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To : Foreign Islamabad  
Reptd. : i) Ministry of Commerce, Islamabad  
ii) Ministry of Federal Education & Professional Training  
iii) Ministry of Overseas Pakistanis & Human Resources  
iv) Parep Beijing  
v) Chief Secretaries, Punjab, Sindh, KPK, Balochistan, AJK and GB  
vi) Chairman, HEC

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**Director General (China) from Consul General**

Reptd: i) Secretary, M/o Commerce  
ii) Secretary, M/o Federal Education & Professional Training  
iii) Secretary, M/o Overseas Pakistanis & Human Resources  
iv) Ambassador, Parep Beijing  
v) Chief Secretaries, Punjab, Sindh, KPK, Balochistan, AJK and GB  
vi) Chairman, Higher Education Commission

**Subject: Top Talent Pass Scheme (TTPS) in Hong Kong**

The Top Talent Pass Scheme (TTPS) seeks to attract top talents with rich work experience and good academic qualification from all over the world to explore opportunities in Hong Kong. They are not required to have secured an offer of employment in the Hong Kong Special Administration Region (HKSAR) upon application. They may be granted 24 months' stay on time limitation only without other conditions of stay provided that normal immigration requirements are met. Applicants may choose to apply for the TTPS under one of the categories as listed below:

- i). Persons with annual income reaching HK\$2.5 million or above, or its equivalent in foreign currency, in the immediately preceding the date of application (Category A);
- ii). Degree graduates of the world's top 100 universities with at least three years of work experience over the past five years immediately preceding the date of application (Category B). The list of universities can be accessed through: <https://www.gov.hk/en/nonresidents/visarequire/visasentrypermits/applytpps.htm>
- iii). Degree graduates of the world's top 100 universities in the past five years immediately preceding the date of application with less than three years of work experience, subject to an annual quota which is to be allotted on a first-come, first-served basis (Category C); however, Category C does not apply to those non-local students who have obtained the undergraduate qualification in a full-time and locally-accredited programme in the HKSAR.

2. It normally takes four weeks to process visa/ entry permit applications under the TTPS upon receipt of all the required documents.

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3. The undersigned held a meeting with Mr. Chris SUN Yuk-han, Secretary for Department of Labour and Welfare of Government of the Hong Kong SAR in his office and appreciated the launch of subject scheme by the Government of the Hong Kong SAR for highly qualified/professionals across the globe. The Secretary was briefed that Pakistan is rich in experienced professionals from local Universities as well as from foreign universities. It was agreed in the meeting to encourage more Pakistani professionals from across the globe to take advantage of the (TTPS) to come and serve in Hong Kong SAR.

4. The undersigned further requested the Secretary to facilitate in the intake of Manpower from Pakistan, especially Chefs, Construction workers, Drivers, Nurses, Mechanics, and Security Guards. The Secretary welcomed the suggestions and highlighted the urgent need of manpower in the territory as many sectors are facing shortage of human resource. He also admired the valuable contribution being made by Pakistani community and professionals in Hong Kong.

**5. The professionals in HKSAR are paid very attractive salaries and are also acknowledged across the globe because of international exposure and competitive environment. Employment in HKSAR will not only sharpen the skills of Pakistani professionals but will also result in flow of foreign remittances to Pakistan.**

**6. It is requested to circulate the above information (TTPS) to all Pakistani Missions abroad, universities and other relevant organizations for wider dissemination to enable the Pakistani professional to avail this opportunity at the very onset of the launch of this scheme.**

*Regards,*



(Bilal Ahmad Butt)