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**Press Release**

**Pakistan to Seek Malaysian Model for Capacity Building in Industrial and Manufacturing Sectors**

A three member high level delegation headed Mr. Javad Malik, Chief Executive, National Productivity Organization, a department under the Ministry of Industries of Pakistan is currently on a three day visit to Malaysia(13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2009) to benchmark Malaysia's expertise in capacity building and quality enhancement, with particular focus on industrial and manufacturing sectors

The visit was organized by Malaysia Productivity Council and Asian Productivity Organization of Japan of which Pakistan and Malaysia both are members.

During their three day stay in Malaysia, the visiting delegation held various meetings with senior management of Malaysia Productivity Council, including the Director General, and heads of various departments and visited industrial and manufacturing facilities..

The delegation was briefed on Malaysia's successful implementation of policies for enhancement of productivity in industrial and manufacturing sectors and both sides discussed ways and means to introduce Malaysian Model for capacity building of Industrial and manufacturing sectors with the objective to improve upon their productivity.

Mr. Javad Mallik, the head of Pakistani delegation while commenting on the visit termed it highly useful and productive. He opined that Malaysia has indeed made tremendous progress in developing Key Performance Indicators in the industrial and manufacturing sectors and have developed a model of its own to successfully improve their capacity and productivity.

Mr. Malik was of the opinion that Pakistan can learn from Malaysian experiences in these fields and resolved that there would be follow up meetings and coordination between the two countries to learn from each other experiences and building upon these understandings learning, the scope of cooperation will also be extended to services and agriculture sectors.

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