

KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON PAKISTAN

I. COUNTRY PROFILE *(source: UNDP Human Development Report 2016)*

- Population, total (millions): 188.9
- Human Development Index: 0.550; Rank: 147 (out of 188 countries, below Kenya which ranks 146 and above Swaziland which ranks 148)
- Life expectancy at birth (years): 66.4
- Expected years of schooling (years): 8.1
- Gross national income (GNI) per capita (2011 PPP\$): 5,031
- Internet users (% of population): 8.0
- Carbon dioxide emissions per capita (tonnes): 0.8
(UN Map of Pakistan at the end)

II. PAKISTAN/UNESCO COOPERATION

1. **Membership of UNESCO:** since September 1949.
2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** yes, re-elected at the 38th session of the General Conference – term expires in 2019.
Representative: Ms Rahila MAGSI,
3. **Membership of Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions, etc.:**
 - Intergovernmental Council for the International Hydrological Programme
Member (Term expires : 40th General Conference)
 - Intergovernmental Council of the "Management of Social Transformations" Programme
Member (Term expires : 41st General Conference)
 - Intergovernmental Committee for Promoting the Return of Cultural Property to its Country of Origin or its Restitution in Case of Illicit Appropriation
Member (Term expires : 41st General Conference)
 - Intergovernmental Council of the International Programme for the Development of Communication
Member (Term expires : 41st General Conference)
4. **The Director-General's visits in the country: 0**
5. **The former Director-General's visits in the country: 2**
 - 6-7 February 2014: official visit.
 - 31 August – 1 September 2010: official visit.
6. **Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:** H. E. Mr Moin UI-Haque, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate, succeeding Mr Ghalib Iqbal whose term of office came to an end in May 2016.
7. **UNESCO Office in Islamabad:** established in 1989 (National office)
 - Director: Ms Vibeke Jensen (Denmark) – since 10 November 2014
8. **National Commission for UNESCO:**
 - Established in November 1984.
 - Mr Muhammad Baligh Ur Rehman, Minister of State for Federal Education and Professional Training, Chairperson (since October 2014)
 - Mr Iftikhar Ahmad Babar, Secretary-General (since January 2018)

9. **Personalities linked to UNESCO's activities:**
- Mrs Zubaida Jalal, then Minister of Social Welfare and Special Education, was Chairperson of Commission II (Education) at the 32nd session of the General Conference in 2003.
 - Ms Attiya Inayatullah, Member of Parliament, former representative of Pakistan on the Executive Board.
10. **UNESCO Chairs & UNITWIN Networks: 8 Chairs**
- UNESCO Chair in Distance Education (1995), Allama Iqbal Open University, Islamabad;
 - UNESCO Chair on awareness raising among poor and rural people for improving the quality of life through science and technology (2009), Lahore College for Women;
 - UNESCO Chair in Sustainable Halophyte Utilization (2009), University of Karachi;
 - UNESCO Chair in the Conservation and Management of Historic Towns and Urban Centers (2009), The National College of Arts, Lahore;
 - UNESCO Chair in Women, Science and Technology (2009), Lahore College for Women University – Vice Chancellor Prof. Bushra Mateen, (participation to the WCHE 2009).
 - UNESCO Chair in Community Education for Mountain Conservation and Watersheds Management (2010), The University of Punjab.
 - UNESCO Chair "Light for Health" (2011), The Pakistan Institute for Engineering and Applied Sciences (PIEAS).
 - UNESCO Chair on Knowledge Systems for Integrated Water Resources Management (2014), the COMSATS Institute of Information Technology, Wah Cantt.
11. **Associated schools:**
- Pakistan joined the UNESCO Associated Schools Network (ASPnet) in 1953, and there are at present **241** ASP member institutions (9 primary, 4 primary and secondary, 227 secondary schools and 1 vocational and technical institution).
12. **Category 2 Institutes and Centres:**
- International Centre for Chemical and Biological Sciences (Karachi), 2015
 - Regional Centre for Water Management Research in Arid Zones (Islamabad), 2007
 - Regional Water Research Centre on Hydrology of Headwater Catchments (Abbottabad), 2015
13. **Biosphere Reserves:**
- The Lal Suhanra National Park, inscribed in 1977.
 - The Ziarat Juniper Forest, inscribed in 2013.
14. **UNESCO Global Geoparks: 0**
15. **World Heritage List: 6 sites** (all cultural)
- Archaeological Ruins at Moenjodaro (1980);
 - Taxila (1980);
 - Buddhist Ruins at Takht-i-Bahi and Neighbouring City Remains at Sahr-i-Bahlol (1980);
 - Historic Monuments of Thatta (1981);
 - Fort and Shalamar Gardens in Lahore (1981), also inscribed, at the Government's request, on the List of World Heritage in Danger in 2000;
 - Rohtas Fort (1997).

16. Tentative List: 26 properties

Archaeological Site of Harappa	30/01/2004	C
Archaeological Site of Mehrgarh	30/01/2004	C
Archaeological Site of Ranigat	30/01/2004	C
Archaeological Site of Rehman Dheri	30/01/2004	C
Badshahi Mosque, Lahore	14/12/1993	C
Baltit Fort	30/01/2004	C
Central Karakorum National Park	12/04/2016	N
Chaukhandi Tombs, Karachi	14/12/1993	C
Deosai National Park	12/04/2016	N
Derawar and the Desert Forts of Cholistan	12/04/2016	C
Hingol Cultural Landscape	12/04/2016	C
Hiran Minar and Tank, Sheikhpura	14/12/1993	C
Karez System Cultural Landscape	12/04/2016	C
Mansehra Rock Edicts	30/01/2004	C
Nagarparkar Cultural Landscape	12/04/2016	C
Port of Banbhore	30/01/2004	C
Rani Kot Fort, Dadu	14/12/1993	C
Shah Jahan Mosque, Thatta	14/12/1993	C
Shahbazgarhi Rock Edicts	30/01/2004	C
The Salt Range and Khewra Salt Mine	12/04/2016	CN
Tomb of Bibi Jawindi, Baha'al-Halim and Ustead and the Tomb and Mosque of Jalaluddin Bukhari	30/01/2004	C
Tomb of Hazrat Rukn-e-Alam, Multan	14/12/1993	C
Tomb of Shah Rukn-e-Alam	30/01/2004	C
Tombs of Jahangir, Asif Khan and Akbari Sarai, Lahore	14/12/1993	C
Wazir Khan's Mosque, Lahore	14/12/1993	C
Ziarat Juniper Forest	12/04/2016	N

Note from CLT/WHC:

- 8 sites in bold are the new additions to the Tentative List of Pakistan. These sites are presented in Document 8A, which will be submitted to the Committee on 24-26 October next. Document 8A is not published.
- Two of the sites **Central Karakorum National Park** and **Deosai National Park** are located in Kashmir. However, there are 4 sites on the Tentative List of India that are also located in Kashmir. Therefore, the sites in Pakistan were also added to the Tentative List, which will be presented in document 8A.

17. Intangible Heritage: 2 elements

- Falconry, a living human heritage (2016)
- Novruz, Nowrouz, Nooruz, Navruz, Nauroz or Nevruz (2016)

18. Memory of the World Register: 1 element

- Quaid-I-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah's papers in the Islamabad National Archives, inscribed in 1999.

19. Creative Cities Network: None

20. Legal instruments: 15 ratified and 25 non-ratified.

- Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage: Ratified (October 2005).
- International Convention against Doping in Sport: Ratified (February 2008).
- Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions: Not ratified (Favorable)
- Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage: Not ratified

21. Anniversaries associated with UNESCO in 2018/2019: none