

15th Textile Asia International Trade Fair from March 9

Karachi, February 03, 2016 (PPI-OT): Shaikh Mohammad Shafiq, Chairman, Pakistan Readymade Garments Manufacturers and Exporters Association announced to hold 15th Textile Asia 2016 International Textile and Garment Machinery Trade Fair incorporating Clothing, Fabric and Textile Asia in Karachi in collaboration with Ecommerce Gateway (Pvt) Ltd.

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PRGMEA to hold 15th Textile Asia in March

February 04, 2016
RECORDER REPORT

Pakistan Readymade Garments Manufacturers & Exporters Association (PRGMEA) has announced to hold 15th Textile Asia 2016 (International Textile & Garment Machinery Trade Fair) from March 9 to 11, 2016 in Karachi. Chairman PRGMEA Shaikh Mohammad Shafiq termed this event as the Pakistan's biggest B2B textile, garment, embroidery, digital printing machineries and chemical and allied services.

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Shaikh Mohammad Shafiq, chairman of Prgmea, announced the schedule for the fair, which would be organised in collaboration with the Ecommerce Gateway (Pvt) Ltd.

The three-day trade fair will be held from March 9-11, 2016 and has been termed as the country's biggest B2B fair on textile, garment, embroidery, digital printing machinery and chemical and allied services. The trade fair will provide an effective podium for joint ventures / collaborations to the textile SMEs and provide a platform to its international participants to meet respective Pakistani business personals to make future business leads in Pakistan, a statement said. The exhibition will focus on buying and selling potential of textile and garment industry and poised to introduce overseas suppliers of textile and garment materials, accessories and parts and machinery to the textile industry of Pakistan. "This will complement their efforts for high quality, value added products and assist them to further develop their business in the export markets," the statement said. The trade fair will have more than 550 international brands displaying their products in over 700 booths and over 500 foreign delegates mainly from Austria, China, Czech Republic, France, Germany, India, Italy, Korea, Taiwan, Turkey, UK, US etc likely to attend the event.



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COMMERCE MINISTER TO INAUGURATE TRADE FAIR ON MARCH 9

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<http://www.thenews.com.pk/print/97129-Minister-to-open-15th-international-textile-fair#>

Minister to open 15th international textile fair

February 10, 2016 Print: **Business**

KARACHI: Federal Commerce Minister Khurram Dastgir Khan will inaugurate the three-day 15th International Textile Asia Trade Fair at Karachi Expo Centre on March 9, 2016, a statement issued by the Pakistan Readymade Garments Manufacturers and Exporters Association (PRGMEA) said on Tuesday.

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PRGMEA Central Chairman Shaikh Mohammad Shafiq said the mega event aimed to boost export of value-added sector by bringing latest garment technology at the door step of the exporters of not only Karachi but Pakistan.

He said that the International Textile Asia Trade Show is one of the most enduring events, being held for the 15th successive year.

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Pakistan: 15th International Textile Asia Trade fair to be held at Karachi Expo Centre

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15th Textile Asia Trade Fair begins tomorrow

March 08, 2016, RECORDER REPORT

A three-day 15th Textile Asia-International Textile & Garments Machinery Trade Fair will begin on Wednesday (March 9) at the city's Expo Centre. Textile Asia Conference 2016 is also scheduled to be held on Wednesday. The official ribbon-cutting ceremony of the event being organised jointly by Pakistan Readymade Garments Manufacturers and Exporters Association (PRGMEA) and Ecommerce Gateway Pakistan will be performed by Federal Minister of Commerce Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan on Thursday.

According to PRGMEA's central chairman Shaikh Muhammad Shafiq, the focus of the trade fair will be the textile industry's value addition for increasing export of value-added textile and garments. He said that over 65,000 people, belonging to trade and corporate sector, and a large number of foreign delegates, are expected to visit the fair where over 550 international brands will display their products at 700 booths.

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The Frontier Post

<http://www.thefrontierpost.com/article/377735/15th-textile-asia-fair-from-wednesday/>

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The Nation

<http://nation.com.pk/business/08-Mar-2016/15th-textile-asia-fair-from-march-9>

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15th Textile Asia Trade Fair Kicks Off Today

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Textile Asia 2016 kicks off in Karachi

Mar 09,2016

KARACHI, March 9 (Xinhua)-- The 15th Textile Asia- International Textile & Garments Machinery Trade Fair kicked off at the Expo Centre in Pakistan's southern port city of Karachi on Wednesday.

Jointly organized by the Pakistan Readymade Garments Manufacturers & Exporters Association (PRGMEA) and Ecommerce Gateway Pakistan (EGP), the three-day event has drawn the participation of foreign delegates from 27 countries including the U.S., Germany, Australia and China and is expected to attract over 65,000 visitors from the country's trade and corporate circles, said organizers.

The Textile Asia 2016 is being staged in seven halls of the Karachi Expo Center. Over 700 booths have been installed to help 550-plus international brands display their products.

Chairman PRGMEA Shaikh Muhammad Shafiq told Xinhua that the exhibition is being organized to increase export volume of Pakistan's textile and garment products. He termed the event as Pakistan's biggest B2B show for textile, garment, embroidery, digital printing machineries, chemical products and allied services.

Dr. Khursheed Nizam, president of EGP, said that the textile trade fair is the only UFI (The Global Association of the Exhibition Industry) approved textile trade fair in the South Asian region. He said that the fair will complement Pakistani exporters' efforts for high-quality, value-added products and assist them to further develop their businesses in the export markets.

The annual international textile trade fair has entered its 15th year and it has become one of the most enduring textile and garments events in the world.

<http://aaj.tv/2016/03/15th-textile-asia-international-trade-fair-2016-march-9-11/>

15th Textile Asia International Trade Fair 2016 (March 9-11)

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WEBDESK: Pakistan Readymade Garments Manufacturers & Exporters Association (PRGMEA) and Ecommerce Gateway Pakistan have jointly organized a three-day 15th Textile Asia- International Textile & Garments Machinery Trade Fair at Karachi Expo Centre from March 9 to March 11.

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15th Textile Asia 2016 will also host Textile Asia Conference 2016 today(March 9) which will be led by renowned experts and it will seek to engage stakeholders to comprehensively discuss the plan to streamline Pakistan's textile industry and revisit and address the concerns of the companies.

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<http://www.dnd.com.pk/textile-asia-2016-exhibition-inaugurated/107433>

15th Textile Asia 2016 Exhibition inaugurated

By **DND** -

March 10, 2016

KARACHI, Pakistan: The Federal Minister for Commerce Engr. Khurram Dastagir Khan has said on Thursday that the export of Pakistani readymade garments has increased in the international market.

After performing the inauguration of the 15th Textile Asia 2016 Exhibition at the Expo Centre Karachi, he told media that prices of Pakistani readymade garments have also increased in the international market.

The Minister further stated that from July 1 the value added tax would become zero.

Khurram Dastagir was of the view that the holding of this event would be beneficial for the local textile industry and that there would be enhancement in the country's exports.

He said that the display of the modern machinery will also benefit this very sector and those associated with the industry would also enhance their capacity.

Khurram Dastagir pointed out that for the development of the country's textile industry, Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif had announced reduction in the power tariff.

S.M. Muneer, Chief Executive of Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP) along with Shaikh Muhammad Shafiq, Chairman PRGMEA and Dr. Khursheed Nizam President, Ecommerce Gateway Pakistan, were also present on the occasion.

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<http://www.suntexasia.com/details/newsid/14125/ttl/pak-commerce-minister-to-inaugurate-the-international-textile-asia-trade-fair.html>

Pak Commerce Minister to inaugurate the International Textile Asia trade fair

The 15th International Textile Asia Trade Fair to be held in Karachi will be inaugurated by Federal Minister for Commerce Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan. The Pakistan Readymade Garments Manufacturers and Exporters Association (PRGMEA) is organizing this mega textile trade fair in collaboration with Ecommerce Gateway Pakistan. More than 65,000 trade and corporate visitors are expected to visit the textile trade fair during three days.

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The International trade fair will run from March 19 to 11, 2016 at Karachi Expo Centre.



<http://www.customstoday.com.pk/two-new-laws-in-trade-policy-to-enhance-cotton-yield-dastagir/>

Two new laws in trade policy to enhance cotton yield: Dastagir

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KARACHI: Federal Commerce Minister Khurram Dastagir Khan has said the government is introducing laws to increase per hectare yield of cotton crop and reduce dependency on fertilizers.

Addressing at the formal launch of three-day 15th International Textile Asia Exhibition being held at the Expo Centre Karachi, the minister said that two new laws have been incorporated in the new trade policy, which will be announced soon, for increasing the yield of cotton crop," he said. He said that last year cotton output was 14 million bales, but this year it witnessed a decline.

The minister said that the government is focusing to increase the output beyond 14 million bales with the aim at providing raw material to the textile mills and enable the value-added sector to convert it with finished goods in the form of readymade garments. He appreciated the organisers for holding the 15th international exhibition.

Dastagir said that participants of around 27 countries had established their stalls at the fair and over 550 foreign delegates would visit the event. The exhibition is the best opportunity for the value-added sector, he said, adding that such exhibitions would help boost exports.



<http://asianetpakistan.com/business-news/general-business-news/248364/minister-for-commerce-graced-ribbon-cutting-ceremony-of-15th-textile-asia-2016-as-chief-guest/>

Minister for Commerce graced Ribbon Cutting Ceremony of 15th Textile Asia 2016 as Chief Guest

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Karachi, March 11, 2016 (PPI-OT): The Official Ribbon Cutting Ceremony of 15th Textile Asia 2016 was conducted today and the Chief Guest was Honourable Engr. Khurram Dastagir Khan, Federal Minister, Ministry of Commerce, Government of Pakistan. He congratulated the organizers for organizing such a mega trade fair and said that 'This trade fair is showcasing the value-added textile sector; it will increase the export of readymade products.

He further said that Government is putting all its efforts to increase the export of cotton. The current climatic conditions are the main reason behind decrease in production of cotton but Ministry of Food Security is working to increase cotton production. Talking about the exhibition he said that 400 companies are displaying their products in presence of 550 delegates from 27 countries.

He also added that we are going to introduce two new laws in new trade policy and these new laws will help to decrease the use of fertilizers and will increase yield. After 1st July we will declare zero rated sector tax free. He also said that Prime Minister himself is looking after the matters of textile ministry and refunds of up to Rs. 50 lakhs are being cleared.

S.M. Muneer, Chief Executive, TDAP, Shaikh Muhammad Shafiq, Central Chairman, PRGMEA, Abbas Mooraj, President, TexMap, Dr. Khursheed Nizam, President, Ecommerce Gateway and Uzair Nizam, Vice President, Ecommerce Gateway was also present at the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. This trade fair is jointly organized by PRGMEA and Ecommerce Gateway Pakistan (Pvt.) Ltd.



<http://www.yarnsandfibers.com/news/textile-news/dastagir-inaugurates-south-asias-biggest-expo-textile-asia-2016#.VuZC3fl97ct>

Inaugurates South Asia's biggest expo Textile Asia 2016

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Minister for Commerce Engr. Khurram Dastagir Khan, inaugurating the 15th Textile Asia 2016 Exhibition, the South Asia's Biggest International B2B Textile Spinning, Knitting, Weaving, Garment, Embroidery, Digital Printing, Machinery and chemical and allied services show at the Expo Centre Karachi, said that prices and exports of Pakistani readymade garments have also increased in the international market. The minister further stated that from July 1 the value added tax would become zero.

Dastagir was of the view that the holding of this event would be beneficial for the local textile industry and that there would be enhancement in the country's exports.

He said that the display of the modern machinery will also benefit this very sector and those associated with the industry would also enhance their capacity.

The commerce minister pointed out that for the development of the country's textile industry, Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif had announced reduction in the power tariff.

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This three-day textile trade fair is being organized with the concept of attracting high profile manufacturers, exporters and importers from all over the world.. The event is jointly organized by the Pakistan Readymade Garments Manufacturers and Exporters Association (PRGMEA) and Ecommerce Gateway Pakistan.

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<http://pakobserver.net/2016/03/12/value-added-tax-on-textile-to-be-zero-rated-from-july-1/>

VALUE ADDED TAX ON TEXTILE TO BE ZERO RATED FROM JULY 1

Amanullah Khan

Karachi—Federal Minister for Commerce Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan, while inaugurating a three day textile trade fair in Karachi has described the exhibition as the Pakistan's biggest B2B textile, garment, embroidery, digital printing machineries and chemical and allied services which is destined to add volumes of textile exports from Pakistan. In order to encourage textile sector the Minister said that from July 1, 2016 the value added tax (VAT) would become zero.

More than 550 International Brands are displayed spreading over 700 Booths and Over 500 foreign delegates from 27 countries mainly from Austria, China, Czech Republic, France, Germany, India, Italy, Korea, Taiwan, Turkey, UK, USA etc. participating this international event. The display of the modern machinery will also benefit this very sector and those associated with the industry would also enhance their capacity, the minister added.

The federal commerce minister while discussing the leading role of textile exports from Pakistan said that the export of Pakistani readymade garments getting momentum in the international market, while organizing such events are bound to benefit to the local textile industry and that there would be enhancement in the country's exports. In fact, for the development of the country's textile industry, Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif had announced reduction in the power tariff.

At the 15th Textile Asia 2016 Exhibition at the Expo Centre Karachi, the Minister said that prices of Pakistani readymade garments have also increased in the international market due to quality products substantiated with value addition in the products. The event was jointly organized by the Pakistan Readymade Garments Manufacturers and Exporters Association (PRGMEA) and E-commerce Gateway Pakistan.

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Trade policy: value-added textile sector to get top priority: Dastgir

The Ministry of Commerce is aggressively working on a trade policy and the value-added textile sector will be given top priority in the policy to enhance the country's exports. This was stated by Federal Commerce Minister Khurram Dastgir Khan while speaking to media persons after inaugurating '15th Textile Asia 2016' exhibition at Karachi Expo Centre, here on Thursday.

The minister said that following the international turmoil, the textile exports were on decline, however, the government was making all efforts towards increasing the exports. He said that in terms of quantity, the exports of some textile products had increased, however, in terms of value, these exports showed negative growth due to declining price trend globally. Dastgir said that the federal government was also considering restoring the tax-free facility for five zero-rated sectors, including textile, from the next fiscal year to facilitate the industry and enhance exports.

Talking about relief package for textile sector, he said that the government had already cut power tariff two times to support the textile industry and further benefits would be announced in the upcoming trade policy. He urged the

exporters to produce high value-added products for better growth of the country's textile exports. "In textile sector, readymade garments are the only products whose exports are growing. Therefore, the exporters should focus on value-addition to boost the country's declining exports," he added.

The minister said that the country's cotton production had declined last year due to climate change, however, now the ministry of food security was working towards enhancing the cotton production. Hopefully, some positive results would be witnessed in the upcoming years, he added.

Replying to a question, he said that the Federal Board of Revenue was making efforts towards timely release of pending refund claims of the textile sector and presently, refund claims of less than Rs 5 million had been paid. Dastgir said that exhibitions like Textile Asia could play a vital role in the promotion of value-added machinery for the textile sector. Giving briefing to the minister, the organisers said that some 400 stalls had been set-up in the exhibition and some 550 delegates from 27 countries were participating in the show. S M Muneer, Chief Executive Officer, Trade Development Authority of Pakistan, also attended the opening ceremony.

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<http://pakobserver.net/2016/03/12/value-added-tax-on-textile-to-be-zero-rated-from-july-1/>

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More than 550 International Brands are displayed spreading over 700 Booths and Over 500 foreign delegates from 27 countries mainly from Austria, China, Czech Republic, France, Germany, India, Italy, Korea, Taiwan, Turkey, UK, USA etc. participating this international event. The display of the modern machinery will also benefit this very sector and those associated with the industry would also enhance their capacity, the minister added. The federal commerce minister while discussing the leading role of textile exports from Pakistan said that the export of Pakistani readymade garments getting momentum in the international market, while organizing such events are bound to benefit to the local textile industry and that there would be enhancement in the country's exports. In fact, for the development of the country's textile industry, Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif had announced reduction in the power tariff.

At the 15th Textile Asia 2016 Exhibition at the Expo Centre Karachi, the Minister said that prices of Pakistani readymade garments have also increased in the international market due to quality products substantiated with value addition in the products. The event was jointly organized by the Pakistan Readymade Garments Manufacturers and Exporters Association (PRGMEA) and E-commerce Gateway Pakistan. S.M. Muneer, Chief Executive of Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP) along with Shaikh Muhammad Shafiq, Chairman PRGMEA and Dr. Khursheed Nizam President, E-commerce Gateway Pakistan, were also present on the occasion. PRGMEA Central Chairman Shaikh Muhammad Shafiq welcomed the Minister on the occasion. President E-commerce Gateway Pakistan Dr. Khursheed Nizam said that Textile Asia is the only UFI (Paris) approved Textile trade fair in South Asia, which showcases immense buying selling potential of textile, garment and allied industries and poised to introduce overseas suppliers of textile and garment materials, accessories and parts and machinery to the textile and garment industry of Pakistan and complement their efforts for high quality, value added products and assist them to further develop their business in the export markets.

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KARACHI: The Ministry of Commerce is aggressively working on a trade policy and the value-added textile sector will be given top priority in the policy to enhance the country's exports.

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Dastgir said that the federal government was also considering restoring the tax-free facility for five zero-rated sectors, including textile, from the next fiscal year to facilitate the industry and enhance exports. Talking about relief package for textile sector, he said that the government had already cut power tariff two times to support the textile industry and further benefits would be announced in the upcoming trade policy. He urged the exporters to produce high value-added products for better growth of the country's textile exports. "In textile sector, readymade garments are the only products whose exports are growing. Therefore, the exporters should focus on value-addition to boost the country's declining exports," he added.

The minister said that the country's cotton production had declined last year due to climate change, however, now the ministry of food security was working towards enhancing the cotton production. Hopefully, some positive results would be witnessed in the upcoming years, he added. Replying to a question, he said that the Federal Board of Revenue was making efforts towards timely release of pending refund claims of the textile sector and presently, refund claims of less than Rs 5 million had been paid.

Dastgir said that exhibitions like Textile Asia could play a vital role in the promotion of value-added machinery for the textile sector. Giving briefing to the minister, the organisers said that some 400 stalls had been setup in the exhibition and some 550 delegates from 27 countries were participating in the show. S M Muneer, Chief Executive Officer, Trade Development Authority of Pakistan, also attended the opening ceremony.

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Khurram Dastagir inaugurates Textile Asia 2016 Exhibition

KARACHI (APP) – Minister for Commerce Khurram Dastagir Khan, has said here on Thursday that the export of Pakistani ready made garments has increased in the international market.

After performing the inauguration of the 15th Textile Asia 2016 Exhibition at the Expo Centre Karachi, he told media that prices of Pakistani ready made garments have also increased in the international market.

The Minister further stated that from July 1 the value added tax would become zero. Khurram Dastagir was of the view that the holding of this event would be beneficial for the local textile industry and that there would be enhancement in the country's exports.

He said that the display of the modern machinery will also benefit this very sector and those associated with the industry would also enhance their capacity.

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SM Muneer, Chief Executive of Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP) along with Shaikh Muhammad Shafiq, Chairman PRGMEA and Dr. Khursheed Nizam President, Ecommerce Gateway Pakistan, were also present on the occasion.

The event was jointly organized by the Pakistan Readymade Garments Manufacturers and Exporters Association (PRGMEA) and Ecommerce Gateway Pakistan.

PRGMEA Central Chairman Shaikh Muhammad Shafiq welcomed the Minister on the occasion. He further said that this trade fair is expected to be visited by 65,000 people from trade and corporate sector as well as more than 550 foreign delegates.

He said that the focus of this trade fair is value addition in Textile industry to increase the export of our value-added textile and garment products.

This three-day textile trade fair has been termed as the Pakistan's biggest B2B textile, garment, embroidery, digital printing machineries and chemical and allied services. More than 550 International Brands will display their products in over 700 Booths and Over 500 foreign delegates from 27 countries mainly from Austria, China, Czech Republic, France, Germany, India, Italy, Korea, Taiwan, Turkey, UK, USA etc. will attend the event.

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WORK ON CPEC GOING AHEAD SWIFTLY: CM BALOCHISTAN

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KARACHI: The work on China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) is going ahead on a faster pace.

This was stated by the Chief Minister of Balochistan, Sanaulah Zehri here on Friday.

He was talking to media after the concluding session of the 15th Textile Asia Exhibition here.

Zehri said that the CPEC would change the destiny of the Balochistan as well.

The Chief Minister further pointed out that for attracting the investors, the Government of Balochistan is setting up tax free economic zones in the province. He pointed out that from Gwadar the construction work of the western and eastern routes, has commenced.

Zehri said that he assumed the charge three months ago and has undertaken four visits of Gwadar. Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif and the Army Chief Gen. Raheel Sharif have also visited the area.

He stated that we are striving for the elimination of terrorism from Balochistan and we have been successful in this project with 80 percent peace.

The president of Ecommerce Gateway, Dr. Khurshid Nizam, said on the occasion that deals worth 200 million dollars have been reached in this exhibition.

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Textile Asia 2016 exhibition inaugurated

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Speaking to the media after inaugurating the 15th Textile Asia 2016 Exhibition at the Expo Centre, he said such events would help the local industry and boost exports.

The display of the modern machinery would also benefit this sector and those associated with the industry would also enhance their capacity, he said.

The three-day textile trade fair is being jointly organised by the Pakistan Readymade Garments Manufacturers and Exporters Association (Prgmea) and Ecommerce Gateway Pakistan.

Prgmea Central Chairman Shaikh Muhammad Shafiq said the fair was expected to be visited by 65,000 people from trade and the corporate sector as well as more than 550 foreign delegates.

The Nation

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Textile industry improving

KARACHI (NNI): Chief Minister Balochistan Sanaullah Khan Zehri has said that textile industry in Pakistan is improving. He was addressing the closing ceremony of 15th Textile Asia in Karachi on Saturday.

He congratulated the organisers on holding such a mega fair, and noted that the textile industry was changing, as hundreds of people were joining it, which, he said, was a good sign. "One main reason for this is improved law and order situation of Pakistan," he added.

The CM told the gathering that his government was working on introducing tax-free industrial zones in the province. "There are already some tax-zones, but due to the Pak-China Economic Corridor Balochistan has become a very important province," he pointed out.

He also informed that his government was busy attracting the industrialists, who were not only being provided land but also other facilities.

All Pakistan Textile Processing Mills Association Chairman Zulfiqar Ali Chaudhary, Rear Admiral Arif Hussaini, Commander Navy Fleet, Rear Admiral Waseem Akram, Commander, Karachi also graced the closing ceremony.

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Ecommerce Gateway Pakistan President Dr Khursheed Nizam said on the occasion that 15th Textile Asia was the only UFI (Paris) approved trade fair in South Asia, and he was extremely thankful to all the national and international exhibitors, foreign delegates and trade visitors.

"The event showcased immense buying selling potential of the textile, garment and allied industries, and introduced overseas suppliers of textile and garment materials, accessories & parts and machinery to the textile and garment industry of Pakistan.

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Balochistan to facilitate industrialists: CM

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He appreciated the organisers for the mega international textile and garments trade fair and said the textile industry was changing as hundreds of people migrated towards it. He termed the improving law and order situation as the catalyst for this shift.

Zehri also said, "We are working to make tax-free industrial zones, as the Pakistan-China Economic Corridor has turned Baluchistan into a very important province. As Baluchistan is the biggest province of Pakistan, land wise, the provincial government is working to attract industrialists. We are not only providing them land but also other incentives," he added.

All Pakistan Textile Processing Mills Association Chairman Zulfiqar Ali Chaudhary, Commander Navy Fleet Rear Admiral Arif Hussaini, Commander Karachi Rear Admiral Waseem Akram also visited the fair.

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The event was jointly organised by Pakistan Ready-made Garments Manufacturers and Exporters Association and Ecommerce Gateway Pakistan (Pvt) Ltd.

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15th Textile Asia exhibition concludes

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March 13, 2016

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Balochistan govt to establish tax-free industrial zones: CM

Reported by: CT Report March 13, 2016

KARACHI: Chief Minister Balochistan Sanaullah Khan Zehri, addressing the closing ceremony of 15th Textile Asia, has said that his government is working on introducing tax-free industrial zones in the province.

“There are already some tax-zones, but due to the Pak-China Economic Corridor Balochistan has become a very important province,” he said.

He congratulated the organisers on holding such a mega fair, and noted that the textile industry was changing, as hundreds of people were joining it, which, he said, was a good sign. “One main reason for this is improved law and order situation of Pakistan,” he added. He also informed that his government was busy attracting the industrialists, who were not only being provided land but also other facilities.

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<http://www.pakistantoday.com.pk/2016/03/13/business/zehri-says-govt-is-working-on-tax-free-industrial-zones/>

Zehri says govt is working on tax-free industrial zones

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The closing ceremony of 15th Textile Asia was graced with the presence of Balochistan Chief Minister Sanaulah Khan Zehri.

On the occasion, the chief minister congratulated the organisers for organising such a mega international textile and garments trade fair and said that the textile industry was changing as hundreds of people were moving towards textile industry which was a good sign. One the main reason behind it was improving law and order situation of Pakistan, he added.

He said: "We are working to make tax-free industrial zones. There are already some tax-zones but the province of Balochistan has become a very important province due to Pak-China Economic Corridor. As Balochistan is the biggest province of Pakistan, our government is working to attract industrialist as we are not only providing them land but also other facilities."

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