illegal cigarettes, Excise & Taxation Department seized

SLA BETWEEN PITB AND PUNJAB CNF

In order to enhance the operational efficiency, there required measures to make the system digitized and IT based as per direction of the Punjab Government. Punjab CNF requires to streamline the routine task and to address the manual errors in day to day affairs including human resource management information system, FIR management system, web development, call center services and electronic

filing & office automation system (e-FOAS). For implementation of the aforementioned systems, Punjab CNF has engaged PITB for digitization of their routine work, reporting and filing system, registration of FIRs etc and made an agreement/SLA after approval of the Punjab Government. This will also facilitate the operational work and leads to transparency and smooth working environment.

CNF REPORT ON DETECTION AND SEIZURE OF NARCOTICS

During a very short span of period of less than one year since August 2025, Punjab CNF has conducted operations in the Punjab for detection of narcotics, investigation and prosecutions of cases. During this period, against **646** apprehensions, **397** FIRs were registered, **312** accused were on judicial remand, **105** bailed out, **04** acquitted and **06** accused were convicted. Against these operations, **22.1** tons of narcotics were seized which costs estimated **Rs.2389.17** millions. This great performance in a short period speaks about the hard work, commitment and professional skills of Punjab CNF.



FOUR-DAY TRAINING WORKSHOP ON STRENGTHENING GOVERNANCE THROUGH ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

The Management Services Wing, Establishment Division, Government of Pakistan organized a four day training workshop on strengthening governance through Artificial Intelligence-enabled whole of Governance (WoG) Approaches at the Pakistan Planning & Management Institute, Islamabad from 9th to 12th February, 2026. From ET&NC Department, Mr. Ahmad

Kamal, Additional Secretary (Admn) attended the said workshop at Islamabad. The basic objective of the training workshop was to provide management consultancy services to public sector organization by enhancing capacity building for government servants with a view to enhance managerial competence, governance effectiveness & institutional performance.
