

## 6th anniversary of Sept. 24, 2019 Mirpur Earthquake commemorated in AJK with due recommendations



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MIRPUR (AJK) Sept. 24: The 6th anniversary of September 24, 2019 massive earthquake of 5.8 magnitude in lake city of Mirpur, Azad Jammu & Kashmir, was commemorated in Azad Jammu Kashmir on Wednesday with the due recommendations, at a simple and brief ceremony by the experts comprising seasoned engineers.

Besides other stake holders, the event was hosted by renowned social welfare NGO Anjuman
Falah o Behbood e Insaniyat to strictly follow the precautionary measures devised by the
concerned government functionaries to avert the massive loss of men and material in case of any

identical catastrophe in the area in future.

Founder Chief of the organization Dr. Tahir Mahmood was the chief guest on this occasion who, while addressing the conference that the incumbent AJK government was taking all out preventive measures to discourage the loss of men and material in case of any catastrophe.

Recalled the deadly earthquake that jolted Mirpur city and some adjoining areas on September 24 last year leaving over 50 people dead and at least one thousand injured besides rendering lakhs of local populated shelter less badly damaging the residential and commercial infrastructure.

Speakers emphasized on this occasion for legislation for strict implementation of the due building codes was in progress in Azad Jammu Kashmir to totally discourage the human and material loss through the construction of the earthquake-resisted building structure in case of any catastrophe in the future.

Speakers emphasized for conducting 3rd party study under the auspices of any independent forum to ascertain the real cause of experiencing of the earthquakes in Mirpur particularly since over past many years intermittently.

Experts also strongly suggested the strict implementation of the basic building codes, raising awareness among the masses about the due methods of construction of the basis structure of their residential and commercial buildings to ensure the earthquake-resisted constructions in Mirpur city and the areas in its outskirts.

Speakers particularly also emphasized for sensitizing the prevailing conditions of the area to devise the way forward to combat the prevailing conditions of diverse nature through the collective role of the stake holders most particularly the concerned authoritative govt. functionaries with prime focus to ensure Zero loss in case of the earthquakes of the intensity of any magnitude in the future.

Participants offered fateha for the rest of the departed souls of those who lost lives in the deadly earthquakes experienced in AJK on October 8, 2005 and this day of September 24 in 2019.