

Govt to provide Tax Relief, Rebate in Utility Bills for Hotel Industry

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Continued lockdown due to Covid-19 has put Hotel Industry into total crises. The industry can't afford any further lockdown.

President Hotels and Motels Association M. Akram Farid was speaking during an emergency meeting of Hotels and Motels Association Islamabad, Rawalpindi and Northern Areas. The month of May, being the peak season due to Eid festival, is very crucial for business of Hotel Industry.

Government need to provide tax relief for the survival of Hotel Industry during the prevailing 3rd wave of the disastrous pandemic. This was stated by the President Hotels and Motels Association Islamabad region M Akram Farid.

M Akram Farid said that the Hotel Industry is already in crises since Covid-19 came in. No compensation or subsidy was given to the Hospitality Sector during this period. Hotel Industry needs tax relief and rebate in utility bills, he said.

Haji Gul Afridi, Senior Vice President (SVP) Hotels and Motels Association said that 5 to 6 million people are associated with hotel industry who were badly affected by the pandemic.

Hotels are hardly operating on their 30% capacity and jobs of around 70 % people are on stake. Government need to take immediate remedial measures in this regard, he said.

The hotel industry accommodated over 15000 overseas Pakistanis in quarantining on their return to the homeland during the 1st pandemic wave last year, the SVP informed.

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