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Dinner hosted by Chairman PBIT in Honour of Chinese Council General to commemorate the Chinese New Year.



Pakistan Start-up to participate in international competition in UAE



The Punjab Board of Investment and Trade (PBIT) has selected a local start-up to represent Pakistan in the upcoming Annual Investment Meeting (AIM) start-up event, scheduled to be held in the United Arab Emirates in March this year.

'Eyeautomate', won the slot after competing with as many as 12 local start-ups and qualified to represent Pakistan in AIM-2020. The start-up will pitch its business idea at the event where firms from 80 other countries will also participate.

PBIT CEO Jahanzeb Burana said that this is a new phase of investments which PBIT has managed to arrange for local start-ups with the help of UAE

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A High Profile delegation meeting at FIEDMC



Chairman PBIT attended the meeting with Minister ICI&SD Mian Aslam Iqbal and Jahangir Khan Tareen for the development of Allama Iqbal Industrial Estate Faisalabad at FIEDMC Office.



Chairman and CEO Arnas Agro visited PBIT



Chairman and CEO Arnas Agro - a Turkish based concern operating in the food and agricultural sectors visited PBIT to seek business and investment opportunities in agri sector in Punjab. Arnas Agro supplies bulk, extra virgin olive oil, sunflower oil, table olives, coffee and self-care products and is currently operating in US, Malaysia, Kazakhstan, Guinea, UAE, Qatar, Ukraine and Canada. They also operate in publishing and technology software development sectors.



CEO Balochistan Board of Investment & Trade visited PBIT

Mr. Farman Zarkoon, CEO Balochistan Board of Investment & Trade met CEO Punjab Board of Investment & Trade Mr. Jahanzeb Burana. Both CEOs discussed matters of mutual interest. CEO PBIT vowed to provide help and assistance to BBoIT in formulating its initiatives for the promotion of investment and trade opportunities of Balochistan.



A group of eminent businessmen led by Former Federal Minister met Chairman of PBIT



A group of eminent businessmen led by Ch. Shahbaz Hussain Former Federal Minister called upon the Hon. Chairman of PBIT Sardar Tanwir Ilyas Khan. The group appreciated the steps taken by PBIT in promoting initiatives in Punjab and also presented extremely fruitful suggestions on how to enhance potential of the province for attracting

investments especially in agriculture, dairy and poultry sectors and was mutually agreed that a sustained interaction is necessary between PBIT and the business community to take things forward.

PBIT and Lahore Garrison University LGU join hands



PBIT and Lahore Garrison University LGU joined hands to scale-up the Start-ups and Technopreneurial activities in the province. CEO PBIT Mr. Jahanzeb Burana and VC LGU Maj Gen (R) Obaid Bin Zakriya signed a Framework Agreement for providing investment advisory and business facilitation to the Start-ups in Punjab.

PBIT acknowledges tennis star Haniya Minhas



Pakistan's young tennis star Haniya Minhas has been acknowledged by Punjab Board of Investment & Trade for her brilliant performance and winning 9 titles this year. Punjab Board of Investment & Trade would also facilitate her for seeking sponsorship for upcoming events.

Punjab Board of Investment & Trade (PBIT) is the premier investment and trade promotion agency of the Government of Punjab. In line with the policy of provincial government, PBIT is not only taking spirited & industrious initiatives for promoting Punjab as the best investment destination but also is working to depict a brighter and moderate outlook of the province and country.

Investment Advisory Department of PBIT visited Lahore Garrison University (LGU)



Investment Advisory department of Punjab Board of Investment & Trade visited Lahore Garrison University (LGU) today to discuss various possibilities of facilitating Start-ups and Entrepreneurs in Punjab. Team PBIT was received by Maj Gen (Retd.) Ubaid Bin Zakariya, VC LGU at his office. PBIT would provide investment advisory to the Start-ups & Entrepreneurs from LGU for establishing & scaling-up the businesses. Lahore Garrison University would also participate in National Competition for Entrepreneurs which has been held by PBIT in partnership with NSPIRE and Ministry of Economy UAE on January 22nd at the Chief Ministers Office under the leadership of Chairman and CEO Punjab Board of Investment & Trade.

Project Director/Head of PPP visits PBIT



Project Director/Head of PPP Cell Dr. Farrukh Naveed visited Punjab Board of Investment & Trade and met CEO Mr. Jahanzeb Burana. PPP authority will share the list of projects in detail to develop marketing material. It was discussed to arrange road shows for the marketing of PPP projects in Punjab.



Representative from CCL visited PBIT



Representative from CCL visited PBIT to explore business opportunities in health sector. CCL is a leading regional multinational pharmaceutical company with over 50 years of experience in the pursuit of health and well being operating in over 14 countries across South Asia, South East Asia, Central Asia and Africa. They offer a vast range of over 200 products in major therapeutic categories. PBIT will facilitate the company in setting up a factory and ensured its full support and assistance in Punjab.



Representative from DADA Enterprises (Pvt.) Ltd visited PBIT

Mr. Noman Ali from DADA Enterprises (Pvt.) Ltd visited PBIT to discuss the outreach program and arrangement of meetings with different groups to discuss business opportunities in Punjab and their future expansion plans.



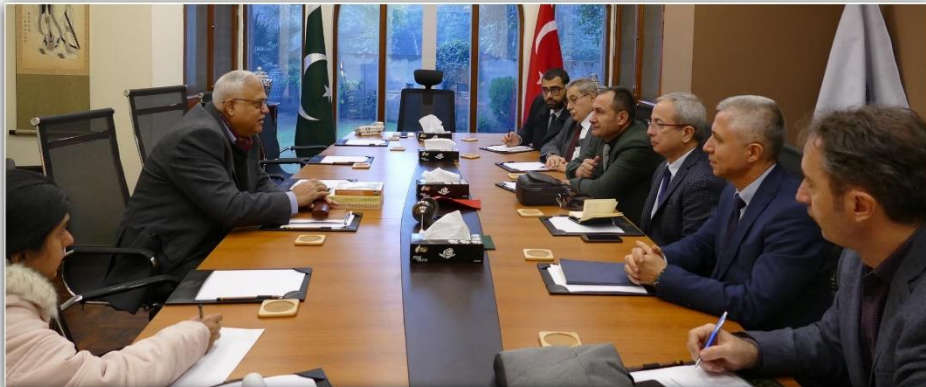
Managing Director of Sahara Recyclers visits PBIT

Managing Director Sahara Recyclers Mr. Gouhar Jamal visited PBIT to discuss business opportunities in the fields of plastic recycling, waste to energy and waste management. PBIT assured them of necessary investment advisory and investment facilitation. The potential company is looking for joint venture and technology transfer to establish a unit in Punjab.



Turkish delegation visits PBIT

A delegation comprising of key members from leading manufacturers of auto parts and automotive in Turkey, OTO Ismail Automotive and HEGA Informatics and Consulting Limited Company visited Lahore, Pakistan with a view to explore joint venture and greenfield opportunities in Pakistan's automotive sector. COO Punjab Board of Investment and Trade Mr. Haroon Shaukat briefed the delegates on government's initiatives for creating enabling environment and improving ease of doing business in Punjab as well as the benefits being offered to manufacturers in Punjab's special economic zones.



US Senior Commercial Officer visited PBIT



US Senior Commercial Officer Mr. Nathan Seifert visited Punjab Board of Investment & Trade and held a meeting with CEO PBIT Mr. Jahanzeb Burana. Both discussed the ways to expand investment and bilateral trade in agriculture, energy, tech and health sectors of Punjab.



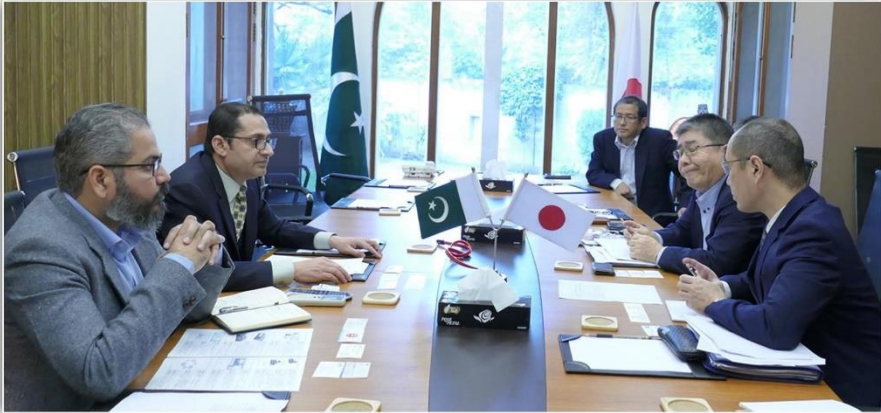
PBIT signed an MoU with Venus Group

Punjab Board of Investment and Trade signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Venus Group to mutually promote and facilitate investment in the food sector of Punjab and to promote food exports. PBIT shall facilitate the company to showcase Punjab's produce in other international fairs and trade exhibitions to boost exports and to initiate sustainable growth in the agri sector. Focal purpose of the memorandum is to initiate joint efforts to unlock the potential and strengthen the development of Punjab especially that of its livestock and agri export industry.



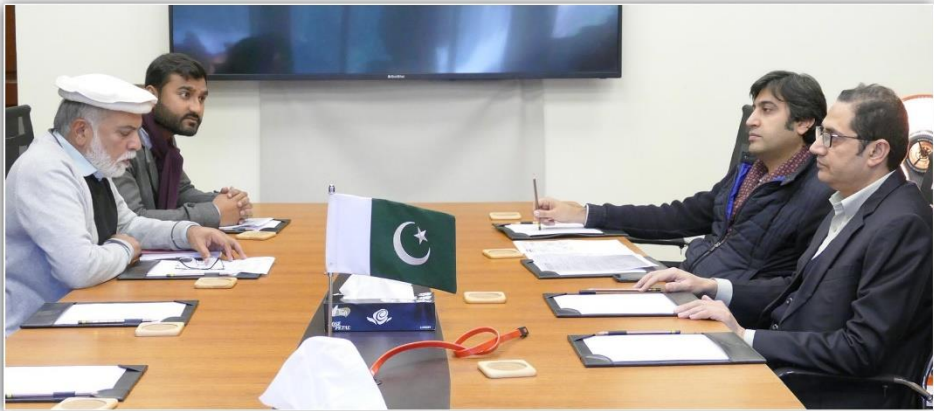
Representatives from Shikoku IT Cooperative, Japan visits PBIT

Representatives from Shikoku IT Cooperative, Japan visited PBIT to explore business opportunities in IT sector into Punjab. PBIT will arrange their meetings with PITB and private sector IT businesses for any possible collaboration.



Venice Company (Pvt.) Ltd. visits PBIT

Venice Company Pvt. Ltd, providing warehousing and logistical facilities to multinational companies, visited Punjab Board of Investment and Trade and had a meeting with Facilitation Department to resolve their issues with different Government departments. PBIT ensured full facilitation to the company and vowed to resolve their issues with different Government departments.



German Delegation visits PBIT

A German delegation led by Dr. Pentis C. Poetis (Hon' Consul of Pakistan to Bavaria, Germany) visited Punjab Board of Investment & Trade. The delegation was received by Mr. Jahanzeb Burana - Chief Executive Officer-PBIT. Mr. Burana highlighted various business opportunities and areas of mutual collaboration where investors from Germany can explore various investment openings in Punjab. Dr. Poetis shared his thoughts about interest of various German investors in private healthcare sector in Punjab. he also shared his thoughts over the Start-ups ecosystem and establishment of investment fund for providing opportunities of business enhancement to various Start-ups in Punjab.



News Buzz

TRADE UNDER PAK-CHINA FTA-II BEGINS

Beijing and Islamabad will start trade under Free Trade Agreement (FTA)-II which will provide the opportunity to Pakistan to increase its exports to China by \$4-6 billion in next five years.

The News
Jan 1st, 2020.

19 ORGANISATIONS FROM PAKISTAN GET GDIB AWARDS

Diversity Hub-HR Metrics organized 2020 GDIB Awards and declared 19 organisations from Pakistan as winners. Global Diversity & Inclusion Benchmarks (Standards for Organizations around the World) support organizations globally in the development and implementation of Diversity and Inclusion (D&I) best practices.

Business Recorder
Jan 1st, 2020.

PM OPENS MODEL POLICE STATION IN KHANEWAL

Prime Minister Imran Khan inaugurated a model police station Kohna from Mianwali through video link. The model police station is equipped with modern infrastructure and facilities aimed to provide quick relief for the people and build up trust between public and the police force. The opening took place during the PM's day long visit to his native city. It was also a symbolic inauguration of total 29 such stations established across the province.

The Nation
Jan 6th, 2020.

News Buzz

SIX-MONTH FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT JUMPS 68.3PC

The inflows of foreign direct investment (FDI) jumped 68.3 per cent to \$1.34 billion during the first half of the current fiscal year compared to \$796.8 million in the same period last year. The major chunk of these investments was concentrated in the telecommunication, power and electrical machinery sectors with China and Norway emerging as the top investors. The SBP figures showed surprise addition of Malta which invested \$111.1m during the July-December period of 2019-20.

Dawn
Jan 17th, 2020.

PSX GEARS UP FOR THE YEAR'S FIRST IPO

In less than five months, the benchmark index of the Pakistan Stock Exchange (PSX) has recorded mind-blowing gains of 49 per cent. The index, which dropped to 28,764 points in August 2019, is now hovering around 43,200 points. A small number of active blue-chip companies are now touching their fair values, which has heightened the investors' appetite for new listings. With the sponsors picking up courage to float shares in a raging bull market, the news of an initial public offering (IPO) is music to the ears of investors.

Dawn
Jan 20th, 2020.

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