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**Kabul**  
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**MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT JULY, 2018**

**1. Overview of Bilateral Trade including Imports and Exports (both goods and services) and comparison with corresponding month of previous financial year.**

<b>Trade (US\$ Million)</b>	<b>July, 2016 to June, 2017</b>	<b>July ,2017 to June , 2018</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>June, 2017</b>	<b>June, 2018</b>	<b>% Change</b>
<b>Pak Exports</b>	1,133.55	1,476.123	30.22%	61.558	73.612	12.054%
<b>Pak Imports</b>	68.017	151.779	83.762%	6.802	15.908	133.87%

Source: State Bank of Pakistan

*Note: The figures are provisional. This analysis relies on data provided by State Bank of Pakistan. Analyzing trade data for Afghanistan is challenging as reporting by Afghanistan has been inconsistent both in terms of frequency and accuracy. Moreover, the analysis is made basing trade figures compiled by State Bank of Pakistan till June, 2018. July, 2018 figs are not yet available.*

Pakistan's exports to Afghanistan in from July 2016 to June 2017 were US\$ 1,133.55 million while remained US\$1,476.123 million during July 2017 to June 2018 with an increase of 30.22%. The details and it variance are taken from the State Bank of Pakistan data, available at its site, in which value of each product, exported to and imported from Afghanistan of the period is not yet given. Hence, the reason(s) of this significant surge in Pakistan exports to Afghanistan during the reporting period cannot be determined unless State Bank of Pakistan releases details of commodity wise exports figures. On the other hand, though the Afghanistan export to Pakistan is insignificant in terms of its value, however, there is huge surge of 83.762% during the period in year July 2017 to June 2018 as compared to its corresponding period of year 2016-17.

## 2. Trade Promotion Activities:

Activity	Date	Remarks	Follow up action
Meeting with ten member Afghan importers of Fresh fruit, Sugar and Rice on a dinner at Ambassador of Pakistan residence in Kabul.	7 <sup>th</sup> July 2018.	It was an interactive get-together to listen to their views or issues, if any. They were very satisfied with the trade they do with Pakistan and also revealed that, presently, they also export Bananas and Sugar to Central Asian States which they import from Pakistan.	Not required.
Meetings with various individual Afghan importers on various dates of the reporting month.	Various dates.	Visa facilitation and information on Pakistani suppliers, etc.	Will continue.
1 <sup>st</sup> meeting of the Economic Working Group(EWG) of Afghanistan-Pakistan Action Plan for Peace and Solidarity(APAPPS)	22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2018.	ToRs and proposed Action Plan of EWG were chalked out which have already been conveyed to MoC, Islamabad.	In contact with Pakistan Ministry of Railways, Ministry of water Resources etc
Meeting with ACCI and PAJCCI.	16 <sup>th</sup> and 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2018 respectively.	Discussions on subsequent APAPPS meeting and of mutual trade interests	Not required.

## 3- Investment Promotion Activities

No significant activity was carried out in this area.

## 4. Trade Diplomacy

Activity	Follow up action
Met with various Afghan government officials and private sector businessmen pleaded Pakistan – Afghanistan’s mutual trade interest.	Not required

## 5. Market information and intelligence

Market intelligence/ information were shared with MoC and TDAP during the reporting month.

## 6. Business networking

Meetings	Category (Importers/ Exporters/ Govt. Functionary / Trade Body)	Objectives	Outcome	Follow up action
Meeting with Afghan businessmen.	Importers/Export ers	Miscellaneous.	Effective in terms of confidence building.	Efforts will continue.
Meeting with ACCI and PAJCCI.	Trade body	Same as above	-do-	-do-

## 7. Field Visits

Visits	Date	Objectives	Follow up action
To Afghan MoC, MoFA, and Ministry of Finance. Moreover, to ACCI, PAJCCI offices etc.	Various dated of the reporting month.	Trade promotion, trade diplomacy and PR.	Will continue on PAAPPS's Economic Working Group action Plan.

## 8. Other Activities

Not significant.

**9. Follow up activities from previous months**

<b>Reporting month</b>	<b>Action required</b>	<b>Follow up action taken</b>
September, 2017	Follow- up of APTCCA, PTA and EHP.	In touch with the office of Minster for Commerce and Industries, Afghanistan

**10. Support requested from Pakistan (Useless to mention).**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Action required</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Deadline (if any)</b>

**11. Pending trade and administrative issues related to support from Pakistan (Not significant)**

<b>Reporting month</b>	<b>Action required</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Status</b>
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