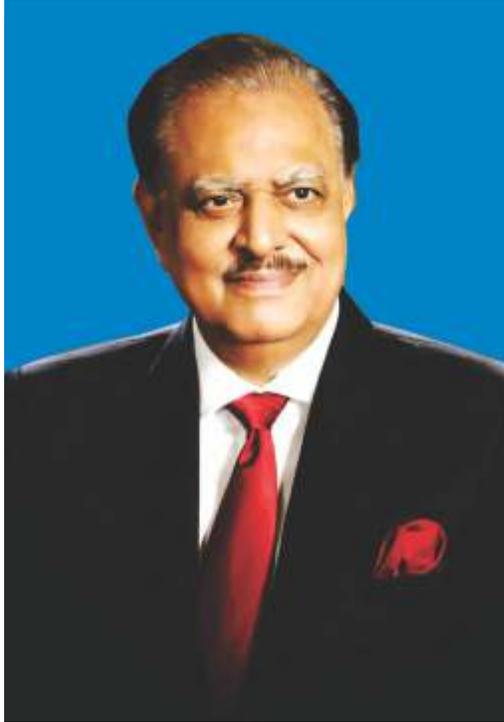




## Mamnoon Hussain

President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan



I am pleased to know that Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (FBISE) is holding Annual Awards Distribution Ceremony to give away medals, merit certificates and cash prizes to top position holders of SSC and HSSC level examinations in recognition of their outstanding performance.

This ceremony is a source of encouragement for students who have worked hard, with dedication and commitment to achieve academic excellence. I congratulate the position holding students, their parents and teachers for their efforts to achieve this milestone.

We are living in the age of concept based learning. In today's globalized world, science, information technology and creative thinking are the driving force behind progress and development of societies and state. Nothing is more important to a nation's long-term success than equipping its youth with quality education. History testifies that only countries with quality human resource and superior knowledge in science and technology made progress. Quality education providing knowledge and skills is the basic armor to fight the battle of life.

The progress and prosperity of our homeland rests on our youth and they are the architects of its destiny. I would advise all award winning students to prepare themselves for higher goals to bring glory and success to their country. I urge them to cultivate a love for learning and service for community. In doing so, they must never forget their duty to the nation and fellow countrymen.

The present Government is committed to improving the state of education sector to provide uniform and quality education to students across the country.

I appreciate FBISE for organizing this event to befittingly honour the position holders. I wish the students success in their future endeavors.



Engr. Muhammad Baligh ur Rehman  
Minister of State for Federal Education and  
Professional Training



Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (FBISE), Islamabad holds its Medal and Prize Distribution Ceremony for the outstanding and top position holders annually. Honorable President of Islamic Republic of Pakistan has agreed to not only gracing the occasion but the event is also being held at the Presidency with all its grandeur. This is the occasion to celebrate the achievements of the toppers, their untiring efforts, focused counseling of their teachers, parents, conducive teaching-learning environment provided by their institutions and last but not least, a transparent, timely and fair conduct of examination by FBISE. These students are a valuable asset of our nation. I warmly and sincerely congratulate them all for achieving honours and distinction in their studies. I also felicitate their parents and teachers and the management of their institutions, who have played their role well in polishing these gems.

Since 2013 we have worked hard to make overall improvements including one window operations in the Board. The efforts are in place to emphasize designing of exams which encourages conceptual learning and critical thinking thinking. These improvements and trainings of Board employees are also being extended to other regional boards as well. The world is changing very fast. Many developments of complex nature are taking place every day. To benefit from all these changes, we need to have highly educated and trained manpower. Hence there is a dire need to provide incentives to our students to do well and assume leadership to meet contemporary challenges. The decision to give laptops to all the students and to provide them better scholarships and financing options will truly encourage them.

This ceremony is likely to be a positive trend setter in that direction. Education and technological advancement are prerequisite of national progress. Education is the key to open avenues of progress and development in the modern world. The government is fully conscious of its responsibilities in this regard and numerous steps have been taken so far. Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah highlighted the importance of education by saying, "You must concentrate on gaining knowledge and education. It is your foremost responsibility. Political awareness of the era is also part of your education. You must be aware of international events and environment. Education is a matter of life and death for our country". My dear students, being marked out as outstanding, I would advise you to work even harder, with zeal and zest to prove yourselves as pearls of greater price in your future endeavours as well. I would appreciate the commendable efforts of Chairman, FBISE and his team for organizing an impressive award distribution ceremony which will definitely encourage the youth and will become a source of fostering healthy competition in them.

My best wishes for all of you!



## Haseeb Athar

Secretary

Ministry of Federal Education & Professional Training



I am extremely pleased to learn that Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (FBISE) has arranged this ceremony for awarding medals, prizes and certificates to highest achiever students at SSC and HSSC levels, who clinched top positions in their respective examinations. I share this moment with you, your proud parents and teachers to commemorate your outstanding achievement. The tremendous success of the recipients of medals and awards is a result of their unremitting devotion to studies, steadfast guidance of their teachers, parents, congenial environment provided by their institutions and of a course a transparent and fair conduct of examination by FBISE. Besides these shining students, I would also like to congratulate their parents, teachers and the management of their institutions, whose unflinching efforts made the difference.

These highly talented and bright students are the pride of Pakistan. I enthusiastically, felicitate them all for achieving positions of distinction in their respective examinations. I would also like to congratulate their parents and teachers, besides the management of their institutions, whose unremitting support, consistent efforts and persistent encouragement have resulted in such glorious achievements. I would like to say to the recipients of awards that this is your first step towards a bright future. You must continue making determined efforts coupled with commitment and enthusiasm on your path to glory. Educational, scientific and technological advancements are transforming the face of the world very rapidly. Only those states can survive which are keeping pace with these changes. Pakistan can benefit from these changes only if she produces highly educated and developed human resource. By investing in our youth and its education, we will enable it to assume leadership role, transform challenges into opportunities and materialize our national dreams into national realities. Appreciation of our brilliant and outstanding youth in ceremonies like these is likely to inspire the younger students to emulate these shining stars. I appreciate the Chairman FBISE and his team for holding a successful medal and prize distribution ceremony in the honour of these meritorious students.

**I pray for all of the students to succeed in their future educational endeavours.**



## Dr. Ikram Ali Malik

Chairman

Federal Board of Intermediate & Secondary Education



It is elating for me to congratulate the meritorious students for their consistent hard work and resultant excellence in the Annual Examinations 2016. I also felicitate the proud parents for their input in bringing these students to this podium of success. Efforts of teachers and institutions for providing conducive learning environment are also highly commendable.

Dear students, you, being the future of Pakistan are duty bound to recognize and acknowledge contribution of those millions of compatriot taxpayers, who have been real financiers of your education. Acquisition of meaningful education and its application to enhance productivity is the only way to reciprocate them for societal development. Today's ceremony is believed to be a vital instrument of optimism to strengthen your faith in the system and hedge against prevailing wave of pessimism being inculcated in society, either due to ignorance or for some vested interest.

Let me share substantial progress on reforms agenda of FBISE initiated in 2014 with focus on qualitative improvement of examination system through rigorous capacity building to meet growing market needs and reduction of horizontal educational inequality; remote trouble-free access to services through Value Chain e-solutions during pre - and - post examination; and revisit of various functions and processes to transform FBISE as showcase of good governance for others to follow. This departure from gradual change to paradigm shift is being acknowledged and reinforced by all stakeholders with anticipated enhanced fleetness.

**All the best for your future endeavours!**