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Location: Middle East, bordering the Gulf of Oman, the Persian Gulf, and the Caspian Sea, between Iraq and Pakistan

Capital: Tehran

Government Type: Theocratic Republic

Area:

Total: 1,648,195 sq km

Land: 1,531,595 sq km

Water: 116,600 sq km

Population: 8,79,23,432 (2021)

Rural Population: 20,113,553

Population Density: (per sq KM) 54 (2020) WB

Population Growth Rate: 0.72% (2021)

Population below Poverty Line: 27.0% (2019) WB

Ethnic Groups: Persian, Azeri, Kurd, Lur, Baloch, Arab, TurkWBmen and Turkic tribes

Climate: Mostly arid or semiarid, subtropical along Caspian coast

Natural Resources: Petroleum, natural gas, coal, chromium, copper, iron ore, lead, manganese etc.

Languages: Persian (official), Azeri Turkic and Turkic dialects, Kurdish, Gilaki and Mazandarani, Luri, Balochi, Arabic, other

Religions: Muslim (official) 99.4% (Shia 90-95%, Sunni 5-10%), other (includes Zoroastrian, Jewish, and Christian) 0.3%, unspecified 0.4% (2011 est.)

Land Use:

Agricultural land: 28.98% (2021) (arable lands 9.64%; permanent crops 1.17%; permanent pasture 18.1%)

Forest: 6.63% (2021)

Other: 63.1%

Natural Hazards: Periodic droughts, floods; dust storms, sandstorms; earthquakes

Literacy: 89% (2021) WB

GDP - Real Growth Rate: 4.7% (2021) WB

GDP - Per Capita (PPP): \$16,484.08 (2021)

Exports: \$82,156million (2021)

Export Commodities: Petroleum 80%, chemical and petrochemical products, fruits and nuts, carpets, cement, ore etc.

Improved Drinking Water Source: 93.98% of population (2020)

Improved Sanitation Facility Access: 88% of population (2020) WB