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Consultative Workshop

“Defining a Good Local Government”

Organized by

Shehri – Citizens for a Better Environment

in collaboration with

Friedrich Naumann
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Sunday, October 2, 2016 (9:30 am)

Indus Hotel, Hyderabad

Programme

Sunday, 2nd October 2016 (Indus Hotel, Hyderabad)

Time	Activity
9:30 –10:00 am	Registration of Participants
10:00 – 10:10 am	Welcome Address Sarwar Khalid and Junaid Dahri
10:10 – 10:40 pm	Challenges to viable local governance Farhan Anwar Urban Planner and Member Shehri-CBE
10:40 – 11:00 am	Tea Break
11:00 – 11:10 am	“Citizens expectations from Local Government” M. Parkash Mahtani Advocate High Court of Sindh
11:10 – 11:25 am	Speech by Commissioner Hyderabad Qazi Shahid Pervaiz
11:25 – 11:40 am	Speech by Guest of Honour Mr. Babur Effendi Special Assistant to Chief Minister Sindh for Irrigation
11:40 – 12:00 pm	Speech by Chief Guest Moula Bux Chandio Advisor to CM, Sindh for Information
12:00 – 1:30 pm	Question & Answers
1:30 pm	Vote of Thanks/Concluding Address
Lunch	

Defining a Good Local Government

It is accepted universally that the mandate for urban planning is best within the sphere of local government. As such, this tier of local government should be adequately empowered to sanction and facilitate the viable growth of urban settlements.

This has been an issue of concern in Pakistan that local government has not been truly empowered and as a result the process of urban growth has also suffered. In addition are concerns about the capacity of local/district governments to bring about the required change. This matter is of particular concern in the case of Hyderabad, that has its unique set of challenges when it comes to ensuring sustainable growth. A city of over 2 million, it suffers with disposing its garbage, in providing quality public transportation, in protecting its public spaces from encroachments, in ensuring quality water supply, amongst other things.

Now, as the elected representatives prepare themselves to sit in the city council, there is a need to highlight the challenges, address the causes and try to work out an agenda that can best serve the citizens. Forging a workable relationship is essential between the province and the city, where both tiers of government, rather than conflicting or confronting, compliment each other's work. There is also a need for the local government to explore potentials for partnering with civil society and develop models of participatory development.

Shehri-Citizens for a Better Environment, in collaboration with the Friedrich Naumann Stiftung is taking this opportunity to organize a stakeholder workshop - **Defining a Good Local Government on Sunday, 2 October 2016 (9:30 am) at Indus Hotel, Hyderabad** to brainstorm ideas and models of city governance where all stakeholders can collaborate to make urban governance transparent, accountable and sustainable.