

### Assets declaration deadline extended to July 3

The govt. has extended the deadline for its Assets Declaration Scheme for 3 days — until the end of office hours on 3<sup>rd</sup> Jul'19 — through a presidential ordinance to help those in queues complete the process and whiten their assets. FBR chairman Shabbar Zaidi said about 85,000 people had filed their returns so far and the numbers were changing every hour and could cross 100,000. Simultaneously, the FBR has notified the establishment of an Adjudicating Authority under the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act 2017 to go after those who do not declare their undisclosed assets and properties. *Dawn-Mon.*

### Tax amnesty scheme: PKR 42Bn gets into state kitty before midnight

Over 92,000 people benefited from tax amnesty scheme on 30<sup>th</sup> Jun'19 before the clock struck midnight, paying PKR 42Bn out of which a major chunk comprises new filers. After the three-day extension, FBR expects that total number of people opting for amnesty might touch the figure of 100,000 and the govt. is expecting the figure to cross PKR 60-70Bn. Chairman FBR Shabbar Zaidi said that around 90% people availing themselves of amnesty had not been in the tax system before. *The News.*

### FBR chief optimistic about collection target

Chairman FBR, Shabbar Zaidi has said that the revenue collection of the FBR will cross PKR 3,842Bn during FY20. The FBR has so far collected PKR 3,820Bn during FY19 against the downward revised target of PKR 4,150Bn, reflecting a shortfall of PKR 330Bn. The govt. had originally fixed revenue collection target at PKR 4,398Bn for FBR. The target was downward revised to PKR 4,150Bn keeping in view revenue shortfall during FY19. *BR-Sun.*

### Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act: Adjudicating Authority notified

The federal govt. has established the Adjudicating Authority under Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act-2017. The Authority will start functioning w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> Jul'19. Benami Zones have already started to implement Benami Act-2017. *BR-Mon.*

### Petroleum prices to stay unchanged

Petroleum prices will remain unchanged for the month of Jul'19 as the govt. has made adjustments in tax rates. FBR earlier had issued a notification increasing the GST on petrol and high-speed diesel (HSD) from 13 to 17% to absorb requirement for a price cut. *Dawn-Mon.*

### Supply recipients: FBR unveils procedure for withholding of GST

The FBR has issued a detailed procedure for withholding of sales tax by the recipient of supply from 1<sup>st</sup> Jul'19. The FBR has amended Sales Tax Rules 2006 through SRO 698(I)/2019. Under the procedure, the registered supplier shall issue sales tax invoice as stipulated in section 23 of the Sales Tax Act, 1990, in respect of every taxable supply made to a withholding agent. *BR-Sun.*

### New sale price of gas notified

OGRA has notified the new sale price of gas up to 198% with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> Jul'19. The govt. increased the tariff above the recommended gas tariff of OGRA for FY20. The revised gas sale prices will generate additional revenue of PKR 112Bn and rest of PKR 32Bn shortfall will be met through GIDC. *BR-Mon.*

### Electricity, gas tariffs increased

The govt. has increased the electricity and gas tariffs to generate PKR 190Bn and PKR 112Bn respectively for FY20. The capacity charges of PKR 190Bn will be charged from power consumers under 15 months long arrangement and they will be discontinued after the period. The govt. has allocated a subsidy of PKR 217Bn to safeguard the poor domestic and commercial consumers from the hike in the electricity bills. Under the Nepra determined tariff, there is no increase in power bills up to 95% domestic users who are using up to 300 units a month. *BR-Sun.*

### FBR hikes GST on CNG by 2.5%

The federal govt. has hiked the GST on CNG by 2.5%, taking its price to PKR 137/Kg in Punjab and KPK while in Sindh and Balochistan the new price of CNG will be PKR 125/Kg. *The News.*

### \$ 500Mn received from Qatar

Pakistan has received the first tranche of \$ 500Mn from Qatar under the \$ 3Bn package consisting of a foreign currency deposit and direct investment. Qatar is the 4<sup>th</sup> country offering a support package to Pakistan, making the combined bilateral loans from all these friendly countries during the current fiscal year to more than \$ 12.7Bn. *Dawn-Sun.*

### Murad pledges to complete K-IV by removing all impediments

Sindh CM Murad Ali Shah has said his govt. is committed to complete the Karachi Bulk Water Supply Scheme (K-IV project) for which he is working hard to arrange funds while waiting for a report vis-à-vis design verification. The CM was informed that the K-IV project was scheduled to be completed by 2026. Mr Shah said K-I, K-II and K-III schemes took 20 years to complete and unfortunately K-IV had also taken a long time. *Dawn-Sun.*

### \$ 375Mn syndicated loan signed with UAE banks

Pakistan signed a \$ 375Mn syndicated loan with banks in the UAE in Jun'19 made up of conventional and Islamic banking tranches. The tranches are fully subscribed by a syndicate of leading UAE banks led by Emirates NBD Capital Ltd. *Dawn-Sun.*

### KLM ready to start production

KIA Lucky Motors Pakistan Ltd (KLM), a subsidiary of Lucky Cement Ltd, has successfully completed commissioning of the equipment and pilot production and recently commenced CKD operation at its plant located at Bin Qasim Industrial Park (BQIP), Karachi within the originally envisaged project timeline. The total project cost amounts to PKR 19.5Bn and has the capacity to produce 50,000 vehicle/annum. *BR-Sun.*

### 2014-19 textile policy fails to achieve all targets

The five-year Textile Policy (2014-19) has expired on 30<sup>th</sup> Jun'19 but it has failed to achieve all its targets including doubling value addition from \$ 1Bn/Mn cotton bales to \$ 2Bn/Mn cotton bales, increasing textile exports from \$ 13.1Bn to \$ 26Bn as well as creation of 3Mn jobs in five years. The Textile Division is planning to come up with a new policy comprising new targets, incentives and recommendations. All stakeholders would be taken on board before the finalization of new policy. *BR-Sun.*

### Suzuki raises vehicle prices by PKR 40,000-329,000

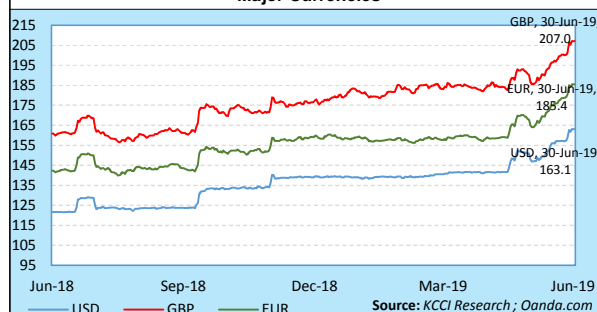
Pak Suzuki Motor Company Limited has raised prices of various models in the range of by PKR 40,000-329,000, passing the full impact of new taxes and duties to the consumers. *Dawn-Sun.*

### Economic Indicators

List of Indicators	Date / Period	Unit	Value	Change Daily
USD-Interbank	28-Jun	PKR	160.05	-2.44%
USD-Open MKT	28-Jun	PKR	160.25	-2.29%
KSE-100 index	28-Jun	Pts.	33,902	0.38%
FIPI	28-Jun	\$ Mn	-0.92	NM**
Crude (AP'19)	28-Jun	\$/bbl	58.18	-1.95%
Gold (MA'19)	28-Jun	\$/oz	1,413.2	0.13%
Gold (10g) Local	28-Jun	PKR	68,244	-2.33%
Silver (MA'19)	28-Jun	\$/oz	15.27	0.30%
Cotton(KHI) -40 kg	28-Jun	PKR	9,002	0.00%
Kibor-6M	28-Jun	%	13.11	0.01%
Forex Reserves	21-Jun	\$ Bn	14.35	-1.97%
	FY19			YoY
Remittances	Jul-May 19	\$ Bn	20.19	10.42%
Exports*	Jul-May 19	\$ Bn	21.27	-0.30%
Imports*	Jul-May 19	\$ Bn	50.47	-8.47%
Trade Balance*	Jul-May 19	\$ Bn	-29.21	13.62%
Current Account	Jul-May 19	\$ Bn	-12.68	29.28%
Foreign Direct Inv.	Jul-May 19	\$ Bn	1.61	-49.18%
LSM Growth*	Jul-Apr 19	%	-3.51	
Avg. CPI	Jul-Apr 19	%	7.00	
Discount Rate	May-19	%	12.25	

Sources: KCCI Research, PMEX, NCCPL, KSE, SBP, PBS\*  
\*\* Not Meaningful on week;

### Major Currencies



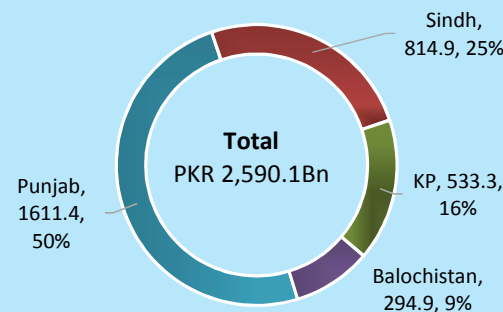
### Quote of the Day

*'The budget is not just a collection of numbers, but an expression of our values and aspirations.'*

**Jack Lew**

### Chart of the Day

### Provincial Share in Federal Taxes-Budget FY20 (PKR Bn)



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