**Turkey's Biggest Organized Industrial Zone**

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**Gaziantep Organized Industrial Zone is currently the biggest OIZ in Turkey with its 5 zones and 43 million 250 thousand square meters of area. With the 6th Organized Industrial Zone (OSB) where infrastructure works have been initiated, employment is expected to increase up to 350,000 people.**

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Gaziantep, the locomotive city of Turkey in industry, has commissioned the construction works of the 6th Organized Industrial Zone (OSB). The 6th Organized Industrial Zone, which will be completed in 2025, will cover an area of ​​12 million square meters and the total employment of the OIZ expected to increase up to 350,000 people.

Chairman of the Board of Directors of Gaziantep Organized Industrial Zone, Cengiz Şimşek stated that infrastructure works will start as of August after industrialists take their places and that production is planned to be carried out in the 6th OIZ within a year. Şimşek said, “In this economic climate, it is difficult for industrialists to invest, but we need to support the manufacturer and open the path for investors. The spirit of entrepreneurship should not be passed. I would like to thank our industrialists who invest. We are doing our best to provide an environment for investment to our industrialists. I think that investments will rise in line with the decisions taken by the public to legislate the investment environment.”

**“We Carry Euphrates Water to OSB”**

The Chairman of the Board of Directors of Gaziantep OSB continued with the following; “We are exporting to nearly 200 countries around the globe and are the world leader in many sectors. With the employment we provide to 300 thousand people and the investments we achieve, we are undertaking exemplifier projects which will be carved in golden letters not only for Gaziantep but also for our country. Water is necessity for the industry as well as for human life. Because majority of the facilities in our industrial zone are engaged in water-based production. We have commissioned a very big project so that future water cuts will not disrupt production.

With our Euphrates water transmission line project, which we laid the foundation for in May, we will be able to the meet 120 thousand cubic meters water demand with the 55-kilometer line to be built between Euphrates- GAOSB, considering the growth of our industry. In this way, we will provide our industrialists with higher quality water at a lower cost.

**‘’Fabric Dyeing, Yarn Dyeing and Similar Sectors Will Develop’’**

We will put our Euphrates- OSB water transmission line project into operation within 1 year. With the completion of this project, fabric dyeing, yarn dyeing and similar sectors which demand water will grow and diversity in our industry will increase. We will materialize this dream with the implementation of our projects which we have commissioned and are still in progress. We are striving to strengthen our infrastructure in order to ensure that new global brands emerge from our industrial zone with success stories.’’

**‘’The Ideai Location for the Textile Machinery Fair: Gaziantep’’**

In the first 3 months of 2024, Gaziantep textile industry exported 340 million USD and became the province with the highest textile export after Istanbul. 71% portion of Turkish Textile Exports in the first three months were carried out from Istanbul and Gaziantep. 28 of the companies operating in Gaziantep are amongst Turkey's Top 500 Industrial Enterprises.

Gaziantep Organized Industrial Zone (OSB) Chairman of the Board Directors Cengiz Şimşek commented on the statistical data regarding Gaziantep's textile production capacity with the following; ‘’Gaziantep, is the leading producer in Turkey, producing 91% of the machine-made carpet production in Turkey, 91% of the Polipropilen İplik / Polypropylene Yarn production produced in Turkey, 82% of Dokusuz kumaş / Nonwoven fabric production, 77% of (Akrilik İplik) Acrylic Yarn production, 48% of Gipe İplikler / Gipe Yarns production, 40% of the production of Çuval, torba / Bags and Sacks from PE/PP Band from PE or PP strip, 36% of Pamuk İpliği / Cotton Yarn alone. In addition to the textile production carried out by Gaziantep, the city is also the center of Turkish textile production with the textile sector clustered around neighboring cities. Gaziantep Textile Machinery Fair, which will be held at the International Middle East Fair Center (OFM) with a closed area of ​​30,000 m2 in the Gaziantep Organized Industrial Zone, will provide an opportunity for Turkish textile investors to meet with textile machinery and technology manufacturers and to establish new collaborations.’’