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7. Sixty (60) Million Pakistanis Are Exposed to Arsenic Contaminated Water

Sources:

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Higher concentrations of Arsenic in drinking water have hazardous effects on the human body. **Some of these harmful effects including cardiovascular diseases, skin cancers, skin lesions, neuro developmental delays and whatnot.**

It can prove to be lethal if a very high amount of the metal contaminates the drinking water.

Pakistan's situation is extremely alarming – more than 60 million people are exposed to arsenic-rich contaminated water.



Earlier a study published by Pakistan Council for Research in Water Resources (PCRWR) said that **72% of water supply schemes in the country are functional and 84% of those had supplied water that was not fit for consumption.**

The recommended limit for Arsenic is 10 micrograms per liters of water, as per the World Health Organization.