## Revenue collection increases 70 percent in 2013-17: Dar

Finance Minister Senator Ishaq Dar chaired the Customs Chief Collectors/Director Generals conference at the FBR Headquartres. Welcoming the initiative to hold the conference he said it provided a good opportunity for interaction and sharing of professional experiences. The finance minister said that Customs along with the IRS had an important role to play in enhancing revenue collection. He said that taking revenue collection from Rs 1946 billion in 2013 to Rs 3362 billion in 2017 was a creditable achievement by the FBR under the PML-N government.

This showed over 70 per cent growth in overall collection in the last four years. This momentum, he said, should be maintained with dedicated efforts in future as it would contribute significantly to PML-N government's resolve for inclusive and sustainable economic growth in the country.

The minister said that taxpayers' facilitation and strengthening of the tax base should be the hallmark of the FBR's revenue collection policy. He called upon senior officials to double their efforts for meeting the collection target for the current fiscal year. He assured full support to the officials in this regard.-PR *Copyright Business Recorder, 13/8/2017*