

THE KARACHI STOCK EXCHANGE (GUARANTEE) LIMITED



PRESS RELEASE

VISIT OF MR. SHAUKAT TARIN, ADVISOR TO PRIME MINISTER

(Karachi, July 6, 2009): Mr. Shaukat Tarin, Advisor to the Prime Minister on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs and Statistics visited the Karachi Stock Exchange today. He was accompanied by Mr. Sohail Dayala, Commissioner (SMD), SECP.

Mr. Tarin briefed the KSE members about the current state of the economy, and commented that a significant part of the stabilization efforts has been achieved. He also expected the Monetary Policy to reflect the impact of reduced inflation.

Mr. Tarin urged KSE members to play an active/leadership role in private equity and other forms of capital formation so that the Karachi Stock Exchange could be more integrated with the national economy.

Mr. Tarin also advised the front-line and apex regulators to focus on market development including leverage products to ensure that vibrancy is maintained in the capital markets.

Mr. Tarin announced that he would advise the Federal Board of Revenue to (1) convert the tax being paid under Presumptive Tax Regime (PTR) to be made adjustable (as compared to minimum) with final tax liability of members and (2) to abolish the withholding tax applicable on the sale of shares transactions. F.E.D will be collected directly from Members as prescribed by the FBR. However, the audit process will be made transparent and hassle free.

The Board and Members of the Exchange appreciated the comments and announcements of the Honorable Advisor.

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