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[PTC urges govt to address key challenges facing textile sector](#)

ISLAMABAD: The Pakistan Textile Council (PTC) has urged the government to address key challenges facing the textile sector, warning that continued inaction could further weaken Pakistan's export performance.

[Revised determination for KE: Nepra's 'collective' wisdom questioned at public hearing](#)

ISLAMABAD: NEPRA "collective wisdom" — a term often cited in its decisions — came under scrutiny in the revised determination for K-Electric (KE), which resulted in a reduction of the utility's supply tariff by Rs 7.60 per unit, from Rs 39.97/kWh to Rs 32.37/kWh.

[POL products: Govt mulling up to Rs2.34/litre hike from Nov 1st](#)

ISLAMABAD: The federal government is considering up to Rs 2.34 per litre increase in the prices of petroleum products for the next two weeks, beginning November 1, 2025. The primary factors leading to these potential hikes are a slight increase in global oil prices and exchange rate adjustments.

[IRIS portal: KTBA asks FBR to rectify critical technical flaw](#)

KARACHI: The Karachi Tax Bar Association (KTBA) has requested the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) to immediately rectify a critical technical flaw in the IRIS portal that continues to unlawfully impose surcharges on members of Association of Persons (AOP), despite clear legal exemptions.

[PM's working groups: PBF demands participation of business community](#)

KARACHI: The Pakistan Business Forum (PBF) has voiced deep concern over the government's recently announced initiative to revive the country's struggling export and industrial sectors. Despite the formation of eight new working groups by Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, aimed at rescuing Pakistan's exports from a looming collapse,

[Women over-represented in nearly all unpaid domestic care roles: ILO](#)

ISLAMABAD: The International Labour Organization (ILO) said that more than 117 million women and men in Pakistan are engaged in unpaid care and domestic work — 66.7 million of them are women.

THE RUPEE: PKR: marginal improvement

KARACHI: The Pakistani rupee registered marginal improvement against the US dollar in the inter-bank market on Wednesday. At close, the currency settled at 280.96, a gain of Re0.01 against the greenback. On Tuesday, the local unit had closed at 280.97, the highest in nearly six months.

Gold prices climb

NEW YORK: Gold prices rose nearly 2 percent on Wednesday, rebounding from a three-week low hit in the previous session as some traders covered short positions ahead of a pivotal Federal Reserve rate decision later in the day.

Firm trend seen on cotton market

LAHORE: The local cotton market on Wednesday remained steady and the trading volume remained satisfactory. Cotton Analyst Naseem Usman told Business Recorder that the rate of new cotton in Sindh is in between Rs 14,800 to Rs 15,400 per maund and the rate of cotton in Punjab is in between Rs 14,500 to Rs 15,000 per maund.

DAWN NEWSPAPER

Women shoulder most unpaid care work in Pakistan, says ILO

ISLAMABAD: The International Labour Organisation (ILO) has said that 117.4 million women and men in Pakistan are engaged in unpaid care and domestic work, including 66.7m women.

Govt raises Rs1.3tr from T-bill, bond auction

KARACHI: Investors offered over Rs3tr in bids for treasury bills and Pakistan Investment Bonds (PIBs) in Wednesday's auction, from which the government raised Rs1.34tr.

Mills ink deals to import 2m cotton bales

LAHORE: Textile mills have stepped up cotton import agreements following quality concerns over the domestic crop affected by rains, floods, and reports of adulteration by some ginners in Sindh. Industry sources said mills were securing imported cotton to ensure timely delivery of export orders.

Decision to slash KE's base tariff reflects collective wisdom, says Nepra

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority on Wednesday evaded a direct comment on its recent decision of reducing the K-Electric's multiyear tariff by about Rs7 per unit.

Petrol, diesel likely to rise for next fortnight

ISLAMABAD: The prices of major petroleum products — petrol and high-speed diesel (HSD) — are estimated to go up by Rs1.5 per litre on Friday for the first fortnight of November in view of a minor variation in the international market.

THE NEWS INTERNATIONAL

Nepra defends Rs7.6 cut in K-Electric tariff

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) on Wednesday defended its decision to cut K-Electric's multi-year tariff by more than Rs7.60 per unit, saying that the decision was made after thorough deliberation and hearing the parties.

Gas pipeline faces rupture risk as pressure crosses danger mark

ISLAMABAD: After nearly two months of stability, the country's national gas transmission system has once again reached a critical state, with pressure in the main pipeline crossing the danger threshold of 5 billion cubic feet (BCF) — raising fears of a potential rupture that could disrupt economic activity nationwide.

POL prices likely to rise by up to Rs2.34 per litre from Nov 1

ISLAMABAD: Prices of petroleum products are likely to rise by up to Rs2.34 per litre from November 1 for the next fortnight, mainly due to fluctuations in the international oil market and the impact of recent US sanctions on Russia's leading oil producers.

Pakistan receives first-ever US crude oil shipment

KARACHI: Pakistan received its first-ever US crude oil cargo on Wednesday, when the vessel MT Pegasus, carrying one million barrels of West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude, docked at Cnergyico Pak Limited's (CPL) offshore terminal in Hub, Balochistan.

Green Climate Fund approves \$250m for Pakistan, Central Asia, South Caucasus

ISLAMABAD: The Green Climate Fund (GCF) has approved \$250 million for a programme led by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to strengthen water and agriculture systems in glacier-dependent regions of Pakistan, Central Asia and the South Caucasus, the ADB said on Wednesday, reports 'Arab News'.

Govt raises Rs1.05tr via T-bills, yields mixed as SBP holds interest rates steady

KARACHI: The government raised Rs1.057 trillion (realised amount) from the auction of market Treasury bills on Wednesday, with yields moving in mixed direction after the central bank kept interest rates on hold. The target for this auction was Rs950 billion, while the maturity amount was Rs1.104 trillion.

PCJCCI, Precision Development (HK) Limited ink MoU to strengthen economic cooperation

The Pakistan-China Joint Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Precision Development (HK) Limited, a Hong Kong-based enterprise, have signed a memorandum of understanding to enhance trade, investment and technological cooperation between Pakistan and China.

Gold price surges by Rs3,500 per tola

ISLAMABAD: The price of per-tola, 24-karat gold increased by Rs3,500 on Wednesday to reach Rs419,862 compared to the previous day's rate of Rs416,362. Similarly, the price of 10-gram 24-karat gold rose by Rs3,000 to Rs359,963 against Tuesday's Rs356,963, according to the APSGJA.

TRIBUNE NEWSPAPER

NEPRA grilled over gap in KE tariff decisions

ISLAMABAD: The National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (Nepra) on Wednesday came under intense questioning over its revised tariff decision for K-Electric (KE), as participants at a public hearing challenged the regulator's consistency and transparency.

Fuel prices set to rise up to Rs2.34 per litre

ISLAMABAD: The federal government is likely to raise the prices of petroleum products by up to Rs2.34 per litre for the upcoming fortnight beginning November 1, 2025. According to calculations, the price of petrol is expected to be increased by Rs1.48 per litre (0.6%), moving up from Rs263.02 to Rs264.50 per litre.

Diplomats urged to promote trade linkages

LAHORE: LCCI President Faheemur Rehman Saigol has emphasised that the diplomatic community plays a significant role in advancing Pakistan's economic interests and effectively representing the business potential of the country across international markets.

Sindh delays 45% agri-income tax

ISLAMABAD: The Sindh government has deferred the implementation of up to 45% agriculture income tax for one year and restored the old low rate of 15% on the ground that new rates cannot be enforced with effect from January this year.

E-commerce Policy 2.0 targets \$20b market

ISLAMABAD: A delegation from Meta, led by Rafael Frankel, Director for Public Policy (South Asia), called on Federal Minister for Commerce Jam Kamal Khan at the Ministry of Commerce to discuss cooperation in digital trade, e-commerce and artificial intelligence (AI).