

High-level Saudi delegation led by FM arrives in Pakistan

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A high-level delegation from Saudi Arabia, led by Foreign Minister Prince Faisal bin Farhan bin Abdullah, arrived in Pakistan on Monday for a two-day visit. The Saudi foreign minister was warmly welcomed upon arrival in Islamabad, with a red carpet reception. He was received by Foreign Minister Mohammad Ishaq Dar on the tarmac, reflecting the close relationship and brotherhood between the two countries. Prince Faisal was presented with bouquets by children upon arrival, and he inspected the static guard while the military band played. The visit aims to fast-track the implementation of agreements made between Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif and Crown Prince Mohammad bin Salman during their recent meeting in Makkah. The discussions will focus on strengthening bilateral economic cooperation between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia.

The delegation comprises key officials including Saudi Minister of Water and Agriculture Eng Abdul Rahman Abdul Mohsen Al-Fadley, Minister of Industry and Mineral Resources Bandar Ibrahim AlKhorayef, Deputy Minister of Investment Badr AlBadr, Head of Saudi Special Committee Mohammad Mazyed Al Towaijri, and senior officials from the Ministry of Energy and Saudi Fund for General Investments. During its stay, the Saudi delegation is expected to engage in meetings with the president, the prime minister, the foreign minister, and relevant ministers, as well as the chief of army staff and the apex committee of SIFC. The visit is anticipated to provide a significant boost to bilateral cooperation and foster a mutually beneficial economic partnership between the two nations. Earlier, people familiar with the development told The Express Tribune that the top Saudi diplomat will be accompanied by key ministers from the kingdom, including energy and investment.