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DG RDA directs MP&TE Directorate to take strict action against illegal housing schemes immediately

RAWALPINDI, August 16, 2018: Rawalpindi Development Authority (RDA) directed owners of illegal housing schemes in Rawalpindi to stop illegal advertisements and developments.

RDA spokesman Hafiz Muhammad Irfan said Director General (DG) RDA, Rana Akbar Hayat has taken serious notice regarding the allotment of plots in unapproved layout plans (LOPs) of the pre private Housing Schemes in the controlled areas of RDA in Rawalpindi. He directed Jamshaid Aftab, Director Metropolitan Planning and Traffic Engineering (MP&TE), RDA to take legal measures to stop such illegal practices to safeguard the general public. In this regard, he advised to issue notices and challans immediately to such owners / developers of all private housing schemes and follow up vigorously for protection of in the general public. He also directed to take strict action immediately within 24 hours against illegal / unauthorized housing schemes, commercial and residential construction activities, booking offices and encroachments without any fear or favour. However, facilitate all those developers who properly applied for No Objection Certificates (NOCs), expedite it earliest to benefit the general public.

Director (MP&TE), RDA declared illegal / unauthorized advertisements by illegal housing schemes. He said under section Punjab Private Housing schemes and Land Subdivision Rules 2010 issued notices to owners / developers of illegal housing schemes in Rawalpindi. The notices warned that if the development work and advertisement was not stopped immediately, RDA would seal the site offices of the illegal housing schemes in Rawalpindi. RDA advises general public in their own interest that they should not make any investment in any illegal / unauthorized Housing Scheme which status declared illegal by RDA. General public before taking plots should check about approved and illegal housing schemes on official website of RDA www.rda.gop.pk and can talk with Director (MP&TE) on official phone number 051-5554043. Otherwise, they themselves are responsible for their losses.

Director (MP&TE), RDA also requested Islamabad Electric Supply Company (IESCO), Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Ltd (SNGPL) and PTCL, not to extend services to all illegal housing schemes as its status is un-approved / illegal.