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## **BUSINESS RECORDER**

### **Budget FY27: Govt tries to make sure IMF stays in good humour**

ISLAMABAD: Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb on Friday unveiled a Rs18.77 trillion federal budget for fiscal year 2026-27, extending relief to the salaried class and tax incentives to exporters, real estate, and construction sectors to revive industry, promote investment, and steer the economy towards a 4 percent growth target.

### **Super tax on up to Rs500m income abolished**

ISLAMABAD: Finance Bill 2026 has abolished super tax on persons having income of up to Rs. 500 million. The rate has been reduced from 10 percent to 8 percent for persons having income of more than Rs. 500 million. However, these concessions do not apply to banking, exploration and production sector and fertilizer sectors.

### **Tax on export proceeds to go down to 1.25pc**

ISLAMABAD: The government has proposed to reduce tax collection on export proceeds (one percent withholding tax and one percent advance tax) from 2 percent to 1.25 percent in order to encourage exports under the Finance Bill 2026.

### **Budget lacks measures to boost production: FPCCI**

KARACHI: Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI) on Friday said the federal budget 2026-27 does not contain any meaningful measures to reduce industrial production costs for exporters, a key demand of the business community aimed at enhancing Pakistan's export competitiveness in international markets.

### **Federal Budget: Nothing for exporters, nothing for Karachi: KCCI**

KARACHI: Business leaders at the Karachi Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KCCI) gave a mixed response on the federal budget 2026-27, with the chamber's top voices united on one point: the budget offers nothing for exporters and nothing for Karachi.

### **Businesses say it's a balanced budget but lacks exports revival vision**

KARACHI: Business and industrial community has termed the budget 2026-27 as balanced but said it lacks vision for exports and industrial revival. They appreciated partial relief on super tax, but criticised for not restoring Final Tax Regime (FTR).

### **40pc drop in SBP's profit predicted**

KARACHI: The federal government has forecast a significant 40 percent drop in receipts under the State Bank of Pakistan's profit during the next fiscal year (FY27). According to budget estimates for the next fiscal year, the federal government has projected receipts of Rs 1.435 trillion on account of SBP's profit compared to Rs 2.43 trillion actually received in FY26.

### **Petrol price cut by Rs4, HSD's by Rs2**

ISLAMABAD: Domestic rates of petrol and high speed diesel (HSD) have been declined in line with the drop in global oil prices, according to a statement of Petroleum division. In weekly review of petroleum productions, federal government reduced the price of petrol by Rs 4 per litre and HSD by Rs 2 per litre effective from Saturday (June 13).

### **POL products: Over Rs1.6trn budgetary target set for PL**

The government has set a budgetary target of Rs 1.676.509 trillion for petroleum levy (PL) on petroleum products for next fiscal year (2026-27), a rise of 11.8 percent.

### **Surcharge on salaried taxpayers to go**

ISLAMABAD: The federal government on Friday proposed major income tax relief for salaried individuals in the Federal Budget 2026-27, with Finance Minister Senator Muhammad Aurangzeb announcing restructured tax slabs, additional intermediate brackets and the complete abolition of the surcharge on the salaried class measures widely described by tax experts as among the most significant in recent years.

### **Big cut in advance tax on property deals proposed**

ISLAMABAD: The rate of collection of advance income tax from the buyers and sellers of immovable properties are proposed to be reduced significantly in order to encourage investment in the real estate sector under the Finance Bill 2026.

### **Scope of sales tax withholding expanded**

ISLAMABAD: The federal government has proposed a major amendment in the Finance Bill 2026-27, expanding the scope of sales tax withholding under the 11th Schedule to include Associations of Persons (AOPs) and individuals, in addition to companies.

### **Customs duty rates on 92 tariff lines lowered**

ISLAMABAD: The federal government has proposed a substantial reduction in customs duties on industrial input goods under the Budget 2026-27, lowering existing customs duty rates on 92 tariff lines used by different industrial sectors.

### **21 new items to come under GST net**

ISLAMABAD: The federal government has proposed a significant expansion in the scope of goods subject to sales tax on a retail price basis through the Finance Bill 2026-27. The measure is aimed at enhancing revenue collection and improving tax compliance across the supply chain.

### **Major package of tax and customs tariff reforms unveiled**

ISLAMABAD: The government Friday announced major package of tax and customs tariff reforms, offering relief to higher income salaried individuals and businesses through the rationalization of income tax, sales tax and customs duties, while promoting documentation, digital compliance and investment.

### **'Faceless' system to modernise sales tax enforcement: expert**

ISLAMABAD: The Federal Government has proposed the introduction of a faceless Audit, Assessment and Appeal system under the Sales Tax Act through the Finance Bill 2026, marking another significant step towards digitising Pakistan's tax administration.

### **Faceless audit proposed for all FBR taxes**

ISLAMABAD: The faceless audit and assessment system is proposed to be introduced in all the four taxes administered by the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) under the Finance Bill 2026. The provisions are identical. In Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 section 122E is proposed to be inserted which provides that audit proceedings under section 177 and subsequent amendment proceedings under section 122 / 111 may be made in a faceless manner as may be prescribed by the Board.

### **WHT reduced on foreign payments via debt, credit cards**

KARACHI: In a major move to promote the digital transitions, the federal government has announced to reduce the withholding tax (WHT) rate from 5 percent to 0.5 percent on foreign payments made through credit or debit cards.

### **OICCI cautiously welcomes budget**

KARACHI: The Overseas Investors Chamber of Commerce and Industry (OICCI) has welcomed the Federal Budget 2026–27 and said that crafted under significant fiscal pressure, IMF commitments, external imbalances and the residual weight of years of consolidation, this is a budget that shows restraint, some structural ambition, and meaningful forward movement in select areas.

## **DAWN NEWSPAPER**

### **Budget offers tax break to salaried class, businesses**

- Income tax rates reduced for salaried individuals earning between Rs2.2m and Rs7m annually; 35pc slab threshold raised to Rs7m
- Super tax abolished for incomes up to Rs500m; advance taxes on property transactions and foreign card payments reduced
- Customs duties cut on 92 tariff lines; sales tax relief extended to sectors including EVs, shipping, refineries and magazines

### **Petrol price cut by Rs4, diesel by Rs2**

ISLAMABAD: The government on Friday reduced the prices of diesel and petrol by Rs2 and Rs4 per litre, respectively, with immediate effect for the week ending June 19, owing to changes in global oil prices over the past week.

### **BUDGET 2026-27: Business leaders see no vision for manufacturing, export sectors**

- Trade associations see relief 'selective' as costly energy to continue hindering economic growth
- Term omission of Final Tax Regime a setback for industry

KARACHI: Business leaders offered a cautious welcome to the Rs18.7 trillion federal budget, describing it as a mix of relief measures and missed opportunities.

### **Subsidised Rs88bn export financing**

KARACHI: Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb, in his budget speech on Friday, announced that the government has expanded the Export Refinance Scheme (EFS) to Rs88 billion, meaning the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) will allocate more subsidised capital to help local businesses in the next fiscal year.

## **THE NEWS INTERNATIONAL**

### **BUDGET FY27: Some relief for salaried class, businesses as govt changes tack, eyes growth: Govt aims to generate Rs650bn through taxation steps**

ISLAMABAD: The government has set an ambitious tax collection target of Rs15.264 trillion for the next fiscal year, aiming to generate an additional Rs650 billion through a mix of taxation, enforcement and administrative measures, even as it announced significant relief for the targeted salaried class, the corporate sector, exporters and real estate market in the budget for 2026-27.

### **Debt burden rises as Rs8tr interest eats up 43pc of budget**

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan's debt servicing will eat up 42.9 per cent of the federal budget in the next fiscal year 2026-27, a staggering Rs8.054 trillion out of the Rs18.771 trillion total federal budget outlay. This allocation represents the largest sum out of current expenditures of the government dedicated to interest and loan repayments.

### **LCCI calls budget balanced**

LAHORE: The Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI) has described Budget FY27 as a balanced fiscal plan with positive steps for stabilisation and documentation, while calling for greater focus on investment-led growth, industrial expansion and job creation.

### **Govt cuts petrol by Rs4, diesel by Rs2 per litre for next week**

ISLAMABAD: The government cut petrol prices by 4 rupees per litre and diesel by two rupees on Friday, the fifth consecutive week the government has passed on relief to consumers as global crude extended their decline.

## **TRIBUNE NEWSPAPER**

### **Rs18.8tr outlay targets growth push**

ISLAMABAD: Backed by first-ever provincial grants of over Rs1 trillion, Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb on Friday unveiled a Rs18.8 trillion federal budget, proposing to significantly reverse punishing taxes imposed on the salaried class and the real estate sector while deepening economic liberalisation.

### **Govt gives Rs360b in relief, Rs306b in new taxes**

ISLAMABAD: The government on Friday announced a Rs17 trillion tax collection target for the new fiscal year, including over Rs1.7 trillion through the petroleum levy, but also gave relief of Rs360 billion to the salaried class, real estate and businesses aimed at kick-starting the economy.

### **Fleet to double under Blue Economy plan**

KARACHI: The government has set out an expansive Blue Economy agenda for FY2026-27, including plans to more than double Pakistan's national shipping fleet, invest heavily in maritime infrastructure, expand fisheries development and continue offshore energy exploration, even as key indicators from the outgoing fiscal year point to modest growth across the sector.

## Development outlay cut despite GDP growth

KARACHI: Despite Finance Minister Senator Muhammad Aurangzeb's assertion in his budget speech that the government is transitioning from stabilisation to a growth phase, the federal government has notably decreased the size of the Public Sector Development Programme (PSDP) for the fiscal year 2026-27.

## 'Budget lacks export push, growth strategy'

KARACHI: The Overseas Investors Chamber of Commerce and Industry (OICCI) has welcomed parts of the Federal Budget 2026-27 but raised serious concerns over the expanding informal economy and policy gaps, while other business bodies criticised the lack of a clear export-led growth strategy.

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