

Industrialists reject KESC claim ¹³

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KARACHI: The industrialists have rejected the claim of Karachi Electric Supply Company (KESC) that all the seven industrial town associations have agreed with the KESC move of disconnecting power supply to industrial units using captive power generators or having standby generators and using less than 25 percent of the KESC power.

They said the meeting with KESC Managing Director Tabish Gohar and other senior officials on Tuesday remained inconclusive.

Talking to Business Recorder, Chairman F B Area Association Masroor Ahmed Alvi refuted media reports that the industrial town associations were taken on board by the KESC in its move to disconnect power supply of industrial units.

Alvi said that during the meeting with the KESC MD, several proposals came under discussion, but no agreement could be reached.

He said it was proposed that the industrial units be given either one month's time or connections of those units be restored which agree to use at least 25 percent of the KESC power. But the KESC MD said he would take a decision after consultation with the high-ups.

Chairman North Karachi Association of Trade and Industry Abdul Rasheed Fodderwala said that the KESC was misleading the industrialists by making false announcement. He said that representatives of the industrial associations had requested Gohar to reverse his decision.

He said that the KESC had also cut off power supply to some industries, which did not have captive power plants.

