## CELEBRATIONS OF WORLD TOURISM DAY

# 2016





Sindh Tourism Development Corporation cordially invites you to participate in Seminar on Tourism Potential in Sindh, Photo Exhibition and Sindhi Cuisine Cooking Competition

on Tuesday 27th September 2016 at 03:00 PM Venue: National Museum of Pakistan, Strachan Road, near Burns Garden, Karachi

#### Honourable SYED SARDAR ALI SHAH

Minister for Culture, Tourism & Antiquiteis Government of Sindh has consented to be the Chief Guest

SINDH TOURISM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
Culture, Tourism & Antiquities Department, Government of Sindh

#### RSVP:

Ghulam Murtaza Daudpoto, Manager P&P: (0300-3187338) Mohammada Aslam, Tour Promotion Officer (0322-2045539) STDC Head Office (021-99206370, 99239134, 32783664) The Sindh Tourism Development Corporation is celebrating the 27<sup>th</sup> September - World Tourism Day 2016 in a manner *and* on a scale befitting the high potential of Tourism in the province.

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

Celebrations of the annual event this year will multifaceted to highlight:

- Government of Sindh's policy to take full advantage of the Constitutional Devolution empowering it fully on the subject of Tourism, which was previously on the Concurrent List
- Government of Sindh's solidarity with United Nations World Tourism Organization
- Sindh's rich cultural heritage, geographical assets, tourism superstructure and high tourism potential
- STDC's determination to project and promote Sindh Tourism in co-ordination with the stakeholders

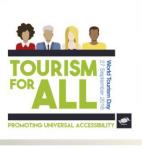
and to generally avail the opportunity of this annual event to spread public awareness, wide across the province, about the social values and economic advantages of promoting Tourism in Sindh.

**THE THEME:** The theme of this year's World Tourism Day is 'Tourism for All – Promoting Universal Accessibility' **LOGO AND BANNERS:** 

All Chambers of Commerce & Industry in the province will be requested to put up banners inside and outside their offices and at important traffic junctions in their respective cities.

The Banners are to be of a single design and content with addition of their respective names, logo and Brand Messages.

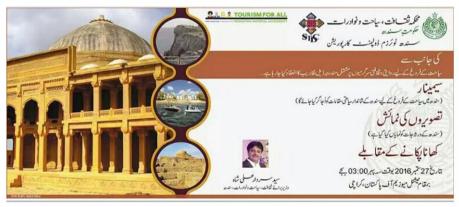
Each banner will carry the theme logo and the following message in English or Sindhi or Urdu, depending on the area where the banners are to be mounted:



Every human being should be able to enjoy leisure and tourism without any obstacles.











## TOURISM FOR ALL CHECKLIST



APPLY ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES THROUGHOUT THE TOURISM SECTOR



PROMOTE EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITIES IN TOURISM
FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES



APPLY UNIVERSAL DESIGN AND SUSTAINABILITY PRINCIPLES IN CONSTRUCTION OR RENOVATION OF BUILDINGS, PUBLIC SPACES AND SERVICES



ESTABLISH DESTINATION
MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS WITH
THE PUBLIC SECTOR AND CIVIL
SOCIETY TO FOSTER ACCESSIBLE
AND INCLUSIVE TOURISM



APPLY UNIVERSAL DESIGN
PRINCIPLES TO VISITOR
INFORMATION, TOURISM WEBSITES,
BOOKING ENGINES, TRANSPORT,
FACILITIES AND SERVICES



INVEST IN RAISING AWARENESS AND BUILDING CAPACITY TOWARDS FULLY ACCESSIBLE TOURISM SUPPLY CHAINS



FOSTER INNOVATION IN TOURISM TO ACHIEVE QUALITY, SAFETY AND COMFORT FOR ALL, INCLUDING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES



ENABLE CUSTOMERS TO ASSESS WHETHER ACCESSIBLE TOURISM FACILITIES, PRODUCTS AND SERVICES MEET THEIR INDIVIDUAL NEEDS



URGE STAKEHOLDERS TO WORK TOGETHER TO MAINSTREAM ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS IN ALL TOURISM PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

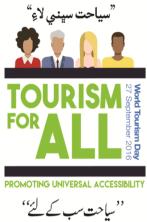


INVOLVE ORGANIZATIONS OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND SPECIFIC ACCESS REQUIREMENTS IN ALL ACCESSIBLE TOURISM-RELATED DEVELOPMENTS



World Tourism Day 27 September 2018 PROMOTING UNIVERSAL ACCESSIBILITY





THERE ARE BILLION PEOPLE IN THE WORLD WITH DISABILITIES

20%
NOF THE WORLD'S
POPULATION
WILL BE OVER 60



ONE THIRD OF THE WORLD POPULATION
DEVELOPS DISABILITY
MOST OF WHOM AT AN ADVANCED AGE

## ACCESSIBLE TOURISM FOR ALL REQUIRES:



ENVIRONMENTS THAT CAN CATER FOR THE NEEDS
OF VISITORS AND HOSTS, PEOPLE WITH PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY
DISABILITIES, FAMILIES WITH SMALL CHILDREN, AND THE ELDERLY



ENVIRONMENTS, TOURISM PRODUCTS AND SERVICES FOR ACCESS, USE AND ENJOYMENT BY ALL, UNDER THE PRINCIPLES OF UNIVERSAL DESIGN



CLEARER, MORE ACCESSIBLE AND MORE TRUSTWORTHY INFORMATION ON ACCESSIBILITY OF TOURISM FACILITIES, PRODUCTS AND SERVICES



ADEQUATE TRAINING FOR TOURISM PROFESSIONALS AT ALL LEVELS







#### Official Message for the World Tourism Day by

#### Mr. Taleb Rifai

Secretary-General, United Nations World Tourism Organization:-

"Tourism has experienced a revolution in the past 50 years. In 1950 there were 250 million international tourists; today there are around 1.2 billion people travelling the world. Travelling has become a huge part of many lives.

When travelling, we come across new people, new sights, and new ideas. Often our perception of the world changes as we see more of it. However, we must not forget that for many, travelling can be quite a difficult process.

15% of the world's population is estimated to live with some form of disability. That is 1 billion people around the world who may be unable to enjoy the privilege of knowing other cultures, experience nature at its fullest and experience the thrill of embarking on a journey to explore new sights.

Accessibility for all should be at the center of tourism policies and business strategies not only as a human right, but also as a great market opportunity.

With the world's population ageing, all of us will benefit sooner or later from universal accessibility in tourism.

As we celebrate World Tourism Day, let us recall that <u>all</u> of the world's citizens have the right to experience the incredible diversity this planet has to offer.

We thus urge all countries and destinations, as well as the industry, to promote accessibility for all in the physical environment, in transport systems, in public facilities and services and in information and communications channels.

I wish you a very happy World Tourism Day and a future full of enriching and compelling travel experiences to be enjoyed by all.

Thank you very much!

#### MESSAGE ON WORLD TOURISM DAY

#### SYED SARDAR ALI SHAH

#### MINISTER FOR CULURE, TOURISM & ANTIQUITIES, GOVERNMENT OF SINDH

Although I have recently taken over as the Minister for Culture, Tourism & Antiquities, Government of Sindh, but I am well aware and understand the importance of sustainable tourism development for a country. There is no second opinion about the tourism potential of Pakistan in general and Sindh in particular. But despite this huge potential, international tourists are not coming our way. The only reason that comes to one's mind is the safety and security concerns.

On the domestic side the flow of domestic tourists is towards north. The responsibility of attracting tourists to Sindh lies on the shoulders of my Ministry and its relevant departments and it's an uphill task.

As a Minister I am very much satisfied and encouraged that the present Government of Sindh is very keen to develop tourism in the province. Sindh Ministry of Tourism is going all out for the sustainable development of this vital source of revenue and at the same time fulfilling the dream of Shaheed Mohtahrma Benazir Bhutto to make Sindh shine as a prosperous and developing province of Pakistan.

I would also like to take this opportunity to invite the people of Pakistan and the World to visit Sindh for the purpose of tourism and leisure. Government of Sindh is fully committed for the promotion of tourism and is investing heavily on infrastructure development and promotion.

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#### MESSAGE ON WORLD TOURISM DAY

### MS. SHAZIA RIZVI,

SECRETARY, CULTURE, TOURISM & ANTIQUITIES DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF SINDH

This year World Tourism Day 2016 is being celebrated under the theme of: "Tourism for All - Promoting Universal Accessibility", through which United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) intends to highlight tourism's role in bringing the cultures of the world together and promoting global understanding through travel.

The theme chosen for this year reflects the importance of bringing people together and closer to each other which is one of important needs of today's modern world and for Pakistan the value of this theme is than ever before, because of the different challenges being faced by the Nation.

Pakistan in general and Sindh in particular is blessed with strong culture, heritage and endlessly beautiful landscape and has a lot to offer to international and local tourist throughout the year.

Department of Culture, Tourism & Antiquities is working tirelessly to make Sindh a developed and prosperous part of Pakistan and whose youth can achieve best in life and contribute towards the development of the country.

On this occasion I would like to offer my best wishes to tourists and all those who welcome them courteously.

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#### MESSAGE ON WORLD TOURISM DAY

#### **NAZIR AHMED SOOMRO**

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE/MANAGING DIRECTOR, SINDH TOURISM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

First of all I would like to congratulate the entire tourism industry of Pakistan on the World Tourism Day 2016 which is celebrated every year by the **World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)** for the promotion of responsible, sustainable and universally accessible tourism.

This year's theme "Tourism for All - Promoting Universal Accessibility" is quite relevant to the mission of STDC i.e to create and promote an environment to attract everyone to visit Sindh and experience the rich culture of this land of sufis.

Sindh Tourism Development Corporation works under the Sindh Department of Culture, Tourism and Antiquities with the aim to develop tourist friendly infrastructure in the province. Government of Sindh has undertaken several new projects to market touristic sites in various parts of Sindh.

Sindh is blessed with many sites that are unmatched. Like Mohenjo-Daro and Makli Necropolis are a few examples besides many others.

On the promotional side STDC attends various National and International tourism event and fairs. We also hold many events to create awareness among masses about importance of tourism and highlight tourist attractions of Sindh.

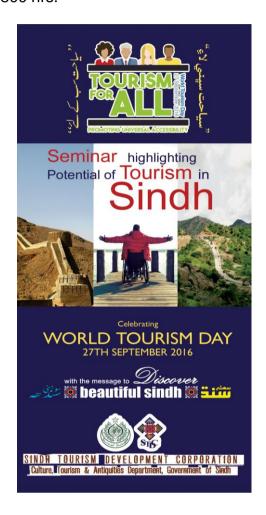
The Capital of Sindh Karachi is the heart of Pakistan. It is the biggest and the most vibrant city of the Country and has lots of attractions for its visitors.

The jest of the matter is that Sindh is a year round destination with attracts for visitors of all ages. STDC invite everyone to visit.

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## **ACTIVITIES**

- I. SEMINAR: An Interactive Seminar will be held on the theme;
  - b in the Auditorium of National Museum of Pakistan, Karachi
  - ♦ on Tuesday 27th September 2016
  - ♥ from 1500 hrs to 1800 hrs.



#### PROGRAMME:

1430 hrs Guests start arriving straight into the Auditorium

1500 hrs Chief Guest Syed Sardar Ali Shah

Minister of Tourism, Culture & Antiquities arrives and takes his Chair on the dias

- ★ Bismillaah by a functionary of the venue establishment
- ★ Welcome and by CE/Managing Director, Sindh Tourism Development Corporation
- ★ Keynote Address by
- Mr. Ghulam Akbar Laghari

Secretary Government of Sindh,

Tourism, Culture & Antiquities Department, Sindh-Pakistan

❖ Dr. KaleemullahLashari

Tourism Potential in Sindh and Policy after Devolution

**★ Syed Hakim Ali Shah Bukhari** The

Historian and Archaeologist

The Intangible Heritage of Sindh

**★ Mr. Younus Muhammad Bashir** The Role of Chambers

President - Karachi C of C & I in promoting Tourism in Sindh

★ Mr. Salman Javed

Past Chairman Tourism Needs
PATA Pakistan Chapter International Linkage

★ Syed Fazal Jameeli The Role of Electronic and Print Media

President - Karachi Press Club in promoting Tourism in Sindh

**★ Mr. Nadeem Shareef** 

Regional Chairman South What Travel Agents Can Travel Agents Association of Pakistan Do for Sindh Tourism

\* Mr. Mohammad Anwar Qureshi

Regional Chairman Tourist Hospitality in Sindh

Pakistan Hotel Association

★ Dr. Niaz Ali Malkani Role of Food and Hotel Management

Director – PITHM, Karachi for Promotion of Tourism

➢ Summing up & Policy Statement by

Honourable Chief Guest Syed Sardar Ali Shah

Minister for Culture, Tourism & Antiquities Department, Government of Sindh

Vote of Thanks

1800 hrs Visit of Sindhi Cuisine Live Cooking Pavilion

1815 hrs Group Photographs

1830 hrs High Tea \*\*\*\*\*

#### Invitees are from Members of the;

- ♦ Consular Corps
- ♥ Government
- ♥ PATA Pakistan Chapter
- Travel Agents Association of Pakistan
- ♥ Pakistan Hotels Association
- ♦ Chamber of Commerce & Industry Karachi

#### and senior functionaries

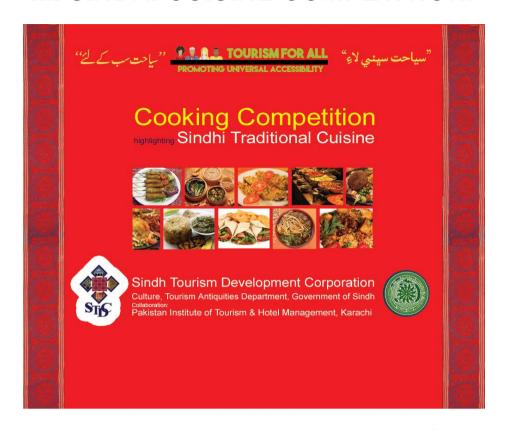
- ♦ Foreign and National airlines
- ♥ Travel Trade Media

#### **II. EXHIBITION OF PHOTOGRAPHS:**

An exhibition of photographs of Sindh showing the **Tourists Sites** of Sindh will be put up at the venue of the Seminar i.e. Gallery of National Museum of Pakistan. Exhibition may be kept open to public for two days.



#### **III. SINDHI CUISINE COMPETITION:**



Arrangements will be made with the coordination of Pakistan Institute of Tourism & Hotel Management and Pearl Continental Hotel Karachi to present a day-long Sindhi Cuisine.