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PAF HONOURS ITS GALLANT AIR WARRIORS BY CELEBRATING VETERANS DAY

SARGODHA 26 APRIL, 2015: PAF paid rich tributes to the glorious services of its Veterans in a grand ceremony held at PAF Base Mushaf, Sargodha. Air Chief Marshal Sohail Aman, Chief of the Air Staff, Pakistan Air Force was the Chief Host of the ceremony. Among the guests were Ex-Air Chiefs and war veterans of Pakistan Air Force along with high ranking serving officers of PAF.

While addressing the galaxy of valiant fighter pilots and officers of other branches of PAF, the Air Chief paid rich accolades to the pioneers of PAF who wrote a saga of unrivalled gallantry during 1948, 1965 and 1971 Wars. The Air Chief reiterated his resolve that PAF would always live up to the expectations of our nation while safeguarding the aerial frontiers of the motherland. He further said that the indigenization and procurement of sophisticated weapon system would have been a distant dream without the unflinching dedication and visionary leadership of PAF in the bygone years. He also assured the retired senior officers that PAF would fully benefit from their rich experience and continue to seek valuable guidance from them in future as well. The air chief also highlighted PAF's role in the ongoing operation Zarb-e-Azb and future vision of PAF beyond 2025, and restated that PAF would play its lead role in rooting out the menace of terrorism. He also assured them that PAF would follow their footsteps to attain the ultimate vision of being '**Second to None**' as envisioned by the great Quaid.

The Air Chief's address was followed by a short documentary titled "The Saga of Excellence", which highlighted PAF evolution from a small air force to one of the best air forces of the World. Later on, Air Commodore Sarfraz Khan, Base Commander PAF Base, Mushaf gave a comprehensive briefing on the developmental stages of PAF since its inception.

The most admired part of the event was the aerobatics show by F-16 aircraft. Wing Commander Azman Khalil displayed scintillating manouvres for the utter amazement of all present. The worthy guests also visited the static display of all PAF wherewithal including F-16s, JF-17 Thunder, Retrofitted Mirages, F-7Ps, AEW&C, air-to-air Refuellers and Unmanned Aerial Vehicles. Ground Combaters of PAF also presented fire power demo and displayed incomparable drills while firing live ammunition. The event was rounded off with the stream night take offs by F-16 and Mirage which were proceeding on night ops exercise.