

# **Towel Manufacturers' Association of Pakistan**

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## **BUSINESS RECORDER**

### **Unauthorised use of private networks: PHMA urges Nepra action against Discos**

KARACHI: The Pakistan Hosiery Manufacturers and Exporters Association (PHMA) has formally requested the National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) to intervene against what it describes as the unauthorised use of privately owned power distribution systems by distribution licensees (DISCOs) across Karachi's industrial zones.

### **PD shelves USD36bn circular debt refinancing plan**

ISLAMABAD: The Power Division has reportedly put its USD36 billion power sector circular debt refinancing plan on ice, as neither international financial institutions (IFIs) nor Saudi Arabia are in a position to extend funding under the current circumstances, well-informed sources in the power sector told Business Recorder.

### **Upward momentum**

KARACHI: The Pakistan rupee extended its marginal upward trend for another week, appreciating by Re0.09 or 0.03% percent against the US dollar in the interbank market. The local unit closed at 279.01, against 279.10 it had closed the week earlier against the greenback, according to the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP).

### **Textile recycling industry: Widespread labour rights violations found: study**

LAHORE: Widespread labour rights violations have been found in the textile recycling industry, which is being promoted by major fast fashion brands as a pillar of sustainability. A recent study conducted by the Labour Education Foundation in collaboration with Arisa, a Holland-based rights body, has revealed a stark contradiction at the heart of the global fashion industry.

### **Made in Gujranwala Expo: Smeda facilitates microenterprises**

LAHORE: Following the successful execution of the inaugural Made in Pakistan SME Expo Showcase 2026 in Lahore, the Small and Medium Enterprises Development Authority (Smeda) facilitated the participation of women and microenterprises in the Made in Gujranwala Exhibition 2026, held at the Karachi Expo Centre.

### **HSATI slams decision to suspend gas to industries for 24 hours**

HYDERABAD: Hyder-abad SITE Association of Trade and Industry (HSATI) Chairman Zubair Ghangra has expressed strong reservations over the decision to suspend gas supply to industries across Sindh for 24 hours from April 12 to April 13,

### **Weekly Review: Stability in cotton prices observed**

KARACHI: Overall stability was observed in cotton prices during the latest trading session, though market activity remained limited. An upward trend continued in New York cotton futures, reflecting positive sentiments in international markets.

## **DAWN NEWSPAPER**

### **Gas supply to power sector may double amid LNG shortfall**

ISLAMABAD: Domestic natural gas supply to the power sector is expected to at least double by the end of the current month to minimise tariff hikes and loadshedding, which have become inevitable following the non-availability of imported liquefied natural gas (LNG) and upcoming hike in summer consumption.

### **Fashion brands in Lahore 'ignore' labour rights violations in textile recycling sector**

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### **Manufacturing woes**

Recognising Pakistan's industrial slowdown, the government launched a coordinated push toward export-led growth. The National Industrial Policy 2025–30 marks a departure from protectionism, setting targets of \$60 billion in exports, six per cent GDP growth, and 8pc annual manufacturing expansion by 2030, while compressing customs duties into four slabs and removing additional charges.

## **THE NEWS INTERNATIONAL**

### **Russian embassy highlights space legacy, ties with Pakistan**

Islamabad: The Russian Embassy organised a wreath-laying ceremony at the monument to Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin at the F-9 Fatima Jinnah Park. The ceremony was attended by Russian Ambassador Albert P. Khorev, Additional Foreign Secretary of Pakistan Ayesha Ali, ambassadors of Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan, Russian Defence Attaché Colonel Vadim Fenchenko, Russian Trade Representative Denis Nevzorov, as well as officials from the CDA and SUPARCO.

### **Nehal, Bangladesh HC agree to expand trade and investment**

Sindh Governor Syed Muhammad Nehal Hashmi has said that promoting education and cultural exchange programmes between Pakistan and Bangladesh is in the mutual interest of both countries. He noted that the cuisines, culture and traditions of the two nations bear strong similarities.

## **TRIBUNE NEWSPAPER**

### **Ending oil dependency cycle**

ISLAMABAD: With widespread damage to energy infrastructure in the Middle East, it is unclear how long global oil and gas markets will take to stabilise. What is already evident, however, is that the world will not return to the old normal, particularly for countries heavily dependent on energy imports from the region.

### **ایکسپریس نیوز**

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