



Press Release

BHUTAN SEEKS ADMISSION FOR THEIR STUDENTS AT ITU UNDER SAARC

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Pakistan has huge potential in Information Technology and Bhutan will benefit from the experience and intend to have their students in the Information Technology University (ITU) the Punjab under the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) a regional intergovernmental organization and geopolitical union of nations in South Asia. This was stated by the leader of a nine-member delegation led by H.E Sonam T Rabgye, Ambassador of Bhutan to Pakistan here today.

He said that Pakistan has impressive and innovative IT projects in various sectors, which needed to be replicated. The technological interventions in the fields of agriculture, health, education, archives and law & order could help Bhutan to have IT solutions, he added.

Earlier the members of the delegation were briefed regarding the functioning of ITU and various projects undertaken by the Punjab Information Technology Board (PITB). Pakistan was globally engaged with Nigeria, Austin and UAE for replicating its various automated systems while similar arrangements were underway with the Chinese and Russian governments, said Sajid Latif DG e-Governance while briefing the delegation.

Farzana Shahid Director Academics ITU said that ITU was at par with other IT Universities of the world and added that the main purpose of ITU, driven by a culture of research and entrepreneurship, was to advance innovation and research in the areas of science, technology and engineering. The delegation took round of Citizen Contact Centre, various Labs in ITU and e-Khidmat Centre.

The delegation members included officials of the Central Monastic Body, Ministries of Home & Cultural Affairs, Foreign Affairs (Bilateral wing), Royal Bhutanese Embassy's Counsellor Domang and spouse of H.E Ms. Tshering Yangchen Rabgye who visited the sacred Buddhist places in Swat during their visit

acknowledged and lauded the Pakistan's endeavour to protect and maintain their religious shrines.