

GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE

F. No. 7(2)/2012-Exp.III

Islamabad, the 30th March, 2017

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: **EXPORT OF SUGAR**

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject noted above and to state that the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the Cabinet in Case No. ECC-28/9/2017, dated 28th March, 2017 has decided as under:

- a) Export of 0.200 MMT of sugar (without any subsidy) has been allowed subject to the following conditions:
 - i. The above-mentioned Committee constituted by the Prime Minister will continue to meet every month to review the sugar price/stock/export situation;
 - ii. In case domestic sugar price stability as compared to 15th December 2016, is not maintained, the Committee would immediately recommend to the ECC for stoppage of further exports;
 - iii. Only those mills may be allowed to export which have cleared outstanding dues of farmers relating to last season and have crushed at full capacity;
 - iv. The export quota will be approved and monitored by the SBP on first come first serve basis; and
 - v. Exports will be completed within sixty (60) days of allocation of quota or 31st May 2017, whichever comes earlier.
 - vi. Reference earlier decision of the ECC in Case No. ECC-154/27/2016, dated 28th December, 2016, the deadline for ongoing sugar export has been extended up to 30.04.2017 from the earlier deadline of 31.03.2017.

2. Copy of the ECC of the Cabinet's decision in Case No. ECC-28/9/2017, dated 28th March, 2017 is enclosed.

3. It is requested that actions to implement the decision of the ECC of the Cabinet may kindly be initiated forthwith under intimation to the Ministry of

Commerce. Besides, State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) may arrange via its website full disclosure of the record of sugar quota allocation and its actual exports regarding ECC's decision in Case No. ECC-28/9/2017, dated 28th March, 2017. In addition, SBP is also requested to issue a new circular as a corollary to its circular dated 19.01.2017 informing about the extension in the deadline from 31.03.2017 to 30.04.2017 vide ECC's decision dated 28.12.2016. SBP is further requested to advise this Ministry as to what procedure may be adopted regarding PSMA's request to waive off 15% non-performance penalty on sugar exports bound for Afghanistan and Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) countries, in the wake of Pak-Afghan Border closure from 16.02.2017 to 21.03.2017.

Encl: As above

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5. The Governor,
State Bank of Pakistan, Karachi
6. The Chairman,,
Pakistan Sugar Mills Association, Islamabad.