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Islamabad, June 18, 2026 — **Aurat Foundation** has warmly welcomed the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Islamic Republic of Iran and the United States of America, calling it a major step toward regional and global peace.

In a press statement issued after a meeting of its Executive Council, the foundation said that the world had long awaited such a historic moment. It stated that the realization of this agreement demonstrates that wisdom and reason still prevail at both global leadership and public levels, and that unity among nations can help prevent major conflicts and global threats.

The organization expressed deep respect for the resilience, endurance, and sacrifices of the Iranian people during the conflict, including school-going girls, infants, and national leadership. It said such sacrifices were rarely seen in the modern history of the Middle East.

The statement added: "We salute the Iranian people with admiration and respect for their steadfastness and extraordinary resilience."

Aurat Foundation emphasized that sustainable peace can only be achieved through dialogue, diplomacy, mutual respect, and adherence to international human rights principles. It also called for the promotion of people-to-people peace dialogues.

The foundation praised the efforts of Pakistan's Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif and Field Marshal Syed Asim Munir, stating that their leadership and commitment to regional peace played a significant role in facilitating the ceasefire at a time when the world was reportedly facing the risk of a broader global conflict. It said their efforts reflect Pakistan's constructive role in promoting peace and stability at the international level.

Aurat Foundation expressed hope that this development will contribute positively to global peace, security, and cooperation among nations. It prayed that such initiatives would create an enabling environment for the promotion of human rights and the welfare of all people, particularly women, children, and other vulnerable groups who are most affected by conflict and instability.

The foundation also expressed solidarity with all civilians affected during the conflict in Gulf countries and Lebanon, especially women, children, the elderly, and other vulnerable communities, and expressed sorrow over the loss of innocent lives.

It further stressed that meaningful participation of women in peace and reconciliation processes is essential for sustainable peace, in line with UN Security Council Resolution 1325 and the global Women, Peace and Security agenda.

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