

## **Passing-out Ceremony of the 38<sup>th</sup> Specialized Training Programme-**

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The 14<sup>th</sup> of January, 2012 was yet another milestone for DOT, as probationary officers of the 38<sup>th</sup> Specialized Training Programme successfully passed out from here. The ceremony was graced by the presence of senior officers of the Inland Revenue Service, DOT faculty, parents and guests of the probationary officers. Mr. Shahid Hussain Asad, Member(Inland Revenue), Federal Board of Revenue was the Chief Guest. Presence of Ex- Directors General Mr. Farooq Ahmad Malik and Mr. Haji Ahmad further adorned the evening. It was indeed a special moment for the young officers to have such senior officers amongst them.

The evening commenced with the recitation of the Holy Quran, by Mr. Yasir Ali, Additional Director at DOT. Ms. Maham Asif Malik, probationary officer addressed the house on behalf of her batch mates, recollecting their stay at DOT and looking forward to their new roles as tax collectors in various field formations. She thanked the faculty at DOT for their continuous support and praised the services which were available to them at DOT as well as efforts of the resource persons.

Mr. Khawar Khurshid Butt, Director General, DOT was very candid in his address, which was especially directed to the younger audience. He spoke about the immense pride and pleasure he had working along with so many young and enthusiastic officers. He congratulated them for being part of a service group with the highest number of officers in Pakistan and conveyed to them his full support and well wishes. The Director General emphasised the need to maintain and uphold self discipline and integrity. He exhorted the officers not to give in to worldly temptations and to tread the right path despite all odds. He reiterated the need to develop a strong sense of brotherhood and professional bonding amongst the officers. He wished a successful journey ahead to all the officers passing out of DOT. He welcomed them to the IRS fraternity and advised the senior officers present to ensure a more open, social and communal culture in our service and develop a strong sense of ownership for our officers.

Mr. Shahid Hussain Asad, Member (Inland Revenue), FBR was then called to distribute certificates of successful completion of training to the officers of the 38<sup>th</sup> Specialized Training Programme. Special awards were given to Mr. Muhammad Ali and Ms. Iffat Shaheen for 100% attendance. Awards for top three positions( based upon results of mid term exams) were given to Ms. Maham Asif Malik, Ms. Haida Sajjad and Ms. Iffat Shaheen, respectively.

The Chief Guest spoke of his strong bond with DOT and how he has worked here in different positions both as faculty member and resource person. Mr. Shahid Hussain Asad made a very motivational speech. He congratulated the young officers and assured them that the future of the Inland revenue Service is very bright. He quoted the various achievements that have come our way over the last few years in terms of more seats created for the service, more promotions and better working environment. He told the probationary officers that they should always be proud of their parent department as they are recognized everywhere because of their service. Hence, we should try and give back to our service our best efforts. We should aspire for the betterment and uplift of our department and attach importance to it's mission and values, which consequently will take Pakistan on the road to success. As always, Mr. Shahid Hussain Asad assured undaunted support and continuing commitment for the Inland Revenue Service.

The evening came to an end with vote of thanks and gratitude by Mr. Zulqranian Tirmizi, Director, DOT and was followed by a lavish dinner.

We wish them all the best!