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PIDE conference urges policy overhaul for Pakistan's struggling automobile industry

OUR STAFF REPORTER ISLAMABAD

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PIDE Highlights Crisis: Pakistan's auto industry technologically decades behind global standards



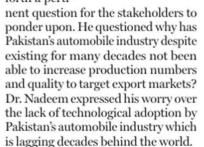
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PIDE organized one-day conference

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Modern global standards

Speakers raise questions over local automobile industry's 'failure'

ARDUL RASHEED AZAD

ISLAMABAD: Speakers at a conference have raised serious questions about the local auto-mobile industry's failure to adopt modern global. standards and inability to increase production and quality to target export markets.

The participants of the conference titled, "Revitalizing Pakiston's Automobile Industry: Moving sowards Consumer Welfare, Global Integration and Sustainable Mobility", organised by the Pakistan Institute Development Economics (PIDE) also highlighted that Pakistan's auto industry was technologically lagging decades behind global standards.

The conference attended by representatives of automobile companies in Pakistan, automobile parts manufacturers, and academicians primarily focused on three major themes, (i) localization obsession and supply chain constraints, policy, reforms;(ii) industry development, and electrification and (isi) the future of mobility

The participents highlighted the major issues being faced. by the inclustry as a whole and firms individually that have kept the automobile sector

industry in Pakistan and in the global automobile industry.

There was a unanimous agreement that the transition to EV is bound to happen, globally as well as in Pakistan, and we must decide if Pakistan wishes keep the pace with the rest of the world or stay far behind. In case of the former, it is important to foster competition in the automobile industry to provide consumers a fair chance of choosing a quality vehicle of their choice, and also look towards integrating into the global value chain.

Speaking on the occasion Dr Nadeomal Haque, vicechancellor (VC) PIDE in his opening remarks to the conference put forth a pertinent question for the stukeholders. to pender upon. He expressed SETTOUS. concern Pakistan's automobile industry's inability to increase production, improve quality and increase exports despite existing for many decades. Haque said the lack of technological adoption by Pakistan's automobile industry is the reason. it is lagging decades behind the world. The VC PIDE also criticised Pakistan's continuous efforts focusing on localining the entire automobile production chain which has to areas of improvement but from developing into a region date not provided any benefit with a futuristic approach.

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All participants wholeheartonly expressed their views on the issues and future ways of action to revitalise Pakistan's automobile industry. While meny differing opinions were shared, all members agreed that without the transfer of technology and skills, the automobile industry could not grow. Academia-industry linkages must also be strengthened for any indigeyour impocution in the automobile industry that we wish to see. Academia must also step forward to provide research and development support to the industry, particularly by working on current

also essential for flourishing the automobile industry in Pakistan. It must focus on developing facilitative policy environment and regulations. which at the moment are rather repressive.

The conference was informed that the global automotive industry was undergoing profound changes, changeterized by a shift towards electrification and wastainability. Automobile firms and countries are adopting policies have been investing heavily to transition towards electric vehicles to align with evolving consumer preferences and addressing environmental concerns.

Additionally, advancements in autonomous driving technology and connectivity are rushaping the driving experience, afbeit amid challenges such as semiconductor shortages and regulatory shifts. Pakistan's automotive sector, with its diverse history marked by growth spurts and sethicks, is now undergoing a gradual recovery phase. While past decades witnessed phases of growth fuelled by government policies and the influx of Japanese brands, recent years have posed challenges like political instability and increased reliance on imports.



PIDE organizes conference on automobile sector development

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