

TMA opposes two weekly holidays' ^{BP} proposal ^{12/19}

KARACHI: Towel Manufacturers' Association of Pakistan (TMA) has opposed government's proposal to observe two weekly holidays and described it as "illogical." TMA Information Committee's Chairman M. Muzammil Husain, in a statement to the press here on Thursday, said the proposal did not seem to be a pragmatic move at a time when industry needed to work round-the-clock.

"We suggest that in view of rising economic problems, we should work seven days a week like some other countries." Nobody would grudge government's desire to reduce oil import bill but there were other measures through which it could be reduced, he said. Either there should be a complete ban or at least it's use be minimised in busses, trucks, coaster, container and other heavy duty carriages and they should be advised to convert their vehicles to CNG. He cited the case of Indian Supreme Court, which at its own issued orders confining all heavy duty vehicles including taxis and cars to consume CNG only, and said there was nothing wrong in following this example.—PR