

## LCCI handed over eight Complete Blood Count (CBC) machines

The Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry Monday handed over eight Complete Blood Count (CBC) machines to the Government of Punjab for their installation at various City hospitals and laboratories. The machines were handed over by the LCCI President Irfan Qaiser Sheikh and Vice President Ms Saeeda Nazar to Advisor to the Chief Minister MNA Pervaiz Malik in the presence a large number of Executive Committee members. LCCI Vice President Saeeda Nazar, Former LCCI Presidents Mian Anjum Nisar, Sheikh Mohammad Asif, former Senior Vice President Sheikh Mohammad Arshad, former Vice President Shafqat were also present on the occasion. The LCCI President informed the Advisor to the Chief Minister that the Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry feels its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) to rise to every occasion when distressed people of this province need help and assistance. He said that the private sector would continue to play its proactive role till complete eradication of deadly dengue virus. He said that the LCCI was also working for the rehabilitation of flood affectees and had already handed over a cheque Rs 11 million to the Chief Minister while out of total 150 under construction houses in district Layyah, 50 houses had already been given to the affectees.

Work on other 100 houses is in full swing and would be completed very soon, he added. Irfan Qaiser Sheikh said that a CBC machine for the last 15 days is carrying out free of cost CBC tests with the collaboration of Sundas Foundation at Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry Speaking on the occasion, the Advisor to Chief Minister MNA Pervaiz Malik thanked the Lahore Chamber of commerce and industry for supplementing the government efforts aimed at eradicating deadly dengue virus. He said that the Chief Minister Mian Shahbaz Sharif was happy with the private sector for playing a proactive role. He said that the machines donated by the Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry would be installed at various city dispensaries and labs so that maximum number of people could get benefit.

He said dedicated efforts are being made for the eradication of dengue virus and elected representatives, officers and private sector leaders are working as a team for coping with this challenge and are serving the ailing humanity as ordinary social workers. "Though it is a difficult task, but dengue virus will soon be brought under control with the cooperation of private sector. Committee headed by Chief Secretary is finalising its recommendations speedily for evolving a short, medium and long term policy in this regard," he said. He said the role of private sector was of vital importance in the campaign for elimination of dengue virus and therefore, seminars should be arranged regarding preventive measures against dengue.

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