

Pakistan – CIDA Projects

Canada's development assistance program with Pakistan focuses on:

- Strengthening Pakistan's institutional capacity and encouraging policy change in support of development that is equitable and sustainable promoting a transition of the Canada-Pakistan relationship from donor-recipient to a partnership based on mutual interests.

Canada's development program with Pakistan is achieving many successes. For example:

- Non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in Pakistan have become stronger and more effective advocates of human rights, good governance and democratic development.
- NGO projects and programs have demonstrated successful approaches to poverty alleviation and the strengthening of civil society. Their approaches have been applied throughout Pakistan.
- Canada is building the capacity of women's groups to strengthen advocacy and policy initiatives and has contributed to attitudinal changes regarding women and their role in society.
- Canada has helped Pakistan develop an internationally acclaimed national conservation strategy and is helping to support the plan's implementation.
- Projects funded by Canada have made a direct and substantial impact on power availability, policy formulation and the development of environmental sustainable planning capacity. Canada's support has been instrumental in the development of Pakistan's National Power Plan.
- Canada's work in Pakistan has been instrumental in creating four indigenous NGOs.
- Successful connections have developed between Canada and Pakistan among academic and health institutions, non-governmental and environmental organisations and the private sector.
- Canada supports initiatives which promote development in Pakistan and generate long-term commercial benefits for both countries. Many spin-offs have accrued to Canadian firms as a result of Canada's support for projects in Pakistan's private sector.