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MPs visit Ehsaas Saylani Langar in the capital



December 19, 2019- Islamabad: Today, four members of the Parliament (MPs) - Rukhsana Naveed, Shaheen Saifullah, Zil-e-Huma and Munawara Baloch visited Ehsaas langar at Peshawar More in Islamabad. They sat with people, heard their issues and assured their full cooperation and support. They richly appreciated the ethos of langar scheme, food quality and the degree of respect with which people are being served at the Ehsaas Saylani langar.

Talking to the people being served with food at the langar, Zil-e-Huma, MNA from KP said, “It is heartening to see that the Ehsaas langar is benefitting the deprived by giving them clean charity feeding space where they are served daily, free of cost and with great dignity and honour”.

Rukhsana Naveed, MNA and Parliamentary Secretary Climate Change stated, “Ehsaas langar scheme is an important move of the government to reduce inequality and invest in people through public private partnership model.” Adding further, she appreciated, “Under the overarching umbrella of Ehsaas, this is the first scheme of the government of Pakistan that has been set up as a public-private partnership and with zero cost to the government.”

Currently, the Ehsaas langar in Islamabad provides food twice a day to around 600 -700 people. For lunch, the food is served from noon to 2:00 pm and for dinner from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

“Ehsaas langar is a continuation of our religious and cultural legacy as well and it is not only providing relief to those in need but is also adding value to the lives of daily laborers and those earning low incomes”, said Shaheen Saifullah, MNA from KP.

“We are very pleased to be a part of this noble cause”, said Munawara Baloch, MNA from Balochistan. She then continued, “We are glad to see that Ehsaas langars are meeting the nutritional needs of the poorest and we extend our full support to Ehsaas.”

The Ehsaas Langars will be extended countrywide with as many as 112 Langar schemes to be set up over the period of two years to feed millions of people lacking food. Saylani Welfare International Trust, which is partnering with Ehsaas on this Langar initiative, is a reputable Pakistani charity focusing on social welfare of the poor and distressed.