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PPP to raise land-grabbing move by CDA in parliament

ISLAMABAD, July 5: Pakistan Peoples' Party will raise the issue of agricultural research land-grabbing move by Capital Development Authority (CDA) in both the houses of the parliament with an aim to save this highly important national asset.

Talking to the delegation of Pakistan Agricultural Research Council (PARC), led by its Director for Public Relations and Protocol, Sardar Ghulam Mustafa, PPP leaders including former Prime Minister, Raja Pervaiz Ashraf and former Chairman Senate, Nayyar Hussain Bukhari said that they will not tolerate transformation of NARC land into housing society as suggested by CDA in its recent summary sent to the Prime Ministry.

The PPP leadership was of the view that since the national institutions are not easy to be developed within a short span of time, so the move by CDA to establish housing society at NARC land tantamounts to push the country towards hunger and poverty.

"The issue would be raised at the Senate as well as National Assembly to stop

the move," they assured the delegation members.

Raja Pervaiz Ashraf said that it has taken a long time to establish the state-of-the-art laboratories and mother orchards at NARC, so PPP would not allowed demolishing of these assets at the cost of housing society as the center has been playing pivotal role in the development of agriculture sector.

"This organization has virtually played an important role for the progress of agri-

culture and prosperity of farmers, so the Peoples Party will continue to work for strengthening the institute," the Former Prime Minister said.

On the occasion, Former Chairman Senate, Senator Nayyar Hussain Bukhari said that PPP will not tolerate politics on national institutions like NARC. He said that there is need to save national institutions which have helped establish food secure Pakistan.-PR