



Press Release

Pakistan supports the establishment of an independent Palestine state: Punjab Sports Minister Jahangir Khanzada

Brave Palestinian people will get independence in near future: Secretary Sports Punjab Aamir Jan

LAHORE (Feb 8, 2018): Pakistan delegation comprising Sports Minister Punjab Jahangir Khanzada, Media Advisor to Chief Minister Punjab Abubakar Umar (Member OIC Youth Summit) and Secretary Sports Punjab Aamir Jan attended the Al-Quds Al-Sharif OIC Youth Capital 2018 in Palestine.

President of Palestine Mehmoud Abbas welcomed the Pakistani delegates at Al-Quds Al-Sharif OIC Youth Capital 2018.

Addressing the OIC Youth Capital Opening Ceremony, Punjab Minister for Sports Jahangir Khanzada said that Pakistan supports the establishment of a viable, independent and contiguous state of Palestine on the basis of internationally agreed upon parameters; the pre-1967 borders and with Al Quds Al Sharif as its capital.

Secretary Sports Punjab Aamir Jan said that Pakistan will continue to extend every kind of diplomatic and moral support to Palestinian people. "The brave Palestinian people will get full-fledged independence in near future and it's their fundamental right to live in their own country independently," he added.

Media Advisor to Chief Minister Punjab Abubakar Umar gave a detailed resolution on the Palestinian issue. Addressing the council, Abubakar said that Shehbaz Sharif is one of the very first Islamic leader in the world to raise his voice to address the grave Palestinian issue.

It is matter of pride for Pakistan that Sports Minister Punjab Jahangir Khanzada, Media Advisor to Chief Minister Punjab Abubakar Umar (Member OIC Youth Summit) and Secretary Sports Punjab Aamir Jan were selected as Youth Representatives to represent Pakistan on the holy land.

The opening ceremony of the Al Quds Ash-Sharif OIC Youth Capital 2018 Programme was held at al-Moqataa Presidential Compound from Feb 6-8, 2018. It is for the first time that Palestine was selected as the OIC Youth Capital, given the severity of the Palestinian issue.

The Al Quds Ash-Sharif OIC Youth Capital 2018 Programme has kick started a year of programmes that seek to raise international awareness of the Palestinian issue and development of Palestinian youth.