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BUSINESS RECORDER

President FPCCI hails appointment of Asif Inam as Chairman SSGC

KARACHI: Atif Ikram Sheikh, President FPCCI has welcomed the appointment of Asif Inam, VP FPCCI, as the Chairman Sui Southern Gas Company Limited. The appointment of Asif Inam as Chairman of SSGC Board brings a critical consumer-centric perspective to the utility's governance; bridging the long-standing gap between energy providers and the industrial base they serve.

THE RUPEE PKR: marginal improvement

KARACHI: The Pakistani rupee recorded marginal improvement against the US dollar in the inter-bank market on Tuesday. At close, the local currency settled at 279.91, a gain of Re0.01 against the greenback. On Monday, the local unit closed at 279.92.

Prices of gold, silver continue to rise

KARACHI: Local and international gold and silver prices continued to touch new record highs on Tuesday, setting fresh global benchmark at USD4,713 per ounce, traders said. The global uptrend further spurred the local gold prices to new highs of Rs493,662 per tola and Rs423,235 per 10 grams, up by Rs4,300 and Rs3,686, respectively,

DAWN NEWSPAPER

Dollar slide sparks economic fears

KARACHI: The depreciation of the US dollar against the rupee has reached a point where its multidimensional negative impacts could hit the economy, industry sources warned. After slipping below Rs280 on Monday, the greenback was trading at Rs279.91 on Tuesday,

Gold surges to Rs493,662 per tola

KARACHI: The yellow metal continued to shine in the world market, pushing domestic 10-gram and one-tola rates to a new all-time high of Rs423,235 and Rs493,662 on Tuesday, up by Rs3,686 and Rs4,300, respectively.

THE NEWS INTERNATIONAL

Pakistan, China sign \$4.5bn farm deals, boosting jobs and food supply

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and China have signed 79 investment agreements worth about \$4.5 billion in agriculture and food-related businesses, marking one of the largest foreign investment commitments in Pakistan's farm sector and raising hopes for jobs, modern farming and cheaper food.

Gulf investors launch \$2bn arbitration case against Pakistan over KE dispute

ISLAMABAD: In a shocking development, Saudi and Kuwaiti investors in K-Electric have launched a USD2 billion international arbitration case against Pakistan, escalating a years-long dispute over regulatory intervention, unpaid government dues and the prolonged blocking of a USD1.77 billion sale of the country's largest private power utility.

US envoy says bilateral trade to cross \$8bn

ISLAMABAD/LAHORE: US Chargé d'Affaires to Pakistan Natalie A. Baker has underscored the depth of bilateral commercial relationship, highlighting the growing momentum in trade ties between the two countries. "Expanding trade reflects a strong foundation that highlights the positive impact of US economic engagement in Pakistan and globally.

Pakistan plans return to global bond market after four years

Pakistan plans to return to the global bond market after four years, underscoring its progress in economic stabilisation after coming close to a default just a few years ago, reports Bloomberg. The South Asian nation will issue a proposal for advisers in the coming weeks, said Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb.

Foreign firms repatriate \$1.558bn in 1HFY26

KARACHI: Multinational companies repatriated \$1.558 billion in profits and dividends in the first six months of the current fiscal year, a 27.18 per cent increase compared to the same period last year, according to the figure from the State Bank of Pakistan on Tuesday.

Industry leaders warn Rs131bn power cross-subsidy is undermining competitiveness

KARACHI/LAHORE: Leading industrial bodies have criticised the government's policy of funding electricity subsidies for lifeline consumers through higher industrial tariffs, warning that extracting Rs131 billion from industry is damaging competitiveness, accelerating factory closures and threatening economic stability.

Pakistan, UK discuss \$400m minerals cooperation, expand energy sector ties

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan and the United Kingdom have explored a potential \$400 million collaboration in the minerals sector, alongside expanded cooperation in oil and gas exploration and offshore energy, as Islamabad steps up efforts to attract foreign investment and strengthen sector governance.

SAPM Haroon Akhtar highlights role of women entrepreneurs at Pakistan-Azerbaijan dialogue

LAHORE: Special Assistant to the Prime Minister (SAPM) on Industries and Production Haroon Akhtar Khan on Tuesday addressed the Joint Pakistan-Azerbaijan Women Entrepreneurship Dialogue as chief guest, underscoring the pivotal role of women entrepreneurs in driving inclusive and sustainable economic growth.

PCJCCI hosts Chinese steel firm to explore CPEC-linked partnerships

LAHORE: The Pakistan China Joint Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCJCCI) hosted a business delegation from Hangxiao Steel Structure Co Ltd, a Chinese firm with nearly

five decades of experience in steel structure design, manufacturing and construction, to explore industrial collaboration in Pakistan.

Karachi recorded more than 2,400 fire incidents last year

Karachi continues to witness hundreds of small and large fire incidents every year, underlining chronic failures in fire safety enforcement, emergency preparedness and accountability across the metropolis.

TRIBUNE NEWSPAPER

Preparations for SME Cluster Show reviewed

LAHORE: Special Assistant to the Prime Minister (SAPM) on Industries and Production Haroon Akhtar Khan has reviewed arrangements for the "Made in Pakistan – SME Cluster Showcase 2026", scheduled to be held from January 24 to 26 at the Expo Centre, Lahore.

Consortium seeks nod to complete CAREC road project

ISLAMABAD: A consortium led by Chinese firm Ningxia Communications Construction has once again reaffirmed its commitment to completing CAREC Tranche-III, provided the National Highway Authority (NHA) clears the process and allows it to proceed as the project's winning contractor.

ایکسپریس نیوز

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