

Morning Briefing

WHT on sale of 15-year self-owned homes to end from July 1:

The amended Finance Bill (2025-26) will abolish the withholding tax on sales of immovable properties, effective from July 1, for properties owned by an individual who has been residing in the residence for personal use for a period of 15 years or more. [Click here for more](#)

SAB okays 0.5 MT import of sugar:

The Sugar Advisory Board (SAB) on Monday okayed the import of 0.5 million tons of sugar after the government exported the commodity in a large quantity in the current financial year, which led to a sharp increase in domestic sugar prices. [Click here for more](#)

PD blocks PKR 4.69/unit FCA relief:

In a surprise move, the Power Division on Monday blocked a proposed PKR 4.69 per unit relief in Fuel Charges Adjustment (FCA) for K-Electric (KE) consumers for April 2025, citing a new government policy aimed at uniform FCA application across all electricity consumers nationwide. [Click here for more](#)

Govt to recover PKR 1.938 trn from power consumers in 6 years:

The federal government is to recover USD 6.7 bn (PKR 1.938 trn) in six years from power consumers across the country through Debt Service Surcharge (DSS) of PKR 3.23 per unit, which is being uncapped to meet any variation in recovery to meet the target. [Click here for more](#)

PC to appoint FAs for more Discos to assess sell-off potential:

The Privatisation Commission (PC) has decided to appoint Financial Advisors (FAs) for four more power distribution companies—Hyderabad Electric Supply Company (HESCO), Sukkur Electric Power Company (SEPCO), Peshawar Electric Supply Company (PESCO), and Hazara Electric Supply Company (HAZEKO)—to evaluate the potential for their privatisation. [Click here for more](#)

ST, duty exemptions on imported cotton, yarn being withdrawn, Aurangzeb tells NA: Govt taking steps to support cotton farmers, industry:

Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb informed the National Assembly on Monday that the government has decided to withdraw sales tax and duty exemptions on imported cotton and yarn to support local cotton farmers and revive the domestic textile industry. [Click here for more](#)

Digital payments: PM forms three high-powered panels:

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Monday launched a sweeping push towards a cashless economy, directing formation of three high-powered panels to fast-track digital payments across the country and tighten the government's grip on financial transparency. [Click here for more](#)

Net LIPI/FIPI Position		
	USD mn	CYTD
Foreign	0.57	-102.77
Individuals	4.73	48.06
Companies	4.2	71.67
Banks/DFIs	-3.76	473.8
MF	-6.3	-499.82
Broker	0.09	-13.73
Insurance	0.06	-9.77

FIPI Sector-wise	
	USD mn
E & P	-0.29
OMC	-0.17
Banks	0.29
Tech	-0.04

Major Indices				
Index	Value	Change	FYTD	CYTD
KSE-100	116,167	-3.2%	+48.1%	+0.9%
SENSEX	81,897	-0.6%	+3.6%	+4.8%
Nikkei 225	38,354	-0.1%	-3.7%	-3.9%
Hang Seng	23,689	+0.7%	+34.7%	+18.1%
S & P 500	6,025	+0.5%	+10.1%	+2.4%
FTSE 100	8,761	-0.5%	+7.3%	+7.3%

Commodities			
	Unit	Price	Change
WTI	USD/bbl	66.48	-2.96%
Brent	USD/bbl	69.48	-2.80%
Coal	USD/ton	95.15	+0.37%
Gold	USD/oz	3,368.50	-0.78%
Silver	USD/oz	36.47	-0.16%
Rubber	USD/kg	1.90	+1.40

Inter-Bank Currency Rates			
	Last Close	Change	CYTD %
PKR/USD	283.8695	+0.06%	+0.71%
PKR/JPN	1.9258	-1.32%	-3.20%
PKR/THB	8.6060	-0.40%	+4.79%

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