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Bureau of Statistics, P&D Department, Government of Balochistan has been issuing the publication of “Development Statistics of Balochistan” since 1971. The present edition is the 33rd in the series. It provides important statistical data in respect of social, infrastructure and productive sectors (education, health, communication, Agriculture, Fisheries, Forestry, Livestock, Mining and Development Planning etc) of the Balochistan province. It also includes data on some important national subjects like Foreign Trade, Labour Force and Employment, National Accounts, Population, Prices and Transport etc. Publication is supplemented with a ‘Statistical Abstract’ which gives a comparative picture of information on many vital sectors of the Balochistan province as well as Pakistan.

The information contained in the publication has been collected from government and semi-government departments, authorities and private organizations. The source of information has also been recorded as footnote with each table. I believe that this publication will prove a valuable source to the policy makers, planners, researchers, administrators and also other data users.

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