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Each week, significant economic activities and developments occur across various sectors in Afghanistan. The Afghanistan's Economic Development Newsletter covers these important and latest economic activities and advancements.



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THE OPENING OF THE 4TH NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRY WEEK EXHIBITION IN KABUL



Deputy PM for Economic Affairs, Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar Akhund, inaugurated the 4th National and International Industry Week Exhibition at the Afghanistan International Exhibition Center in Kabul.

The inauguration ceremony was attended by the Deputy PM for Administrative Affairs, Abdul Salam Hanafi, Acting Minister of Industry and Commerce, Nooruddin Azizi, several Emirate officials, and numerous domestic and international businesspeople.

In his remarks, Deputy PM Mullah Baradar Akhund referred to industry as the foundation of a nation's development. He added that today we witness the progress of countries that, due to the industrial revolution, have

strengthened their infrastructure, reduced unemployment, and found good markets for their products.

The Deputy PM emphasized that organizing such exhibitions demonstrates the Islamic Emirate's strong commitment to transitioning Afghanistan's economy from an import-based model to an export-driven one.

Exhibitions are vital for a country's economic growth. They provide a platform to present domestically produced goods to both national and international audiences. In this exhibition, Afghan domestic industries, products, and goods are being showcased across 700 booths.

The Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan is committed to the industrial

development of the country. Since its return to power, over 1,500 new factories have been established, creating employment opportunities for approximately 70,000 citizens.

Currently, Afghanistan has achieved self-sufficiency in 138 industrial and production sectors. Recent industrial activities have played a significant role in reducing unemployment and advancing the economy.

The Islamic Emirate has taken unprecedented steps to develop the country's industrial and economic sectors. As part of this effort, it has initiated the allocation of land for the construction of industrial parks across various provinces. So far, 80,000 jeribs of land have been allocated, and the remaining processes are progressing rapidly.

A country's economy thrives when its people support local farmers, livestock breeders, and industrialists by consuming their products. For Afghanistan's economy to grow further and for its economic system to move toward progress and expansion like other nations, it is essential for citizens to utilize domestic products and goods. It is worth mentioning that the exhibition opened on May 27, 2025 and will continue until June 1, 2025. Thousands of citizens are expected to visit the exhibition. A wide range of products from agriculture, mining, healthcare, handicrafts, and other sectors are being showcased.

LAND OWNERSHIP DISTRIBUTION TO INDUSTRIALISTS HAS BEGUN

In the presence of the Deputy PM for Economic Affairs, Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar Akhund, the process of distributing land ownership documents

to several industrialists officially began on May 28, 2025.

The ceremony was held at the Ministry of Industry and Commerce's

auditorium and was attended by the Acting Minister of Industry and Commerce, the Acting Minister of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock, several other officials of the Islamic Emirate, as well as businesspeople and investors.

Deputy PM Mullah Baradar Akhund

stated that industry is the most effective means for achieving a country's economic self-reliance, social stability, and reduction of unemployment. To support economic growth and development, attract private investment, and ensure the management, protection, and supervision of industrial zones,

the esteemed Leader of the Islamic Emirate, Amir al-Mu'minin (may Allah protect him), has enacted the Industrial Zones Law. This law provides the necessary framework and relevant facilities for industrialists and investors to carry out industrial activities within designated industrial zones.

During this ceremony, 91 industrialists were granted land ownership documents for industrial use in these zones. According to Emirate officials, a total of 650 jeribs of land across various provinces have been allocated to these 91 industrialists.

The leadership of the Islamic Emirate has designated land in Kabul and other provinces to promote industrial activities and create job opportunities. The purpose of providing land to industrialists is to contribute to the country's economic development.

The Islamic Emirate has also announced specific incentives and facilities for domestic and foreign investors. Investors are encouraged to take advantage of these opportunities to invest in Afghanistan, apply their expertise, and contribute their capital to local industry. The Islamic Emirate assures all investors of its full cooperation and has provided all necessary support and facilities.



KAZAKHSTAN TO INVEST \$500 MILLION IN THE AFGHAN-TRANS PROJECT

Kazakhstan has officially announced its plan to invest half a billion dollars in the Afghan-Trans project. Russia has also expressed interest in participating in the

project.

Earlier this month, the Deputy Minister of Railways at the Ministry of Public Works traveled to Uzbekistan and

signed an agreement with the head of Uzbekistan Railways to assess the potential of the Afghan-Trans project.

The Afghan-Trans project is considered a highly significant regional trade connectivity initiative. Its primary objective is to link Central Asian countries to the Indian Ocean through Afghanistan.

The total length of the project is 573 kilometers, and its implementation carries substantial benefits for Afghanistan. With the completion of this project, Afghanistan is expected to become a key transit corridor in the region, which would play a vital role in the country's economic development and expansion of trade.

The implementation of the Afghan-Trans project is not only important for Afghanistan but also for the economic growth of the region and involved countries. It is expected to create job opportunities, reduce transit costs, and enhance regional trade.

