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IMF mission due next month(BR)

An International Monetary Fund (IMF) staff mission is scheduled to visit Pakistan next month to conduct discussions on the fourth review under the Extended Fund Facility (EFF) programme and the second review under the Resilience and Sustainability Facility (RSF). Official sources told Business Recorder that the mission will assess Pakistan's economic performance for the January-June 2026 period and initiate negotiations for the release of the next tranche under the EFF, as well as RSF. According to officials, the Fund's mission will examine tax collection, besides reforms in the energy sector and progress on the privatisation programme. Governance and anti-corruption measures will also come under discussion, particularly transparency in appointments to key institutions................read more

Global food inflation risks for Pakistan(DAWN)

The State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) has said food prices could rise more than expected, potentially becoming a global issue. In its biannual monetary policy report issued on Monday, the central bank reviewed the situation. It noted that the regional war had a more serious impact on food prices in countries such as Pakistan. The SBP report said higher oil prices had pushed up fertiliser prices, ultimately hurting the agricultural sector. Pakistan is already facing higher food prices, while 46 per cent of the population is facing hunger-like conditions...........read more

President approves key economic bills, summaries(BR)

President Asif Ali Zardari has approved a series of key bills and summaries, including legislation aimed at strengthening Pakistan's export financing, tax administration, and the recovery of financial assets. According to an official statement issued on Tuesday, the President approved the Export-Import Bank of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2026, the Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) (Amendment) Bill, 2026, and the Federal Board of Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 2026. The measures cover three important areas of the economy: export financing, financial-sector recovery mechanisms and revenue administration. The legislative changes are aimed at strengthening the institutional and regulatory framework governing these areas and supporting greater efficiency in financial and economic management.…………….....read more

Pakistan says US and Iran close to 'some sort' of deal(BR)

Pakistan said on Tuesday the United States and Iran were close to "some sort" of deal, and fellow mediator Qatar said talks on managing the Strait of Hormuz were at an advanced stage, despite reports of new attacks on shipping in regional waters. The comments offered some hope that Iran and the US can end a stalemate that has in effect blocked the vital waterway, through which a fifth of global oil and liquefied natural gas flowed before the war. Prospects for a deal had appeared to dim on Monday after the sides' latest remarks and demands. In an interview with Bloomberg News, Pakistani Defence Minister Khawaja Asif said "things are shaping up again in favor of a peace arrangement or a deal."........…........read more

PSX Indices Stats

11-Aug-26	Index	DoD	MTD	CY26TD	FY27TD
KSE100 Index	179,847	-0.8%	2.1%	3.3%	-0.3%
KMI30 Index	253,008	-1.1%	2.4%	1.8%	-1.7%
PSX Mkt Cap*	20,142	-0.6%	2.0%	4.8%	-0.3%

International Stock (returns are USD based) 11-Aug-26

Index	Index Level	CY26TD	Index	Index Level	CY26TD
KSE100	179,847	4.24%	HSI	25,653	0.1%
SENSEX	78,154	-8.29%	SASEIDX	10,833	3.3%
NKY	66,970	33.04%	UKX	10,844	9.2%
SHASHR	4,125	-0.88%	CCMP	26,445	13.8%
FSSTI	5,754	23.85%	SPX	7,728	12.9%
VNINDEX	1,773	-0.62%	INDU	53,792	11.9%

USD/PKR, KIBOR and Eurobond

11-Aug-26	Current	WTD	CY26TD	FY27TD
USD/PKR - Inter Bank	277.67	0.01%	0.9%	0.2%
USD/PKR - Open Mkt	278.70	0.02%	1.6%	0.2%
6M KIBOR	11.75%	-0.01%	1.1%	-0.1%
Pak. Euro Bond (Yield)	7.56%	0.01%	0.2%	0.4%

Fixed Income (Secondary and Primary Market Yields)

Tenor	PKRV	Cut Off	Tenor	PKRV	Cut Off
03-M T.Bill	11.47%	11.51%	03-Y PIB	11.71%	11.75%
06-M T.Bill	11.62%	11.70%	05-Y PIB	11.76%	11.80%
12-M T.Bill	11.91%	11.95%	10-Y PIB	12.10%	12.30%

Commodities

International	Last Price	CY26TD	Local	Last Price	CY26TD
WTI (bbl)	83.82	46.0%	Cotton (maund)	18,300	18.1%
Brent (bbl)	89.48	47.1%	Cement (North)	1,567	12.6%
Arablight (bbl)	82.00	32.8%	Cement (South)	1,547	6.9%
Coal (ton)	109.95	27.6%	Urea (bag)	4,671	8.7%
Gold (oz)	4,370.11	1.2%	DAP (bag)	16,225	11.8%
Cotton (lb)	94.95	27.8%	Gold (10grms)	388,640	-2.2%
Dubai Crude oil (bbl)	84.56				

Up Coming Board Meetings

CEPB	15:00 PM	12-Aug-26	EPCL	2:00 PM	13-Aug-26
PRL	10:00 AM	13-Aug-26	FECTC	12:00 PM	17-Aug-26
JSGCL	10:00 AM	13-Aug-26			
PIAHCLA	11:00 AM	13-Aug-26			
HMB	12:00 PM	13-Aug-26			