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**UIPM welcomes King Abdullah’s visit to Pakistan**

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Islamabad: Universal Interfaith Peace Mission (UIPM), the gold-medallist organisation of World Interfaith Harmony Week (WIHW) of United Nations has welcomed the arrival of King Abdullah II of Jordan on two-day official visit to Pakistan, says a press release.

UIPM Chairman Dr Allama GR Chishti who is also the coordinator of United Religions Initiative MCC Islamabad said that this is a good omen for Pakistan that King Abdullh II who is also from 42nd generation descendant of our Holy Prophet Hazrat Mohammad (peace be upon him) has arrived in Pakistan at a time when UIPM is celebrating WIHW. “Being author of, ‘Common Word’ and ‘Amman Message’, the two great unanimous documents based on the Universal invitation of the Holy Quran to all, especially Abrahamic religions to get together where we all are common. His arrival is good omen for Pakistan and this movement is common ground for all religions to live in peace, harmony and calm despite differences, focusing only on commonalities.”

“If entire Muslim world adopts Common Word message then it will open ways of interfaith harmony all over the world,” said Dr Chishti. Dr Chishti said that in these programmes the true essence of WIHW which was drafted by Prince Dr Ghazi bin Mohammad of Jordan and presented at the UN by King Abdullah II of Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan were highlighted in true letter and spirit. “WIHW encompasses the message for the people around the world and wants to tell them that when pointless bloodshed in the name of religion is originating hysteria around the globe, it necessitates making intensive hard work to bring together faiths and cultures on a platform and for that goal interfaith harmony is the best possible solution,” he added.

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