

**DEVELOPMENT BRIEF**  
**OF**  
**KURRAM AGENCY**  
**(2008 - 2009)**

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## **HISTORICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROFILE OF KURRAM AGENCY**

### **BACKGROUND**

Kurram Agency was declared as Agency in 1892. It is bounded by the Agency borders, Afghanistan in the North and West, Kohat in the South East. North Waziristan in the South and Khyber and Orakzai Agencies in the East. The North Western Tehsil of Upper Kurram characterized by the very high Sufaid Koh mountain in the North, the Parachinar Plain and the Kurram River acting as a boundary with Lower Kurram.

### **CLIMATE**

Parachinar receives about 30 inches of rainfall per annum. Rainfall decreases as one moves south through the Agency.

### **TRIBES**

There are two major tribes in Agency namely Bangash and Turi. The two largest towns are Parachinar and Sadda.

### **ADMINISTRATION**

The Political Agent is the overall incharge for Administration of the Agency, supported by APAs. There are three Tehsils Upper Kurram, Lower Kurram and F.R Kurram. The first two have long been administered territory. Their geography is more accessible and the Land Record exist for the most of the farmed area in these two Tehsils although a settlement has not been carried out since 1940. F.R Kurram has been an inaccessible terrain until much more recently; it is only within the last 10 years that the first access roads into F.R Kurram were completed.

The Kurram Agency Scouts have their Head-Quarter at Parachinar. It has four wings, which are as under:

1.	Levies	1074
2.	Khassadars	877
3.	Kurram Malatia	-
4.	31 F.F.R	-

Thall Scouts have jurisdiction from Thall to the town of Alizai after which the Kurram Malatia takes over.

**MALIKS, SUFAID RESH & KHAASSADARS**

The Maliki system introduced by British Govt: was the same in Kurram Agency as functioning in other FATA. Maliks use to work like media between administration and the "Qaum" or tribe. A Maliki is hereditary and devolves on the son and his son so on and so forth for which regular benefits and subsidies are sanctioned from time to time. Lungi system known as Sufaid Resh is slightly lower form of Maliki. In Kurram Agency there are 1718 Maliks and an annual allowances paid by the Govt: to Maliks etc are Rs. 0.400- million.

**KHAASSADARS**

Khassadari in Kurram Agency is another form of concession to the tribes for protection of strategic roads and other Govt: utilities. They are working under control of Political the Agent. In Kurram Agency there are 927 Khassadars and 1264 levies ranging in ranks from Subedar Major downwards upto a Sepoy. They are appointed by the Political Agent. The recruitment is made in the ratio of their tribal distribution, which is known as Nikkat. Annual expenditure on levies and Khassadars is Rs. 67.634/- million.

## **DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES IN KURRAM AGENCY**

The Annual Development Programme 2009-10 provides for an outlay of Rs.1098.259 million.

2. Sector-wise details of Annual Development Programme and allocation in Kurram Agency are given below:

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of Sector</b>	<b>Allocation for 2009-10 (Rs. in million)</b>	<b>%age Allocation</b>
1	Education	250.300	22.79
2	Health	109.702	9.99
3	P.H.E	110.469	10.06
4	Roads	365.067	33.24
5	Housing	11.861	1.08
6	Power	41.400	3.77
7	Agriculture	34.026	3.10
8	Forests	55.341	5.04
9	Rural Dev	5.878	0.54
10	Regional Dev	-	-
11	Irrigation	99.075	9.02
12	Technical Education	15.140	1.38
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1098.259</b>	<b>100.00</b>

## SOCIO-ECONOMIC INDICATORS OF KURRAM AGENCY

S.No.	Indicators	
<b>1</b>	<b>AREA &amp; POPULATION</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
a.	Area (Sq.Km) (1998 Census)	3380
b.	Total Population (Nos) (Estimated)	585805
c.	Male Population (Nos) (Estimated)	300061
d.	Female Population (Nos) (Estimated)	285744
e.	Density (Persons/Sq.Km)	173
f.	Annual Growth Rate (%) (1998 Census)	2.5
<b>2</b>	<b>AGRICULTURE</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
a.	Reported Area (000 Hectares)	338.1
b.	Cultivated Area (000 Hectares)	20.9
c.	Culturable Waste (000 Hectares)	4.2
d.	Culturable Area (000 Hectares)	25.1
e.	Irrigated Area (000 Hectares)	12
f.	Forest Area (000 Hectares)	13
g.	Cultivated Area as % of Reported Area. (%)	6.2
h.	Irrigated Area as % of Cultivated Area. (%)	57
i.	Forest Area as % of Reported Area. (%)	3.8
j.	Land Use Intensity (%)	83
k.	Population per Cultivated Area (Persons)	28
l.	Population per Irrigated Area (Persons)	49
	<u>Yield Per Hectare</u>	<b>2008-09</b>
m.	Maize (Kgs)	1243
n.	Rice (Kgs)	1477
o.	Wheat (Kgs)	1646
	<u>Animal Husbandry</u>	<b>2008-09</b>
p.	Veterinary Hospital (Nos)	4
q.	Veterinary Dispensaries (Nos)	17
r.	Civil Veterinary Centers (Nos)	22
	<u>Forest/Fisheries</u>	<b>2008-09</b>
s.	Fruit Plants Distributed (Estimated) (Nos)	133931
<b>3</b>	<b>ELECTRICITY</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
	Villages Electrified (Repeated) (Nos)	424

<b>4</b>	<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>2008-09</b>		
	<b>Indicators</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Both Sexes</b>
	<u>Educational Institutions</u>			
a.	All Primary Schools (Nos)	268	166	434
b.	Middle Schools (Nos)	34	6	40
c.	High Schools (Nos)	23	7	30
d.	Higher Secondary Schools (Nos)	0	1	1
e.	Degree Colleges (2007-08) (Nos)	3	3	6
	<u>Participation Rate</u>			
f.	Primary Level (5-9) (%)	55	30	42
g.	Middle Level (10-12) (%)	54	24	40
h.	High Level (13-14) (%)	9	5	7
	<u>Teaching Staff</u>			
i.	All Primary Schools (Nos)	711	409	1120
j.	Middle Schools (Nos)	320	58	378
k.	High Schools (Nos)	436	116	552
l.	Higher Secondary Schools (Nos)	0	15	15
	<u>Enrolment by kind</u>			
m.	Primary Schools (Nos)	21539	15116	36655
n.	Middle Schools (Nos)	7275	1457	8732
o.	High Schools (Nos)	10561	5091	15652
p.	Higher Secondary Schools (Nos)	0	502	502
q.	Literacy Ratio (%) (1998)	33.34	4.46	19.78
<b>5</b>	<b>HEALTH</b>	<b>1.1.2009</b>		
a.	Hospital (Nos)	4		
b.	Dispensary (Nos)	42		
c.	R.H.Cs (Nos)	0		
d.	B.H.U.s functioning (Nos)	22		
e.	Hospital/Dispensary & R.H.C Beds (Nos)	322		
f.	Population per Hospital & Dispensary Bed (Nos)	1819		
g.	Doctors (Nos)	91		
h.	Population per Doctor (Nos)	6437		
i.	Nurses (Nos)	41		
j.	Population per Nurse (Nos)	14288		
<b>6</b>	<b>PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING</b>	<b>2008-09</b>		
a.	Tube wells (Nos)	72		
b.	Drinking Water Coverage (%)	58.71		

<b>7</b>	<b>COMMUNICATIONS</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
a.	Total Roads (Kms)	822.3
b.	High Type(Kms)	490.4
c.	Low Type (Kms)	331.9
d.	Road per Sq. Km. of Area (Kms)	0.24
e.	Post Offices (Nos)	21
f.	Population per Post Office(Persons)	27895
g.	Telephones (Nos)	3877
h.	Population per Telephone (Persons)	151
<b>8</b>	<b>MINERAL (In Tonnes)</b>	<b>2008-09</b>
a.	Barite	0
b.	Chromites	190
c.	Coal	34805
d.	Fluorite	0
e.	Graphic	0
f.	Iron Ore	0
g.	Limestone	0
h.	Magnesite	0
i.	Marble	0
j.	Quartz	0
k.	Serpentine	0
l.	Soapstone	30