Golootlo and 1LINK partner to launch discounts based 1QR Payment Service



Mr. Fahad Mahmood, CEO - Decagon and Mr. Najeeb Agrawalla CEO 1LINK with other Decagon and 1LINK officials.

1LINK (Pvt.) Limited (1LINK) and Decagon Pakistan (Pvt.) Limited (Golootlo) have signed an agreement to enable 1QR as a channel to promote account based digital payments through 1IBFT across Pakistan. This shall allow Golootlo customers to avail year-round massive discounts by making payments in a convenient and secure manner at Golootlo partners using their bank accounts linked to the Golootlo App. Alternatively, participating banks can further augment their Bank Apps to leverage the Golootlo1QR payment service for their customers.

By virtue of this arrangement, Golootlo will utilize 1LINK services to orchestrate account linkage and payment processing for QR based payments. It allows users to conveniently pay for their purchases while availing exciting Golootlo rewards and discounts by simply scanning Golootlo 1QR placed at the participating outlets. This is a one of its kind payments model where the customer avails discounts in a frictionless manner. There is no concept of "MDR" or "acquiring", and hence recipient outlet/business/person pays no MDR or fee, and the entire transaction amount is transferred to recipient's nominated bank account, using 1LINK's 1IBFT rails.

Mr. Najeeb Agrawalla, CEO 1LINK emphasized the importance of this milestone in the journey of Pakistan's rapidly transforming payments landscape, and said, "this marks an important shift in how we envision driving consumer payments in light of the State Bank of Pakistan PSD circular 02 of 2019 on 'Standardization of QR Code for payments in Pakistan' and the agenda of digitizing payments in Pakistan through ubiquitous and cheaper means like the QR. With the adoption of 1LINK's secure and easy-to-use 1QR channel by the popular Golootlo App, we see immense potential for growth of digital payments by bringing both consumer and widespread retail base into the digital payments fold."

Mr. Fahad Mahmood, CEO – Decagon commented on this partnership and said, "The Golootlo App has received immense popularity amongst mobile phone users in Pakistan and has currently over 4.5 million users. Through this partnership, Golootlo will be offering a unique opportunity to its customers to make payments through their Golootlo App or Bank Apps by scanning Golootlo 1QR. Banks are urged to sign-up quickly for Golootlo 1QR arrangement and join this exciting journey."

About Decagon:

Decagon Pakistan (Pvt.) Limited brand "Golootlo" is Pakistan's fastest growing merchant and customer engagement platform. Golootlo has over 12,500 plus brands offering discounts in over 56 cities across Pakistan available for 365 days. As a customer engagement platform Golootlo has held concerts, sponsored sporting events and festivals. Golootlo's partner include PayActiv, Inc USA. Golootlo branded debit cards in partnership with UnionPay International and co-badge debit card in partnership with PayPak and UnionPay are being issued by National Bank of Pakistan, Bank Alfalah, Dubai Islamic Bank, Allied Bank, Faysal Bank, NBP Fund and with "e-discounts" are available to JazzWorld, EasyPaisa, Telenor, Askari Bank, Allied Bank, NBP Funds, and Bank Islami with many more to come. To find out more, go to: www.golootlo.pk

About 1LINK:

1LINK (Pvt) Limited, owned by a consortium of 11 banks, is the country's 1st PSO/PSP and largest switch and payment system, providing a host of valuable online banking services like ATM switching, Bills Payment, Inter Bank Funds Transfer, Fraud Risk Management, Switch Dispute Resolution, Global Payment Schemes, PayPak – Domestic Payment Scheme, etc. 1LINK is continuously evolving and adding new products and services to benefit the financial industry. For more information, please visit: https://llink.net.pk/