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"Pakistan's Information Technology (IT) Sector has registered significant growth in the last two decades" said the Consul General in his inaugural remarks at a Seminar on Information Technology in Pakistan organized jointly by the Consulate General, Canada-Pakistan Business Council and the Government of Ontario. The seminar was attended by the representative of 36 Canadian companies. Some of these companies are already benefiting from business with Pakistan including through joint ventures as well as expertise of freelancers.

The Consul General further briefed the participants on economic opportunities associated with China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). He hoped that the IT companies of Pakistan origin Canadians will support their Pakistani counterparts in their efforts to explore Canadian market.

The participants commended the creativity of Pakistani software developers and hoped to expand their business with Pakistan in the days ahead. The representatives of Pakistan's private sector including P@sha, Biolytic and Nutshell Forum also addressed the forum online and briefed the participants on various incentives that the

Government of Pakistan has offered to the private sector in the field of Information Technology.

Wrapping the discussion, the Consul General stressed the need to connect businesses in Canada with training and research institutions in Pakistan so that tailor-made training programmes could be introduced.

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