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PCP is playing active role in Promoting free and responsible press in the Country says: Chairman PCP

Chairman Press Council of Pakistan, Dr.M.Salah-ud-din Mengal has said that PCP is playing active role in promoting free and responsible press in the Country. He was presiding general meeting of the Council yesterday. The Chairman said that PCP not only believes in the freedom of Press but also ensures that press should conform to ethical code of practice.

During the meeting the Council unanimously decided that the current budget allocated to PCP is not sufficient and urged the Federal Government to enhance the budget of PCP in order to run its affairs smoothly. Since a large number of newspapers are being published in regional languages, therefore, the Council was of the view that the zonal offices of PCP should also be established as soon as possible as required in the PCP Ordinance.

The members appreciated the efforts of Chairman and the role of PCP in creating awareness among general public on the issues of national importance. The meeting was attended by Mr.Wamiq A. Zuberi, Mr. Rashid Rehman, Mr. Kazi Asad Abid, Mr. Aamir Mahmood, Mr. M.Ibrahim Khan, Mr. Khurshid Tanveer, Mr. Nasir Zaidi, Mr Iqbal Jaffri, Dr. Shahjahan Syed ,Ms Maria Iqbal Tarana and senior officials of Press Council of Pakistan.