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### Ashraf, Bukhari oppose housing society on NARC land

**ISLAMABAD:** Former Prime Minister Raja Pervaiz Ashraf and Chairman Senate, Nayyar Hussain Bukhari have opposed the move by the Capital Development Authority (CDA) to turn the land of the National Agricultural Research Council (NARC) into a housing society.

They stated this while talking to a delegation of Pakistan Agricultural

Research Council (PARC) in Islamabad on Monday.

Both the PPP central leaders said they will not tolerate transferring of the NARC land into a housing society and the issue will be raised in the Parliament.

Ashraf said that institutions like NARC were not easy to be developed within a short span of time and the move by the CDA to establish the housing society on the

NARC land was tantamount to pushing the country towards hunger and poverty.

He expressed the resolve that the PPP would not allow destruction of national assets for the sake of a housing society.

Former Senate Chairman said that the PPP will not tolerate politics on national institutions such as the NARC.

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He said that there was a need to save national institutions which have played a key role in socio-economic development of the country. Both the leaders urged the prime minister to reject the summary forwarded by the CDA and as the civic agency for issuance of a new lease agreement so that scientists and other employees of the organization could work with a peace of mind.