

Dera Ismail Khan (D.I.Khan)

Dera Ismail Khan abbreviated to D.I. Khan is rich in ancient history as proven by the excavation of the pre-Harappan archaeological site “Rahman Dheri” situated near Dera Ismail Khan. Archeological relics at the Kafir Kot Fort and nearby temple provide evidence of Hindu Shahi rule. The 12th and 13th centuries saw the influx of Muslim-Pushtoon tribes from the Suleman Range. For the next few hundred years, tribes such as the Lodhi, Blach, Lohani, Dolat Khel, Marwat, Mian Khel and Gandapur etc. settled in the area. In 1469, Sultan Hussain, the Governor of Multan, handed over the Indus frontier to a Baloch chief, Malik Sohrab Khan. Sohrab Khan established Dera Ismail Khan, Dera Fateh Khan, and Dera Ghazi Khan, naming them after his three sons. Another account claims that the town was founded by the son Ismail Khan himself. The area traded hands again in the 18th century, when it came under the rule of Ahmad Shah Abdali, whose son Taimoor Shah then gave the Nawabi of D.I.Khan to the Sadozai Chief Nawab Muhammad Khan. The Sikhs took it over in 1836 just prior to the death of Ranjit Singh and appointed their own governor. In 1847-48 the first British Officer, Sir Herbert Edwards, visited the area. After the second Sikh war in 1849 the district was annexed by the British as part of the Punjab and remained so until 1901 when NWFP was created.

D.I.Khan, situated on the west bank of the Indus River, about 300 kilometers (190 miles) south of the provincial capital Peshawar, and 230 kilometers (140 miles) northwest of Multan, Punjab, is the capital of the district & tehsil of the same name. The city serves as a business hub for the surrounding areas. It is the hometown of many political figures and plays an important role in the politics of Khyber Pakhtunkhawa province. The predominant languages are Pashto and Saraiki.

D.I. Khan produces agricultural crops like wheat, sugarcane, dates, rice and a famous variety of mango called *Langra*. However, its most famous products is *Dhakki* dates (Kajoor), which has a unique sweet taste and is also exported to different parts of the world. Another specialty of the area is *Sohan Halwa*; which is a traditional dessert and famous all over the country. Major industries in the city include sugar, soap, textile, oil milling, furniture etc. The area is also famous for its handicrafts (wooden carving, embroidery on clothes, shawals etc.).

SBP Banking Services Corporation D.I.Khan

D.I. Khan Office started its working on 1st August, 1983 and initially operated as a Foreign Exchange Control Office only. Subsequently its status was changed to a skeleton Office on 1st January, 1995 in order to make arrangements for the opening a full-fledged Office, which started functioning from 16th April, 1995. On establishment of SBP Banking Services Corporation (SBP-BSC) as subsidiary of State Bank of Pakistan with effect from 2nd January, 2002, the Office has been discharging its statutory responsibilities as one among 16 Field Offices of SBP-BSC.

Table-1 shows list of Assistant Directors, Foreign Exchange Office, Table-2 & 3 show the tenure of various Chief Managers State Bank of Pakistan and SBP-BSC, D.I.Khan at this office since its establishment:

TABLE-1

LIST OF ASSISTANT DIRECTORS FOREIGN EXCHANGE OFFICE, D.I.KHAN			
S.No	Name	Period	
		From	To
1	Mr. Mian Abdul Qadir	16-07-1983	13-03-1985
2	Mr- S.M.Habib	14-03-1985	06-08-1985
3	Mr. S.Abul Khair Qadri (Acting)	07-08-1985	12-10-1985
4	Mr. S.M.Habib	13-10-1985	06-11-1986
5	Mr. S.Salahuddin (Acting)	07-11-1986	06-05-1987
6	Mr. Muhammad Masihul Islam	07-05-1987	17-02-1989
7	Mr. Agha Shabbir Hussain	18-02-1989	31-08-1989
8	Mr. Umar Khitab	01-09-1989	30-01-1993
9	Mr. Habib Ur Rehman Khan	31-01-1993	07-01-1995

TABLE-2

LIST OF CHIEF MANAGERS OF STATE BANK OF PAKISTAN D.I.Khan			
S.No	Name	Period	
		From	To
1	Mr. Habib Ur Rehman Khan	08-01-1995	08-03-1999
2	Mr. Akbar Ali (Acting)	09-03-1999	21-03-1999
3	Mr. Saeed Ahmad Khan	22-03-1999	15-03-2000
4	Mr. Akbar Ali (Acting)	16-03-2000	19-03-2000
5	Mr. Muhammad Aslam Khan	20-03-2000	08-07-2000
6	Mr. Sher Alam Khan	09-07-2000	01-01-2002

TABLE-3

LIST OF CHIEF MANAGERS OF SBP BSC D.I.KHAN			
S.No	Name	Period	
		From	To
1	Mr. Sher Alam Khan	02-01-2002	20-08-2003
2	Mr. Akbar Ali	21-08-2003	30-03-2006
3	Mr. Muhammad Rauf Khan	31-03-2006	02-03-2008
4	Mr. Sajjad Ali Shah	03-03-2008	31-05-2010
5	Mr. Muhammad Humayun Khan	01-06-2010	15-01-2013
6	Mr. Maqbool Ahmad Khan (Acting)	16-01-2013	31-08-2014
7	Mr. Ishtiaq Ahmad	01-09-2014	10-04-2017
8	Mr. Muhammad Tahir Khan	10-04-2017	26-05-2017
9	Mr. Mudassir Ahmed	26-05-2017	28-02-2018
10	Mr. Mahsudur Rahman (Acting)	01-03-2018	18-04-2018
11	Mr. Muhammad Tahir Khan	19-04-2018	01-03-2021
12	Mr. Shehryar Ahmed	02-03-2021	02-08-2023
13	Mr. Roman Ali	03-08-2023	To Date