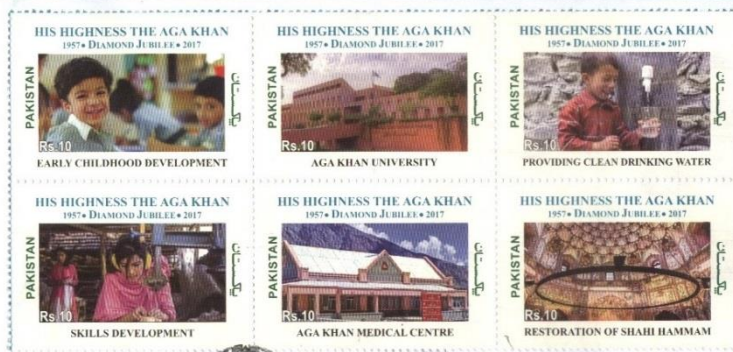
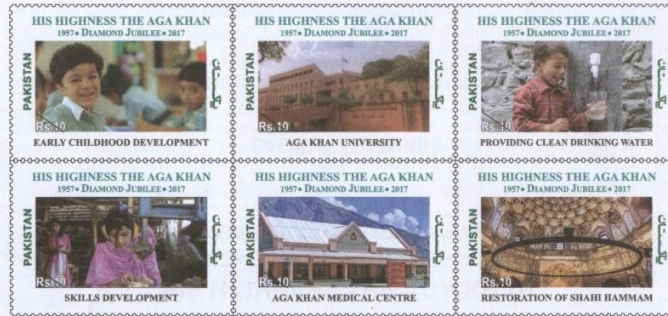


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The year-long celebration commencing from 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 to 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2018, marks the Diamond Jubilee of the Imam of His Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan, the 49<sup>th</sup> hereditary Imam (spiritual leader) of the Shia Imami Muslim Community. The commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee is in keeping with the Community's longstanding tradition of marking historic milestones.

Driven by the ethics of faith and the Imam's hereditary responsibility to improve quality of life, His Highness has been at the forefront of innovation and development during the 60 years of his Imamate. He is the founder and chairman of the Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN), one of the most comprehensive development networks today, with over 80,000 employees. The AKDN operates in over 30 countries, principally in Central and South Asia, Eastern and Western Africa and the Middle East.

Inspired by the Islamic ethic of compassion and responsibility of care for the needy, the AKDN works for the Muslim Ummah and the societies within which they live, addressing key challenges related to human development regardless of gender, origin, or religion. The AKDN institutions have mandates ranging from health and education to architecture, microfinance, disaster reduction, rural development, promotion of private-sector enterprise and the revitalisation of historic cities - all of which are catalysts for socio-economic development. Together, they contribute towards building a vibrant civil society that caters to the needs of vulnerable segments. The AKDN works in close partnership with public and private institutions, including governments, international organisations, NGOs, and universities.

The AKDN operates more than 200 health care institutions, 2 universities and 200 schools in some of the most remote and disadvantaged parts of the developing world. Each year, among numerous interventions, the AKDN provides quality health care to 5,000,000 people, introduces school improvement programmes for 2,000,000 students from preschool to university level, generates electricity for 10,000,000 people, and helps 8,000,000 achieve greater food security and raise household incomes.

During the 60 years of Imamate, the AKDN institutions in Pakistan have made significant contributions in the social, economic and cultural development of the country.

The AKDN provides vital medical and educational facilities to a large segment of the country's vulnerable population. The Aga Khan University Hospital and related medical facilities have proven to be a game changer in raising the quality of health care in Pakistan. It continues to be the beacon for medical breakthrough with renowned medical facilities and a highly reputed medical school.

The Aga Khan also established the first Aga Khan School in Gwader in 1905. Since then, education facilities under the AKDN have expanded to more than 160 schools operating in some of the most remote areas of Pakistan. The AKDN in Pakistan is amongst the first to recognise the critical, long term impact of Early Childhood Development, and has thus implemented innovative and interactive programmes in its schools.

Aga Khan Rural Support Programme, established in 1982 by the Aga Khan Foundation, has greatly improved the socio-economic conditions in the rural areas of Pakistan, through rural development projects such as training to improve skills and creating access to finance, and the provision of facilities resulting in access to clean water and electricity.

AKDN projects to restore historical forts and monuments such as the Walled City of Lahore have not only helped preserve culture but also encouraged tourism and economic development in rural and urban areas of Pakistan.

In 2006, His Highness and the Canadian government established the Global Centre for Pluralism in Ottawa with the goal to advance respect for diversity worldwide, with a belief that openness towards, and understanding of, cultures, social structures, values and faiths of other peoples is essential to the survival of an interdependent world. His Highness believes diversity should inspire, not divide, and that enhancing pluralism is a crucial building block for constructing peaceful and successful civil societies.

**Decorations, Awards and Degrees**

In recognition of his exceptional efforts and contributions to human development and improving the social condition of societies globally, His Highness has, over the last six decades, received numerous decorations, honorary degrees, and awards from institutions and governments around the world. In Pakistan, His Highness has been awarded the following honours:

- Nishan-e-Imtiaz (1970)
- Nishan-e-Pakistan (1983)
- LL.D (honoris causa) University of Peshawar (1967)
- LL.D (honoris causa) University of Sindh (1970)
- Honorary Membership, Pakistan Medical Association (1981)
- Honorary Fellowship of the College of Physicians and Surgeons Pakistan (CPSP), (1985)

On Diamond Jubilee of His Highness The Aga Khan (1957-2017), the Commemorative Postage Stamps of Rs.10/- denomination is (Set of 6) are being issued by Pakistan Post on December 08, 2017.

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