

## **AJK PM seeks vibrant role of journalists raising significance of Kashmir Freedom struggle, redressal of common man's issues:**



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MIRPUR (AJK): August 17: Azad Jammu Kashmir Prime Minister Chaudhry Anwar ul Haq, has urged journalists to highlight the Kashmir Freedom Movement and the issues of the common man.

He was speaking after administering the oath to the newly elected office bearers of the Kashmir Press Club Barnala at the Jammu Kashmir House in the federal metropolis on Sunday.

Senior Minister Col. (R) Waqar Ahmed Noor and Information Minister Pir Muhammad Mazhar Saeed Shah were also present.

The new office bearers include President Raja Shahzad Iqbal, General Secretary Sohail Anwar Jaral, Senior Vice President Malik Shahjahan Awan, Vice President Qasim Shafqat Jaral, Secretary Finance Abdul Hameed Jaral, and Secretary Publication Chaudhry Saqib Javed Sham.

The Prime Minister said that journalism is a sacred profession whose image is being reshaped by technology. He reaffirmed his commitment to establish a medical college in Bhimber and announced assistance for the construction of the Press Club building.

He said the government is paying full attention to resolving journalists' problems and has increased the Press Foundation grant for their welfare.

Highlighting development initiatives, he said that 3,300 kilometers of roads have been built in AJK, while Rs. 71 billion have been provided in subsidies, on electricity and flour.

He added that the police have been modernized and equipped with new vehicles to enhance public safety.

The newly elected President of the Press Club, Raja Shahzad Iqbal, thanked the Prime Minister for his initiatives for public and journalists' welfare.