















Strengthen Microplanning in High-Risk Union Councils

DISTRICT QILA SAIFULLAH

Balochistan Province Pakistan

Acronyms

BHU Basic Health Unit

CD Civil Dispensaries

DDHO Deputy District Health Center

DHO District Health Center

DHQ District Headquarter

GHD Global Health Development

EMPHNET Eastern Mediterranean Public Health Network

EPI Expanded Programme on Immunization

EPIMIS Expanded Programme on Immunization Management Information System

LHS Lady Health Supervisors

LHW Lady Health Workers

MCH Maternal & Child Health Center

RHC Rural Health Center

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Killa Saifullah District

Killa Saifullah is a district in northwestern Balochistan province, Pakistan. It was established as a district in 1988 comprising two former administrative units of Zhob district: the Upper Zhob subdivision and the sub-tehsil of Badinai, previously named *Kashatoo* and part of the subdistrict of Kakar Khurasan. Qilla Saifullah is about 135 km south of the provincial capital Quetta and neighboring Zhob, Loralai and Pishin districts. It is rich with mineral wealth and produces high quality chromite in Pakistan, the second largest reserve in the world. Gypsum, ores of coal, salt, granite, marble, copper and gabbro are also found in various parts of the district.

According to the latest census 2017, the population of district Killa Saifullah is 342,932 persons. The Tehsils and sub-Tehsils data as per 2017 census is provided as following:

- 1. Killa Saifullah
- 2. Muslim Bagh
- 3. Loiband
- 4. Baddini
- 5. Khan Mehtarzai
- 6. Shinkai

District Profile¹

Population – 2017	342,932
Population density	50.20 per Sq. Km.
Rural population	279,639
Urban population	63,293
Average Household Size	6.43
Female	161,121
Male	181,806
Transgender	5
Average Annual Growth Rate (1998 - 2017)	3.05

¹ 1https://www.pbs.gov.pk/content/district-wise-results-tables-census-2017

PHC Facilities and human resource in District Qila Saifullah

Rural health center (RHC)	9
Basic health unit (BHU)	14
Civil dispensaries (CD)	13
Total No. of PHC facilities (EPI Sites EPIMIS)	23
Doctors at all PHC facilities in RHC, BHUs, CDs	12
Average No. of paramedics at all PHC facilities in RHC, BHUs, CDs	95
No. of vaccinators at all PHC facilities RHC, BHUs, CDs	39
Lady Health Workers (LHWs)	120
Lady Health Supervisors (LHSs)	5
Lady Health Workers (LHWs) trained in Routine EPI	60
Lady Health Workers (LHWs) un-trained in Routine EPI	60

Union Councils with less than 80% PENTA III Coverage

(Jan - Dec 2021)

S.No	Name of Union Council	PENTA III Coverage Less than 80%
1	Alikhel	55
2	Badini	76
3	Bandat Pasanzai	46
4	Daulatzai	67
5	Kanchoghi	29
6	Musafarpur	65
7	Nisai	57
8	Ragha Sultanzai	73
9	Saddar Fatozai	77
10	Saddar Muslim Bagh	71
11	Town KSF	47

There are 11/22 union councils in Qila Saifullah district in which PENTA III coverage was below 80%.

Health facility wise Pentavalent III Coverage in district Qila Saifullah²

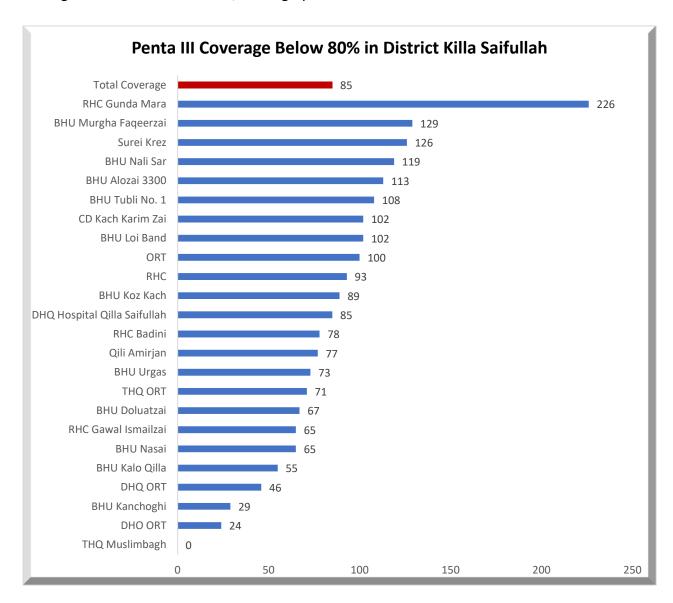
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S. No.		Target		Pentavalent III	
	Type of Health Facility	Newborns	Surviving Infants	Total	%
1	BHU Alozai 3300	239	221	250	113
2	BHU Doluatzai	241	223	149	67
3	BHU Kalo Qilla	413	382	211	55
4	BHU Kanchoghi	397	368	106	29
5	BHU Koz Kach	245	227	202	89
6	BHU Loi Band	273	253	258	102
7	BHU Murgha Faqeerzai	308	285	368	129
8	BHU Nali Sar	381	353	419	119
9	BHU Nasai	409	379	246	65
10	BHU Urgas	413	382	279	73
11	BHU Tubli No. 1	278	257	277	108
12	CD Kach Karim Zai	382	354	361	102
13	DHO ORT	1019	944	225	24
14	DHQ Hospital Qilla Saifullah	255	236	200	85
15	DHQ ORT	504	467	214	46
16	Qili Amirjan	765	708	542	77
17	Nazia EPI Center	60	56	153	275
18	ORT	313	290	291	100
19	RHC	310	287	266	93
20	RHC Badini	256	237	185	78
21	RHC Gawal Ismailzai	422	391	253	65
22	RHC Gunda Mara	31	29	65	226
23	Surei Krez	301	279	350	126
24	THQ Muslimbagh	0	0	631	0
25	THQ ORT	448	415	295	71
	Total Coverage	8,663	8,023	6,796	85

 $^{^2}$ EMPIS Balochistan $\,$

According to the EMPIS Balochistan, in district Qilla Saifullah there are 25 EPI centers. These comprise of 11 basic health units, 4 rural health centers, 1 hospital, 2 THQs, 1 DHO office and 1 civil dispensary, as well as 1 ORT and 3 other EPI centers. The data reveals that the overall coverage of Pentavalent III in district Qilla Saifullah is 85%. However, there are 12 health facilities with less than 80% Pentavalent III coverage. The lowest coverage is reported as 0% in THQ Muslimbagh

The data in the above-mentioned table is presented in descending order of the PENTA III coverage in Qilla Saifullah district, in the graph as follows:



LHWs Involvement in Routine EPI

S. No	Name of Health Facility	Total Attached LHWs	Total Attached LHSs
1	RHC Kan Mehterzai	28	1
2	RHC Nasai	2	0
3	THQ Hospital Muslim Bagh	49	2
4	BHU Urgas	17	1
5	DHQ Hospital Killa Saifullah	24	1
	Total =	120	5

The LHW MIS data reveals that there are only 5/25 health facilities in which 120 LHWs are attached. Therefore, the LHW coverage in the district is only limited to 20%.

The sub-optimal level of PENTA III coverage may be attributed to lack of LHWs attachment with the respective health facilities and lack of training in routine EPI. Moreover, lack of and delayed refresher courses in EPI are also noted as one of the contributing factors for updating the knowledge of LHWs in routine EPI.

The monitoring and supervisory role and capacity of Lady Health Supervisors is pertinent for effective service delivery by the LHWs. Therefore, lack of LHSs and lack of their capacity building in monitoring and supervision for routine EPI adds to the overall improved or poor EPI performance of the Qila Saifullah district.