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During the five-day event, the Group entered into multiple technology partnerships aimed at accelerating Pakistan's digital ecosystem

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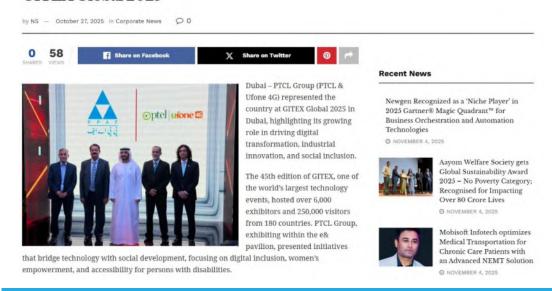
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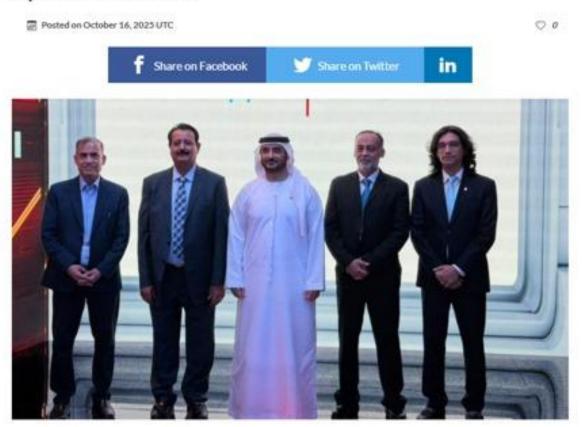


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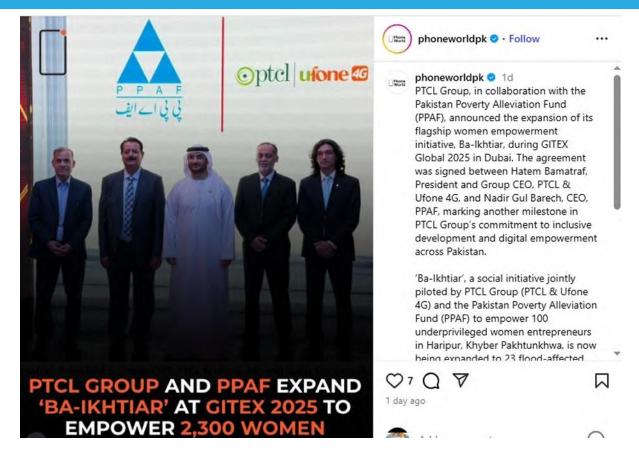


PTCL Group, in partnership with the Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF), announced the expansion of its flagship women empowerment program, Ba-Ikhtiar, during GITEX Global 2025 in Dubai. The initiative, which began as a pilot in Haripur, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, will now extend to 23 cities across Pakistan, particularly flood-affected areas.

Originally launched to support 100 women entrepreneurs, the program will now target over 2,300 underprivileged women, equipping them with digital literacy, financial management, and entrepreneurial training. The goal is to enable participants to enhance their livelihoods and achieve upward social mobility.

The Ba-likhtiar initiative combines digital skills and practical trade training, such as stitching, pottery, handicrafts, food preservation, and organic cosmetics, with financial literacy and entrepreneurial coaching. By linking participants to PTCL's connectivity infrastructure and PPAF's grassroots outreach, the program aims to turn skills into sustainable income opportunities.

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PTCL Group, in collaboration with the Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF), announced the expansion of its flagship women empowerment initiative, Ba-Ikhtiar, during GITEX Global 2025 in Dubai. The agreement was signed between Hatem Bamatraf, President and Group CEO, PTCL & Ufone 4G, and Nadir Gul Barech, CEO, PPAF, marking another milestone in PTCL Group's commitment to inclusive development and digital empowerment across Pakistan. 'Ba-Ikhtiar', a social initiative jointly piloted by PTCL Group (PTCL & Ufone 4G) and the Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF) to empower 100 underprivileged women entrepreneurs in Haripur, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, is now being expanded to 23 flood-affected cities across the country following its resounding success.



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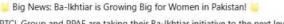
Hatem Bamatraf, President & Group CEO, PTCL & Ufone 4G, and Nadir Gul Barech, CEO, Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund, along with senior officials from both organizations, attend the signing ceremony at GITEX Global 2025 for extending the 'Ba-Ikhtiar' initiative to 23 flood-affected cities, aiming to digitally and financially empower over 2300 women entrepreneurs.

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PTCL Group and PPAF are taking their Ba-Ikhtiar initiative to the next level at GITEX Global 2025. expanding to empower over 2,300 women across Pakistan.

Here's what's happening:

- More women entrepreneurs will be trained in digital, financial & business skills
- They'll get tools like smartphones, internet access, and mentorship to launch & run online stores
- New districts are being brought into the program so women everywhere can benefit
- Focus areas: arts and crafts, food preservation, online tutoring, organic cosmetics, and more

This isn't just about business—it's about opening doors for women, building confidence, creating livelihoods, and helping communities thrive.

Let's celebrate initiatives that turn dreams into real success stories!

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