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"Upgradation of sports venues and development of new sports infrastructure is our priority", this was stated by the Federal Minister IPC Dr. Fehmida Mirza while addressing the inaugural ceremony of synthetic hockey turf laid at Naseer Bunda Hockey Stadium, Islamabad. She stressed upon the Provincial Governments to undertake such projects for the promotion and development of sports at grass root level. She added that provinces should start talent hunt schemes to attract young sports talent that will be further groomed by the National Sports Federations. This will enable us to regain the laurels for our beloved country.

She regretted that owing to the devastation caused by the Covid-19, sports activities were at a halt and that is why Pakistan Sports Board had to cut down today's function otherwise she longed to make this event a colourful function followed by a hockey match. Prior to her talk, the Federal Minister unveiled the newly laid green hockey turf that completed within one year time frame at the cost of Rs.89.210 million. Secretary IPC, Mohsin Mushtaq Chandna, Additional Secretary, Syed Waqar ul Hassan, Director General, PSB Col (R) Muhammad Asif Zaman and other officials of IPC Ministry and the PSB were also present at the occasion.