

Budget 2020-21: PCMAEA seeks incentive package for export sector

LAHORE: Pakistan Carpet Manufacturers and Exporters Association (PCMAEA) on Sunday demanded of the government to patronize the country's export sector and allocate special incentive package for them in upcoming Federal Budget 2020-21 to boost this sector. These views were expressed by PCMAEA Chairman Muhammad Aslam Tahir during annual meeting of review performance of the organization. Carpet Training Institute Chairperson Pervez Hanif, Vice Chairman Sheikh Aamer Khalid, Central leader Abdul Latif Malik, Senior Member Riaz Ahmed, Saeed Khan, Ijaz ur Rehman, Muhammad Akbar Malik, Maj Akhter Nazir (R) and others were also present on this occasion. They also asked for restoration of zero rated regime so that uncertainty would be removed forever. They said that with the support of the government, handmade carpet industry would not only get prosperity but also help generating employment opportunities for the people of the rural areas. They also discussed in detail the problems being faced by skilled workers involved in handmade carpet industry. Chairman Muhammad Aslam Tahir said the exports of the country were badly hit due to the pandemic of coronavirus and that was the reason every government in the world is focusing on its export sector so Pakistani government should also prepare the upcoming federal budget keeping this in view. He also said that the government would not impose any kind of tax in the budget. He said Pakistan should also activate its embassies all over the world to attract foreign investment and they would also be bound to inform local exporters and manufacturers about the demands of different products in these foreign countries.