## **Towel Manufacturers' Association of Pakistan**

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#### **BUSINESS RECORDER**

#### MoF clarifies IMF reforms no new conditions

ISLAMABAD: The Ministry of Finance (MoF) has clarified the intent, context, and continuity of reform measures under Pakistan's IMF Extended Fund Facility (EFF) program, particularly in response to recent commentary regarding so-called "new conditions."

#### PTC says high costs eroding textile sector competitiveness

The Pakistan Textile Council (PTC), the apex forum representing the country's leading textile and apparel exporters, has warned that structurally high costs across energy, finance, taxation, logistics and raw materials have rendered Pakistan's textile and apparel sector uncompetitive compared to regional peers, severely constraining export growth, employment generation and foreign exchange earnings.

#### APTMA sees no relief under IMF programme

ISLAMABAD: The All-Pakistan Textile Mills Association (APTMA) is reportedly engaged in consultations at the highest levels to resolve the longstanding issues faced by its members, though without expectations of any immediate relief as the country remains under an IMF programme.

#### Economists say no policy rate cut expected

ISLAMABAD: Leading economists of the country are pessimistic about a policy rate cut, while saying that the SBP is unlikely to loosen monetary conditions in its upcoming Monetary Policy Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, largely due to IMF pressure to keep rate "appropriately tight."

#### More gains

KARACHI: Rupee gained further during the previous week as it appreciated Re0.10 or 0.04 percent against the US dollar. The local unit closed at 282.32, against 282.42 it had closed the week earlier against the greenback, according to the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP).

## Weekly Cotton Review: Spot rate up Rs100 amid sharp drop in trading volume

KARACHI: Quality cotton prices have maintained stability while the spot rate has recorded an increase of one hundred rupees. However, a significant decline has been observed in trading volume, which is having negative impacts on the overall performance of the industry.

## **DAWN NEWSPAPER**

## Goods transport owners strike forces development projects in Punjab to stop

LAHORE: The ongoing development projects — both public and private sectors — have come to a grinding halt in Lahore and other parts of Punjab after the suspension of delivery of supplies of construction material due to the ongoing wheel-jam strike by goods transporters.

#### The road to cotton revival

Pakistan has experienced a massive decline in cotton production over the last decade — from 13.9 million bales in FY15 to 7.08m bales in FY25. Meanwhile, the crop area decreased from 7.31m to 5.04m acres as per Pakistan Economic Survey data.

## THE NEWS INTERNATIONAL

# <u>Discrepancies in import data: IMF to assess quality, authenticity of Pakistan's statistics</u>

ISLAMABAD: Following the identification of major discrepancies in Pakistan's import data ballooning up to \$30-35 billion over seven years, the IMF has come up with a condition to assess the quality and authenticity of the country's statistics.

#### **Business community leader deplores condition of Hyderabad Railway Station**

HYDERABAD: Hyderabad SITE Association of Trade and Industry Chairman Zubair Ghangra has expressed concern over what he described as the extremely poor and alarming condition of the Hyderabad Railway Station.

#### TRIBUNE NEWSPAPER

FinMin rejects notion of new IMF conditions

#### Pakistan's dual economies: stock market boom and a factory floor bust

ISLAMABAD: Stand on II Chundrigar Road in Karachi, the financial heart of Pakistan, in December 2025, and the mood is almost jubilant. The Pakistan Stock Exchange (PSX) has had a banner year, with the benchmark KSE-100 index surging nearly 40%, outperforming most regional markets.

## Mega projects long-term investment for city: CM

KARACHI: Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah on Sunday carried out an extensive visit to review progress on several major development and transport infrastructure projects aimed at easing traffic congestion and improving urban mobility in Karachi.

## ایکسیریس نیوز

## اسٹاک مارکیٹ عروج پر، فیکٹریاں زوال کا شکار

پاکستان اسٹاک ایکسچینج کے لیے یہ سال غیر معمولی رہا ہے، جہاں بینچ مارک کے ایس ای-100 انڈیکس میں تقریباً 40 فیصد اضافہ ہوا، جو خطے کی بیشتر منڈیوں سے کہیں بہتر کارکردگی ہے لیکن چند سو کلومیٹر شمال کی جانب فیصل آباد یا گوجرانوالہ کے صنعتی مراکز کا رخ کریں تو وہاں ایک خوفناک خاموشی چھائی ہوئی ہے۔

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