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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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INCREASE IN AFGHANISTAN'S TRADE THROUGH IRAN AND CENTRAL ASIA



The Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan seeks to expand alternative trade and transit routes for Afghanistan instead of relying on Pakistani corridors. The objective is to protect Afghan farmers and traders from losses. ensure uninterrupted and imports, stabilize exports Afghan markets against shortages

of food and other commodities, and prevent the import of certain low-quality products.

Although Afghanistan is landlocked and lacks direct access to the sea, it has multiple options to avoid reliance on a single country. Iran and Central Asia serve as important and reliable alternative routes for

Afghanistan's trade and transit, free from major complications. The Ministry of Industry and Commerce stated that Afghanistan's trade through Iran and Central Asia has recently increased.

Afghan traders have supported the latest position of the Islamic Emirate regarding trade with Pakistan and want to choose routes that are not at risk of closure and that prevent other parties from using trade as a pressure tool against Afghanistan.

The Islamic Emirate is working to establish broad trade relations and agreements with Iran, Central Asian countries. and India. enabling Afghan traders to export goods to those countries and import goods from them with ease, while also using these territories as transit corridors.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW CARGO RATES TO INDIA BY ARIANA AFGHAN AIRLINES



Ariana Afghan **Airlines** has announced that it will transport Afghanistan's export goods to India at the rate of one dollar per kilogram and will transport imports from India at eighty cents per kilogram.

This step comes after Pakistan closed transit and trade routes to Afghanistan. The decision aims to support Afghan traders and the country's economy.

Afghan traders export dried and fresh fruits, carpets, saffron, and other commodities to India, and import medicines and various other goods from there.

This Emirati airline took the step

based on directives from the Deputy PM for Economic Affairs, Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar Akhund. It is expected that Ariana Afghan Airlines will purchase cargo aircraft in the

near future, enabling Afghan farmers' produce to reach many countries around the world.

The Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan consistently stands alongside its

citizens and provides full support and facilitation for farmers and traders, especially during difficult circumstances.

ACTIVATION OF THE TARAKHIL THERMAL POWER PLANT

Based on directives issued to authorities of Da Afghanistan Breshna Sherkat (DABS), the Tarakhil thermal power plant in Kabul has been reactivated.

The Tarakhil thermal power plant generates 105 megawatts of electricity and is activated when

there is a shortage of power, in order to reduce the impact of blackouts on the population.

Afghanistan currently imports a portion of its electricity from neighboring countries, but supply sometimes decreases due to various factors.

The Islamic Emirate is working to gradually reduce electricity shortages in the country and has initiated numerous power generation projects in various provinces using water, solar, and gas resources. Upon completion, projects will accelerate these industrial growth and eliminate power outages for the population.

