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Reko Diq Project Attracts \$5B+ Investor Interest

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International donors and financial institutions have committed over \$5 billion for the revival of Pakistan's Reko Diq copper-gold mining project, signaling strong confidence in the country's mineral sector. The investment pledges come after the settlement of a decade-long dispute with Barrick Gold Corporation, clearing the way for development of one of the world's largest untapped copper deposits. This capital infusion is

expected to transform the remote Balochistan region into a mining hub, with significant spillover effects for local real estate and infrastructure markets.

The project consortium, led by Barrick Gold and including Pakistani state-owned enterprises, will utilize the funds to establish mining operations and related transport networks. Real estate analysts anticipate surging demand for commercial and residential properties in nearby Quetta and along the proposed mineral transport route to Gwadar Port. “We’re already seeing land price appreciation in a 50km radius around the project site,” noted Zameen.com’s Balochistan market report. The development is projected to create 8,000+ direct jobs, further driving housing needs in the region.



While the mining operation itself covers 100 square kilometers, the economic impact zone extends much further. The Sindh Infrastructure Development Company has begun feasibility studies for worker housing colonies and industrial parks near the project area. However, concerns persist about land speculation and displacement of local communities. The Balochistan Land Revenue Authority has implemented tighter controls on property transactions in the region to prevent artificial price inflation and ensure fair compensation for affected residents.

The Reko Diq revival represents a watershed moment for Pakistan’s mineral sector and regional development. As construction begins in early 2026, the project is expected to catalyze secondary investments in hospitality, logistics, and urban development across western Pakistan. The \$5 billion in commitments demonstrates global confidence in Pakistan’s resource potential, though sustained success will depend on maintaining stable policies and transparent land acquisition processes.

For investors and developers, the project opens new frontiers in Pakistan’s real estate and industrial markets.

