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## Mahmood Khan Takes Over as PTIP Chairman After Khattak's Resignation

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On July 15, 2025, Mahmood Khan, former Chief Minister of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, was appointed chairman of the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf Parliamentarians (PTIP), replacing Pervez Khattak, who resigned from the position and ended his affiliation with the party. The announcement by PTIP General Secretary Malik Habib Noor Orakzai marks a significant

leadership shift as the party seeks to regain its footing amid political challenges.

Pervez Khattak's resignation, citing health concerns, surprised many within the party and ended his role as founder and leader of PTIP. Malik Habib Noor Orakzai stated that Khattak no longer holds any position or link with the party and dismissed any ongoing association as baseless. The appointment of Mahmood Khan, a seasoned political figure with administrative experience in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, is seen as a strategic step to consolidate support in a region currently facing security and governance issues.

This leadership transition occurs at a critical time for PTIP, a breakaway faction of the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI), as it attempts to reposition itself in the evolving political landscape. The party has faced internal disarray and external pressure since its formation. With Mahmood Khan at the helm, PTIP aims to strengthen its base in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and provide stable leadership amid rising militancy and administrative challenges in the province.

The move also underscores PTIP's efforts to present a united front and rebuild confidence among party members and voters. As the party reorganizes under new leadership, Mahmood Khan's performance will be closely watched as he navigates both internal expectations and external political competition in Pakistan's polarized environment.