



KARACHI FISHERIES HARBOUR AUTHORITY

Government of Sindh

Introduction

To facilitate fishermen the Federal Government constructed the Karachi Fish Harbour in the year 1959.

In 1973 the fisheries sector became the Provincial subject upon promulgation of 1973 Constitution of Pakistan and subsequently the Karachi Fish Harbour was handed over to the Sindh Government in 1974.

A project to upgrade the Karachi Fish Harbour with the funding of 12 million ECU (European Currency Unit) was taken up by the Government. The execution of project started in September 1988 and was completed in September 1992.

The Karachi Fisheries Harbour Authority (KFHA) is a Sindh Government Organization came into existence as a pre-requisite to the grant offered by European Economic Community in May 1984 through the promulgation of KFHA Ordinance 1984.

Objectives / Activities / Functions

- I. To acquire and hold control over and administer moveable and immovable property.
- II. To Formulate and enforce any scheme in the harbour.
- III. To undertake planning, designing and supervision of the construction work required for the harbour.
- IV. To undertake efficient operation of harbour facilities and carry out maintenance and repair of harbour buildings, installations and undertake periodical inspection of facilities to ensure that they meet statutory standards of safety and hygiene.
- V. To provide for navigational channel, fish handling jetties berthing facilities on prescribed terms and conditions.

Contribution.

To facilitate fishermen, related fishing industry and other stakeholders to meet increasingly competitive and ever changing business environment, the Government of Sindh had taken initiative to up-grade the Karachi Fish Harbour through an ADP Scheme namely “**Rehabilitation & Renovation of Karachi Fish Harbour**” – at a cost of **Rs. 555.951 million**. The following achievement had been made (from 2007 – 2012).

- Modification of 526 Nos. of large, small and Hora boats with fibre glass lining in Fish hold & on deck, hatch opening, Provision of additional hatch, Protection from oil & grease with Fiber Glass lining, Installation of awning, overhead tank & wash basin etc. were completed as per international standard.
- Tindal and crew of boats were trained for proper handling of marine food.
- Plastic fish crates, plastic baskets, insulated plastic containers, Stainless Steel Hydraulic Hand Pallet Trucks, On-board Flake Ice Plants, Fork Lift Trucks; Plastic Pallets were provided to facilitate landing and auction in the market halls.
- Auction Halls K-I and K-II were renovated.

Projects / Initiatives

Focusing the latest development in the global, regional and local level in the fishing industries, KFHA has revitalized its working strategy with professional approach based on fisheries management, quality development and safe food. To achieve the goal a Master Plan of the harbour had been prepared under which major development will be taking place as per detail given below:

- New auction halls K-III, K-IV and K-V will be built with state of art and as per international standard. Apart of it following are the major component of Master Plan which will be taken place in phases:
 - Reverse Osmosis Plant
 - Fire Fighting System
 - Flake Ice Plants*
 - Sewerage Treatment Plant
 - Weigh Bridge*
 - New Jetty / Channel
 - Fibre Glass Boat Manufacturing Plant
 - Oil Dispensing Station
 - Peeling cum Processing Plants
 - New Slip-way

- Concrete Roads Network
- Dredging of Harbour Channel
- KFHA Head Office Building
- Ice Plant
- Computerization
- Saw Mill*

*Now established

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FISHERIES SECTOR AT A GLANCE

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| Length of Pakistan coast line | 1100 kilometers |
| | Baluchistan coast 772 km 70% |
| | Sindh coast 348 km 30% |
| GDP | 1% |
| Contribution to Agricultural GDP | 4% |
| No. of people engaged in fishery sector | 400,000 direct |
| | 600,000 ancillary industries. |
| Average annual landing of seafood at KFH | 600,000 Metric Tons |
| % wise seafood landing in the country | 65% Marine Fish |
| | 35% Inland Fish |
| Consumption of total landing of fish catch at Karachi Fish Harbour | 40% Local Consumption |
| | 21% Export |
| | 10 % Subsistence |
| No. of species brought in Karachi Fish Harbour | 165 & above |
| No. of fishing boats of different sizes/types operating from KFH | 2000 approx. |
| Average length of a fishing boat/trawler | 45 – 65 feet |
| Total No. of seafood processing plants at Karachi Fish Harbour | 25 |
| Total No. of Exporters | 150 and above |
| Average Annual Export | US\$300 Million |
| Total Value of Fish Production | Pak Rs. 50 Billion |
| % of the total export to countries where seafood is exported. | |
| China (18 %), UAE (17 %), Thailand (17%), Korea (6 %), Saudi Arabia (5 %), Malaysia (5 %) and Indonesia (4 %) & Others 28%. | |