

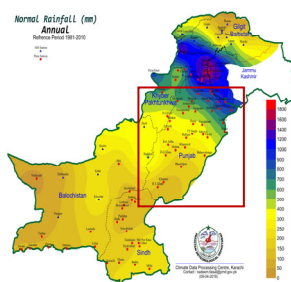
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## Water and Climate Change Initiatives Irrigation Department

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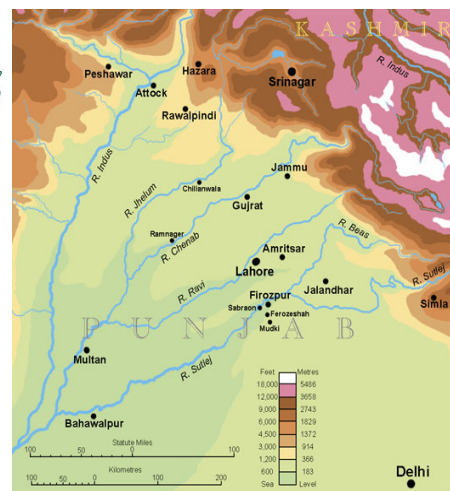
## Rivers and Canals are Truly the Lifeline for Punjab



>100 MAF water (80% of Indus River System) diverted for agriculture

Agriculture contributes to 20% of GDP, employs 52% of labour force

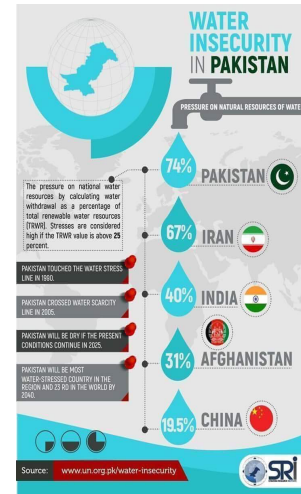
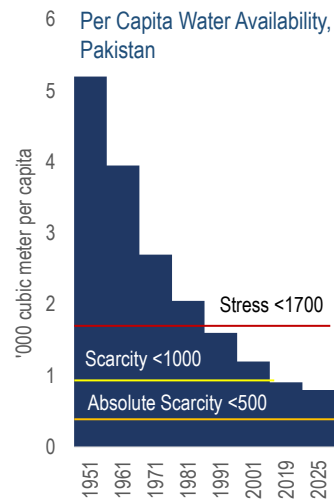
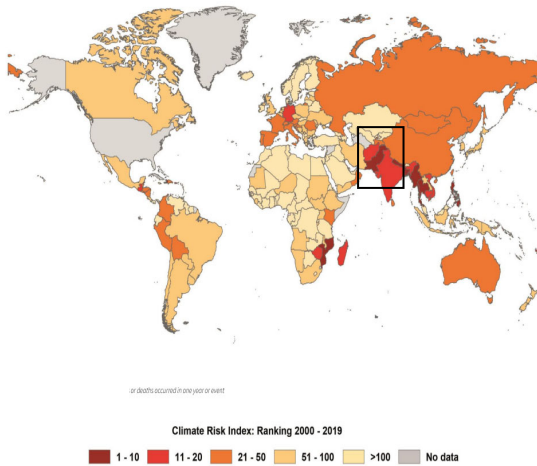
Punjab is at the center of Pakistan's food security prospect



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## But Climate Risks are High & Water Availability is Declining

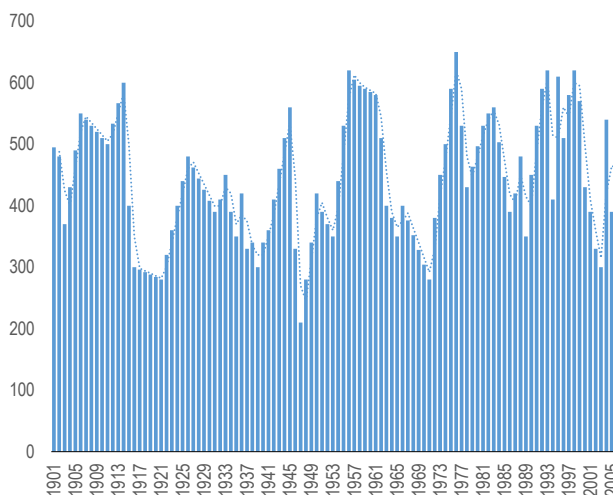
Figure 1: World Map of the Global Climate Risk Index 2000 – 2019  
(Source: Germanwatch and Munich Re Natural Disaster)



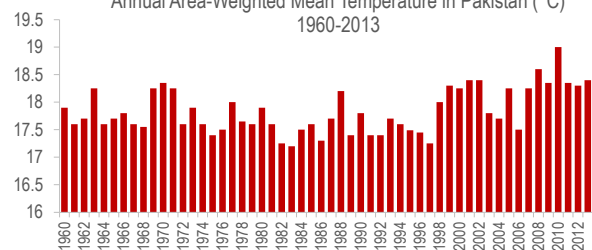
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## Rainfall Seems Stable but Temperatures are an Issue

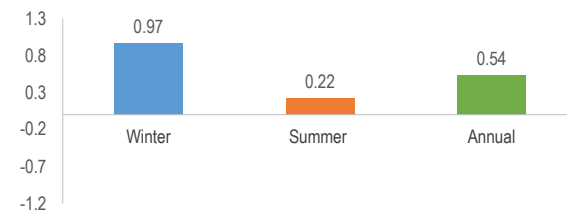
Time Series Annual Precipitation in Pakistan (mm) 1901-2007



Annual Area-Weighted Mean Temperature in Pakistan (°C) 1960-2013



Change in Mean Temperature in Punjab (°C) 1960-2007



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# Behaviour of Northern Glaciers is Mixed at Best

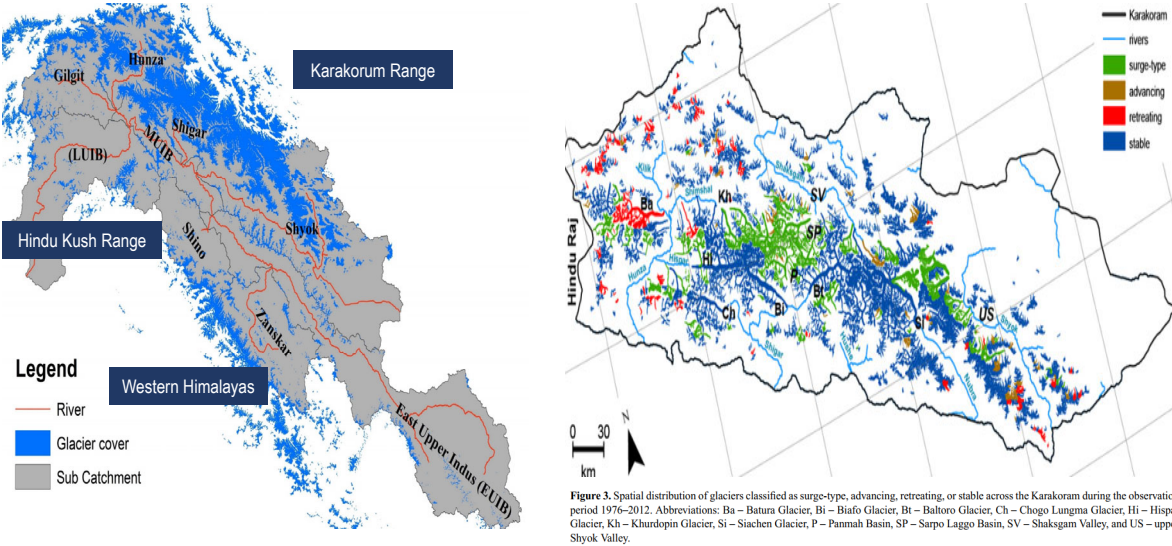


Figure 3. Spatial distribution of glaciers classified as surge-type, advancing, retreating, or stable across the Karakoram during the observation period 1976–2012. Abbreviations: Ba – Batura Glacier, Bi – Biafo Glacier, Bt – Baltoro Glacier, Ch – Chogo Lungma Glacier, Hi – Hispar Glacier, Kh – Khurdopin Glacier, Si – Siachen Glacier, P – Panmah Basin, SP – Sarpo Lago Basin, SV – Shaksgam Valley, and US – upper Shyok Valley.

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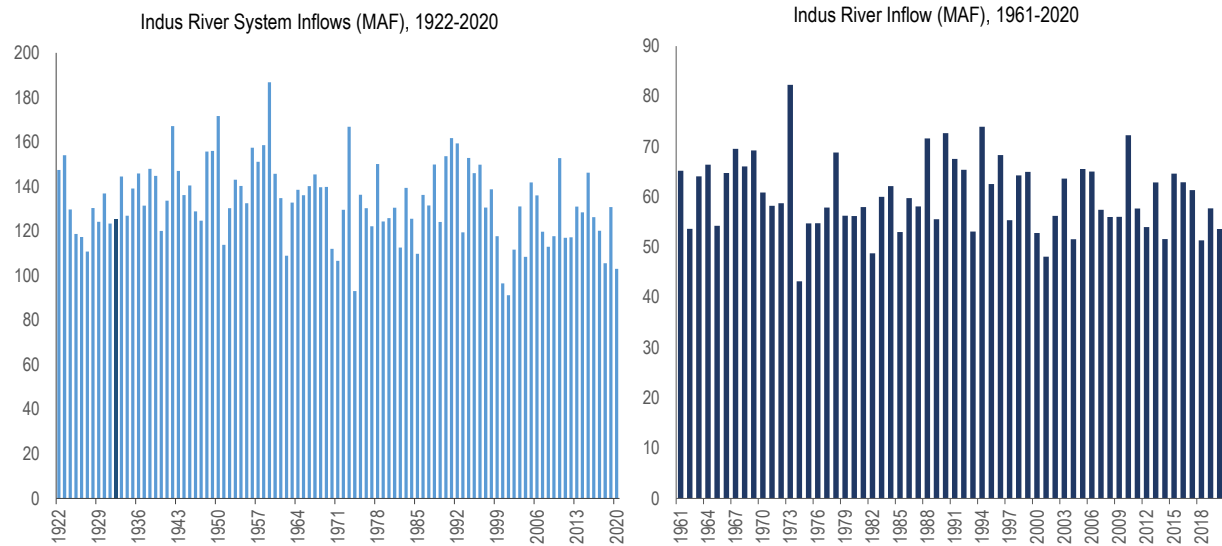
# Behaviour of Northern Glaciers is Mixed at Best

Mean surface elevation changes and mass budget for the single glaciers and different regions in the UIB from 2000 to 2019. Glacier area are acquired from the Randolph Glacier Inventory 6.0. Mean  $\Delta dh$  is mean surface elevation change and mass budget is the annual mass budget.

Region/Glacier name		Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	2000–2013		2013–2019		2000–2019	
			Mean $\Delta dh$ (m)	Mass budget (m w.e. a <sup>-1</sup> )	Mean $\Delta dh$ (m)	Mass budget (m w.e. a <sup>-1</sup> )	Mean $\Delta dh$ (m)	Mass budget (m w.e. a <sup>-1</sup> )
1	Batura	311.4	-5.26 ± 0.27	-0.34 ± 0.07	-4.75 ± 0.46	-0.67 ± 0.17	-9.54 ± 0.39	-0.43 ± 0.08
2	Hispar	495.3	-0.96 ± 0.27	-0.06 ± 0.07	-2.33 ± 0.46	-0.33 ± 0.17	-3.18 ± 0.39	-0.14 ± 0.08
3	Khurdopin	203.2	2.46 ± 0.27	0.16 ± 0.07	-5.25 ± 0.46	-0.74 ± 0.17	-3.36 ± 0.39	-0.15 ± 0.08
4	Virjerab	167.3	0.78 ± 0.27	0.05 ± 0.07	-3.06 ± 0.46	-0.43 ± 0.17	-2.87 ± 0.39	-0.13 ± 0.08
West Karakoram		5383.9	-1.32 ± 0.27	-0.09 ± 0.07	-4.22 ± 0.46	-0.60 ± 0.17	-5.03 ± 0.39	-0.23 ± 0.08
5	Chogo	295.1	-2.96 ± 0.37	-0.19 ± 0.09	-7.69 ± 0.48	-1.13 ± 0.18	-10.48 ± 0.45	-0.47 ± 0.09
6	Panmah	334.5	-2.00 ± 0.37	-0.13 ± 0.09	-2.95 ± 0.48	-0.42 ± 0.18	-3.52 ± 0.45	-0.16 ± 0.09
7	Biafo	559.4	0.18 ± 0.37	0.01 ± 0.09	1.61 ± 0.48	0.23 ± 0.18	2.31 ± 0.45	0.10 ± 0.09
8	Baltoro	808.8	-1.11 ± 0.37	-0.07 ± 0.09	1.48 ± 0.48	0.21 ± 0.18	0.61 ± 0.45	0.03 ± 0.09
Central Karakoram		3353.1	-1.23 ± 0.37	-0.08 ± 0.09	-0.31 ± 0.48	-0.04 ± 0.18	-1.45 ± 0.45	-0.06 ± 0.09
9	Siachen	1078.0	-1.64 ± 0.54	-0.11 ± 0.14	0.91 ± 0.79	0.13 ± 0.29	-0.72 ± 0.89	-0.03 ± 0.19
10	Rimo	439.8	-3.10 ± 0.54	-0.20 ± 0.14	-1.24 ± 0.79	-0.18 ± 0.29	-4.54 ± 0.89	-0.20 ± 0.19
11	Chamshing	27.2	-15.08 ± 0.54	-0.99 ± 0.14	8.43 ± 0.79	1.19 ± 0.29	-4.13 ± 0.89	-0.18 ± 0.19
12	Kichik Kumdan	66.3	-3.63 ± 0.54	-0.24 ± 0.14	6.85 ± 0.79	0.97 ± 0.29	4.08 ± 0.89	0.18 ± 0.19
East Karakoram		5774.4	-2.17 ± 0.54	-0.14 ± 0.14	2.64 ± 0.79	0.37 ± 0.29	0.79 ± 0.89	0.04 ± 0.19
Debris-covered region		2018.1	-5.24 ± 0.65	-0.34 ± 0.16	-3.22 ± 0.56	-0.46 ± 0.21	-8.29 ± 0.34	-0.37 ± 0.07
Clean-ice region		12493.3	-0.88 ± 0.65	-0.06 ± 0.16	0.88 ± 0.56	0.12 ± 0.21	0.17 ± 0.34	0.01 ± 0.07
Surge glacier		5704.1	-1.76 ± 0.65	-0.12 ± 0.16	0.76 ± 0.56	0.11 ± 0.21	-1.43 ± 0.34	-0.06 ± 0.07
Non-surge glacier		8807.4	-1.80 ± 0.65	-0.12 ± 0.16	1.54 ± 0.56	0.22 ± 0.21	-0.87 ± 0.34	-0.04 ± 0.07
Total		14511.4	-1.78 ± 0.65	-0.12 ± 0.16	-0.20 ± 0.56	-0.03 ± 0.21	-1.70 ± 0.34	-0.08 ± 0.07

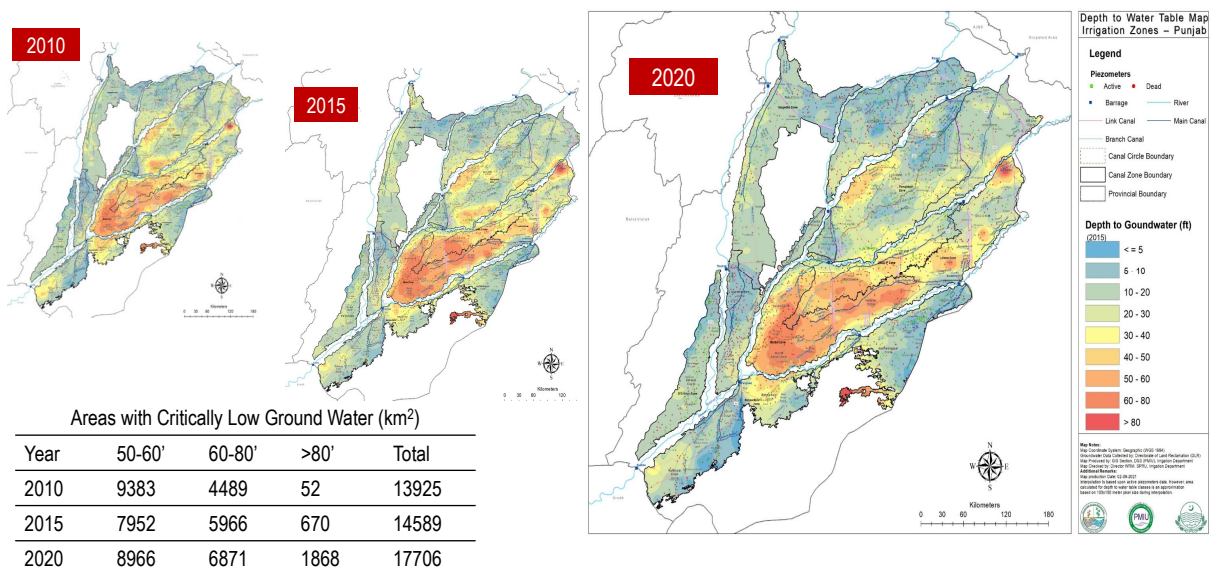
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## River Inflows Have However Remained Largely Stable



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## Rising Demand for Water has Overstressed the Aquifer



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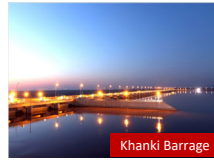


## What is Being Done: Resilient Infrastructure

Large scale investments to renew and rebuilt 8 old barrages and 600 miles of canal system to ensure sustainable and more effective irrigation for in excess of 15.6 m acres



Taunsa Barrage



Khanki Barrage



Balloki Barrage



Punjab Barrage



Jinnah Barrage



Sulemanki Barrage



Trimmu Barrage



Islam Barrage

More than 400 miles levees strengthened against climate change impact to provide improved protection to 1.6 m acres land and a population of 4.4 m



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## What is Being Done: Infrastructure to Conserve Water

Construction of a new canal system is under way, while construction of another is planned to commence next year. Together these will lead to sustained irrigation for xx acres with water which was otherwise wasted to sea

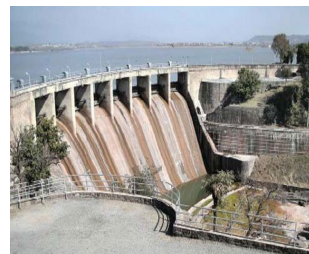


Underconstruction Jalalpur Canal

Plan are afoot to revitalize ecologically deteriorated and lost river basins. First work of this kind likely to commence in 2022.



Addition of 15 new dams to the existing inventory of 57 is underway. On their likely completion by 2024, these will allow adding around 410796 AF to existing storage capacity



Bringing efficiency in irrigation system at a large scale for increased productivity. First of such projects based on pressurized pipe irrigation system likely to be completed by 2023



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## What is Being Done: Improved Governance Arrangements

Transition from simply administering canals and rivers to a water resource management agency



New regulatory framework for appropriate water among various competing sectors and to regulate abstraction and supply of ground water and disposal of sewage



Using technology to improve operational performance and service delivery



- Experimenting with remote sensing technologies for managing canal water demand



Separate institutions to manage groundwater and to bring a focused approach towards integrated water management



Service charges enhanced by xxx% over the last three years to achieve financial sustainability and to stimulate investments for improved efficiency and productivity in use of canal water



- Flood risk assessment systems

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## What Needs to be Done Further

- Sustained investments in water sector for more climate resilient infrastructure
- Developing and adopting policies and practices to support more efficient and productive use of water for agriculture and other purposes
- Need to develop indigenous capacity to study climate change phenomena and especially behaviour of northern glaciers which are the main source of fresh water not only for Pakistan but also the sub-continent as a whole
- Effective management of groundwater
- Institutional strengthening for these purposes
- Enhanced emphasis on adoption of nature based solutions at a large scale

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# THANK YOU

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## MAJOR GLOF EVENTS REPORTED

Year	Event date	Glacier	River	Influencing factors
1973	—	Batura	Hunza	—
1974	—	Batura	Hunza	—
1977	—	Balt Bare	Hunza	—
1978	September	Darkot/Barados	Gilgit	—
1994	July	Sosot/Gupis lake	Gilgit	—
1999	6 August	Khalti/Gupis	Gilgit	Monsoon rainfall
2000	10 June	Shimshal	Hunza	High temperature
2000	27 July	Kand/Hushe	Indus	Monsoon rainfall
2005	July	Sosot/Gupis lake	Gilgit	
2007	5 April	Ghulkin	Hunza	Western disturbance
2008	6 January	Passu	Hunza	Western disturbance
2008	2 April	Ghulkin	Hunza	Western disturbance
2008	22 May	Ghulkin	Hunza	Persistent rainfall
2008	24 May	Ghulkin	Hunza	Persistent rainfall
2008	14/15 June	Ghulkin	Hunza	Heat wave
2009	26 March	Ghulkin	Hunza	Western disturbance
2018	17 July	Barsuwat glacier	Immit	Heat wave
2019	23 June	Shishper	Hunza	High temperature
2020	29 May	Shishper	Hunza	High temperature

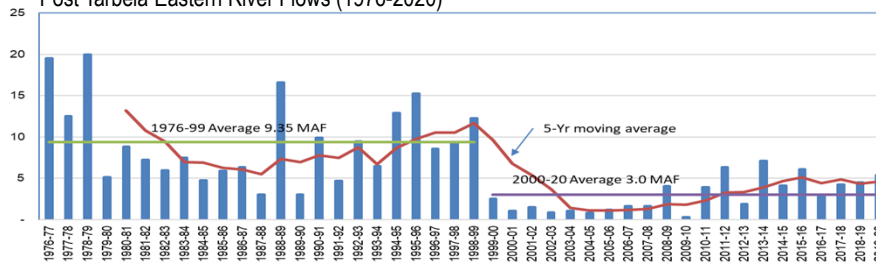
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## WATER AVAILABILITY IS REDUCING

Reservoir Storage Loss due to Sedimentation (2020)

	Designed live storage	Present live storage	Storage lost	
			MAF	%
Tarbela Dam on Indus	9.68	5.98	-3.7	38%
Mangla Dam on Jhelum	5.34	4.5	-0.84	16%
Raising of Mangla Dam	-	2.88	0	0%
Chashma Barrage on Indus	0.72	0.28	-0.44	61%
<b>Total</b>	<b>15.74</b>	<b>13.64</b>	<b>-4.98</b>	<b>27%</b>

Post Tarbela Eastern River Flows (1976-2020)



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## POLLUTION- A CLIMATE CHANGE THREAT

- Water quality of the rivers is deteriorating with the decrease in water availability and increase in population.
- The current level of pollution in the River Ravi and its Nullah are some of the worst in the world. Sometimes called the killer canal. The River Ravi's dissolved oxygen levels are unable to sustain most aquatic life.
- Revitalization of River Ravi will take 30 years to improve. The estimated cost for revitalization is \$ 5.4 billion.

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## PID INITIATIVES

- Rehabilitation of [barrages](#) and canals
- FERRP & DCRIP Projects for more [resilient](#) flood infrastructure
- [PRF](#) for Hill torrents and Canal Projects

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## POLICY AND LEGAL FRAMEWORK

### Punjab Water Policy 2018

- Punjab Water Policy has been approved by the Provincial Cabinet in 2018 with an objective for improving water governance and sustainable management of surface and ground water use in the province which is the key to improving comprehensive water management

### Punjab Water Act 2019

- A comprehensive Water Act for management of water resources in Punjab has also been approved by the Provincial Assembly. Currently, rules and regulations are in approval process - A licensing regime is being introduced in Punjab.

### Punjab Irrigation, Drainage and River Act, 2021

- A new Act is being introduced to replace more than 100 years old Act to combat with new challenges in water sector

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## INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Strategic Planning & Reform Unit

Responsible for overall policy and planning related functions of the department and implementation of various policy actions under water policy

- Flood Risk Assessment Unit

Established for estimation of flood extents and identification of flood prone areas along the river.

- Hydraulic Structures Safety Evaluation Unit

Established to conduct pre-flood and post-flood safety evaluations of the hydraulic structures. The unit regularly carries out visits to all the barrages, especially to the ones flagged for potential flood situations

- Water Resources Commission and Water Services Regulatory Authority are being set up for regulation of groundwater

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## WAY FORWARD

- Sustainable investments in water sector for more climate resilient infrastructure
- Enhanced storage capacity
- Improve water use efficiency and agriculture productivity
- Develop more robust early warning systems
- Efficient use of groundwater to safeguard the groundwater aquifer from further depletion
- Beneficial use of flood water - emphasis on artificial recharge projects
- Extensively adopt nature based solutions
- Control on greenhouse emissions mainly through afforestation
- Develop institutions to foster water security

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## BARRAGES REHABILITATION

### Taunsa Barrage

- Command Area 1.8 Million Acres
- Design Discharge 1,000,000 cusec



### Jinnah Barrage

- Command Area 1.9 Million Acres
- Design Discharge 950,000 cusec



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## BARRAGES REHABILITATION

### New Khanki Barrage

- Command Area 3.031 M. Acres
- Design Discharge 800,000/1,100,00 cusec



### Sulemanki Barrage

- Command Area 2.81 M. Acres
- Design Discharge 325,000 Cs



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## BARRAGES REHABILITATION

### Balloki Barrage & LBDC

- Command Area 1.7 M. Acres
- Design Discharge of LBDC 8500 to 9841 Cs
- Design Discharge of Balloki Barrage 225,000 - 260,000 Cs



### Trimmu Barrage

- Command Area 1.36 M. Acres
- Design Discharge 645,000 – 875,000 Cs



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## BARRAGES REHABILITATION

### Punjnad Barrage

- Command Area 1.63 Million Acres
- Design Discharge 700,000/865,000 cusec



### Islam Barrage

- Command Area 1 Million Acres
- Design Discharge 300,000/332,000 cusec



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## FERRP & DCRIP

- Flood Emergency Reconstruction and Resilience Project (Irrigation Components) - Project completed in April, 2019 and 163 Km embankments rehabilitated. 320,541 Acres land protected from inundation and 1,736,126 No of persons saved from flood hazards
- Disaster & Climate Resilience Improvement Project - 248 Km length of embankment rehabilitated. 840,824 Acres agriculture land protected from inundation, 2,704,879 No. of persons saved from Flood hazards



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**PRF**

- The Project Readiness facility for Punjab Water Resources Management has been launched. The existing feasibility studies will be reviewed / updated, and detailed engineering design will be prepared for following 5 No. projects;
  - Harnessing of Hill Torrents in Dera Ghazi Khan and Rajanpur
  - Greater Thal Canal Project – Phase III (Dhingana Branch, Nurpur Branch and Mahmood Sub Branch Canal)
  - Remodeling of R-Q, Q-B & B-S Link Canals
  - Remodeling and Upgrading of Dera Ghazi Khan Canal System
  - Rehabilitation and Upgrading of Upper Jhelum Canal System

