

## VOTE OF THANKS

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Honourable Chief Guest,  
Excellencies,  
Distinguished Guests,  
Ladies and Gentlemen,

It has been a matter of great personal satisfaction for me to be a part of this gathering of the elite scientists and technologists of international fame. I believe that COMSATS' 1<sup>st</sup> meeting on Water-Resources in the South: Present Scenario and Future Prospects, has proved to be the right step forward in initiating a thought provoking series of such meetings on the subject water resources.

I believe that scientists, technologists, researchers, and experts from all fields of water-resources related institutions attended the meeting, and the presentations made here were of the highest standard. The conventional as well as latest trends of water-resource management came under discussion. This meeting on water-resources brought in useful recommendations for effective utilization and management of water-resources in the countries of the South and due emphasis was laid on the need for a regional approach by the developing countries. This indeed is in line with COMSATS' mission and objectives, and I may thank you all for guiding us with your suggestions and expert opinions. You may kindly note that we, at COMSATS, are in the process of finalizing our 5-year strategic plan, and I am sure that the

discussions of this meeting will have an important bearing on formulation of this plan.

My special thanks are to the Chief Guests of the meeting, Dr. Ishfaq Ahmad and Mr. Hamid Hassan who took out time from their hectic schedules to grace this occasion. I am indeed very grateful to the Excellencies, the Ambassadors and the representatives of COMSATS member countries, who graced this occasion with their presence. I would also like to express my gratitude to all the speakers/presenters, without whose contributions this meeting would not have been possible. I cannot help mentioning the role of the participants of the meeting, whose useful contributions, in the form of healthy discussions, made this event all the more interesting and informative.

I would be doing an injustice if I do not mention the names of Mr. Tajammul Hussain and Mr. Salman Malik, whose untiring efforts made this meeting a very successful event. Last but not the least, I also take this opportunity to thank all the employees of the COMSATS, all of whom made invaluable contributions in their respective capacities.

I thank you all once again, and God bless you all.