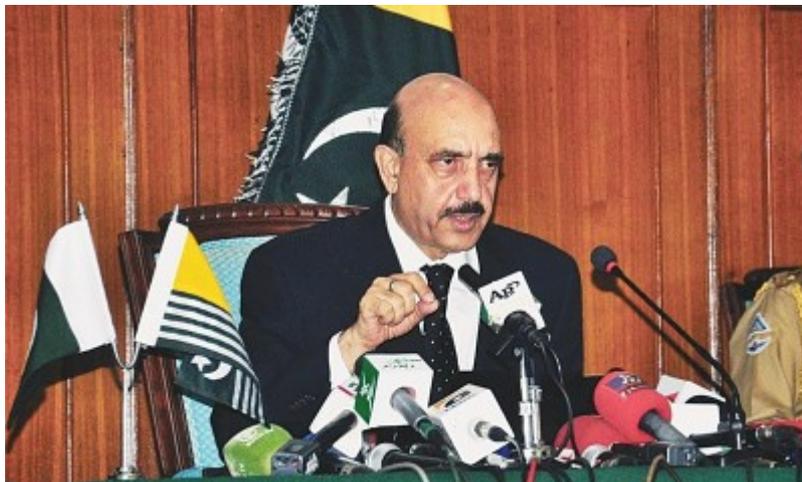


SUCCESS LIES IN FOLLOWING PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PBUH): MASOOD

Today is a day we renew the pledge to lead our lives by the exemplary practices of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), said Friday Sardar Masood Khan,



President Azad Jammu and Kashmir, while addressing the participants of the National Seerat Conference on Eid-e-Milad Nabvi here at the University Ground in Muzaffarabad. President AJK congratulated the people of Azad Kashmir and Pakistan on the occasion of 12th Rabi-ul-Awwal and reiterated the need to truly understand the life of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) by forgoing racial, ethnic and transcending prejudices and spreading the message of compassion, peace and universality. “Hazrat Muhammad (PBUH) was sent onto this earth as Rehmat-ul-Aalameen and celebrating this blessed day of Rabi-ul-Awwal is a great honor for all”, said the President. We are blessed to be the followers of the final Prophet and Messenger of Islam, he added. President Masood Khan said, “Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) gave his Sunnah and Islamic teachings to humanity as a gift. It is an eternal spring that will never dry up”. The Prophet (PBUH), the president said, is a harbinger of peace for humanity. The Prophet (PBUH) pursued dialogue, engagement and diplomacy and

successfully brought warring tribes of the Arabian Peninsula under one banner, started off a revolution for the welfare of humanity that has spread across the globe. Today the number of Muslims should be no less than 2 billion constituting 30% of the global population, he said. President AJK on the occasion prayed for the prosperity and success of the Azad Kashmir and Pakistan. He also prayed for the safety and freedom of our brothers and sisters in Indian Occupied Kashmir and hoped that soon we will be able to celebrate this holy day as free Kashmiris. The President emphasized the need for resolving the issue of Jammu and Kashmir through dialogue and diplomacy in the light of the Sunnah of the Prophet (PBUH). President Masood Khan said that we as a nation can only progress by inculcating values of tolerance, mutual harmony and whole heartedly following the Sunnah Mubarak of Hazrat Muhammad (PBUH). “The Prophet (PBUH) is a role model for Muslims and humanity for all ages”, the President said; adding that “Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) was a statesman par excellence, a successful and effective military commander and a just ruler.—PR