

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **ANF FORCE COMMANDERS MEET, STEPS TO COMBAT DRUG TRAFFIKING REVIEWED**

Force Commanders Conference of Anti Narcotics Force was held at Headquarters ANF Rawalpindi under the chairmanship of Director General ANF Major General Muhammad Arif Malik HI (M) on 1st June 2021. Force Commanders of all ANF Regional Directorate and Senior Staff Officers attended the conference.

Director General showed satisfaction on the overall performance of ANF. Progress on counternarcotics operations, international commitments, drug prevention and awareness programs, and treatment of drug addicts at ANF drug treatment centers was comprehensively reviewed during the conference. Current drug situation and emerging tendency towards use of synthetic drug were also analyzed.

During the Conference, stringent measures were recommended against drug use in educational institutions. Director General ANF directed to accelerate the ongoing nationwide drive for apprehension of elements involved in distribution of drug in educational institutions.

DG ANF directed the force to deal with the smugglers of narcotics with iron hands. He also directed to come hard on absconders and proclaimed offenders in drug offences, and emphasized on taking proactive and innovative steps to curb the drug trafficking and disruption of drug supply.

Besides, aspects related to enforcement, intelligence, assets investigation, prosecution, mass awareness, discipline of force, best practices and infrastructure development were discussed at length, while futuristic goals were also set-forth with special focus on undertaking fresh initiatives and capacity building plans.

