



National Institute of Public Policy

Internees Visit to Excise, Taxation and Narcotics Control Department



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Introduction

As part of the 4th Internship Program at the National Institute of Public Policy (NIPP), Lahore a group of research interns visited the Excise, Taxation and Narcotics Control Department (ET&NC) Department, Lahore on Wednesday, 6th August 2025 to gain firsthand insights into the operational structure, institutional framework, and efforts of the ET&NC Department. The visit was supervised by Ms. Sadia Pirzada, Senior Research Associate and Mr. Khalid Iqbal, Assistant Director, who guided the interns throughout the day and helped ensure a productive and engaging learning experience.

Orientation

There was a very warm welcome by the Honorable Secretary ET&NC Department, Mr. Muhammad Masood Mukhtar and his team. The session was also attended by the Director General Punjab Counter Narcotics Force (CNF), Brigadier Mazhar Iqbal.

Major Furqan from CNF delivered an insightful presentation on the working mechanisms of the Narcotics Control Department. He highlighted the significance of public collaboration in tackling drug-related issues, particularly among the youth. Brigadier Mazhar further stressed the role of public intelligence in identifying drug sources, especially in educational institutions, and explained the prosecution processes against those manufacturing and distributing drugs. He also raised awareness regarding synthetic drugs produced from harmful chemicals and encouraged reporting such activities through the CNF helpline for effective action.

Following the briefing, Secretary Muhammad Masood Mukhtar conducted an interactive question-and-answer session. He shared that the CNF Punjab is a relatively new department, with offices already established at the divisional level and expansion underway to the district level. Additionally, the Secretary explained the taxation procedures for vehicles, residential properties, and commercial buildings. He emphasized how the department has simplified these processes by introducing online systems, allowing citizens to generate payments and receipts conveniently.

Overall, the Secretary ET&NC Department and the Director General CNF Punjab provided a comprehensive and engaging orientation on the department's working mechanisms and ongoing efforts in both taxation and narcotics control to the interns.





| Interns of 4th Batch | | |
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| Sr. No. | Name | Institution & Degree |
| 1. | Ms. Hafiza Asma | Forman Christian College University (MS Public Policy) |
| 2. | Mr. Zain-ul-Abideen | University of the Punjab, Lahore (MPhil Political Science) |
| 3. | Mr. Sarmad Zubair Khokhar | University of Toronto (Master of Arts in Economics) |
| 4. | Mr. Samir Shahid | National Defence University, Islamabad (Bachelor of Sciences in Government and Public Policy) |
| 5. | Ms. Saffa Amjad | University of the Punjab, Lahore (BA International Relations) |
| 6. | Ms. Sana Saif | Lahore Garrison University (MPhil Mass Communication) |
| 7. | Ms. Dowa Shakeel | Kinnaird College for Women University (MPhil Accounting & Finance) |
| 8. | Ms. Bisma Khan | University of Management & Technology (MPhil Strategic Studies) |
| 9. | Ms. Umber Iftikhar | University of Management & Technology (Bachelor of Political Science) |
| 10. | Ms. Ayesha Noor | University of the Punjab, Lahore Hailey College of Banking and Finance (MPhil Business Management) |
| 11. | Ms. Maira Jamal | National Defence University, Islamabad (BS Public Policy) |
| 12. | Mr. Anas Nasir | University of the Punjab, Lahore (BS Public Health) |
| 13. | Ms. Aqsa Shaukat | Kinnaird College for Women (MPhil International Relations) |
| 14. | Ms. Quratulain Umar | Lahore Garrison University (BS Computer Science) |
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| 16. | Ms. Omema Saif | Crescent Model School A' Levels |

