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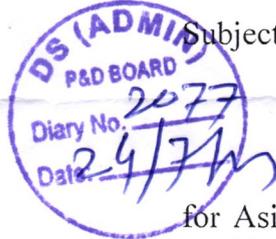


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AHK National Centre for Rural Development
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Islamabad

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Islamabad, 7th July, 2025

OFFICE MEMORANDUM



Subject: **CALLING ALL CHAMPIONS! NOMINATE INSPIRING RURAL WOMEN FROM PAKISTAN FOR A HISTORIC CELEBRATION – INTERANTIONAL DAY OF RURAL WOMEN, 15 OCTOBER, 2025.**

The undersigned is directed to state that Centre on Integrated Rural Development for Asia & Pacific (CIRDAP) is a Dhaka, Bangladesh-based Inter-governmental Organization working for the cause of rural development and poverty alleviation. It has 15 member countries from Asia and Pacific region, including Pakistan.

2. CIRDAP is going to host a spectacular online event to commemorate the International Day of Rural Women on 15th October, 2025. This global celebration will unite representatives from all 15 CIRDAP Member Countries, creating a vibrant tapestry of voices and stories from across Asia and the Pacific. To make the moment truly unforgettable, CIRDAP is putting together a groundbreaking book titled **“Unstoppable Spirits: The Rise of Rural Women in Asia and the Pacific”**. This special compilation will shine a spotlight on the incredible journeys of rural women who have transformed their communities with courage, innovation and heart.

3. CIRDAP has requested nominations of *Two Extraordinary rural women from Pakistan* whose remarkable work has left an indelible mark on rural development. To ensure their inclusion in this historic publication, CIRDAP has requested the following details of shortlisted Rural Women by September 10, 2025:

- **A Brief Biography:** Capture the essence of who they are, their roots, their dreams, and their resilience.
 - **Description of their Work and Achievement:** Highlight the groundbreaking projects, leadership, or innovations that have uplifted their communities.
 - **Recent Photographs:** A glimpse of their radiant photo and the landscapes they've transformed.
- Contact Information:** To keep the celebration connected!

4. These nominated champions from Pakistan will be celebrated and honored during CIRDAP's online programme. In this regard, you're requested to submit nominations of any two women who have contributed in the cause of rural development by 30th September, 2025.

5. In case of any query, please feel free to contact the undersigned (focal person).

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