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Punjab (Pakistan)–Azerbaijan *Collaboration* **in** **Agriculture & Livestock**





Punjab's Agriculture Outlook

Pakistan comprise of total geographical area approximately 88.19 million hectares, of which around 23 million hectares are cultivated. Within this, Punjab province has 20.5 million hectares of geographical area, with 12–13 million hectares under cultivation.

Punjab is the food basket of Pakistan by contributing the major share in the production

Crops	Pakistan production	Punjab's production	Punjab's Contribution
Cotton	7.08 million bales	3.838 million bales	54.2%
Wheat	28.98 million tonnes	22.053 million tonnes	76.1%
Rice	9.72 million tonnes	6.03 million tonnes	62.0%
Maize	8.24 million tonnes	8.067 million tonnes	97.9%
Sugarcane	84.24 million tonnes	60.112 million tonnes	71.3%

Punjab: The Hub of Pakistan's Horticulture Sector

Fruit	Pakistan production	Punjab's production	Punjab's Contribution
Mango	1.8–2.0 million tonnes	1.25–1.45 million tonnes	66–70%
Guava	0.55 million tonnes	0.45 million tonnes	82%
Citrus	2.4 million tonnes	2.3 million tonnes	95%

Chief Minister Punjab initiatives on Agriculture

Chief Minister of Punjab, Maryam Nawaz Sharif, envisions a productive, profitable, sustainable, technology-driven, and farmer-centric agriculture sector that enhances productivity, strengthens food security, increases farmer incomes, conserves natural resources, and transforms Punjab into a leading agricultural economy of the region through the following strategic pillars:

■ CM Punjab Kisan Card

Providing interest-free loans to farmers for the purchase of agricultural inputs to enhance crop productivity. Rs 350 Billion loans disbursed



■ CM Punjab Green Tractors Program

Enhancing farm mechanization through provision of subsidized tractors to farmers across Punjab. 30,000 Tractors distributed



■ CM Hi-Tech Mechanization Financing Program

Promoting modern agriculture by providing interest-free financing for the purchase of hi-tech agricultural machinery



■ Establishment of Model Agriculture Malls In Punjab

One-Stop Agriculture-input-market concept is being introduced in the province



■ Punjab Clean Air Program

Reducing crop residue burning through provision of 1000 Super Seeders



■ Economic Transformation in Agriculture sector

Strengthening Punjab's agro economy through financing support for value addition and agribusiness to enhance exports





Punjab (Pakistan) And Azerbaijan Joint Collaboration In Agriculture

Strengthening Research & Innovation Partnerships

- Joint research programs
- Scientist exchange initiatives
- Institutional collaboration
- Crop breeding & horticulture research
- Salinity and water management solutions

Advancing Mechanisation & Precision Agriculture

- Affordable farm mechanisation
- Application of Drone technology in agriculture
- Remote sensing systems

Enhancing Water Management & Irrigation Efficiency

- Water-saving agronomic practices
- Sustainable water governance

Promoting High-Value Horticulture Development

- Citrus, mango, grapes, olive, pomegranate, potato & vegetable production
- Modern orchard management
- True-to-type plants produced through tissue culture

Expanding Food Processing & Value Addition

- Investment in Cold chains, packaging, dehydration
- Halal food processing and Agro-processing industries
- Export enhancement & reduced post-harvest losses

Developing Climate-Resilient Seed Systems

- Exchange and joint development of Drought & Heat tolerant crop varieties

Strengthening Agricultural Trade & Market Access

- Expansion of bilateral agricultural trade in fresh & processed products
- Improving Export facilitation measures
- Developing stronger market linkages

Promoting Investment & Private Sector Partnerships

- Joint ventures in seed production
- Agri-machinery investments
- Greenhouse farming initiatives
- Cold storage ,Food processing and Agri-logistics infrastructure



Punjab's Livestock Outlook

Livestock Sector is a key driver of Pakistan's economy & leading force in agricultural growth:

- 14.97% share in national GDP with growth rate of 4.72%
- Contributing 63.6% to overall agriculture economy
- Accounting for 2.9% of total exports

Pakistan - Livestock Population & Indigenous Breeds

Animal	Pakistan	Punjab	% Share	Indigenous Breeds
Buffalo	47.73 M	29.68 M	62.2%	Nili-Ravi
Cattle	55.86 M	27.10 M	48.5%	Sahiwal, Cholistani
Sheep	44.59 M	13.39 M	30.0%	Lohi, Thalli, Kajli
Goat	95.83 M	31.44 M	32.8%	Beetal, Teddy, Dera Din Panah, Angora

Milk and Meat Production Capacity

Region	Milk (Billion litres)	Beef (Million tons)	Mutton (Million tons)
Pakistan	72.34	2.548	0.835
Punjab	43.44 (60.0%)	1.130 (44.3%)	0.269 (32.2%)

Chief Minister Punjab Initiatives on Livestock

■ CM Punjab: Livestock Card

300,000 animals this year and 600,000 animals next year are ready for meat export.



■ CM Punjab: Progressive Control of FMD

Eight FMD-free compartments established this year and seven planned for next year.



■ CM Punjab: Herd Transformation Program

1.8 Million doses per annum of Holstein Friesian, Brahman, Angus, Gir, Jersey, and gender-sorted semen are inseminated.



■ Genomics and IVF Technology

Introduced for the first time in the province.



■ CM Punjab: Dairy Supply Chain Project

■ CM Punjab: Economic Transformation Program for Livestock Sector

Includes Value addition and Processing of dairy and meat.





Pakistan-Azerbaijan Trade Potential

- Azerbaijan imports approximately **48,000 MT of meat annually**.
- A market opportunity of **USD 110 million** exists for Pakistan's meat exports.
- Both Countries are at same stage of FMD control measures, following vaccination records and traceability data, a **bilateral export protocol** was signed in **October 2025**.

Pakistan Export Readiness

- Pakistan currently exports **120,000 MT** of meat, valued at **USD 512 million**.
- Export-certified with **international accreditations** slaughterhouses available.
- Compliance with **Halal standards** is ensured.

Policy & Connectivity support

- **Pakistan Animal Identification & Traceability System (PAITS)** is in place.
- **FMD-free compartments** have been established.
- **FMD-free zone** is being established from next year.
- **Boiled meat export** option is available for additional market facilitation.
- **Pakistan Halal Meat Export Policy (2025)** & legal framework in place.
- **The Iran land corridor** offers potential for direct overland access to Azerbaijan and Central Asia, strengthening regional connectivity.



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