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SN	Activity	Remarks
1	EDF Funded Project for expansion of PTTF Lab, Faisalabad. <b>(Procurement related issues)</b>  (During 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2020-21)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ On contact of PTTF to inquire about the status of approval to procure some additional items under Phase-III without tendering u/s 42(b) of PPRA Rules, updated position of the case was shared with them. In addition, PTTF was requested to provide the list equipment/accessories that was presented to EDF Board for approval of Rs. 65.50 million funds.</li> <li>✓ Till 15.01.2021 PTTF did not provide the requisite details. Instead, PTTF repeatedly shared the list they wish to procure.</li> <li>✓ Discussed these matters with the PTTF Authorities and once again requested on 18.01.2021 for provision of above list.</li> <li>✓ This office requested/reminded PTTF on 21.01.2021 to submit Purchase Documents regarding lots under phase-III against which the stock has been received by PTTF.</li> <li>✓ PTTF submitted the copy of detailed PROPOSAL which had been submitted to EDB Board in 2014 for the approval of Rs. 65.55 Million funds out of EDF.</li> <li>✓ Accordingly a meeting was convened and chaired by the Director, TDAP Faisalabad in his office on 22.01.2021 to discuss the relevant issues, which was attended by the Quality Control Manager of PTTF and Deputy Director (TDA Fsd) as well.</li> <li>✓ Minutes of the meeting were shared with PTTF Authorities and TDAP Lahore on 26.01.2021.</li> <li>✓ On receipt of quotations along with other necessary documents for the articles to be procured u/s 42(b) by PTTF, this office contacted TDAP Lahore on 16.03.2021 in order to inquire about the status of "<u>Approval</u>" of their request for the above referred procurement.</li> <li>✓ TDAP Lahore vide email dated: 17.03.2021 asked this office to forward complete file with clear recommendation.</li> <li>✓ The Competent Authority accorded approval to release payments to the vendors against lot # 5, 7, 8 and 10 vide email dated: 19.03.2020. PTTF has been informed about the same and asked to submit cheques accordingly for the signatures of the Director, TDAP Faisalabad.</li> <li>✓ As desired by TDAP Lahore/Karachi, this office prepared monthly expenditure statement of PTTF's EDF funded project for the month of February, 2021 as per the given format and shared it with the concerned authorities on 24.03.2021.</li> <li>✓ In order to submit reconciliation statement of PTTF's EDF Funds, this office requested the Secretary, PTEA/PTTF on 25.03.2021 to supply Bank Account Statement of EDF Funds regularly on monthly basis.</li> </ul>

2	<p>EDF Funded Project for expansion of PTTF Lab, Faisalabad.</p> <p><b>(Signing of Documents for submission to SECP)</b></p> <p>(During 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2020-21)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Received Article and Memorandum of Association of the PTTF to go through the documents before signing the prescribed form(s) and affidavit for submission to SECP by the Director, TDAP Faisalabad in the capacity of Member, Board of Directors (PTTF).</li> <li>✓ After thorough examination of the Article and Memorandum of Association of PTTF, this office sought forwarded necessary documents to TDAP Lahore and sought instructions about any administrative/financial liability on TDAP.</li> <li>✓ TDAP Lahore advised to consult EDF Secretariat, TDAP Karachi in order to know about the legal obligations on the part of TDAP after signing/submitting these documents to SECP.</li> <li>✓ On the instructions of TDAP Karachi, this office forwarded the documents pertaining to the nomination of Director, TDAP Faisalabad on 25.01.2021 as a Member of PTTF's Board of Directors along with Memorandum/Article of Association for onward necessary action.</li> <li>✓ On 27.01.2021, this office shared the updated status of the case with PTTF as per their request.</li> <li>✓ In response to a query raised by TDAP Lahore, TDAP Faisalabad prepared a comprehensive report regarding "PTTF's submission of Documents for Signature of TDAP for onward Submission to SECP" and shared with TDAP Lahore on 04.03.2021.</li> <li>✓ This office once again approached EDF Section, TDAP Karachi on 05.03.2021 for expeditious proceedings in the matter because PTEA/PTTF was pressing hard for early disposal of the case.</li> </ul>
3	<p>National SME Policy Action Plan 2020.</p> <p><b>Dated: 04-Jan-2021</b></p>	<p>On the instructions of TDAP Lahore, this office analyzed the draft policy and sent its feedback to the concerned quarters for further consideration/refinement.</p>
4	<p>Webinar on "Analyzing Bilateral Trade Between Pakistan &amp; Turkey"</p> <p><b>Dated: 15-Jan-2021</b></p>	<p>Subject webinar was a part of the series of TDAP's webinar series and was managed/organized by the Embassy of Pakistan, Istanbul, Turkey. This office widely disseminated the information among the business community of this region with an emphasis to participate in the event. The Officers of this also attended this informative/educative webinar on 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2021</p>
5	<p>Webinar on "Challenges and Opportunities in the Time of COVID-19"</p> <p><b>Dated: 19-Jan-2021</b></p>	<p>Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP) conducted a webinar on "Challenges and Opportunities in the Time of COVID-19" on 19th January, 2021. The primary aim of the webinar was to disseminate information to the business community especially, Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) how to navigate effectively and to explore new ways and employ new techniques &amp; methods in the time of pandemic. In this connection, TDAP invited Mr. Zafar Iqbal Sarwar, a well-known industrialist from textile sector and Dr. Yasir Nawab from National Textile University, Faisalabad as speakers in order to have informed from academic as well as business side. Webinar was well attended by the business community especially from Faisalabad, Sialkot, Multan, Gujranwala and Lahore.</p> <p>Post-event Press Release and Twitter messages were also shared with Textile &amp; Leather Division, TDAP Karachi for onward release/issuance.</p>

6	Meeting with APBUMA <b>Dated: 20-Jan-2021</b>	The officers of this office visited APBUMA Faisalabad office on 20.01.2021 and held meeting with the Executive Body Members to discuss Trade and Yarn related issues.
7	Meeting of the Advisor on Commerce to Prime Minister with PTA, Lahore <b>Dated: 23-Jan-2021</b>	The Deputy Director ( <b>Mr. Fazal-ur-Rehman Rao</b> ) of this office was nominated by TDAP Lahore to coordinate-with/assist the Director General, TDAP-Punjab in a meeting of the Advisor to PM with Pakistan Tanners Association, Lahore on 23.01.2021. the same was attended by the officer and minutes of the meeting were shared with the concerned quarters on 24.01.2021.
8	1 <sup>st</sup> International Virtual Textile Exhibition (V-TEXPO) <b>February 01 – 05, 2021</b>	On the instructions of the Director General, TDAP Lahore and the Director General (Textile & Leather Division), TDAP Karachi, this office widely marketed the event by disseminating the information and relevant documents among stakeholders of the region (trade bodies, chambers and individual exporters as well).  Besides this, officers of this office visited more than 30 prominent manufacturers/ exporters of Textiles in order to convince them for participation. Resultantly six exporters reserved stalls and displayed their products virtually.  In addition to remaining in touch with Faisalabad-based participants of this virtual event, the Officers of this office also attended the online event.
9	Trade Inquiry received from Embassy of Pakistan, Jakarta, Indonesia <b>Dated:01-Feb-2021</b>	Ms. Fouzia Pervaeen Ch., Minister (Trade & Investment), Embassy of Pakistan, Jakarta, Indonesia approached this office and requested for the supply of contact details of reliable manufacturers/exporters of Army Uniform. Requisite details of Faisalabad-based companies were provided for onward necessary action.
10	Visit of the Designate Ambassador of Pakistan to Libya <b>Dated: 04-Feb-2021</b>	On the instructions of TDAP Lahore/Karachi, this office arranged/ facilitated the meetings of Major General (R) Rashid Javed, Pakistan's Ambassador to Libya with Faisalabad Chamber of Commerce & Industry and M/s Gohar Textile Mills Limited. Also arranged factory visit of M/s Gohar Textile Mills. A detailed report in this regard has already been sent to the concerned quarters.
11	Visit of M/s Masood Textile Mills Ltd, Faisalabad. <b>Dated: 04-Feb-2021</b>	The Director, TDAP Faisalabad visited M/s Masood Textile Mills Ltd, Faisalabad and held meeting with Mr. Nasir Zia Chaudhry, Director (Industrial Management) in order to discuss the supply chain issues of the textile sector.
12	Meeting with M/s New Fashion Source, Faisalabad <b>Dated:09.02.2021</b>	Mr. Zain-ul-Abideen, CEO of M/s New Fashion Source, Faisalabad visited TDAP Faisalabad and held a meeting with the Director in order to seek information about exports of the country. Requisite information was provided up to the satisfaction of the visitor.
13	Visit of M/s Z. A. Industry, Faisalabad. <b>Dated: 10-Feb-2021</b>	The Director, TDAP Faisalabad visited M/s Z. A. Industry, Faisalabad and held meeting with Mr. Asim Munir, CEO in order to discuss the supply side issues of the textile sector.
14	Circulation of Trade Inquiry <b>Dated: 11-Feb-2021</b>	Commercial Section, Embassy of Pakistan, Mauritius approached this office with an information that there is a great demand for the disposable wooden spoons in the Mauritius market. This office contacted the Chambers of Commerce & Industry of this region for dissemination of this trade inquiry among concerned members of their organization(s) and also requested to identify such manufacturers for onward sharing with the Commercial Section.

15	Trade Dispute/complaint <b>Dated: 11-Feb-2021</b>	TDAP Abbottabad office approached this office with a request to inquire about the credentials of a Pakistani company which was apparently based in Faisalabad and reportedly involved in some fraudulent activities with Swiss company. This office thoroughly inquired about the given address and found it to be fake. A report in this regard has been sent to TDAP Abbottabad.
16	Visit of APBUMA and Meeting with the Secretary <b>Dated: 12-Feb-2021</b>	The officers of this office visited the office of All Pakistan Bedsheet & Upholstery Manufacturers Association (APBUMA) and held a meeting with Mr. Afzaal Ishaque, Secretary of the organization in order to discuss the response of their members about Virtual Texpo 2021. He appreciated the efforts of TDAP to conduct such an event in the wake of COVID-19. Matters relating to shortage of cotton yarn and hike in its prices were also discussed.
17	Visit of FGCC <b>Dated: 15-Feb-2021</b>	Newly appointed/posted officers of this office visited Faisalabad Garments City Company in order to get firsthand knowledge of the activities of FGCC.
18	Visit of M/s Masood Textile Mills Ltd, Faisalabad. <b>Dated: 16-Feb-2021</b>	A visit/meeting of the newly appointed officers of this office was arranged with M/s Masood Textile Mills Ltd, Faisalabad in order to equip them with the latest market intelligence techniques and the technology being used by some of the state-of-the-art textile manufacturing units of this region.
19	Visit of M/s Nutrifactor (for verification of the credentials of the company) <b>Dated: 17-Feb-2021</b>	As per the request of TDAP (HQs), the Director, TDAP Faisalabad visited M/s Nutrifactor to verify the credentials of the firm, who have applied for participation in Arab Health, Dubai, UAE. A detailed report in this regard has been shared with the concerned quarters for onward necessary action.
20	Visit of M/s Ahmed Weaving, Faisalabad <b>Dated: 23-Feb-2021</b>	The Director, TDAP Faisalabad visited M/s Ahmed Weaving, Faisalabad and held meeting with Mr. Shahzad Ahmed, CEO in order to discuss the supply side issues of the textile sector.
21	Arrangements prior to the seminar on Rice <b>Dated: 23-Feb-2021</b>	On the instructions of TDAP Lahore, this office collected firsthand information like tentative venue, expected participants/audience, estimated budgetary costs etc. to conduct seminars in Sargodha and Sahiwal and shared the same with TDAP Lahore for kind perusal/approval of the Competent Authority.
22	Meeting of the EDF Board <b>Dated: 23-Feb-2021</b>	TDAP Faisalabad, being a stakeholder in EDF funded Faisalabad-based projects like of PTTF and NTU was invited to attend an online meeting convened by the Executive Director, EDF Board, MoC Islamabad. Assistant Director along with other relevant staff members attended the meeting.
23	Contact with Sahiwal Chamber <b>Dated: 23.02.2021</b>	In order to conduct seminar on "Effective use of Pesticides in Rice Growing Areas", this office contacted Sahiwal Chamber of Commerce & Industry to request their collaboration in connection with provision of its hall/resources and identify/invite the stakeholders of their jurisdiction, which they accepted and responded positively.
24	Visit of APBUMA <b>Dated: 24-Feb-2021</b>	The Director, TDAP Faisalabad visited APBUMA (All Pakistan Bedsheet & Upholstery Manufacturers Association), Faisalabad and held a meeting with the Secretary of the organization to discuss the prevailing situation of yarn shortage and its impact on country's exports.

25	Arrangements prior to the seminar on Rice <b>Dated: 24-Feb-2021</b>	On receipt of positive response from Sahiwal Chamber of Commerce & Industry, this office prepared budget estimates to conduct seminar on " <b>Effective use of Pesticides in Rice Growing Areas</b> " at Sahiwal and sent to TDAP Lahore for kind perusal and approval of the Competent Authority.
26	Visit to University of Agriculture, Faisalabad <b>Dated: 24-Feb-2021</b>	The Director, TDAP Faisalabad consulted/contacted Prof. Dr. Amanullah Khan, Director, Horticulture Institute, University of Agriculture and arranged a briefing session for the fresh officers to educate them about the export potential of horticulture sector especially, citrus and mango. The officers appreciated the way of imparting knowledge and graded it a fruitful and impressive session.
27	Visit of M/s Al-Barkat Textiles, Faisalabad <b>Dated: 25-Feb-2021</b>	The Director, TDAP Faisalabad visited M/s Al-Barkat Textiles, Faisalabad and held meeting with the CEO of the company in order to discuss the supply side issues of the textile sector, especially the shortage of cotton yarn.
28	Contact with Faisalabad Women Chamber of Commerce <b>Dated: 25-Feb-2021</b>	For an enhanced interaction between TDAP and the stakeholders, the Assistant Director contacted Faisalabad Women Chamber of Commerce & Industry in order to collect the updated list of their esteemed members.
29	Visit of PHMA <b>Dated: 25-Feb-2021</b>	A visit/meeting of the newly appointed officers of this office was arranged with Pakistan Hosiery Manufacturers Association (PHMA) to educate them about the activities/functions of the organization. Mr. Tahir Rehman Khan, Secretary of the Association briefed the officers in details.
30	Input/feedback regarding establishment of TO in Singapore <b>Dated: 25-Feb-2021</b>	On the instructions of TDAP Lahore, the Deputy Director of this office prepared a comprehensive report regarding input/feedback for establishment of Pakistan's Trade Office in Singapore and share the same with concerned authorities for onward necessary consideration.
31	Webinar on Advanced Technology in Textile Machinery <b>Dated: 25-Feb-2021</b>	A webinar organized by the Association of Italian Textile Machinery Manufactures and NTU was attended by the officers. The webinar discussed latest developments in rapier flying ribbon technology in the technical textiles
32	Information requested by PREIA Consultants <b>Dated: 26-Feb-2021</b>	On the instructions of TDAP Lahore/Karachi, the Deputy Director prepared a report on prescribed format covering the aspects like Trade Delegations hosted, International Exhibitions participated/managed during last three years, Strategic Business Projects, Initiatives and Activities underway etc. The same was shared with the concerned quarters.
33	Contact with Jhang Chamber of Commerce & Industry <b>Dated: 26-02-2021</b>	In connection with arrangements of seminar on "Effective use of Pesticides in Rice Growing Areas", the Director of this office contacted Jhang Chamber of Commerce & Industry in order to seek their collaboration the event, which they responded positively. A formal written request has been sent for their consent.
34	Trade Complaint of a German Company 'M/s Buymax' <b>Dated: 26-Feb-2021</b>	A trade complaint of a German company "M/s Buymax" against M/s Niagara Mills, Faisalabad was routed to this office through Consulate General of Pakistan, Frankfurt with a request to mediate for amicable solution of the matter. This office contacted the respondent on 26.02.2021 and asked them to submit their views/comments in order to proceed further in the matter. A reply received from the respondent was shared with the complainant on 02.03.2021

35	Proposal for the seminar at Jhang <b>Dated: 01-Mar-2021</b>	On receipt of revised schedule of the proposed seminars for the Rice Growers, this office chalked out a proposal for conducting seminar on "Effective use of Pesticides in Rice Growing Areas" at Jhang in collaboration with Jhang Chamber of Commerce & Industry. The proposal which was submitted to TDAP Lahore for kind perusal and approval of the Director General, included Estimated Budget, Venue, Tentative date and Expected Participants etc.
36	Verification of the credentials of M/s A. S. Match Industries, Bhalwal <b>Dated:02-Mar-2021</b>	As per request received from Trade and Investment Counselor, Embassy of Pakistan, Almatay, Kazakhstan, the officers of TDAP Faisalabad visited M/s A. S. Match Industries, Bhalwal, Distt. Sargodha in order to verify the credentials of the firm. It was required by the TIC because an importer from Kazakhstan intends so, before placing any order(s). A detailed visit/verification report along with necessary supporting documents has been sent to the concerned quarters on 05.03.2021
37	Visit of M/s Ashar International (Pvt) Ltd, Faisalabad. <b>Dated: -02-Mar-2021</b>	On receipt of a query from EU Custom Authorities, officers of this office visited M/s Ashar International (Pvt) Ltd, Faisalabad in order to verify the documents relating to the declaration of statement on origin. A report in this regard has been sent to the concerned authorities for onward necessary action.
38	6th International Conference on Value Addition & Innovation in Textiles" by NTU <b>Dated: 02 &amp; 03 Mar, 2021</b>	As per instructions of the Director, TDAP Faisalabad, Officer of this office attended the "6th International Conference on Value Addition & Innovation in Textiles" organized National Textile University, Faisalabad. The webinar discussed latest developments & innovations in the Textile Sector. It was really an informative and educative event. A detailed report in this regard has been submitted to the Director, TDAP Faisalabad on 04.03.2021.
39	Filming Permission from Prominent Business Units of Pakistan based in Punjab. <b>Dated: 04-Mar-2021</b>	As per instructions of TDAP Karachi, this office contacted following Faisalabad-based Textile Manufacturing firms to seek their permission for filming/photo shoot of their state of the art and technologically advanced manufacturing units to showcase the image of Pakistan in the upcoming Expo-2020 Dubai: 1. M/s Interloop Limited 2. M/s Masood Textile Mills Ltd. 3. M/s Ibrahim Fibers
40	Visit of M/s Interloop Limited, Faisalabad <b>Dated: 05-Mar-2021</b>	After nomination of focal person by the authorities of M/s Interloop Ltd. for the said activity, the Deputy Director, TDAP Faisalabad visited their office to justify their queries and finalize the schedule of filming/photo shoot. The schedule and modalities hence discussed/decided along with the name & contact number of the focal person with TDAP Karachi.
41	Invitation for webinar on 'The Importance of IT in the Future of SMEs and Women Entrepreneurs' <b>Dated: 08-Mar-2021</b>	On the instructions of TDAP Lahore, following trade bodies for this region were invited to attend the webinar on ' <b>The Importance of IT in the Future of SMEs and Women Entrepreneurs</b> ' which is being organized by TDAP Lahore on 11 - 12 March, 2021: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Pakistan Hosiery Manufacturers Association (PHMA)</li> <li>✓ Faisalabad Women Chamber of Commerce and Industry</li> <li>✓ All Pakistan Bed sheets and Upholstery Manufacturers Association (APBUMA)</li> <li>✓ Faisalabad Chamber of Small Traders &amp; Small Industry</li> <li>✓ Jhang Chamber of Commerce &amp; Industry (JCCI)</li> <li>✓ Sargodha Chamber of Commerce &amp; Industry (SCCI)</li> </ul>

42	Visit of M/s Masood Textile Mills Ltd, Faisalabad. <b>Dated: -08-Mar-2021</b>	Having no response from the M/s Masood Textile Mills Ltd, the Deputy Director of the office visited the firm in order to finalize the schedule of filming/photo shoot. The same along with particulars of the focal person were shared with TDAP Karachi.
43	Visit of M/s Ibrahim Group, Faisalabad <b>Dated: 09-Mar-2021</b>	Despite several reminders and explanations to the queries of M/s Ibrahim Group, this office did not receive any positive response from the company. Keeping in view the urgency of the matter, the Deputy Director visited the firm but they regretted because of their Supplier's Policy. The same was intimated to TDAP Karachi.
44	Meeting with the Director General, TDAP Lahore. <b>Dated: 10-Mar-2021</b>	On the instructions of TDAP Lahore, newly posted officers of this office visited TDAP Lahore in order to attend an official meeting convened by the Worthy Director General. It was an orientation session.
45	Stakeholders input on Tariff Lines for getting market access in Canadian Market <b>Dated: 10-Mar-2021</b>	With reference to the dialogues between Ministry of Commerce, Government of Pakistan and Canadian Minister of International Trade, TDAP prepared a list of 18 tariff lines of three main products "Denim, Home Textiles and Towels" for preferential market access and shared with the stakeholders (the representative trade bodies of the textile exporters) for their comments and input in the matter.
46	Invitation to attend the webinar on 'The Importance of IT in the Future of SMEs and Women Entrepreneurs' <b>Dated: 10-Mar-2021</b>	On the instructions of TDAP Lahore, this office widely circulated the informative material regarding webinar on ' <b>The Importance of IT in the Future of SMEs and Women Entrepreneurs</b> ' among trade bodies of the region (Jewelers Association, APBUMA, APCPLA, APTPMA, FF&EIG, FCCI, FCSTI, FWCC&I, JCCI, Kinnow Growers Association, Sargodha, Pakistan Yarn Merchants Association, PHMA, SCCI) with a request to further disseminate the information among their members.
47	Visit of PHMA and Meeting with the Secretary <b>Dated: 11-Mar-2021</b>	On the request of PHMA Faisalabad, Officers of this office visited PHMA and held a meeting with the Secretary "Mr. Tahir Rehman Khan" to discuss the increasing number of trade disputes and the uncertainty created among the exporters thereby. Concerns of the exporters were discussed at length.
48	Webinar on 'The Importance of IT in the Future of SMEs and Women Entrepreneurs' <b>Dated: 11 - 12 Mar, 2021</b>	As per instructions of the Director General, TDAP Lahore, this office ensured the participation of its officers for their capacity building. Following officers attended the event: 1. Mr. Allah Dad Tarar, Director 2. Mr. Fazal-ur-Rehman Rao, Deputy Director 3. Ms. Kashmala Javaid, Assistant Director 4. Hafiz Kamran Ahmed, Assistant Director
49	Product Report on <b>Citrus</b> <b>Dated: 12-Mar-2021</b>	Prepared and submitted a report on CITRUS covering the aspects like value chain, areas of production, ratification requirements and potential markets etc.
50	Product Division Meeting <b>Dated: 15-Mar-2021</b>	Newly posted Assistant Directors of this office attended an online meeting convened by the Director General (Engineering & Minerals Division), TDAP Karachi.
51	Contact with Prof. Zafar, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad. <b>Dated: 16-Mar-2021</b>	In connection with preparation Product Brochure of "Agricultural Machinery & Implements" by the newly appointed officers, the Director contacted Prof. Zafar of University of Agriculture, Faisalabad and requested his guidance/input for the said document. He assured his maximum cooperation in this regard.

52	Product Brochure <b>Dated: 16-Mar-2021</b>	Prepared Product Brochure of " <b>Agricultural Machinery &amp; Implements</b> " as per the outlines given by TDAP (HQs) and submitted the same to the Director General (Engineering & Minerals Division), TDAP Karachi for inspection and onward necessary guidance.
53	Contact with PHMA <b>Dated: 16-Mar-2021</b>	<p>Assistant Director, TDAP Faisalabad contacted the Secretary, PHMA to get their point of view on governmental policies regarding gas, energy tariffs and other pressing issues of the Hosiery Sector.</p> <p>Mr. Tahir Rehman Khan informed that the <u><b>preferential/competitive tariffs</b></u> for gas (6.5 MMBTU) and Electricity (9 cents/unit) will continue <u><b>till June, 2021</b></u> and urged the authorities <u><b>to keep these continue</b></u>.</p> <p><u><b>Cotton yarn crisis</b></u> is another burning issue of the sector which has increased the prices by 40% in the last few months. He requested the higher authorities to address this issue on priority basis and ensure the smooth availability of raw material. He further informed that hosiery sector is not accepting new orders due to uncertain market situation.</p>
54	Issuance of GSP Form for UK <b>Dated: 16-Mar-2021</b>	M/s Ahmed Weaving, Faisalabad approached this office with a request (in contrary to the UK GSP Rules) to issue/verify GSP Form 'A' for their shipment sent to a British buyer. The applicant submitted necessary supporting documents like "buyer's request and copy of the LC" to strengthen their verdict. This office consulted the Advisor (GSP), TDAP Karachi "Mr. Kamal Shahryar" and issued GSP Form 'A' only for this shipment as per instructions of the Advisor and advised the Consignee to educate his buyer to refrain such clauses while drafting LC.
55	Query of M/s Salman Machinery, Faisalabad <b>Dated: 17-Mar-2021</b>	M/s Salman Machinery - an agricultural machinery manufacturer contacted this office with some queries about Sales Tax, DTRE Scheme, Rebates and Duty Drawbacks and maximum load in a 20ft container etc. A detailed reply along with necessary supporting documents/links has been sent for the satisfaction of the applicant.
56	Provision of Data for TDAP Portal <b>Dated: 18-Mar-2021</b>	On the instructions of TDAP Karachi/Lahore, this office prepared report Presentations, Activity Reports, Product reports, Pre & Post-show reports regarding international exhibitions, trade delegation, seminars/webinars etc. for the period starting from Jan 2019 till date for <u><b>newly designed TDAP webportal</b></u> . The same was shared with concerned quarters.
57	Export Analysis of Agricultural Machinery Sector <b>Dated: 18-Mar-2021</b>	On the instructions of the Directorate General of Engineering & Minerals, TDAP Karachi, a brief report on manufacturing/export of the Agricultural Machinery & Implements was prepared and shared with the concerned quarters.
58	Preliminary report on Chemical Sector <b>Dated: 19-Mar-2021</b>	A preliminary research & analysis report of the Chemical Sector of Pakistan was prepared and shared with TDAP Karachi for onward necessary guidance.
59	Status of EDF Projects <b>Dated: 19-Mar-2021</b>	As desired by TDAP Lahore, this office prepared and shared the updated status report on prescribed format of the only EDF funded project "Expansion of PTF Lab, Faisalabad" with concerned quarters for onward necessary action.



60	Visit of the Senior Vice Chairman, APBUMA <b>Dated: 22-Mar-2021</b>	Eng. Bilal Ahmed, Senior Vice Chairman, APBUMA Faisalabad visited TDAP Faisalabad and held a meeting with the Director 'Mr. Allah Dad Tarar'. He discussed export related issues like shortage of cotton yarn etc. He further invited the officers of TDAP to attend the meeting of their Executive Body Members which has been scheduled on 25.03.2021. The Director assured the presence/participation of TDAP in the said meeting.
61	Launching of Pakistani Companies on Russian Online Marketplace <b>Dated: 24-Mar-2021</b>	TDAP in collaboration with Trade Wing, Embassy of Pakistan, Moscow scheduled a Webinar on " <b>Launching of Pakistani Companies on Russian Online Marketplaces</b> " on 25th March, 2021 @ 2.30PM. This office widely circulated this information along with other necessary web links and documents among stakeholders to ensure their maximum participation.
62	Revised Budget Estimates for the Seminars on Rice <b>Dated: 25-Mar-2021</b>	On the directives of TDAP Lahore, this office prepared revised budget estimates for the seminars on " <b>Effective use of Pesticides in Rice Growing</b> " which are planned to be conducted in Sahiwal and Jhang and sent for approval/remittance.
63	Trade Complaint of a German Company <b>Dated: 25-Mar-2021</b>	With reference to the reply received from the Respondent "M/s Niagara Mills Ltd, Faisalabad" which was forwarded to the Complainant "M/s Buymax, Frankfurt, Germany", this office again received the views of the complainant. The same was shared with the respondent with a request for early resolution of the issue, who promised to sort it out amicably.
64	Meeting of the Executive Body of APBUMA <b>Dated: 25-Mar-2021</b>	The Director along with newly appointed Assistant Directors attended the meeting of APBUMA's Executive Body, wherein following key points were discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Export related issues of SMEs and their representation in TDAP sponsored events which is currently negligible.</li> <li>✓ Emphasis on more B2B meetings (virtual/physical) in future.</li> <li>✓ Conducting webinar on incentives offered by the government for SMEs</li> </ul> A detailed report has already been sent to TDAP Lahore.
65	Prominent Exporters of Agricultural Machinery Products <b>Dated: 26-Mar-2021</b>	As desired by the Directorate General of Engineering & Minerals, a list of prominent/top 20 exporters of agricultural implements was prepared and shared with concerned authorities.
66	Contact with Sahiwal & Jhang Chambers in connection with Rice Seminars <b>Dated: 26-Mar-2021</b>	On receipt and revised/final schedule of the seminars on " <b>Effective use of Pesticides in Rice Growing Area</b> ", this office contacted: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sahiwal Chamber of Commerce &amp; Industry and informed that the event would be held on June 01, 2021</li> <li>2. Jhang Chamber of Commerce &amp; Industry and informed that the event would be held on June 02, 2021</li> </ol> Further, both the trade bodies were requested to invite maximum stakeholders and cooperate/collaborate with TDAP in making these events a success.
67	Telephonic Contact with Sahiwal & Jhang Chambers in connection with Rice Seminars <b>Dated: 29-Mar-2021</b>	In continuation of earlier correspondence regarding revised/final schedule of the seminars on " <b>Effective use of Pesticides in Rice Growing Area</b> ", the Director contacted SCCI & JCCI and requested them for effective marketing of the event.

68	Meeting with FCCI's Executive Member <b>Dated: 30-Mar-2021</b>	Mr. Asim Munir (CEO of M/s Z. A. Industry), President Board of Directors of TEVTA and Chairman FCCI Committee on Development of Business Entrepreneurs visited TDAP Faisalabad and held a meeting with Officers to discuss trade/export related issues of the region. Shortage of skilled labour is one of the major issue of Textile Sector. The Officers of TDAP requested him to address this core issue from the platform of TEVTA. He assured to consult the industry with respect to their demands before designing any curriculum in future.
69	Trade Statistics of Agricultural Machinery & Implements <b>Dated: 30-Mar-2021</b>	As desired/directed by the Directorate General (Minerals & Engineering) TDAP Karachi, this office prepared following reports regarding <b>Agricultural Machinery &amp; Implements</b> and shared with concerned authorities: 1. Pakistan export to world. 2. Pakistan exports to Africa. 3. Countries that export Agricultural Machinery to Africa. 4. Total imports of Africa of Agricultural Machinery products.
70	Facilitation <b>During 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter -2021-21</b>	In connection with facilitation activities, this office: ➤ Attended/entertained more than 75 Help Desk visitors, who visited this office in order to justify their queries regarding REX registration, Upcoming UK's GSP Scheme, Webinars being organized by TDAP and Virtual TEXPO-2021. ➤ Circulated the ads published in daily newspapers regarding int'l exhibitions among stakeholders. ➤ Prepared and shared certificate-wise/country-wise issuance report of GSP/FTA/PTA for the preceding month(s) on prescribed format provided by TDAP (HQs). ➤ Data Entry Report of GSP/FTA/PTA/COO for the preceding month(s) was prepared and shared with the concerned quarters. ➤ GSP Monthly stock & sale reports along with deposit of sale proceeds were also prepared and sent to the concerned authorities.
71	Contact with the Trade Bodies of the Region <b>During 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2020-21</b>	In order to be well aware of the issues of the exporters and management of supply chain, Officers of this office remained in permanent contact with the leading trade bodies of the region and frequently visited following representative bodies:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Faisalabad Chamber of Commerce &amp; Industry</li><li>• Jhang Chamber of Commerce &amp; Industry</li><li>• Sargodha Chamber of Commerce &amp; Industry</li><li>• Sahiwal Chamber of Commerce &amp; Industry</li><li>• Faisalabad Women Chamber of Commerce &amp; Industry</li><li>• Pakistan Textile Exporters Association</li><li>• All Pakistan Bedsheet &amp; Upholstery Manufacturers Association.</li><li>• Pakistan Hosiery Manufacturers Association</li><li>• All Pakistan Textile Processing Mills Association</li></ul>
72	Facilitation issuance of GSP/FTA/PTAs During 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2020-21	In addition to the above facilitation activities, this office also issued <b>417</b> GSP/FTA/PTA/COO during the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter of 2020-21