



WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL WATCH






April 27th – May 03rd, 2026

Major Industrial highlights of the week:

- Rising costs and delayed refunds are pushing textile exporters toward potential factory closures, signaling risk to Pakistan's export earnings and employment base.
- Growing pressure on the textile sector is forcing firms to consider alternatives like solar energy, highlighting a structural shift toward cost efficiency and energy independence.
- Cement prices remain high despite low production costs, with regulators warning of cartelization, indicating inefficiencies that can raise construction costs and slow economic activity.

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 TEXTILE	 SPORTS	 STEEL	 FERTILIZER	 CEMENT
Weekly Cotton Review: Trading remains muted as prices stay stable Business Recorder, 27 Apr 2026		MUGHAL profit shoots up 4x to Rs1.88bn MG News, 29 Apr 2026	Fertilizer Makers Warn New Punjab Act Could Hurt Genuine Companies Pro Pakistani, 27 Apr 2026	Here's Why Cement is So Expensive in Pakistan Despite Being Cheap to Make Pro Pakistani, 27 Apr 2026
Textile exporters warn of factory closures as costs surge, refunds delayed Profit Pakistan, 27 Apr 2026		'Steel sector at breaking point' The News Pakistan, 29 Apr 2026	FFC posts 32% profit growth, Rs8.50 dividend declared MG News, 29 Apr 2026	CCP flags cartel risks, regulatory distortions in Pakistan's cement sector Profit Pakistan, 27 Apr 2026
Textile exporters decry 'undeclared war' Business Recorder, 27 Apr 2026				CCP calls for reforms in cement sector to address market distortions Business Recorder, 27 Apr 2026
Can solar save textile industry? The Express Tribune, 27 Apr 2026				CCP identifies key drivers behind rising cement prices Business Recorder, 28 Apr 2026
Trade, industry and agriculture: Sindh, Uzbekistan's Navoiy region agree to deepen cooperation Business Recorder, 29 Apr 2026				Study proposes tax, reforms on cement sector The Express Tribune, 28 Apr 2026
Nepra proposes amendments to prosumers rules				

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