



Chinese official calls Iran key economic partner in West Asia

TEHRAN, Sep. 13 (MNA) – Hailing Iran's excellent cooperation with China in the economic fields, a Chinese official in the Department of Industry and Information Technology called Iran as an important economic and trade partner for China in West Asia. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://en.mehrnews.com/news/163470/Chinese-official-calls-Iran-key-economic-partner-in-West-Asia>

Trade via Chazabeh border to be conducted on all weekdays

TEHRAN- Activity in Chazabeh border between Iran and Iraq will be running in all days of the week as of Saturday, the spokesman of the Islamic Republic of Iran Customs Administration (IRICA) announced. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://www.tehrantimes.com/news/452348/Trade-via-Chazabeh-border-to-be-conducted-on-all-weekdays>

Transportation Sector Slowly Recovering From Coronavirus

Turkmenistan Recloses Sarakhs Border

Turkmenistan closed its land border with Iran's Sarakhs in Khorasan Razavi Province on Thursday after a short stint of reopening. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://financialtribune.com/articles/domestic-economy/105225/turkmenistan-recloses-sarakhs-border>

Loading, unloading non-oil goods almost doubled in Chabahar Port: Official

Chabahar, Sept 12, IRNA – Loading and unloading non-oil shipments in Chabahar Port has increased by 97% in the current Iranian year compared to the same period last year, Managing Director of Ports and Maritime Organization of Iran (PMO) Behrouz Aqaei said on Saturday. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://en.irna.ir/news/84035911/Loading-unloading-non-oil-goods-almost-doubled-in-Chabahar-Port>



Private Sector Investments in Iranian Ports: \$626 Million Under 333 Contracts

The private sector in Iran has invested a total of 161.23 trillion rials (\$626 million) in the country's ports under 333 contracts to date. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://financialtribune.com/articles/domestic-economy/105228/private-sector-investments-in-iranian-ports-626-million-under-333>

26% Monthly Rise in Living Wage

Given the general rise in prices of goods and services, the 49.4-million-rial (\$192) living wage set in the month ending March 2020 for a 3.3-member household, has reached 62.49 million rials (\$243) in the month ending Aug. 21, indicating a 26.5% rise month-on-month, according to Faramarz Tofiqi, a top advisor to Representatives Assembly of Iranian Workers. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://financialtribune.com/articles/domestic-economy/105221/26-monthly-rise-in-living-wage>

Iran providing medical services to ships crossing Oman Sea

Chabahar, Sept 13, IRNA – Medical teams in Chabahar Port are ready to respond to sailors and they provide medical services to ships passing through the Sea of Oman, Deputy Director of Ports and Maritime Department of Sistan-Baluchestan Province Hassan Ebrahimi on Sunday. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://en.irna.ir/news/84037516/Iran-providing-medical-services-to-ships-crossing-Oman-Sea>

Industrial Zones in Hamedan Province Thriving

The number of industrial units in the western province of Hamedan has seen an 83% rise in the last seven years to reach 1,300, according to a senior official with Hamedan Governorate. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://financialtribune.com/articles/domestic-economy/105230/industrial-zones-in-hamedan-province-thriving>



Mehran border terminal operational on all weekdays: official

TEHRAN, Sep. 13 (MNA) – The trade activities at Mehran border terminal, in the western Iranian borders with Iraq, have increased from four days to all weekdays. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://en.mehrnews.com/news/163449/Mehran-border-terminal-operational-on-all-weekdays-official>

Tehran, Bishkek discuss expansion of economic ties

TEHRAN, Sep. 13 (MNA) – The ambassadors of Iran and Kyrgyzstan to Russia met in Moscow on Sunday to discuss bilateral ties between Tehran and Bishkek. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://en.mehrnews.com/news/163457/Tehran-Bishkek-discuss-expansion-of-economic-ties>

Iran steel export hits 1.7m tons

Tehran, Sept 13, IRNA –The total exports of Iran's largest steel mills companies, rose up to 1.7 million tons over the past five months of current Iranian year (March 21- August 21). Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://en.irna.ir/news/84036861/Iran-steel-export-hits-1-7m-tons>

Iran, number one shipbuilder in Middle East

Bandar Abbas, Sept 13, IRNA – Iran Shipbuilding and Offshore Industries Complex (ISOICO), located in southern Iranian province of Hormuzgan, is now the number one shipbuilder of the Middle East after four decades of activity in the industry. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://en.irna.ir/news/84037003/Iran-number-one-shipbuilder-in-Middle-East>

Container Terminal Launched in Qeshm FTZ

A four-hectare container terminal was inaugurated on Qeshm Island's Free Trade Zone via videoconferencing by President Hassan Rouhani on Thursday. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://financialtribune.com/articles/domestic-economy/105244/container-terminal-launched-in-qeshm-ftz>

29 development projects underway in Iran's PETZONE

TEHRAN - Managing Director of Iran's Mahshahr Petrochemical Special Economic Zone (PETZONE) said 29 development projects are underway in this zone to complete the petrochemical industry's value chain and also reduce the exports of raw materials. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://www.tehrantimes.com/news/452391/29-development-projects-underway-in-Iran-s-PETZONE>

Cement Factory Launched on Qeshm Island

A factory producing cement and prefabricated cement parts was launched on the southern Qeshm Island via videoconferencing by President Hassan Rouhani on Sept. 10. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://financialtribune.com/articles/domestic-economy/105265/cement-factory-launched-on-qeshm-island>

Domestic Raw Materials Meet 100% of Construction Demand

Iran's building and construction industry meets 100% of its requirements for raw materials from the local market, says Jafar Sarqini, the caretaker of the Ministry of Industries, Mining and Trade. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://financialtribune.com/articles/business-and-markets/105242/domestic-raw-materials-meet-100-of-construction-demand>

Iran unveils homegrown dual-fuel locomotive engine

TEHRAN - Iran Heavy Diesel Manufacturing Company (DESA) unveiled the country's first dual-fuel locomotive engine in a ceremony on Sunday, the Transport and Urban Development Ministry's portal reported. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://www.tehrantimes.com/news/452430/Iran-unveils-homegrown-dual-fuel-locomotive-engine>

Import Registration for Pharmaceuticals Down 9%

Import order registration for \$1.96 billion worth of pharmaceuticals and medical equipment has been made from March 20 to Sept. 5, indicating a 9% decline compared with the corresponding period of last year, the head of Iran Food and Drug Administration said. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://financialtribune.com/articles/domestic-economy/105264/import-registration-for-pharmaceuticals-down-9>



TPO inks MOU with IEIC to support innovation in exports, foreign trade

TEHRAN – Iran's Trade Promotion Organization (TPO) has signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Iran Export and Investment Center (IEIC) for supporting the private sector's innovative ideas for improving the country's exports and foreign trade. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://www.tehrantimes.com/news/452443/TPO-inks-MOU-with-IEIC-to-support-innovation-in-exports-foreign>

Iran's Largest Carmaker Posts 45 Percent Rise in Output

TEHRAN (FNA)- Iran Khodro Company (IKCO), the largest carmaker in Iran, announced a considerable rise in a period of nearly six months since the start of the current Iranian year (started March 20, 2020). Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://en.farsnews.ir/newstext.aspx?nn=13990624000224>

Duty-Free Potato Exports Authorized

The export of potatoes has been exempted from tax and customs duties by the Ministry of Industries, Mining and Trade. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://financialtribune.com/articles/domestic-economy/105282/duty-free-potato-exports-authorized>

74% Rise in Sistan-Baluchestan Exports

A total of 513,164 tons of goods worth \$690 million have been exported from Sistan-Baluchestan Province's customs terminals and border markets since the beginning of the current Iranian year on March 20, which shows a 74% rise in value compared with the similar period of last year. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://financialtribune.com/articles/domestic-economy/105289/74-rise-in-sistan-baluchestan-exports>



Iran, Turkey Convene Transportation Commission

Ministry officials have held the ninth meeting of Iran-Turkey Joint Transportation Commission via videoconference in an effort to promote cooperation in the international transport industry. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://ifpnews.com/iran-turkey-convene-transportation-commission>



Bitumen market forecast in next 40 days until US election

Tehran (ISNA) - OPEC basket price fell below 40\$ on Thursday, September 10, 2020. For the past two weeks, oil prices have been decreasing. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://en.isna.ir/news/99062519156/Bitumen-market-forecast-in-next-40-days-until-US-election>

Exports From Bashmaq Border Surge by 91% in Tonnage, 22% in Value

A total of 1.3 million tons of commodities worth \$535 million were exported from the western Kurdistan Province's Bashmaq border crossing during the first five months of the current Iranian year (March 20-Aug. 21), registering a 91% and 22% rise in tonnage and value respectively compared with the similar period of last year. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://financialtribune.com/articles/domestic-economy/105287/exports-from-bashmaq-border-surge-by-91-in-tonnage-22-in-value>

Iran's Economy Recovering Balance after Coronavirus Shock: Top Banker

In an Instagram post on Monday, Abdolnasser Hemmati pointed to the statistics for Iran's economic growth in the first quarter of the current Iranian year (March 20- June 20), saying the initial report from the Central Bank indicates that the country's economy is on track to regain balance after the coronavirus shock. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://ifpnews.com/irans-economy-recovering-balance-after-coronavirus-shock-top-banker>

Official says Khuzestan border with Iraq reopens for border trade

Ahvaz, Sept 15, IRNA – Managing director of Roads and Transport Department of Khuzestan province said on Tuesday that Shalamcheh and Chazabeh borders with Iraq reopened for border trade ending lockdown for coronavirus pandemic. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://en.irna.ir/news/84039493/Official-says-Khuzestan-border-with-Iraq-reopens-for-border-trade>



Iran outperforms Qatar in South Pars joint field, Zanganeh says

Tehran, Sept 15, IRNA – Iranian Petroleum Minister Baijan Zanganeh said on Tuesday that 17 phases of South Pars Oil and Gas Field have been finalized at sea, adding that Iran with 700 mcm has outperformed Qatar in the joint gas field. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://en.irna.ir/news/84039663/Iran-outperforms-Qatar-in-South-Pars-joint-field-Zanganeh-says>

Bandar Abbas Power Plant Lacks Sufficient Gas Supply

While most power plants in Iran use gas to generate electricity, Bandar Abbas Thermal Power Station is among the few still using mazut as the main feedstock and is a major source of air pollution in the capital of southern Hormozgan Province, director general of Hormozgan Provincial Directorate of Department of Environment said. Please visit the following link for more information:

<https://financialtribune.com/articles/energy/105298/bandar-abbas-power-plant-lacks-sufficient-gas-supply>