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### **PAJCCI'S MEMBER WON IWEC'S PRESTIGIOUS AWARD 2017**



PAJCCI in its endeavors to unveil untapped opportunities has identified the significant role that can be played by women entrepreneurs across the border by their participation in the International Women's Entrepreneurial Challenge Conference and Awards Program (IWEC) Conference. This year, it was the 10<sup>th</sup> year of IWEC Conference and Awards which was held in Washington, USA from 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

This year, Miss Manizha Paktin won IWEC 2017 Award who is a member of PAJCCI – Afghanistan and CEO of Rad Construction Company which she established in 2007 in Afghanistan.

Rad Construction Company consults in civil engineering on construction projects; constructing private houses, hotels, clinics, bridge and schools in more than 25 provinces of Afghanistan. The company also provides drawings, designs, estimations and all required technical drawings.

Miss Manizha is also a professor at Balkh University since 2005. In 2013, she also founded the organization "Stand Up For Afghan Women Organization (SAAWO)" which is in more than 25 provinces of Afghanistan. She has an M.T.S. in Construction management and planning, and now studying her PhD in Civil Engineering. Miss Manizha is referred to as "A Brave Woman of Afghanistan" for her strength and perseverance in building her company and standing up for women.

Additionally, Miss Nylla Parveen Junejo, Ex-Director PAJCCI - Pakistan participated as an Ex-Awardee in the IWEC 2017 Conference on "Connecting Women Owned Businesses Globally: Accelerating Growth through Innovation & Technology".