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## **Pakistan's Army Contributions Towards National Development**



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The Pakistan Army has played a multifaceted role in contributing to Pakistan's national development, extending far beyond its primary mandate of defense. The Pakistan military has emerged as a dynamic force, not



just in defense but as a key contributor to the nation's building efforts. Recognized for its discipline, management, and responsiveness, the military has consistently risen to meet the needs of the nation, extending its expertise beyond the battlefield. Its contributions encompass healthcare, education, infrastructure, agriculture, disaster management, and fostering youth leadership, making it a cornerstone of national progress.

### **Contributions in Healthcare Sector**

The Army's involvement in healthcare is a testament to its commitment to the well-being of the nation. With a network of state-of-the-art military hospitals and medical facilities, the Army provides cutting-edge healthcare services that benefit both military personnel and civilians. These hospitals are equipped with modern technology and staffed by highly skilled professionals, offering services ranging from general healthcare to specialized treatments.

In disaster situations, their medical teams are often the first responders, providing emergency care and relief to affected populations. Through mobile medical units, the Army delivers preventive care and health education to remote areas, ensuring even marginalized

communities receive essential services. Additionally, it actively engages in medical research and development, focusing on infectious diseases, trauma care, and innovative treatments, benefitting the broader healthcare system.

### **Education and Capacity Building**

Recognizing the critical importance of education, the military has made significant strides in addressing Pakistan's educational challenges. The Army Public Schools and Colleges System operates 230 schools nationwide, providing quality education to children from diverse socio-economic backgrounds. These institutions play a vital role in tackling the issue of out-of-school children, contributing to national literacy and skill development.



In higher education, the Army collaborates with the government to establish premier universities like the National University of Sciences and Technology (NUST) and the National University of Modern Languages (NUML). These institutions focus on advanced research, technology, and innovation, fostering a generation equipped to meet global challenges.



### **Special Investment Facilitation Council (SIFC)**

The establishment of the Special Investment Facilitation Council (SIFC) in June 2023 marked a transformative step in Pakistan's economic revival. Under the leadership of Chief of Army Staff General Asim Munir, the SIFC has emerged as a platform for collaborative decision-making, streamlining investments in critical sectors like agriculture, minerals, information technology, and energy.

The role in SIFC includes providing security, logistical support, and strategic guidance, fostering an environment of trust and stability for investors. With ambitious goals such as increasing foreign direct investment (FDI) to \$100 billion within three years, the SIFC has already attracted significant investments from Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries. These initiatives are pivotal for Pakistan's economic resurgence and job market revitalization. SIFC has fostered investor confidence and accelerates economic development.

### **Safeguarding CPEC**

The Pakistan Army has been instrumental in safeguarding and promoting the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), a transformative initiative for Pakistan's economy.

Acting as the linchpin of Pakistan-China relations, often referred to as an "iron brotherhood," the army has strengthened bilateral ties through military diplomacy, facilitating defense cooperation, technology transfer, and joint training programs. These efforts have enhanced Pakistan's military capabilities and contributed to regional stability.



By ensuring the security of CPEC infrastructure and personnel, the armed forces have mitigated threats from terrorism and sabotage, fostering an environment that attracts foreign investment and encourages local business participation. This, in turn, drives economic growth and creates significant job opportunities. Moreover, the armed forces play a pivotal role in coordinating security measures for Chinese personnel involved in CPEC projects, ensuring a safe working environment. This comprehensive approach has bolstered confidence among Chinese stakeholders, reinforcing their commitment to CPEC's success and strengthening the strategic partnership.

### **Helping the Agriculture Sector**

Agriculture remains a cornerstone of Pakistan's economy, and the military's contributions in this sector are profound. Through initiatives like modern farming practices, improved irrigation systems, and farmer training, has enhanced crop yields and introduced



sustainability into agriculture. The Land Information and Management System (LIMS), a collaborative project with the government, is revolutionizing land management and agricultural productivity. Additionally, the Army's efforts in animal husbandry, dairy farming, and afforestation have transformed wastelands into fertile lands, contributing to environmental sustainability and economic diversification.

Through youth engagement programs, leadership camps, and team-building exercises, the Army equips young individuals with essential life skills like problem-solving, communication, and resilience. These initiatives foster a spirit of patriotism, discipline, and community service among the youth, preparing them to contribute effectively to society.

In times of natural disasters, our armed forces have consistently demonstrated their unparalleled capabilities. Whether responding to earthquakes, floods, or other emergencies, the Army is often the first to mobilize, conducting search and rescue operations, delivering relief supplies, and rehabilitating affected communities. This swift and effective response underscores their commitment to the nation's welfare.

The military-led initiatives in tribal areas exemplify its dedication to inclusive development. By collaborating with provincial governments, the military has focused on youth empowerment, education, and infrastructure development in these historically marginalized regions. Programs for educational provision are opening new avenues for tribal communities, fostering economic growth and integration into mainstream society. Tourism is a vital sector for Pakistan's economic growth, and the army has been



instrumental in its revival, particularly in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP). Collaborating with Pakistan Railways and Frontier Corps North, the Army has initiated projects to restore historic railway tracks, such as the Mardan-Takht Bhai and Peshawar-Landi Kotal lines. These initiatives aim to enhance accessibility to heritage sites, attracting both domestic and international tourists. Such efforts reflect the Army's vision for sustainable tourism, which not only boosts the economy but also promotes Pakistan's rich cultural and historical legacy to the world.

Recognized as one of the most transparent institutions in the country, the military prioritizes good governance and efficient resource utilization. This dedication enhances public trust and sets a benchmark for institutional integrity. The Fauji Foundation and Army Welfare Trust exemplify the Army's commitment to social welfare. These organizations generate funds to support ex-servicemen, their families, and dependents of martyrs.

### **Visionary Leadership of COAS General Asim Munir**

Under the leadership of COAS General Asim Munir, Pakistan is witnessing a renewed sense of hope and progress. His deep understanding of the challenges faced by ordinary citizens and his unwavering commitment to addressing





them have positioned him as a transformative figure for the nation. The recent signs of economic revival and strategic advancements reflect the proactive efforts of General Asim and our military to steer the country out of crises.

The nation is grateful for his dedication to healing wounds and driving tangible improvements across key sectors. His visionary leadership is not only moving the country forward but also fostering resilience in the face of adversity, charting a path toward stability and prosperity.

The Pakistan Army's diverse contributions to national development reflect its unwavering commitment to the country's progress. From safeguarding the nation's borders to fostering economic growth, the Army's multifaceted role extends beyond traditional defense responsibilities. Our army continues to align its initiatives with national priorities, ensuring that Pakistan moves towards a prosperous and stable future. As a beacon of resilience and dedication, the Pakistan Army stands as a symbol of hope and progress, inspiring the nation to achieve its full potential.