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ISLAMARAD: Chairman PTA, Major General (Retd), Shakzada Alam Malik at Workshop on Assessment of Telecom Regulatory Environments.

## 'Mobile regulatory environment exemplary'

By our correspondent

KARACHI: Pakistan has a better regulatory environment for mobile telecommunication than India, Indonesia, Sri Lanka and the Philippines, said a Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA) statement on Thursday.

It said this had been revealed in the results of the first Telecom Regulatory Environment (TRE), survey conducted in five Asian countries including Pakistan by Sri Lanka based independent telecom research organisation LIRNEasia.

"These results were presented today in a Workshop on Assessment of Telecom Regulatory Environments organised by PTA," after the workshop, the statement said. "The workshop was inaugurated by Chairman PTA, Major General (Retd), Shahzada Alam Malik and was attended by senior executives of telecom sector, PTA officers and academicians."

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"The survey that has been conducted by LIRNEasia will give us insight on our performance reflected in different areas of tele-use in the country," the statement quoted the chairman as saying.

"The PTA has provided level playing field to all operators during the course of liberalisation. Now, there is competition in every telecom service segment in Pakistan, including fixed telephony, mobile cellular, payphones, Internet and other value added services."

He said that the total teledensity reached 43.44 per cent in May 2007, which was just 12 per cent in June 2005. On average approximately 2.3 million subscribers are being added on cellular mobile networks each month in Pakistan, which is an exemplary growth in relation to the population of any country in Asian region, he added. DAILY TIMES,
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ISLAMABAD: PTA Chairman Maj Gen (Retd) Shahzada Alam Malik speaks during workshop on telecom regulatory environment assessment and tele-use at the bottom of the pyramid, at a local hotel on Thursday. App

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#### Pakistan has better telecom regulatory environment

**Staff Report** 

ISLAMABAD: The first Telecom Regulatory Environment (TRE) Survey conducted in five Asian countries including Pakistan by a Sri Lanka based independent telecom research organization, LIRNEasia reveals that Pakistan has a better regulatory environment for mobile telecommunication as compared to India, Indonesia, Sri Lanka and Philippines.

These results were presented in a workshop on "Assessment of Telecom Regulatory Environments" organized by the Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA). The workshop was inaugurated by Chairman PTA Maj. Gen. (Retd) Shahzada Alam Malik.

In his inaugural address, the Chairman PTA said that independent researchers like GSMA & LIRNEasia are names that motivate the telecom regulators to perform even better every time. PTA has provided a level playing field to all operators during the course of liberalization. Now, there is competition in every telecom service segment in Pakistan, that includes fixed telephony, mobile telephony, payphones, 'internet and other value-added services, he added.

He said that the total teledensity of the country reached 43.44 percent in May 2007, which was just 12 percent in June 2005. On an average approximately 2.3 million subscribers are being added on mobile networks each month in Pakistan, which is an exemplary growth in relation to the population of any country in Asian region. He said that mobile penetration has reached 37.6 percent of the population at the end of April 2007. Total mobile subscribers at the end of May 2007 crossed the 60.8 million mark. He said that during the first three quarters of 2006-07, the telecom sector attracted \$1.4 billion in investment. Telecom sector of Pakistan is growing at an astounding pace and surpassing all forecasts over the last few years, he added

The results of the 2006 TRE survey, carried out in India, Indonesia, Pakistan, Philippines and Sri Lanka as part of a multi-component study, provide a useful diagnostic tool for assessing regulatory efficacy. Overall, Pakistan scored particularly well on market entry and on the management of scarce resources (spectrum) in mobile sector.

Pakistan's performance was particularly impressive because it is the country with the lowest per capita gross national income in the set. Pakistan scored higher than India on four out of the six dimensions in the mobile sector, with India being significantly ahead in tariff regulation, the study disclosed. On the fixed sector TRE assessments, the Philippines topped the ratings, and Pakistan came in third, marginally behind India. However, Pakistan scored better than India on four of the six dimensions on fixed sector: management of scarce resources, interconnection, regulation of anticompetitive practices, and universal service.



ISLAMABAD: Chairman PTA Maj Gen (Retd) Shahzada Alam Malik presenting a souvenir to Executive Director LIRENEsia, Rohan Samra Jiva during the workship on Telecom Regulatory Environment Assessment and Teleuse at a local hotel.

#### Pak ahead of regional countries in telecom

SHR JAHFERY

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#### Mobile telecommunication

#### Pakistan now offers better regulatory environment

RECORDER REPORT

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan has now a better regulatory environment for mobile telecommunication than India, Indonesia, Sri Lanka and the Philippines, reveals Telecom Regulatory Environment (TRE) Survey conducted in five Asian countries by Sri Lanka based LIRNEasia.

Results were announced here at a "Workshop on Assessment of Telecom Regulatory Environments" organised by Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA) which was inaugurated by Chairman PTA Shahzada Alam Malik. Speaking on the occasion, the Chairman said total teledensity was 43.44 percent in May 2007. On average approximately 2.3 million subscribers are being added on cellular mobile networks each month in Pakistan, he added.

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ISLAMABAD:Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA) Chairman Maj. Gen. (retd) Shahzada Allam addresses the participants of the 'Workshop on Assessment of Telecom Regulatory Environment.'

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ISLAMABAD: PTA Chairman Maj Gen (R) Shahzada Alam addresses during a workshop on Assessment of Telecom Regulatory Environment at a local hotel.

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Executive Director LIRNE Asia Professor Rohan Samara Jiva presenting a souvenir to Chairman Pakistan Telecommuniction Authority, Maj. Gen (R) Shahzada Alam Malik at a workshop organized by PTA in Islamabad on Thursday.

#### DAILY JANG, RAWALPINDI DATED: パケーの6ーの注

موبائل فون صارفین انتبائی کم زخول پر بهترین مروی حاصل کرینگے شیز اوہ عالم یکی کام پیشری گزشته مال سال کے اوران 2 ادب والری مرما ہے ہوری دوئی اکتان میں ہر ماہ 23 لاکھ میں موری کی سال میں رفیق میں ماسل کرر ہے ہیں، ورکشا ہے خطاب اسلام آباد (وقائع کارخصوص، خصوص ربوری) یکتان بیل کام افراد کی کے دفیتر میں میجر جزل ربی کار دو مالم ملک نے کام موبائل فون زخوں میں کی کے بعد معیادی مروی

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علی کام ریگا لیمزی انوائر نمنٹ میں پاکستان کو بھالت سمیت گیر ممالکت کر برتری حاصل ان کن انشیای طف کے مصرف میں میں ان کار کرائی ہے جت سے پاکستان میں بی کسل فی کرونوں کے نملی کام کے شعبے میں 1.4 میں امری والدی سرا کاری آئی ورکھاتے چیئر میں لی فیلے شزادہ والجا خیا انوائر نمنٹ میں خطے کے دیگر ممالک اغیرا اندو نیٹیا سری باق صفی 14 اینے تجر 74

11/7472 186 الإسر الميان ب آئے عالم اللان عي موال الله کے جیکس کیے رکوانیزی ماہول میں ممالک سے بہتر ہے۔ افرا اے محاملان کی مہر سے جعلل محیق کر نے واٹ آزاد ادار سے اُر نے ایڈیا کی جارب سے متعقدہ کی دیکس محالک جم ل کا ستان عَدُوا أَوْرِ كُنُورُ اللَّهُ أَلَاكُ الْسَالَةُ وَلَى اللَّهِ عَلَى اللَّهِ عَلَى اللَّهِ عَلَى اللَّهِ عَلَ اس موقع پر خطاب کرتے ہوئے چیئز مین کی اُل کے کہا کہ ہم درنے ایٹیا کی جانب سے منعقدہ سروے سے جمیس ملک کے اندیج اُل کے اُل رے ایران جانب سے متعقدہ مرہ ہے ۔ "س ملک کے اندہ ہوا نیلی کیو بنیشوں کے استعمال کے مختصہ شعبوں میں ہمار گراہ کار کردگی کا پیتے چلا ہے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ ڈی ریگو کیشن کیے دوران ہم نے قبام آئی طرز او مقابلہ کے سادی مواقع قراہم کیے ہیں۔ اب اکستان میں نیکا کام کے ہر شعبہ جھول فیکس انکیا فوان کا موہا کی مڈور انے فوز انظر نیٹ اور دیگر ویلو ایڈز مرومز کے ہا ملدا ہے ساتھ میں ماران کا 07-2006 کی پہلی ٹین سہ ماہیوں کے دوران کُلی کام شعبے علی 4. الجین امری والرکی سروایہ کاری موٹ انہوں نے عربے كباك پاكتان كے نيل كام مكتر نے فيرت الكيز رتى كى ب اور مجیلے چند سالوں کے دوران تمام ابداف کو عبور کیا ہے۔اعمیاً ا نردنیٹیا پاکستان کلیائن اور سری لکا میں کے گئے ٹی آر ای 2006مروے کے سائر کولیز کا کار کردی کو جانے کیلئے مدد SKLOPLINGE OUGEINS LIKHERET OUGEINESSIE (ナンプレンをようなないのかでのいか كر جوز ف السي الر شارى خوا عاد في خطان ال ك السيا لی فی اے نے پہنے میلی وی تک کیر اوکر کی یا تک -اراکاب سے احمال فلا کیا۔



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ISLAMABAD: Participants of a workshop on the Telecom Regulatory Environment Assessment and Teleuse at the Bottom of the Pyramid. – App Photo



Participants attending the workshop on Telecom Regulatory Environment Assessment and Teleuse at the Bottom of the Pyramid in Islamabad on Thursday, - APP