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OIC chief stresses technical expertise

JOYDEVPUR, Aug. 31.—Dr. Hamid al-Gabid, Secretary General of the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC), today urged the Islamic world to develop technical and vocational expertise to match with the on-going development on a global scale, reports BSS.

Addressing the third congregation ceremony of the Islamic Centre for Technical and Vocational Training and Research (ICTVTR), subsidiary organ of the OIC, he said that there was no alternative for the Islamic states but to develop their means in these fields.

Dr. Gabid, who arrived here four days ago on a six-day visit, reminded all that the Muslim world was endowed with enormous human resources and drew its inspiration from a rich tradition of technical innovations that had contributed to the creation of today's magnificent civilisation. However, he added, efforts of the Islamic world to achieve socio-economic growth was being hampered by the absence of vocational training and research facilities which were needed for Islamic states.

Dr. Gabid said that the necessity of such expertise for progress and development in today's highly competitive world could not be over-emphasised and the Islamic world had to depend for this on the developed world.