

Agenda 10 Commodity classification and quantity measurement (Review of existing recommendations; Other concerns)

From July, 1989 to June, 2002, 'Pakistan Statistical Trade Classification Revision-3 (PSTC-R-3)' were being used for the compilation and dissemination of Merchandise Trade Statistics. In pursuance of the recommendation of United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) for adoption of "Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System" (HS) for compilation and dissemination of external trade statistics, the F.B.S started compilation of trade statistics through customs records on "Harmonized System" (HS) from July,2002. However, presently as per recommendations of the World Custom Organization (WCO) HS 2002 has been revised as HS 2007. The quantity measurement as mentioned in the Pakistan Customs Tariff book 2007-2008 are being used for the compilation of quantity data of the items. Further it is pointed out that quantity measurement of some items do not match with the quantity measurement used in the Local market of Pakistan for sale and purchase of goods.