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**SBP ASKS GENERAL PUBLIC TO EXCHANGE
RS.5/- BANK NOTES WITH RS.5 COINS UPTO 30TH JUNE, 2005**

The State Bank of Pakistan has advised the members of the general public to surrender/exchange Rs.5/- denomination bank notes with Rs.5 coins from any branch of a commercial bank or a field office of SBP Banking Services Corporation upto **30th June, 2005** as these notes (Rs.5/-) will cease to be the Legal Tender with effect from **1st July, 2005**.

All branches of commercial banks and the field offices of SBP Banking Services Corporation throughout the country will freely collect/accept Rs.5/- bank notes from the members of the general public upto 30th June, 2005 in exchange of these notes with coins of Rs.5/- or bank notes of higher denominations as Rs.5/- bank notes will continue to be the Legal Tender upto end June, 2005.

It may be recalled that the SBP Banking Services Corporation had stopped issuing Rs.5/- denomination bank notes from all its field offices with effect from 1st July, 2004. It may be added here that all commercial banks had also stopped issuing Rs.5/- denomination bank notes with effect from 1st February, 2005.
