



# Islamic Republic of Pakistan

( 14 August 1947 )

**Government type:** Federal Republic

**Capital:** Islamabad

## Introduction of Pakistan

The separation in 1947 of British India into the Muslim state of Pakistan (with two sections West and East) and largely Hindu India was never satisfactorily resolved. A third war between these countries in 1971 resulted in East Pakistan seceding and becoming the separate nation of Bangladesh. A dispute over the state of Kashmir is ongoing. In response to Indian nuclear weapons testing, Pakistan conducted its own tests in 1998.

# Geography

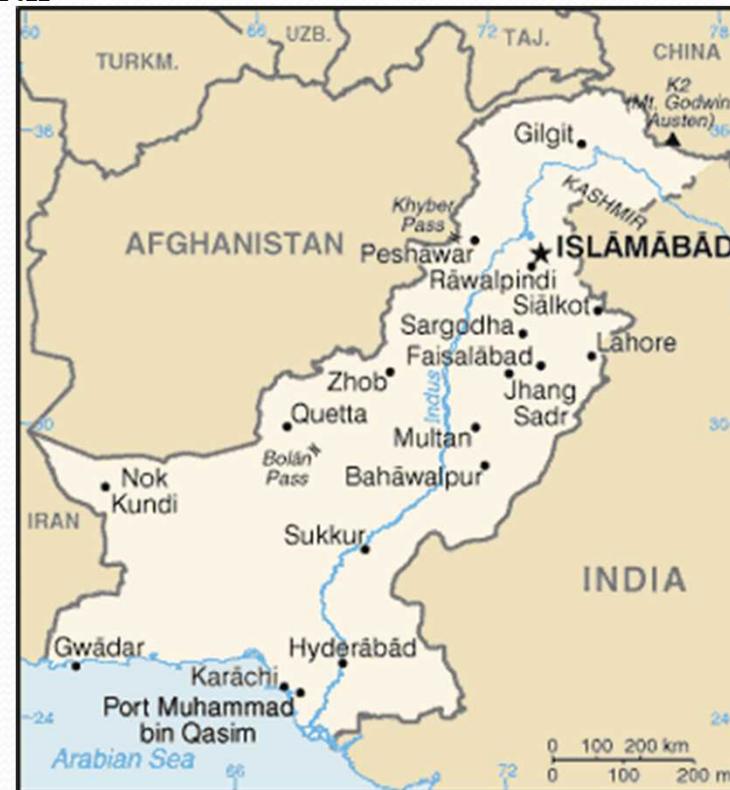
Southern Asia, bordering the Arabian Sea, between India on the east and Iran and Afghanistan on the west and China in the north

## Area:

*total:* 803,940 sq km

*land:* 778,720 sq km

*water:* 25,220 sq km



## People

### Population:

**Pakistan 2019 population** is estimated at 216,565,318 people at mid year according to UN data. **Pakistan population** is equivalent to 2.81% of the total world **population**.

### Religions:

Muslim 97% (Sunni 77%, Shi'a 20%), Christian, Hindu, and other 3%



## **Legal system:**

based on English common law with provisions to accommodate Pakistan's status as an Islamic state; accepts compulsory ICJ jurisdiction, with reservations

## **Judicial branch:**

Supreme Court (justices appointed by the president);  
Federal Islamic or Shari'a Court



## **Labor force - by occupation**

Agriculture 44%, Industry 17%, Services 39%

## **Unemployment rate:**

5.70% plus substantial underemployment (2018est.)

## **Disputes - international:**

Terrorism and the 'war on terror' have been costly for Pakistan – both in terms of human loss and economic costs. Since 2002, more than 80,000 people have died due to terrorism, and the economic economic cost is estimated to be around US\$120 billion.

Pakistan also suffers sectarian and ethnic violence between its diverse populations. Sunni-Shi'a tensions escalated as a result of Pakistan's support for Saddam Hussein in the Iran-Iraq war, and due to covert support of Sunni-Shi'a militant organisations by Saudi Arabia and Iran. The relationship continued to worsen with the Taliban's increasing power in Afghanistan during the 1990s.



All religions of the world preach similar truths and virtues, which, along with shared cultural and social values can be built upon to enhance interfaith harmony. Interfaith dialogue and harmony are possible only on the basis of equality, respect and acceptance.



As per the latest **poverty** estimates, 24% of **Pakistan's** population lives below the national **poverty line**; which includes 31% in rural areas and 13% in urban areas

## Child Rights

Pakistan is Signatory of Child Rights Convention but we still have Death sentence and Life Imprisonment for Juveniles CRC Article = 37(a) is very much clear on Life Imprisonment. And the juvenile death penalty is prohibited by numerous treaties, including the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR).



The Juvenile Justice System Act 2018 forbids use of restraints or corporal punishment but juveniles are often seen handcuffed. Children also continue to face corporal punishment at the hands of police or jail staff.

## Religious places in Pakistan



Taxila Pakistan

## Jagannath Temple, Sialkot



# Gurdwara Janam Asthan



## St. Patrick's Cathedral, Karachi.



## **Katasraj Temple, Punjab**



## Badshahi Mosque Lahore





What the Quran says about peace?

One of God's names, according to the **Quran**, is As-Salaam, which means **Peace**. Moreover, the **Quran** states that the Prophet Muhammad (**Peace** be upon him) was sent to the world as a mercy to mankind (**Quran: 21:107**). ...

According to Islam, **peace** is the rule and war is only an exception.



What the Bible teaches us about love?

Whoever lives in **love** lives in God,  
and God in them." Ephesians 4:2:



## **Buddha Quotes on Life**

“It is better to conquer yourself than to win a thousand battles. ...

“Every human being is the author of his own health or disease.” - ..



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