

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE ON THE STARRED QUESTION NO. 50 MOVED BY SYED AGHA RAFIULLAH, MNA

I, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Commerce have the honor to present this report on the Starred Question No. 50 referred to the Committee on the 6th February 2020.

2. The Committee comprises the following:-

1.	Syed Naveed Qamar	Chairman
2.	Mr. Ali Khan Jadoon	Member
3.	Mr. Muhammad Yaqoob Sheikh	Member
4.	Mr. Muhammad Asim Nazir	Member
5.	Mr. Muhammad Aslam Bhootani	Member
6.	Mr. Raza Nasrullah	Member
7.	Mr. Khurram Shahzad	Member
8.	Mr. Ahmad Hussain Deharr	Member
9.	Mian Muhammad Shafiq	Member
10.	Ms. Wajiha Akram	Member
11.	Ms. Sajida Begum	Member
12.	Mrs. Farukh Khan	Member
13.	Mr. Usman Ibrahim	Member
14.	Rana Iradat Sharif Khan	Member
15.	Mr. Rasheed Ahmed Khan	Member
16.	Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb	Member
17.	Ms. Shaista Pervaiz	Member
18.	Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja	Member
19.	Mr. Asif Ali Zardari	Member
20.	Syed Javed Ali Shah Jillani	Member
21.	Mr. Abdul Razak Dawood	Advisor to the Prime Minister on Commerce and Investment

3. The Committee considered the Starred Question No. 50, placed at Annex. "A" in its meeting held on 15th September, 2020 and recommended that the Starred Question may not be proceeded further.

Sd/-
TAHIR HUSSAIN
Secretary

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SYED NAVEED QAMAR
Chairman
Standing Committee on Commerce

Islamabad, the 22nd January, 2021

50. *Syed Agha Rafiullah:

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state the new steps being taken by the Government to enhance the domestic exports to Finland in next financial year?

Minister for Commerce: The following new steps may be taken by the Government to enhance the domestic exports to Finland in next financial year:—

- Through the efforts of Ministry of Commerce Pakistani products have duty free market access in all 28-member states of the European Union (EU), including Finland since 1st January 2014, for a period of 10 years till 2023. Pakistan has successfully concluded two previous biennial reviews in 2016 and 2018 respectively, while the Third Biennial Review (2018-2019) is in process. As a result of this arrangement Finland's imports from Pakistan have increased from USD 55.7 million in 2013 to USD 63.8 million in 2018. This constitutes an increase of 15%.
- Exchange of delegations of exporters / companies from both the countries to explore latest trends & designs, clientele preference, new technologies etc. of exportable items.
- Government of Finland have been requested to give trade related technical assistance to Pakistan to meet International quality standards for both agricultural and industrial products.
- Importers from Finland are being encouraged to visit Pakistan for forging business partnerships.
- Finish companies are also being encouraged to participate in exhibitions held in Pakistan, including EXPO / TEXPO to meet their relevant counterparts under one roof.
- Participation of Pakistani exporters / exhibitors in the exhibitions held in Finland to attract more buyers.
- Possibility of cooperation between trade promotion organization of two countries is also being explored.