

Highlighting early solution of Kashmir issue in its true context stands atop AJK government's priority: AJK PM Rathore.



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MIRPUR (AJK): November 26: Azad Jammu Kashmir Prime Minister Raja Faisal Mumtaz Rathore

Wednesday reaffirmed that highlighting the Kashmir issue in its true context stands atop his government's priority.

“To advance the cause more effectively, a joint strategy would be formulated in collaboration with the Hurriyat leadership”, Faisal added while talking to a delegation of the All Parties Hurriyat Conference (APHC), which called on him at Jammu Kashmir House in the federal metropolis on Wednesday under the leadership of its Convener Ghulam Muhammad Safi. The APHC delegation felicitated the newly elected AJK Prime Minister Faisal Mumtaz Rathore on assuming office.

During the meeting, the two sides discussed, in detail, measures to highlight the Kashmir issue at the global level, the latest situation in occupied Jammu and Kashmir, and the ongoing struggle for Kashmiris’ right to self-determination.

Recalling the his party’s historic commitment to the Kashmir cause, the AJK premier noted that Shaheed Zulfikar Ali Bhutto had founded the party on the basis of the Kashmir question. He added that Shaheed Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto not only introduced Hurriyat leaders to the world but also vigorously highlighted the Kashmir issue at international forums during her tenure as Pakistan’s prime minister. He also acknowledged President Asif Ali Zardari and Chairman Bilawal Bhutto Zardari for consistently championing Kashmiris’ right to self-determination at global platforms. Prime Minister Rathore assured the delegation of his government’s continued support to further the Kashmir cause.

Expressing deep concern over the worsening political and human rights situation in Indian-occupied Jammu and Kashmir, he urged the international community to take effective notice and play its role in ensuring the implementation of UN resolutions on Kashmir. Paying tribute to the unparalleled struggle of Hurriyat leaders imprisoned in Indian jails, he said the Indian government has been using prolonged detentions as a tool to punish Kashmiri leaders.

The PM stressed the need for coordinated efforts and mutual consultation among all Kashmiri stakeholders to evolve a comprehensive strategy for taking the freedom movement to its logical conclusion. The Hurriyat delegation thanked the Prime Minister and assured him of its full support.

Members of the delegation included Syed Faiz Naqshbandi, Mahmood Ahmed Sagar, Advocate Pervez Shah, Mushtaq Ahmed Butt, Sheikh Abdul Mateen, Ijaz Rehmani, Imtiaz Ahmed Wani, Haji Muhammad Sultan, Sheikh Abdul Majid and Raja Shaheen.