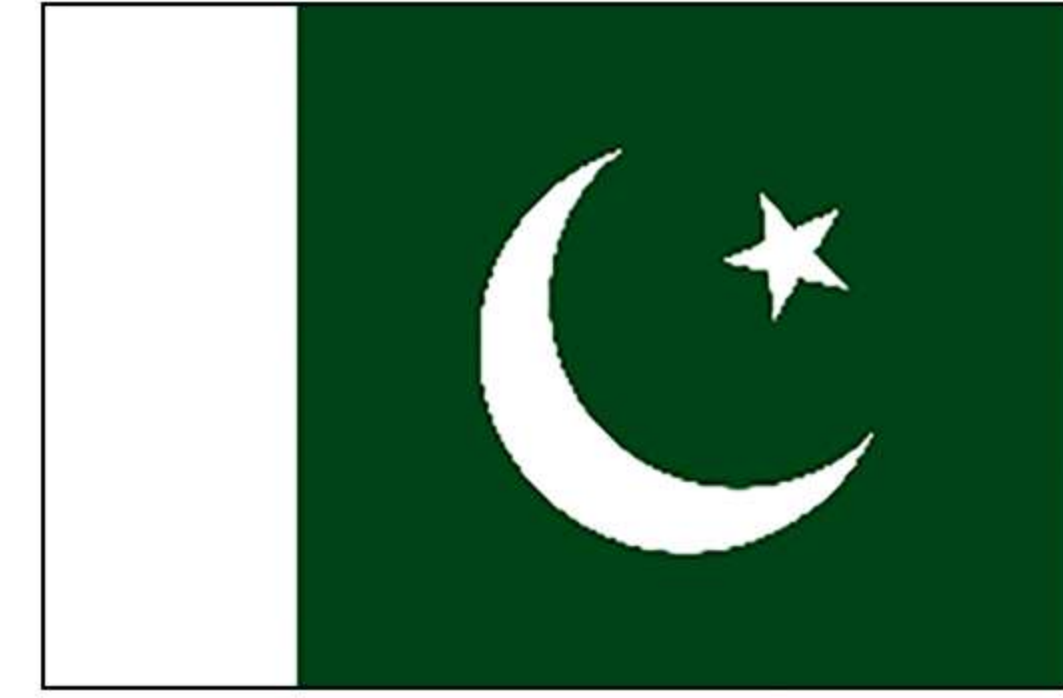


PAKISTAN

CANDIDATURE FOR THE IMO COUNCIL ELECTION

2022-2023 BIENNIUM CATEGORY 'C'






MINISTRY OF MARITIME AFFAIRS
GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN

GATEWAYS TO PAKISTAN

Karachi Port, Port Bin Qasim and Gwadar Port



-  Gwadar Port
-  Karachi Port
-  Port Bin Qasim

Pakistan's Karachi Port, Port Bin Qasim and Gwadar Port – geo-strategic location and geo-economics orientation provide ample maritime opportunities, in particular to Central Asian Republics (CARs), Afghanistan, and western regions of China.

Our marine policies are designed to facilitate maritime nations and contribute towards realization of strategic objectives of the IMO's global agenda in the realm of safety and security, regulation and addressing environmental impacts of international shipping.

Pakistan's 'Transshipment Policy' endeavors to establish Karachi as a destination hub, with close geographic proximity to all major and minor ports in the South Asian and Middle Eastern regions, located in safe and open waters.

Location of these ports make them ideal for cargo consolidation and distribution for maritime trades.



**1,100
km.**

Coastline



**2nd
largest**

South Asian country



**240,000⁺
sq.km.**

Exclusive Economic Zone



**50,000
sq.km.**

Extended Continental Shelf

STRAIT OF HORMUZ

Representing one third of all seaborne energy flows

GEOGRAPHY



Sits on the west of Pakistan's territorial waters

TRADE VOLUME



100+ million tons annually from Pakistan

DISTANCE



300 nautical miles just beyond the Gulf of Oman



PROTECTING **MARINE LIFE**

Sustainably managing marine and coastal ecosystems

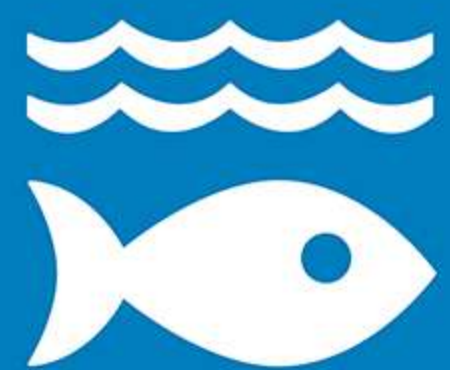
Pakistan, in line with the **Objectives of International Maritime Organization (IMO)** and **Sustainable Development Goal 14 – Life Below Water**, aims to sustainably manage and protect marine and coastal ecosystems as well as to regulate, prevent overfishing and IUU fishing.

Pakistan maintains constant surveillance over its Exclusive Economic Zone through air and sea patrols, looking out for warnings against any impending threats of pollution.

3 CLIMATE ACTION



14 LIFE BELOW WATER



15 LIFE ON LAND



16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS



17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT **GOALS**



VACCINATION OF SEAFARERS AT PAKISTAN'S SEA PORTS

Combating and preventing the spread of COVID-19

Pakistan had declared seafarers as '**Key Workers**'.

Throughout the pandemic, seafarers have ensured that global supply chain continues to deliver goods despite restrictions. It is essential that these key workers are prioritized when it comes to lifesaving vaccines.

In recognition of valuable services of seafarers, Government of Pakistan is administering free of cost COVID-19 vaccination to all seafarers, who are calling on the three ports of Pakistan.

In addition to vaccinating all seafarers, Ministry of Maritime Affairs through its attached organizations, launched a massive vaccination drive in the port city of Karachi. As of November 10, 2021 these organizations had vaccinated more than 500,000 people in Karachi. We plan to reach a target of 1 million vaccinations by the spring of 2022.



TRANSITIONING TO A **SUSTAINABLE BLUE ECONOMY**

In line with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and IMO Strategic Plan approved by the Assembly, Pakistan has ratified and implemented IMO's key Conventions for ensuring safety of life at sea and protection of marine habitat. We aim to encourage and assist the general adaptation of necessary standards for a green economy and growth in sustainable development.

Pakistan's desire to serve on the IMO Council reaffirms its commitment to strengthen international cooperation, consensus-building, diplomacy and dialogue in the maritime and shipping domain.

Pakistan is transitioning to a sustainable and environmentally friendly **Blue Economy**, that shall provide socio-economic benefits to current and future generations. In this regard, Pakistan is focusing on food security, poverty alleviation, creation of livelihoods, income generation and ensuring health, safety and equity.



EMPOWERING SEAFARERS THROUGH **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

Pakistan Marine Academy, a degree awarding institution, continues to invest resources towards educating and training seafarers. Likewise, Pakistan plays its role in the community of seafaring nations by providing a steady supply of qualified seafarers capable of navigating the seas in future.



Pakistan contributes heavily towards international shipping through its pool of over **25,000 experienced seafarers**, trained to the latest STCW standards and holding certifications that are recognised internationally.



Pakistan's Certificate of Competence (CoC) is recognised internationally, having **signed MoUs with 29 nations** for the certificate of recognition under the latest provisions of STCW.



ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION

TEN BILLION TREE TSUNAMI PROGRAMME

This ambitious programme sets out to plant **10 billion trees** and is supported by the **United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)**.

The programme has achieved the target to plant and regenerate one billion trees. This radical tree plantation programme aims to plant and regenerate one billion mangrove plants to improve mangrove forests along Pakistan's coastline. The programme has achieved the target with 408 million plants over 28,500 hectares of mangrove areas.

The benefits expected to accrue from this ambitious programme shall not be limited to Pakistan or the current generation. Future generations of the world shall benefit from this programme initiated by Pakistan.





The Ten Billion Tree Tsunami Programme has already achieved the target to plant / regenerate one billion plants over an area of about 0.488 million hectares. Provision of about 164.000 green jobs became possible during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Another important component of this program is **Protected Areas Initiative**. Effective management of 23 Protected Areas was inaugurated by the Prime Minister of Pakistan in 2020 to ensure habitat improvement, create protected areas service, ecologically compliant infrastructure and creation of a dedicated protected area fund.



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

MARITIME SECURITY

GUARDING INTERNATIONAL SEA ROUTES

The Search and Rescue responsibilities of Pakistan extends up to 840 NM from its coastline. Pakistan undertakes such operations either independently or through coordination with other authorities for prompt and effective rescue operations.

Pakistan routinely leads the multinational **Combined Task Force (CTF)**, to conduct counter-piracy operations ensuring maritime security particularly in the region around the **Gulf of Aden**. Continuous efforts of the Pakistan Navy and Pakistan Maritime Security Agency have kept important sea lanes passing through the Suez Canal open and safe for navigation.

Pakistan has also been designated as the coordinator of **NAVAREA-IX** and contributes significantly towards the safety of navigation by assimilation and dissimulation of navigational warnings and weather forecasts.

Pakistan's hydrography office provides vital hydrographic data to the world and is a member of the **International Hydrographic Organization (IHO)**.





Pakistan looks forward to being elected as a member of the **IMO Council** to use this position for furtherance of the **IMO's objectives**.

Pakistan firmly supports the role of IMO in improving safety and security of international shipping and is a staunch proponent of IMO's stated goals.

Pakistan is a strong supporter of the IMO Integrated Technical Cooperation Program (ITCP) which aims at helping developing IMO member states build their capacities.

Pakistan aims to contribute as a member of the IMO Council by voicing the concerns of LDCs and SIDS for balanced maritime development of all member states. It is with this objective that Pakistan offers its expertise to LDCs and SIDS towards accomplishment of IMO objectives.



Elected as Council Member

1977, 1979, 1987, 1989 and 1991



Pakistan's Mission

Implementation of IMO's goals towards sustainable and environmentally friendly international shipping and trade by sea.



Pakistan's aims to play its role by presenting its candidature for election to the IMO Council in Category "C" at the 32nd session of the IMO Assembly.



PAKISTAN REQUESTS YOUR SUPPORT AND VOTE.

COMMITTED TO IMO'S OBJECTIVES



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