## Cantonment Boards of Pakistan and 1LINK join hands in digitizing payments through 1BILL!



1LINK, in its drive to support and proliferate Person to Government (P2G) payments, has successfully onboarded Cantonment Boards of Pakistan on its bill payment service, enabling them to digitally collect payments through Banks' OTC and 24/7 ATM, Internet and Mobile banking channels. The signing ceremony was graced by Maj. Gen. Hasnat Amir Gillani, DG — Military Land & Cantonments (ML&C) and Mr. Najeeb Agrawalla, CEO — 1LINK (online), with key personnel from both organizations. The launch of this facility will enable bank customers to conveniently make Cantonment Boards' payments such as property taxes, transfers, building plans, conservancy fees, various certificate issuances and other payments from the comfort of their homes or place of their choice.

On this occasion, Director General Military Lands & Cantonments Major General Hasnat Amir Gilani said, "The present initiative was accomplished in a short span of time in line with Government of Pakistan's egovernance policy and keeping in view the overall situation of the country in the light of COVID 19. This facility will enable cantonment residents to pay their bills from the comfort of their homes and avoid hassle of visiting bank branches resultantly increasing the taxes and fees collection."

Mr. Najeeb Agrawalla - CEO, 1LINK commented, "Institutions like Cantonment Boards of Pakistan are prime movers of economy and centrally poised to play a catalytic role in achieving the digitizing goals of Pakistan. The current pandemic situation has amplified the importance of a robust digital payment ecosystem and 1LINK – Cantonment Boards of Pakistan alliance is another step towards facilitating customers and migrating them from cash to digital. Through this collaboration, we are confident that customers will be able to reap maximum benefits and appreciate the expediency that will be enabled for Cantonment Boards' payments."

## **About Cantonment Boards of Pakistan:**

Cantonment Boards are local self-governments in all cantonments which is administered by Military Lands and Cantonments Department, Ministry of Defence, Government of Pakistan. There are 44 Cantonment Boards all across the country which are providing municipal and other allied services to residents of all cantonments.

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