

WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL WATCH

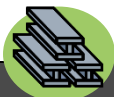
Jul 13th, 2026 – Jul 19th, 2026

Major Industrial highlights of the week:

- Cotton prices remained largely stable, indicating a balanced market despite continued pressure from subdued demand and cautious trading activity.
- The Karachi Cotton Association (KCA) urged immediate implementation of the Sindh High Court's order in the Cotton Exchange Building case, calling for timely compliance to resolve the long-standing dispute.
- Experts highlighted energy storage as a critical enabler of industrial decarbonization, emphasizing its role in improving renewable energy integration and enhancing grid reliability for industries.
- Pakistan's textile exports reached nearly USD 18 billion in FY26, reflecting modest YOY growth but also signaling the need for stronger competitiveness in global markets.
- Industry leaders described FY26 textile exports as largely stagnant, underscoring persistent challenges such as high production costs, weak global demand, and energy-related constraints.
- The Public Accounts Committee questioned irregularities in the Ministry of Industries and Production, seeking greater transparency and accountability in the ministry's operations.
- Kohat Cement clarified that no court order has halted its coal-fired power plant project, dismissing reports suggesting legal restrictions on the development.
- KAPCO shareholders approved USD 47.5 million in financing to facilitate the acquisition of a strategic stake in Attock Cement, marking a significant investment in the cement sector.

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Weekly Cotton Review: Market maintains overall price stability Business Recorder, 13 Jul 2026		Ministry of Industries and Production: PAC panel questions irregularities Business Recorder, 15 Jul 2026		Kohat Cement clarifies no court order to halt coal-fired plant project MG News, 13 Jul 2026
Cotton Exchange Building case: KCA urges immediate compliance with SHC order Business Recorder, 14 Jul 2026				KAPCO shareholders approve \$47.5m financing for Attock Cement stake MG News, 14 Jul 2026
Energy storage key to Pakistan's industrial future: experts Business Recorder, 14 Jul 2026				
Textile exports inch up to USD17.93bn in FY26 Business Recorder, 16 Jul 2026				
Textile exports stagnate at \$17.9bn in FY26 Business Recorder, 16 Jul 2026				

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