

Attractive Investment Package

Policy Parameters	Manufacturing Sector	Non -Manufacturing Sectors		
		Agriculture	Infrastructure & Social	Services including IT & Telecom Services
Govt. Permission	Not required except 4 specified industries *	Not required except specific licenses from concerned agencies.		
Remittance of capital, profits, dividends, etc.	Allowed	Allowed		
Upper Limit of foreign equity allowed	100%	100%	100%	100%
Minimum Investment Amount (M \$)	No	0.3	0.3	0.15
Customs duty on import of PME	5%	0%	5%	0-5%
Tax relief (IDA, % of PME cost)	50%	50%		
Royalty & Technical Fee	No restriction for payment of royalty & technical fee.	Allowed as per guidelines - Initial lump-sum upto \$100,000 - Max Rate 5% of net sales - Initial period 5 years		

* Specified Industries:

- Arms and ammunitions
- High Explosives.
- Radioactive substances
- Security Printing, Currency and Mint.

No new unit for the manufacturing of alcohol, except, industrial alcohol

PME= Plant, Machinery and Equipment

IDA= Initial

Highlights of Investment Policy

- Equal treatment to foreign and domestic investors.
- All economic sectors open to FDI (Except for Arms and Ammunition, High Explosives, Radioactive substance, Security printing and Currency Mint).
- 100% foreign equity allowed.
- Remittance of royalty, technical & franchise fee, capital, profits and dividends allowed.
- Attractive incentive packages:-
 - 0-5% customs duty on import of machinery
 - No sales tax & withholding tax on import of machinery
 - Import of raw material for export oriented manufacturing zero-rated
 - Initial depreciation allowance at the rate of 50 %
- Network of Export Processing Zones/Industrial Estates
- Foreign investment fully protected under following two laws;
 - Promotion & Protection Act 1976.
 - Protection of Economic Reforms Act 1992
- Bilateral Agreements:-
 - - Investment Promotion & Protection : 47 Countries
 - - Avoidance of Double Taxation Treaty : 52 Countries.