

# PERFORMANCE AUDIT REPORT ON TRADING CORPORATION OF PAKISTAN FOR THE PERIOD 2013-18

# **AUDITOR-GENERAL OF PAKISTAN**

## **PREFACE**

The Auditor General conducts audit under Articles 169 and 170 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 read with Sections 8 and 12 of the Auditor-General's (Functions, Powers and Terms and Conditions of Service) Ordinance, 2001. The Performance Audit on Trading Corporation of Pakistan (TCP) was carried out accordingly.

The Directorate General of Commercial Audit & Evaluation (South), Karachi conducted Performance Audit of TCP for the period 2013-14 to 2017-18 during May, 2019 to July, 2019 with a view to report significant findings to the stakeholders. Audit examined the economy, efficiency and effectiveness aspects of the Corporation. In addition, Audit also assessed, on test - check basis, whether the management complied with applicable laws, rules, and regulations in managing the affairs of TCP. The Performance Audit Report indicates specific actions that, if taken, will help the management in realizing its objectives. Despite repeated requests, no DAC meeting was convened by the management.

The Performance Audit Report is submitted to the President of Pakistan under Article 171 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan 1973, for causing it to be laid before the Parliament.

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# ABBREVIATIONS & ACRONYMS

AGP Auditor General of Pakistan

ARPSE Audit Report Public Sector Enterprises

B.A Bachelor of ArtsBPS Basic Pay ScaleBoDs Board of Directors

CEC Cotton Exchange Corporation

CEO Chief Executive Officer
CFO Chief Financial Officer

DAC Departmental Accounts Committee

DM Deputy Manager
ED Executive Director

ERP Enterprise resource planning

GL General Ledger GM General Manager

GFR General Financial Rules GoP Government of Pakistan

IAS International Accounting Standards

IFRS International Financial Reporting Standards

INTOSAI International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions

LD Liquidated Damages
MoC Ministry of Commerce
MoF Ministry of Finance

NFML National Fertilizer Marketing Ltd

NOC No Objection Certificate

PB Performance Bond

PPRA Public Procurement Regulatory Authority

PQA Port Qasim Authority

RECP Rice Export Corporation of Pakistan

SOP Standard Operating Procedure TCP Trading Corporation of Pakistan

T. Bills Treasury Bills

TA/DA Travelling Allowance/Daily Allowance

USC Utility Stores Corporation

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Directorate General of Commercial Audit & Evaluation (South) Karachi conducted Performance Audit of Trading Corporation of Pakistan for the years 2013-14 to 2017-18. The main objectives of the Performance Audit were to; (i) Examine whether the operations of the entity were undertaken after due diligence and proper feasibility reports prepared thereon, (ii) Scrutinize the process of award of contracts with the view to check compliance of applicable rules and regulation, and (iii) Examine whether the funds allocated for the Trading Corporation of Pakistan (TCP) have been utilized efficiently, economically, effectively, and whether the targets have been achieved or not. The audit was conducted in accordance with INTOSAI Auditing Standards.

### **Key Audit Findings**

- i. Appointment of consultant M/s. Young Associates without fulfillment of codal requirements
- ii. Non-completion of civil, electrical and other miscellaneous works of Rs. 402.14 million
- iii. Unjustified position of stock-in-trade on behalf of Government of Pakistan
- iv. Loss of Rs. 1.350 million due to theft of TCP assets at Pipri godown
- v. Non-transfer of ownership of 252 acres land of TCP
- vi. Non-recovery of Rs. 47,143.110 million from various Government institutions
- vii. Loss of Rs. 13.895 million due to mishandling of Lahore High Court case
- viii. Loss of Rs.36.367million due to import of butter oil

### **Recommendations**

The management requires taking necessary steps to;

- i. Ensure compliance of Government rules, regulations and instructions issued from time to time.
- ii. Ensure prudent expenditure and avoiding extravagant expenditure on fruitless activities.

- iii. Avoid all activities which pose any risk to the financial health of the Corporation.
- iv. Make Efforts for early recovery of all outstanding amounts on effective footing.
- v. Ensure Compliance of Public Procurement Rules, 2004, so that procurements are made in transparent manner.
- vi. Early complete and utilize buildings for achieving organizational goals.
- vii. Evacuate the occupants, besides taking remedial measure for future.
- viii. Non-transfer of ownership of 252 acre Land of TCP. The management may investigate the causes due to which the title of land could not be transferred in the name of the TCP.