

# Environmental degradation

Environmental degradation has remained the most significant <sup>social</sup> issue in Pakistan. Rapid industrialization, deforestation and many other acts which are consistently creating problems in the country. Indeed, climate change is the result from environmental degradation. Moreover, it is a serious threat to the country as a result, of which many have lost their homes, business etc. For instance, the recent floods in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan has lost human <sup>lives</sup> ~~capital~~ in which 1,739 people <sup>are</sup> died and 3.3 trillion economic losses are estimated. According to Environment Performance Index, Pakistan is listed at 176 out of 180 countries in environmental degradation. ([www.epi.org](http://www.epi.org) Pakistan Environmental performance index, 2022). In short, environmental degradation is damaging Pakistan and still it remains the most neglected cause.