



## GOAL 8: DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

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To promote inclusive and sustainable  
economic growth, employment and  
decent work for all



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### A. General Statistics

#### **Pakistan Economic Survey (2019-2020)**<sup>1</sup>

- i. COVID-19 had devastating impacts on economies at large. Pakistan, being a developing country was also economically hit in an unprecedented manner.
- ii. GDP growth rate estimated at negative 0.38%.
- iii. Pakistan was among 'top ten best improvers' in World Bank's Ease of Doing Business Index 2020, jumping up 28 places on the index and clinching the 108<sup>th</sup> position, out of total 190 economies.
- iv. Private Investment as a percentage of GDP dropped to 9.98% from 10.29% in FY 2019 while Public Investment remained 3.8%.
- v. The agriculture sector recorded growth of 2.67%.
- vi. Provisional growth in industrial sector estimated at negative 2.64%.
- vii. Foreign direct investment increased by 137.3% and reached \$ 2.1 billion.
- viii. Total public debt was recorded at Rs. 35,207 billion at end March 2020.

#### **Pakistan Labour Force Survey (2017-2018)**<sup>2</sup>

- ix. The labor force increased from 61.04 million in 2014-15 to 65.50 million in 2017-18.
- x. The volume of employed persons increased from 57.42 million in 2014-15 to 61.71 million in 2017-18.
- xi. Unemployment rate (5.8%) approximates to the previous survey figure (5.9%). Change is observed more in the case of females (9.0%, 8.3%) than males (5.0%, 5.1%) during the comparative period.

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<sup>1</sup> Finance Division, *Pakistan Economic Survey 2019-20*.

<sup>2</sup> Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, *Labour Force Survey 2017-18, Annual Report*, (Islamabad: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, 2018).

## B. Progress Tracking

**Table 8 Status of Indicators-SDG 8**

Code	Indicator	Year	Value	Year	Latest Value	Unit	Target
8.1.1	Annual growth rate of real GDP per capita	2015-2016	2.53 <sup>3</sup>	2017-2018	2.82 <sup>4</sup>	%	5%
8.2.1	Annual growth rate of real GDP per employed person	2015-2016	2.43 <sup>5</sup>	2019	1.1% <sup>6</sup>	%	3.50%
8.3.1	Proportion of informal employment in non-agriculture employment, by sex	2014-2015	Total=7 3.6 <sup>7</sup>  Male=7 3.7  Female= 73	2017-2018	Total=72 <sup>8</sup>  Male=72  Female=7 1.8	%	Total=55 % Male=55 % Female= 55%
8.5.2	Unemployment rate, by sex, age and persons with disabilities	2014-2015	Total=5. 32 <sup>9</sup>  Male=4. 97  Female= 6.06	2017-2018	Total=5.7 9 <sup>10</sup>  Male=3.9 2  Female=1. 86	%	Total=3. 5% Male=2. 5% Female= 4.5%
8.8.2	Increase in national	2015	TUR overall=			-	

<sup>3</sup> MoPDR, *Data Reporting Gaps*, 2018.

<sup>4</sup> GOP, *Pakistan's Implementation 2030 Agenda*, VNR 2019.

<sup>5</sup> MoPDR, *Data Reporting Gaps*, 2018.

<sup>6</sup> United Nations, *SDG Indicators*.

<sup>7</sup> MoPDR, *Data Reporting Gaps*, 2018.

<sup>8</sup> PBS, *Labour Force Survey 2017-18*.

<sup>9</sup> MoPDR, *Data Reporting Gaps*, 2018.

<sup>10</sup> GOP, *Pakistan's Implementation 2030 Agenda*, VNR 2019.

	compliance of labor rights (freedom of association and collective bargaining) based on International Labor Organization (ILO) textual sources and national legislation, by sex and migrant status		7.40 <sup>11</sup>  TUR law=8.47  TUR practice =3.26				
8.10.1	Number of commercial bank branches and automated teller machines (ATMs) per 100,000 adults	2015	Commercial bank=7.13 <sup>12</sup>  ATM=5.72	2019	Commercial bank=10.4 <sup>13</sup>  ATM=10.84	Per 100,000 population	
8.b.1	Total government spending in social protection and employment programmes as a proportion of the national budgets and GDP	2015	2.92 <sup>14</sup>			%	

<sup>11</sup> MoPDR, *Data Reporting Gaps*, 2018.

<sup>12</sup> MoPDR, *Data Reporting Gaps*, 2018.

<sup>13</sup> World Bank, *Commercial Bank Branches (Per 100,000 Adults) – Pakistan*, accessed February 10, 2021, <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/FB.CBK.BRCH.P5?locations=PK>.

<sup>14</sup> MoPDR, *Data Reporting Gaps*, 2018