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PTA Delegation meets Minister for Finance

PTA's delegtion led by Mr. Amanullah Aftab, Chairman, PTA held Meeting with Finance Minister, Mr.Shaukat Tarin on 12th February'2022 at Governor House, Karachi to discuss following core issues of Leather Sector Industry. PTA's delegation comprising Mr. Aziz Ahmed, Vice Chairman, PTA (Central), Mr. Ejaz Ahmed Sheikh, Mr. Hamid Arshad Zahur, Sh. Afzal Hussain, Mr. Aga Shafi alongwith Mr.Fawad Ijaz Khan, Petron-in-Chief, PLGMEA and Mr. Irfan Iqbal.

ISSUES OF LEATHER INDUSTRY :

- 1) To remove 5% Withholding Sales Tax on purchase of Raw Hides & Skins for which a request has also been submitted to the Finance Minister during the meeting and he assured for removal of anomaly as the Raw Hides & Skins are included in the finance bill as Agriculture produced item and exempted from duty.
- 2) To issue SRO for inclusion of Finished Leather in the New DLTL scheme as it was approved in STPF 2020-2025 announced recently. He assured for early issuance of SRO in coordination with the MoC.
- 3) To extend period of repatriation of export proceed amount from 120 days to 180 Days. He endorsed PTA's proposal and accordingly necessary Notification has been issued by SBP on 16th February'2022 for extension period of 180 days instead of 120 days.
- 4) Strongly requested during the meeting to adopt the procedure for the refund of Income Tax through Automated System in line with other refund already made for Sales Tax & Duty drawback for facilitation, which has also been ensured for the implementation in coordination with FBR.
- 5) Request for removal of Quarantine Certificate on import of Raw materials into Pakistan, which has already been removed under Part-III of the Import Policy Order 2020 issued on 25.09.2020 while the implementation did not maintain in PRAL system at Custom House for incorporation resultantly the due incentive has not been entertained by our members.



Amanullah Aftab Chairman PTA (Central)



Azmat Saleem Sheikh Sr. Vice Chairman PTA (Central)



Aziz Ahmed Vice Chairman (PTA (Central)

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PTA delegation led by Mr. Amanullah Aftab, Chairman, PTA met Mr. Shaukat Tarin, Minister for Finance & Revenue at Governor House, Karachi on 12.02.2022 discussing core issues of Leather Industry for redressal.

PTA's representatives nomination in LEPC

At the instant of the Ministry of Commerce, PTA nominated three representatives from Pakistan Tanners Association for Leather Export Promotional Council (LEPC) :

1. Mr. Amanullah Aftab, Chairman, PTA 2. Mr. Anjum Zafar

3. Mr. Muhammad Musaddiq

PTA Delegation meeting with Secretary TDAP

PTA's Delegation led by Mr. Amanullah Aftab, Chairman, PTA held meeting with Secretary, TDAP, Mr. Ahsan A. Mangi on 5th January'2022 at TDAP, Karachi to discuss following issues of PTA's member exporters for redressal :

- 01. To release of **pending subsidy for Lineapelle Fair, Feb'2022**, **Milan, Italy** to PTA's eligible member participants out of total 17 Participants, which has already been approved by **TDAP Board in its meeting held on 21.04.2021**.
- 02. Release of **Pending subsidy for Lineapelle Fair, Sept'2021 at Milan, Italy to** 12 Participants IRRESPECTIVELY as condition for 2 times & 5 years has already been removed by TDAP, Karachi. The claims of subsidy has already been submitted vide PTA's letter dt. 30.09.2021.
- 03. To finalise the internal procedure at TDAP for the release of 75% subsidy for International Lab Testing of "Finished Leather" by PTA's members exporters which was effective from 18th March, 2021 as the fund for Rs.60 Million has already been approved by EDF in its meeting held on 18.06.2021.
- 04. To recommend PTA's request for the replacement of Int'l Fairs already made to EDF, Islamabad and copied to TDAP for which official request has already been made to DG/TDAP, Karachi.
- 05. To consider allocation of necessary Fund in addition from EMDF account to PTA for organizing National Pavilion of Pakistan for "Finished Leather FY 2022-23 in view of prevailing formula of TDAP for increase of export, for which the export of Finished Leather is increased gradually by 33% during the 7-monthes of current fiscal year July-January 2021-22.

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Mr. Amanullah Aftab, Chairman, PTA discussing Leather Industry's issues with Secretary, TDAP, Mr. Ahsan A. Mangi during meeting held on 05.01.2022 at TDAP, Karachi

PTA's representative participated in the Meeting organized by ITC

In subsequent of the Meeting of Chairman, PTA Amanullah Aftab with ITC representative on 25.11.2021 and discussed Plan of Action and relevant activities of the Association, he nominated Mr. Agha Saiddain to attend the 2nd round of the Meeting through ZOOM as organized by Mr. Ebrahim Muslim, ITC representative, Geneva in Pakistan on December 22, 2021 for consideration and comments on his report prepared for Leather Plan of Action under heading "National Priority Sectors Export Strategy of Pakistan". During the meeting Mr. Agha Saiddain recommended some proposals for incorporation in his report for better representation of Leather Sector Industry of Pakistan internationally.

PTA's representative attended Meeting of EDF held through ZOOM

EDF organized meeting through ZOOM on 11.11.2021 for consideration of PTA's proposal for allocation of Rs.12 Million for holding of 7th Pakistan Mega Leather Show from 28-30th January'2022 in Lahore Expo Centre. The EDF board approved amount of Rs.12 Million for holding the Show in Lahore for the promotion of Leather & Leather Products.

Leather Products Webinar organized by Embassy of Pakistan in Sweden

Mr. Amanullah Aftab, Chairman, PTA attended the Leather Products Webinar / B2B meeting on Zoom

organized by Embassy of Pakistan Stockholm, Sweden on 26.10.2021 and presented PTA's proposal for the exploration of business avenues in Sweden in term of trade delegation, b2B meetings and other productive feature to capture this emerged market of Sweden by leather exporters with best quality of finished leather of Cow, Sheep and Goat Skins.

Chairman, PTA also emphasized the need to enhance the bilateral leather export between both the countries and also invited Swedish Leather Exporters to visit the 7th PMLS-22 at Lahore.

Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with Turkey

TDAP organized Free Trade Agreement (FTA) Negotiations with Turkey-Private Sector Consultation – 2nd Session on 14th October'2021 at TDAP Karachi through ZOOM which was attended by PTA's members for representation of Finished Leather (Tanning Industry) and proposed to included following HS Codes of Finhished Leather for Zero rated import from Pakistan into Turkey as existing 3% Import duty imposed by Government of Turkey on import of bovine from Pakistan :

FINISHED LEATHER HS CODES

4107.1200	4112.0000
4107.1900	4113.1000
4107.9100	4113.9000
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HOLDING OF 7TH PMLS-2022

OUTCOME OF 7TH PMLS-2022 AT LAHORE

7th Pakistan Mega Leather Show in consecutive was held in Lahore International Expo Centre, Lahore (Pakistan) from 28-30th January'2022, which was jointly organized by all stakeholders of Leather Sector of Pakistan such as Finished Leather (Pakistan Tanners Association - PTA), Leather Footwear (Pakistan Footwear Manufacturers Association – PFMA), Leather Garments (Pakistan Leather Garments Manufacturers & Exporters Association – PEGMEA) and Leather Gloves (Pakistan Leather Gloves Manufacturers & Exporters Association – PEGMEA) with the patronage of Government of Pakistan, Trade Development Authority of Pakistan. It was joint collaborated efforts for organizing 7th Pakistan Mega Leather Show in Lahore (Pakistan) with the exclusive motive(s) 1) To portray Country's soft image abroad 2) To motivate the leather business entrepreneurs for business growth 3) To enhance the confidence of investors in Pakistan's business market and to attract international masses towards the tremendous potentials that exist in the leather sector of Pakistan and enhance the domestic potential strength to provide viable platform within the country for joint ventures between the allied industries of Leather Sector of Pakistan and foreign companies.

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PRESS CONFERENCE

The first activity of Pakistan Mega Leather Show (PMLS) 2022 was holding of Press Conference which was held on 27th January'2022 at PC Hotel, Lahore. The Press Conference was addressed by Mr.Amanullah Aftab, Chairman, Pakistan Tanners Association alongwith Mr.Zahid Hussain, Chairman, PFMA, Mr. Muhammad Musaddiq, Convener-PMLS-PTA, Mr. Rashad Islam, Sr. Vice Chairman, PFMA and Co-Convener-PMLS-2022, Mr. Agha Saiddain, Member, Steering Committee-PMLS-2022 which was also attended by Senior Members of PTA, & PFMA, Business Community and a large number of representatives of Electronic and Print media.

In the Press Conference, Mr. Amanullah Aftab informed the salient features of 7th Pakistan Mega Leather Show and gave a comparison of activities and attendance of 6th PMLS-2020 and expectation of 7th PMLS-2022





Mr. Amanullah Aftab, Chairman, PTA and Mr. Muhammad Musaddiq, Convener, PMLS-2022 addressing to Print & Electronic media during Press Conference for 7th PMLS'2022 held on 27.01.2022 in PC Hotel, Lahore

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Mr. Amanullah Aftab, Chairman, PTA from (Right), Mr. Zahid Hussain, Chairman, PFMA (Left) expressing their views on organizing of 7th PMLS-2022 to C42 TV Channel just after the Press Conference on 27th January'2022 at Lahore

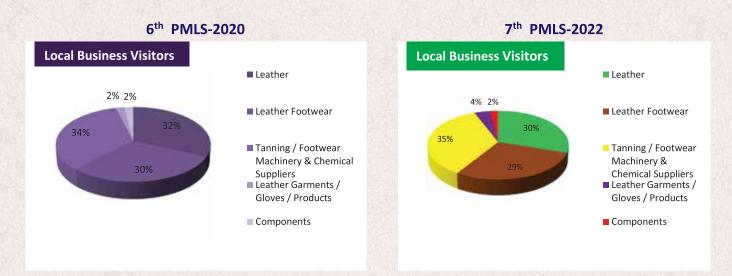
Local Trade visitors/buyers

Electronic Registration counter was set-up at Entrance of Hall 1 for registration of visitors and buyers by themselves who visited the PMLS-2022.

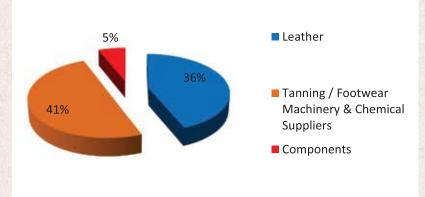
As per data compiled at both the registration counters revealed that around 14000-17000 trade visitors were registered with our computerized system during 3 days of the show as made visit to the stands in Hall 1 for business collaborations, B2B meetings were also arranged by the participants to promote bilateral trade.



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Commodity-wise % of Foreign Participants / Visitors



Conclusion

The 7th Pakistan Mega Leather Show-2022 was concluded successfully and achieved all desired goals and objectives of the show as were set by the Steering Committee of the Show. The three-days show featured high quality leather and leather products and export quality footwear export products from across the country and abroad was found with enormous traffic of trade visitors which is around 3500 to 4000 each day as well as the Electronic Registration counter maintained at entrance of Hall # 1 of the Expo Centre and all the stands were quite busy with the business conclusion to the finalization extent.

Besides above, encouraging number foreign participants took part in the Show from China, Italy, Spain, Germany Portugal and other countries and the total number of stands in Hall # 1 were 200 both for PTA & PFMA with eye catching features including brandings with attractive ambience of booths was termed to be center of the attraction.

GLIMPSES OF 7TH PAKISTAN MEGA LEATHER SHOW – 2022



Honourable Chairmen of PTA, PFMA and PGMEA inaugurating the Show on 29.01.2022 at Lahore Expo Centre





Bouquet presenting to Chairmen, PTA & PFMA and Co-Convener, PMLS during PMLS-2022

Different Views of Stands in PMLS-2022 at Hall # 1



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Glimpses of Pakistan Pavilion in Lineapelle Fair – 22-24th February-2022 at Milan, Italy

PTA organized Pakistan Pavilion for its 14-member participants and 4-Private Participants in Lineapelle Fair from 22-24 February-2022 at Milan, Italy successfully.





















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EXPORT OF LEATHER AND LEATHER PRODUCTS FROM PAKISTAN DURING JULY-FEBRUARY'2021-22 VIS-À-VIS JULY-FEBRUARY'2020-21

VALUE = (U.S. Dollars in Thousand)

COMMODITIES	UNIT	JULY-FEBRUARY 2020-21		JULY-FEBRUARY 2021-22		% CHANGE	
		QTY	VALUE	QTY	VALUE	QTY	VALUE
LEATHER	'000' SQM	6,616	97,429	10,345	134,168	56.36%	37.71%
	AUP/Sq.M		14.73		12.97		-11.93%
LEATHER APPAREL & CLOTHING	'000' DOZ	782	199,793	1,253	218,419	60.23%	9.32%
	AUP/Pcs		21.29		14.53		-31.77%
LEATHER GLOVES	'000' DOZ	3,952	171,285	7,254	191,165	83.55%	11.61%
	AUP/Pair		3.61		2.20		-39.20%
LEATHER FOOTWEAR	'000' Pairs	5,162	73,721	5,299	83,129	2.65%	12.76%
	AUP/Pair		14.28		15.69		9.85%
OTHER LEATHER MANUFACTURES	'000' KGS		10,946		12,507		14.26%
	AUP/Kg						
TOTAL:			553,174		639,388		15.59%

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics.

NOTE: Export figures for the month of February'2022 is Provisional.

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ACTIVITIES OF PTA-SOUTHERN ZONE



A delegation led by Chairman PTA (S.Z) Mr. Aziz Ahmed, along with Mr. Danish Khan, Mr. Farooq Ahmed & Mr. Sheikh Muhammad Imran met Deputy Commissioner Korangi, Mr. Saleemullah Odho in his and discussed various issue pertaining to Leather Industry. Dated 13-October-2021



Chairman PTA (S.Z) Mr. Aziz Ahmed along with Mr. Bilal Ahmed met, Director General KDA, Mr. Asif Ali Memon on Wednesday 15-December-2021.

A Comprehensive Meeting was held with DG-KDA. thanks to KDA Officials for completing surrounding Roads of Sector 7/S, KIA. Main Agenda of Meeting was Carpeting of S M Muneer Road.



A delegation led by Chairman PTA (S.Z) Mr. Aziz Ahmed, along with Vice Chairman Mr. Yousuf Shafiq, Mr. Danish Khan, Mr. Ejaz Ahmed Sheikh & Mr. Shoukat Ali met Administrator Karachi, Mr. Murtaza Wahab in his office and discussed issue of Leather Industry. Dated 14-October-2021.



MEETING HELD WITH SECRETARY INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE, GOVT OF SINDH MR. AMIR KHURSHEED IN PTA (S.Z) OFFICE ON 15-JAN-2022. MR. AMANULLAH AFTAB, CHAIRMAN PTA-CENTRAL, MR. EJAZ AHMED SHEIKH, CHAIRMAN NILT & MR. AZIZ AHMED, CHAIRMAN PTA (S.Z) PRESENTED SHEILD TO RESPECTED CHIEF GUEST.



A detailed meeting of PTA (S.Z) Infrastructure Committee led by Mr. Aziz Ahmed, was held with KITE Officials, regarding Infrastructural Works been carried out in Sector 7/A. Meeting was held on 08-Feb-2022 in KITE Office.

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A delegation of Leather Exporters & Manufacturers led by Chairman PTA (S.Z) Mr. Aziz Ahmed met Mr. Imran Maniar, MD SSGC at his office on Tuesday 08-Feb-2022. Major issues like Zero Gas Pressure, Un-Announced Gas Load Shedding & Non Availability of Gas were discussed in length.





A detailed meeting of PTA (S.Z) Infrastructure Committee led by Mr. Aziz Ahmed, was held with KITE Officials, regarding Infrastructural Works been carried out in Sector 7/A. Meeting was held on 02-Mar-2022 in KITE Office.





A Meeting Was Held In Pta (S.Z) Office With Mr. Imtiaz Hussain Magsi, Director Taxes, DMC-Korangi and Mr. Zubair Ahmed Khan, Additional Director Taxes, DMC-Korangi, Regarding Issuance / Renewal Of Trade License Challans. Dated 15-March-2022

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