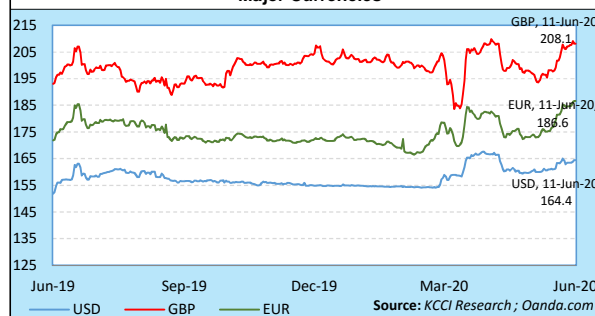


Economic Indicators

List of Indicators	Date / Period	Unit	Value	Change Daily
USD-Interbank	11-Jun	PKR	164.59	0.02%
USD-Open MKT	11-Jun	PKR	164.50	0.12%
KSE-100 index	11-Jun	Pts.	35,129	0.18%
FIPI	11-Jun	\$ Mn	-1.70	NM**
Crude (AP'19)	11-Jun	\$/bbl	39.06	1.77%
Gold (MA'19)	11-Jun	\$/oz	1,739.7	1.36%
Gold (10g) Local	11-Jun	PKR	91,200	0.00%
Silver (MA'19)	11-Jun	\$/oz	18.32	3.11%
Cotton(KHI)-40 kg	11-Jun	PKR	9,217	0.00%
Kibor-6M	11-Jun	%	7.95	-0.01%
Forex Reserves	5-Jun	\$ Bn	16.71	WoW -1.27%
	FY20			YoY
Remittances	Jul-Apr 20	\$ Bn	18.78	5.51%
Exports*	Jul-May 20	\$ Bn	19.80	-6.87%
Imports*	Jul-May 20	\$ Bn	40.85	-18.96%
Trade Balance*	Jul-May 20	\$ Bn	-21.06	27.77%
Current Account	Jul-Apr 20	\$ Bn	-3.34	70.80%
Foreign Direct Inv.	Jul-Apr 20	\$ Bn	2.28	126.78%
LSM Growth*	Jul-Mar 20	%	-5.40	
Avg. CPI	Jul-May 20	%	10.94	
Discount Rate	Jun-20	%	8.00	

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

Major Currencies

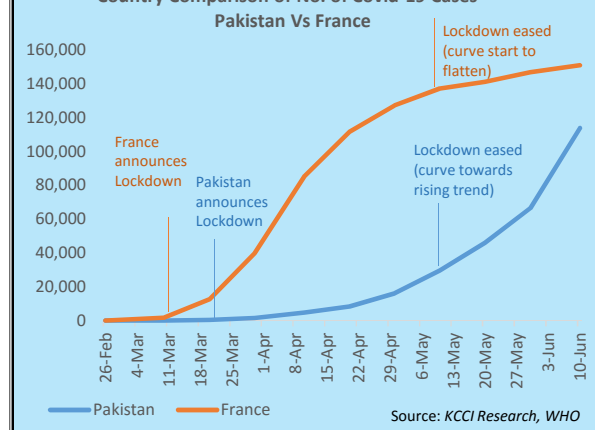


Quote of the Day

"Pandemic is not a word to use lightly or carelessly. It is a word that, if misused, can cause unreasonable fear, or unjustified acceptance that the fight is over, leading to unnecessary suffering and death."

Dr. Tedros

Country Comparison of No. of Covid-19 Cases -



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Siraj Qasim Teli calls for 4% policy rate cut, as business experts react to Economic Survey

Industrialist, Chairman BMG and former President KCCI, Siraj Qasim Teli has called for yet another 4% policy rate cut from the SBP as businesses across Pakistan continue to face major hits due to the coronavirus-hit economy. He said whatever the Economic Survey presented was quite immaterial to the business fraternity as the coronavirus pandemic has changed the world completely. Therefore, the govt. should roll out relief packages across the board and term the upcoming budget a 'relief budget'. He criticised the incumbent govt. for failing to take any effective measure in terms of boosting investments in the country or fixing the interest rate. *Geo*.

Around PKR 7.5Tn budget to be presented today

The Federal govt. is going to present its 2nd budget for FY21, with an estimated outlay of around PKR 7.5Tn, today (12th Jun'20). The govt. is likely to set the revenue collection target at PKR 5.1Tn. *BR*.

Covid-19 inflicts PKR 3Tn loss on economy: Hafeez

The govt. has officially acknowledged that coronavirus has inflicted a loss of PKR 3Tn on the economy so far with 3% to 3.5% hit to the GDP and the severity of the pandemic on export and remittance will be more in the months ahead. This was disclosed by Adviser on Finance, Dr. Abdul Hafeez Shaikh, while launching the "Economic Survey 2019-2020". The adviser said that the debt has increased to 88% of the GDP (\$ 76.5Bn) and no govt. has been able to adhere legal requirement to maintain the debt below 60% of the GDP as stipulated in fiscal responsibility and debt limitation. Shaikh said that GDP has been estimated at negative 0.4% for FY20 on the basis of 2.67 growth in agriculture sector, industrials sector negative 2.64%, services sector growth negative 3.4% and transport and communication, due to lockdown, negative 7.1%. *BR*.

Import of 1636 items: ACD to be abolished in FY21 budget

The govt. has decided to abolish additional customs duty (ACD) on the import of 1636 items in budget FY21 and reduction of duties (Custom Duty, Regulatory Duty, Excise Duty and ACD, etc) on 350 tariff lines in the budget which were proposed by different industries and came under discussion by the Tariff Board. *BR*.

Tariff structure rationalized for 30,000 raw materials, intermediary goods

Presenting relief-oriented budget, the govt. has decided to rationalize duty/tariff structure for over 30,000 raw materials and intermediary goods for boosting up industrialization in the country. There will be no change in existing number of tariff slabs but the additional customs duty and regulatory duties will be scrapped or reduced on thousands of items in the upcoming budget. This tariff rationalization will have negative revenue impact of PKR 14Bn in FY21. On income tax side, there is possibility to keep taxable ceiling limit of PKR 600,000 unchanged for the budget. The FBR is also considering increasing limit of providing CNICs condition from PKR 50,000 to PKR 100,000. *The News*.

Tobacco, sugary drinks: PM asked to ensure implementation of Surcharge Bill

Pakistan National Heart Association (PANAH) and Civil Society Alliance have asked the PM Imran Khan to ensure implementation of the Surcharge Bill passed by the govt. for imposition of the surcharge on tobacco and sugary drinks in budget FY21. It is expected that the Surcharge Bill would be made part of the Finance Bill 2020-21 in budget to be announced today (12th Jun'20). *BR*.

FBR urged to ease condition of mentioning details of ingredients on labels

Importers have urged the FBR to ease the condition of mentioning details of ingredients on labels of imported items both in English and Urdu. Importers also proposed setting up a 'Halal Authority' which should devise a policy having clear cut definition of 'Halal' and take care of all the items being imported or manufactured here under that definition. *The Nation*.

PTI govt gives PKR 1.15Tn in tax break

According to the Economic Survey FY20, the govt. doled out a record PKR 1.15Tn in tax exemptions to the affluent people and under international commitments in FY20. Cumulatively, the govt. has given PKR 2.12Tn in tax exemptions during its first two years in power. *Tribune*.

Virus cuts G20 GDP by record 3.4% in Q1: OECD

Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) has said that measures to curtail the coronavirus outbreak caused a 3.4% drop in GDP for the Group of 20 major economies in 1QCY20, the largest decline since records began in 1998. The steepest declines came in China, where the economy shrank 9.8% from 4QCY19, and in France and Italy, down 5.3% each. *BR*.

Pakistan health data worrisome as compared to neighboring states

Cumulative health expenditures by federal and provincial govt.s increased to PKR 421.8Bn from PKR 416.5Bn previous year. According to the Economic Survey FY20, the national health security is increasingly threatened in Pakistan due to factors like rising urbanization. Regionally, life expectancy is the lowest in Pakistan i.e. 67.1 years as compared to 69.4 years in India, 72.3 years in Bangladesh, 76.8 years in Sri Lanka and 76.7 years in China. *Dawn*.

Ogra holds six OMCs responsible for petroleum shortage

Ogra has held six major Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) responsible for the petroleum shortage across the country and has imposed on them a cumulative fine of PKR 40Mn. *Dawn*.

Sindh spent over PKR 6Bn on Covid-19 in three months

The fight against Covid-19 in Sindh has consumed more than PKR 6.1Bn of the provincial govt.'s funds in around three months. The govt. had released PKR 4.99Bn as special grants and another PKR 1.12Bn for the Coronavirus Emergency Fund till the 1st week of Jun'20. Almost one-third of these funds were spent on the establishment of a 200-bed infectious diseases hospital near NIPA in Karachi. *Tribune*.

Sell sugar at PKR 70kg for 10 days

The Islamabad High Court (IHC) has restrained the federal govt. from taking action on Sugar Inquiry Commission report and directed the authorities concerned to ensure sugar price at PKR 70 per KG for the next 10 days. *The News*.

World faces worst food crisis for at least 50 years, UN warns

The UN has warned that the world stands on the brink of a food crisis worse than any seen for at least 50 years, as it urged govt.'s to act swiftly to avoid the disaster. It said that better social protections for poor people are urgently needed as the looming recession following the coronavirus pandemic may put basic nutrition beyond their reach. *The News*.

Sindh allows food delivery until 11pm daily

The Sindh govt. has granted permission to the eateries and restaurants in the province to do home delivery of their food products until 11pm on a daily basis. Earlier, the restaurants were allowed to do home delivery from 6 am to 7 pm daily. *The News*.

SBP reserves fall \$ 266Mn to \$ 10.1Bn

On 5th Jun'20, forex reserves held by the SBP were recorded at \$ 10.096Bn, down \$ 266Mn compared with \$ 10.36Bn in the previous week due to external debt repayments of \$ 301Mn. Net reserves held by banks amounted to \$ 6.61Bn. Overall, reserves held by the country stood at \$ 16.71Bn. *Tribune*.