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## **CCP claims 90pc fair trade compliance**

**By our correspondent**

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## مسابقتی قانون کا موثر نفاذ، تاجز برادری تعاون کرے، ڈاکٹر جوزف والس

اسلام آباد (سٹاف رپورٹر) مسابقتی کمیشن کے سربراہ ڈاکٹر جوزف والس نے کہا کہ مسابقتی قانون کا موثر اطلاق کاروباری اداروں کی کارکردگی بڑھانے، صارف کے حقوق کے تحفظ اور ایشیا کی ٹیموں میں کمی کے ساتھ ان کا معیار بڑھانے میں بھی مدد دیتا ہے۔ اس بات کا اظہار مسابقتی کمیشن کے سربراہ ڈاکٹر جوزف والس نے لاہور چیئرمین آف کامرس اینڈ انڈسٹری کی جانب سے منعقدہ ایڈوکیٹس اجلاس سے خطاب کے دوران کیا۔ اجلاس میں لاہور چیئرمین آف کامرس اینڈ انڈسٹری کے صدر سہیل لاشاری، ڈاکٹر شہزاد انصاری کے علاوہ ایگزیکٹو کمیٹی اور جنرل باؤی مہرا نے بھی شرکت کی۔ اسے خطاب میں ڈاکٹر والس نے مسابقتی قانون کے اہم نکات پر روشنی ڈالتے ہوئے کہا کہ پاکستان کا مسابقتی قانون دنیا کے کسی بھی جدید مسابقتی قوانین سے مطابقت رکھتا ہے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ سابقہ ایام ہی اسے قانون کے مقابلے میں مسابقتی کمیشن کے اختیارات کا دائرہ کار وسیع کر دیا گیا ہے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ مسابقتی کمیشن معاشی سرگرمیوں میں غیر مسابقتی حرکات کا فوری نوٹس لینے ہوئے صارف اور تجارتی اداروں کے حقوق کے لئے فوری حرکت میں آتا ہے۔



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## مسابقتی قوانین سے ایشیا کا معیار بہتر ہوتا ہے: ڈاکٹر جوزف

گھ جوڑ کورونے میں مدد ملتی ہے، چیئر مین مسابقتی کمیشن کا لاہور چیئرمین میں خطاب

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