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Facts about Pakistan

- * Pakistan is the First Islamic country to attain Nuclear Power.
- * Our National Anthem tune ranks first in the top three tunes of the world.
- * The Shah Faisal Mosque in Islamabad can accommodate almost 100,000 worshippers.
- * World's youngest certified Microsoft Expert Arfa Kareem (Late) and Babar Iqbal are from Pakistan.
- * Pakistan's literacy rate has grown by 250% from 2010 - 2015, the largest increase in any country to date.
- * Pakistan has resources like natural gas, fertile soil, mines, minerals, water, and crops.
- * In sightings and tourism our country has many beautiful places that caters to that. Starting from Karachi where we have water parks, shopping, beaches, zoos, horseback riding whereas in Lahore water parks, zoos, architecture, history and culture is the main attraction moving further to Murree those green Mountain peaks will actually give you a thrill and a calm enjoyable environment. Places like Naran Kaghan, Siri Paya, Gilgit Baltistan, Bhurban, Kalam, Swat, Taxila, Margalla Hills, KPK (Khyber Pakhtunkhwa), Gwadar, Balakot, Jhelum, Skardu and many places like these which has beautiful views of lakes, rivers, mountains, snowfall and greenery will actually bring a heavenly and adventurous sensation to you while travelling.
- * Let's take a tour of those facts or you can say the brighter part of our Country. Skimming over a few selective spheres of influence where Pakistan has truly blazed a trail.



1. Technology:

The level of technology in the computer connectivity and telecom sectors has, in many cases, been equivalent to or better than even the most industrialized nations of the world. As an example the first WiMax rolled out in the world was in Pakistan.

2. Largest Ambulance Service:

Other than the impressive list of large NGOs and charities currently operating in the country, the Edhi Trust runs the largest ambulance network in the world and is completely free; it is run entirely on donations. Given the per capita income of the people of Pakistan, this is no small achievement.

3. World class Educational Institutions:

Pakistan is now home to some of the finest universities like The Aga Khan University, Lahore University of Management Sciences, National University of Science and Technology, FAST, Indus Valley School of Art and Architecture and so on are those newly established universities that have joined the ranks of older Pakistani educational institutions such as Dow, King Edward College of Medicine etc.

4. Submarine Production:

Pakistan has always been a shipbuilding country but has now started manufacturing submarines as well.

5. Land of the Music Legends:

Most of South Asia's master musicians in every genre are produced in Pakistan whether it is the world famous qawwali of Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan, the ghazals of Iqbal Bano or Farida Khanum. Mehdi Hassan, pioneers of pop music in the sub-continent such as Nazia and Zoheb Hassan or bands such as Junoon, Fuzon and Atif Aslam, it seems the only music produced in South Asia comes from Pakistan.



**Pakistan's
First
Female
Fire
Fighter
Inspires
Legions**

**BY
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Shazia, 25, who hails from Vehari District in Punjab, joined the Rescue 1122 emergency services as a firefighter in 2010. Battling fire with terrifying blazes in a field dreaded even by most men, her collaborators recognize her determination. Rescue 1122 states that Perveen is the first female firefighter in Pakistan, and maybe in all of Asia.

For Perveen, in any case, the employment has dependably been a fantasy in spite of its intrinsic risks. So when the Rescue 1122 Women's Department opened up, she seized the possibility. The possibility of working alongside men too did not stage her energy.

“A few ladies maintain a strategic distance from and waver to work with men. That is the place I vary with them and surmise that we, ladies, can work shoulder-to-shoulder with men,” says Perveen.

In any case, it has not been a simple street to her fantasy. After enlistment, she needed to experience broad preparing at the Punjab Emergency Service in Lahore. “Amongst the 600 individuals there, I was the main lady who finished the preparation.” Her preparation included figuring out how to swim, bounce, battle fire, and moving up rooftops with the assistance of ropes.



She relates how countless left their preparation in center on the grounds that they couldn't take it any longer. In any case, she drove forward, and even wound up motivating some of her kindred male learners to continue going. However, what kept her going?

“I was told amid the preparation that I would turn into the first woman firefighter of Asia, which made me to a great degree glad and it was a dream come true.” describes Perveen. An undeniable firefighter, Perveen assists firefighters where ladies are caught.

“At the start, individuals would snicker at me when they saw me working with male laborers. In any case, a short time later, when I spared their valuable properties amid flames, they began appreciating me,” she describes.

Having figured out how to wriggle into a universe of men, Perveen conceives that that ladies can handle any occupation and take up any calling of their decision. Commending Shazia's energy, District Emergency Officer Doctor Farzand says Perveen is a dependable laborer and we get the opportunity to get great criticism for her, which is on account of she never bargains on her work.

“Our own is a men's general public. In any case, Perveen lives up to expectations stubbornly against such matriarchal considering,” he says. “It is accepted that ladies are just ready to begin fires, while I have refuted this old saying and now I quench flames,” says Perveen

Courtesy Express Tribune



Afghanistan waives customs duty on Pakistani goods

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Afghanistan has waived the financial guarantee of 110 per cent customs duty and \$100 per 25 tones charges on Pakistani goods transiting through the country to Central Asian States. In a meeting with the Finance Minister Ishaq Dar on Wednesday, Afghanistan Ambassador Janan Mosazai informed that a notification has been issued in this regard.

The two sides also finalized the date for holding 10th Pak-Afghan Joint Economic Commission (JEC) meeting — to be held in Islamabad on August 26-27. Dar informed the envoy that the government has already undertaken preparatory work for the meeting. He asked Secretary Economic Affairs Division Saleem Seth to review progress on different projects and ascertain implementation status of decisions taken during the last commission's meeting in November.

Dar said that the JEC meeting would further enhance economic cooperation between the two countries. He proposed technical level meeting of Pak-Afghan officials prior to the formal JEC meeting. Mosazai also expressed his gratitude on the progress of Jalalabad-Torkham road project.

Courtesy Dawn

Salman Khan would like to meet Pakistani journalist Chand Nawab

By Abdullah Sheikh
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Bollywood actor Salman Khan expressed his desire to meet Chand Nawab, the journalist who has been portrayed in his latest film Bajrangi Bhaijaan. Chand Nawab is in for a lucky surprise, as none other than Bollywood actor Salman Khan wants to meet him in person! Salman Khan's latest flick Bajrangi Bhaijaan has earned praises and performed outstandingly at the box office. In just only 5 days, the film amassed 150 crore rupees and has earned praise from all quarters within Bollywood. In the movie, famous actor Nawazuddin Siddiqui has portrayed the role of Chand Nawab, whose irate video had gone viral on social media in Pakistan, a couple of years ago. The character of Chand Nawab portrayed by Nawazuddin Siddiqui was immensely liked and loved by fans. Salman Khan reportedly expressed a desire to meet with the Pakistani journalist in real life. Reportedly, arrangements are being made for Chand Nawab to go to India and meet Salman Khan.

Courtesy ARY News



Pakistan in emphatic 3-1 series wins against Sri Lanka

By Abdullah Sheikh
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The exciting Test series between Pakistan and Sri Lanka came to the very end with Pakistan defeating the hosts to win the series 2-1 after they chased down a record target of 377 in the 3rd and final Test played at Pallekelle International Cricket Stadium. Pakistan had won the first Test in Galle by 10 wickets and Sri Lanka took the second in Colombo by seven wickets. The two teams will now play a limited-overs series of five one-day internationals, followed by two Twenty20 games, from Saturday.

Many records were broken in the process. Target chased down by Pakistan in this 3rd Test match to win, the 6th successfully chased total in Test Cricket and also Pakistan's highest successfully chased total in 4th innings of a Test match. Their previous highest successfully chased total was 315 against Australia in 1994 at Karachi. This is also the highest total for Pakistan in 4th innings of Test match. Their previous highest was 343 for 3 vs. South Africa in 2010 at Dubai. This is also the highest chased total against Sri Lanka and in Sri Lanka in Test cricket.

Courtesy The Times Of Sri Lanka



Vogue Beauty Awards

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Vogue India held its annual Vogue Beauty Awards, and to no surprises all the biggest B-Town faces showed up to attend the glamorous event.

For the sixth edition of Vogue Beauty Awards, the best faces and names in the beauty industry deserve accolade. Here are the winners that stole the spotlight (and everyone's hearts) this year in the beauty category.

Most Beautiful Man: Fawad Khan. Is this really a surprise? Last year it was Siddharth Malhotra who bagged the award, this year our Pakistani dreamboat managed to swoon hearts and grabbed this well-deserved award. Looking elegant and stylish in this pale yellow dress, Anushka has won many hearts, including Indian Batsman Virat's. It was only fitting that she won this award.

Courtesy Express Tribune

Two Pakistanis named among 'Asia's 21 Young Leaders'

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The Asia's 21 Young Leaders Initiative, which is in its tenth year, glows a system of more than 800 youthful pioneers from 30 countries.

Mohsin Ali Mustafa and Muhammad Sabir are the two men of honor from Pakistan who hold the honor of being a piece of the prestigious class of 2015 among others from distinctive parts of the world including Bangladesh, Nepal, Iran, Thailand and India.

The Asia 21 Young Leaders Initiative, which is in its tenth year, glows a system of more than 800 youthful pioneers from 30 countries.

Asia 21 youthful pioneers are chosen through a profoundly focused procedure in light of remarkable accomplishments, responsibility to open administration and a demonstrated capacity to improve the world a place, a press discharge said.

Mohsin is a medical doctor in Pakistan who deals with the correspondences and method of Aman Healthcare Services.

This position has permitted him to work with the Harvard Humanitarian Initiative, where he is making a disaster-management framework for Karachi and in the end the Middle East, North Africa, and South Asia areas. He has prepared more than 11,000 individuals in essential life backing and first reaction.

The youthful specialist cherishes the outside and is enthusiastic about fiasco administration. He has trekked to the base camps of K2, Nanga Parbat and Rakaposhi. This August, he will scale a 7000-meter crest, Spantik. He is additionally a propelled vast water scuba jumper, and runs a "diving" organization with companions called Divers Reef Karachi.

The other Pakistani contender, Muhammad Sabir, is the founder of Slumabad, an association that tries to give each kid living in ghettos the chance to experience delight, and to spare lives through advancing safe sanitation hones.

Beforehand, he worked with Khudi Pakistan, Door of Awareness, and the Human Rights Commission of Pakistan.

"I experienced childhood in the ghettos and taught myself regardless of extreme financial and social weights not to do as such. I read Great Expectations when I was a child, and was roused to progress in the direction of a superior future for myself, my family, and my group. A successful pioneer is a visionary who sets out to join existing conceivable outcomes with his vision while dealing with the desires of everyone around him."

Courtesy Dawn

Iqbal Masih: The Unsung Hero of Pakistan

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Iqbal Masih was born to a provincial family only outside of Lahore in 1983. He was sold into labor at an early age to a neighborhood boss who claimed a floor covering weaving business. His dad had obtained cash from the boss for wedding of Iqbal's sibling and to reimburse the advance, Iqbal needed to act as a fortified work.

He worked day by day for 12 hours, 7 days a week. After that he figured out how to escape when he was ten. However he was caught and brought by the police (no other) to his local spot. At that point, he was sent again to the rug weaver.

He got away again and this time he joined Bonded Labor Liberation Front of Pakistan.

He worked with them to free the youngsters like him-self and was fruitful in liberating around 3000 kids. He was shot dead in 1995 when he was just 11 years of age.

His passing remains a debate as some case he was shot dead via floor covering weaving mafia while others say he was shot dead by a rancher.

Nonetheless, his legacy lives on, and United States Department of Labor has a yearly grant in his honor:

The Iqbal Masih Award.

Unfortunately in his nation of origin he is not really known! Let's value the solid small being who accomplished more great in his short life than the greater part of us have ever done. Hats off to you, legend!

Courtesy
Website - British
Pakistani Christians



Nation celebrates Eidul Fitr

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Eidul Fitr is a day of happiness for Muslims around the world. In Pakistan celebrations on this day are aimed at promoting unity and affection among the citizens and to create sympathy, harmony and the spirit of sacrifice among them.

Eidul Fitr is being celebrated throughout the country with religious fervour and zeal today. Eid congregations were held at open places, mosques and Eidgahs in all major cities of the country.

The Ulema in their sermons highlighted the significance and philosophy of Eidul Fitr. Prayers were also offered for security, progress and prosperity of the country Chief of Army Staff (COAS) Gen Raheel Sharif offered Eid prayers on the front line with troops in Waziristan.

On this auspicious occasion, leaders of the nation greeted the citizens and gave their Eid messages, calling the people to unite and fight extremism till its logical end.

Courtesy Dawn

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif invited by President Obama for US visit

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Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif has been invited by US President Barack Obama for a visit to the United States, a senior Pakistani diplomat said on Wednesday.

The dates for the visit are still being worked out, but the diplomat said the visit was expected to take place towards the end of October.

It will be separate from the New York visit in September for attending the UN General Assembly session. On the margins of the UN General Assembly session, Mr. Sharif will also co-chair a summit on peacekeeping with Mr. Obama.

The White House invitation has not yet been officially announced.

This will be Mr. Sharif's second visit to the White House during his current tenure. He last visited the US in October 2013. The visit helped reset ties that had been weighed down by events of the preceding years. The invitation for this year, the diplomat said, was meant to expand and deepen the relationship.

Another Pakistani diplomat speaking by phone from Washington said that the other purpose of the White House invitation was to boost Mr. Sharif's government which is seemingly under growing pressure from the military, particularly with respect to its India policy.

Others say developments in the region were also behind the invitation. Mr. Sharif's foreign policy aides have been particularly upbeat about the invitation and one of them said that it would take the strategic partnership to the next level.

The US government has expressed support for the Sharif government's policy on reaching out to India. The on-going operations against terrorists and Pakistan's role in Afghan peace dialogue have also been appreciated. Before Eid, Mr. Sharif had dispatched his Special Assistant Tariq Fatemi to the US to prepare for his upcoming visit.

During his stay in Washington, Mr. Fatemi met senior officials of the Obama administration and Congress leaders. He will also be speaking at think-tanks

Courtesy Dawn

Qatar Airways launches services in two more Pakistani cities

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Qatar Airways announced that it has launched services in two more cities of Pakistan namely Sialkot and Faisalabad on consecutive days.

The airline started four weekly passenger services to Sialkot on July 16 and a day later announced that it would also commence three weekly flights to Faisalabad.

Qatar Airways Cargo had already been operating a direct freight service to Sialkot since 2008 because of the high volume of products, especially textiles, being exported from the city.

Further, the airline has announced that in a few weeks Multan will also join its Pakistan network with three flights a week starting from August 2. Qatar Airways already has Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, and Peshawar on its list of destinations.

On the two new destinations, Sialkot and Faisalabad, the airline has decided to operate an Airbus A320 in a two-class configuration of up to 12 seats in Business Class and up to 132 in Economy Class.

Qatar Airways currently flies 45 times a week to four cities of Pakistan, with double daily flights to Karachi, Lahore and Islamabad, and three weekly flights to Peshawar. Karachi was the first city in Pakistan where the airline launched its services in 1995, followed by Peshawar in 1998, Lahore in 1999 and Islamabad in 2004.

Courtesy Express Tribune

Humayun Saeed celebrated the revival of Pakistani Cinema and success of Bin Roye

By Abdullah Sheikh
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Humayun Saeed isn't a superstar but a super human being and he has a heart of gold. Instead of celebrating his birthday he hosted a grand party recently to celebrate the success of Bin Roye as well as Yasir Nawaz's Wrong No. — a film which released on the same day as Bin Roye and has since been fiercely competing with it at the box office.

It's not over yet he also invited the cast and crew of several upcoming Pakistani films including Wajahat Rauf's Karachi Se Lahore, Jami's Moor, Asadul Haq's Dekh Magar Pyaar Say, Asim Reza's Ho Mann Jahan, his own production Jawani Phir Nahi Aani, Dr Hassan Waqar Rana's Yalghaar and Hamza Ali Abbasi's Kambakht. Comparatively this year lollywood going to produce more and earn more. Lets celebrate the revival of Pakistani cinema and pray for the better future.

Courtesy Express Tribune

Restoring the Grandeur of Rawalpindi's Sadar

By Abdullah Sheikh
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The state-of-the-art Pedestrian Street has been designed and created on the Bank Road.



An antique car display at the Pedestrian Street in Rawalpindi's revamped Sadar market.



People enjoying the evening on public benches on the Pedestrian Street in the revamp Rawalpindi Sadar



The Rawalpindi Cantonment Board's new Pedestrian Street



The street lights too have been revamped on the Pedestrian Street in Rawalpindi Sadar



On Rawalpindi Sadar Pedestrian Street, the facades of building have been restored to their older structure

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