

Germany remains a reliable partner for Pakistan's textile industry

Germany has been a prominent trading partner of Pakistan and has always extended its support for the betterment of the country in both commercial and social sectors. At present Germany is Pakistan's largest trading partner within the European Union, accounting for 20% of Pakistan's total exports to the EU and 21% of Pakistan's total imports from the EU.

In the year 2017-18 Germany's bilateral trade with Pakistan stood at US\$ 2.46 billion. German exports to Pakistan amounted to US\$ 1.10 billion and German imports from Pakistan US\$ 1.36 billion. During the past five year's balance of trade remained in Pakistan's favor.

Pakistan's textile industry owes a great deal to the innovative technological solutions provided by German textile machinery suppliers over the last 70 years. Several German companies have been instrumental in laying down the foundation of Pakistan's textile industry. From spinning, weaving, finishing and knitting to textile chemicals and accessories, German textile machinery manufacturers have left their mark on our textile industry. From the archives of Pakistan Textile Journal we can determine a clear timeline of the German Pakistan relations in this vital economic sector of Pakistan.

Schlafhorst, Suessen, Truetzschler are the brands that Pakistan's industry embraced in the spinning sector, while in the weaving sector technology companies such as Dornier made their mark. In the development of textile finishing sector several names such as Monforts, Osthoff-Senge, Goller, Brueckner and Thies are most active and very well respected in Pakistan. Groz Beckert, Mayer & Cie, Stoll and Karl Mayer are well known in the field of knitting technology. All of these companies have strong commitment to Pakistan and serve this market through extensive after sales support.

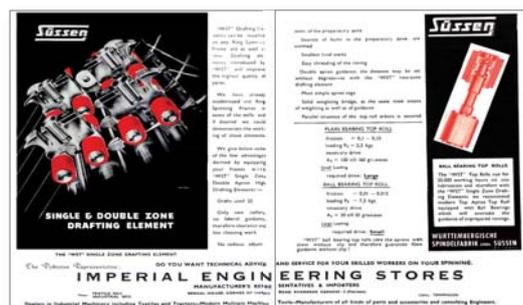
German companies such as Bayer, BASF (now Archroma), CHT, DyStar and many more have been reliable suppliers of quality chemicals and auxiliaries to Pakistan's textile finishing industry over the decades. Increasing requirements for production of sustainable and eco friendly textiles have made the role of chemical suppliers even more vital. These companies not only provide the most suitable chemicals but also constantly educate our textile industry in techniques to achieve sustainable and profitable production.

Pakistan Textile Journal has been the primary medium for these companies to address the fast evolving textile industry of Pakistan over last 60 years. Some of our earliest advertisers are still present through advertising as well as editorials in our publication. Some of the earliest advertising of German textile machinery which appeared in our publication are reproduced on this page for the interest of our readers.

In this issue our readers will find about the innovations and technologies German companies shall be exhibiting during ITMA 2019 to be held from June 20-26, 2019. As it has done in the past, Pakistan Textile Journal will be reporting on those innovations in the upcoming issues after ITMA 2019. ♦



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Suessen (PTJ 1956).



Karl Mayer (PTJ 1958).



Schlafhorst (PTJ 1956).



Monforts (PTJ 1956).



Truetzschler (PTJ 1964).