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Pezeshkian highlights livelihoods, development priorities in Mashhad



President Masoud Pezeshkian, (1st R), pays homage to the late Leader Ayatollah Khamenei by visiting his mausoleum inside the holy shrine of Imam Reza (PBUH) in Mashhad on November 24, 2026.
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Social Desk

Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian discussed economic conditions, development priorities and national unity in Mashhad on Tuesday, as part of a provincial visit that also included paying tribute at the mausoleum of the late Supreme Leader Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei.

President Pezeshkian paid homage to the late Leader Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei by visiting his mausoleum inside the holy shrine of Imam Reza (PBUH), the eight Imam of Shia Muslims, in the northeastern city of Mashhad.

Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei was buried in his resting place on July 9 alongside his family members who were assassinated all together during a missile strike on his residence in Tehran on February 28 when the United States and Israel waged an all-out war on Iran.

During talks with Ahmad Marvi, custodian of Astan Quds Razavi, the organization that administers the shrine, Pezeshkian reviewed Khorasan Razavi province's main challenges and priorities, including livelihoods, public involvement in national development programs and social cohesion.

Mashhad is the capital of Khorasan Razavi province and home to the shrine of Imam Reza (PBUH).

He said improving living conditions and securing public cooperation were essential to advancing development plans.

He also highlighted the role of public institutions and local communities in a national initiative to promote educational equity.

Pezeshkian called for changes in consumption patterns, more effective resource management and a stronger culture of conservation.

"All sectors of society should contribute to making better use of the country's resources and capacities," Pezeshkian said.

On regional developments, he described national unity and solidarity as a strategic necessity, calling for vigilance and cooperation to counter what he said were efforts by Iran's enemies to stir unrest and destabilize the country.

Marvi briefed Pezeshkian on the province's key concerns and development projects, as well as efforts to improve services for pilgrims visiting the shrine.

The talks also covered the shrine organization's social, cultural and service capacities and ways to use them to address provincial challenges and improve services for residents and pilgrims.

Tehran to host next round of Islam-Orthodox Christian Talks in 2027

Arts & Culture Desk

Tehran will host the 13th round of dialogue between Islam and the Russian Orthodox Church in February 2027. Russian Orthodox Patriarch Kirill expressed hope that the talks would be successfully held in the Iranian capital during a meeting on Monday with Mohammad Mehdi Imanipour, head of Iran's Islamic Culture and Relations Organization. The meeting came ahead of the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the Joint Commission for Islamic-Christian Dialogue in 2027, IRNA reported on Tuesday. The next round of talks will focus on the role of religious leaders in addressing emerging global challenges. The patriarch described faith and moral values as essential to social life and said religious leaders were responsible for passing them on to future generations.

He called for greater cooperation among religious scholars in examining the ethical implications of new technologies, including artificial intelligence, cyberspace, bioethics and medical advances. Imanipour thanked the Russian Orthodox Church for its supportive positions and called for stronger academic and research ties, including exchanges of professors, researchers and students and the implementation of joint programs. In a separate meeting on Monday, Russian Culture Minister Olga Lyubimova announced that her ministry was ready to organize a Russian cultural festival in Iran, citing the positive reception of Iranian cultural events in Russia. Imanipour thanked the Russian Culture Ministry for its support in organizing Iran's cultural days in Russia and described the events as successful and influential in strengthening mutual understanding between the two nations.

Iran's cultural days in Russia began on September 25, 2026 in St. Petersburg and continued in Moscow, Kazan and Astrakhan until October 20.

He said Iran was ready to host a preliminary Russian delegation to discuss arrangements for the proposed festival.

The two sides also discussed expanding cooperation in cinema, exchanging cultural and artistic delegations, and organizing joint exhibitions and events.

The 12th round of dialogue between Islam and Russian Orthodox Christianity took place in Moscow in February 2023, after a four-year break caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.



Mohammad Mehdi Imanipour, head of Iran's Islamic Culture and Relations Organization (fourth from R), and Russian Orthodox Patriarch Kirill (fifth from R) pose for a group photo during a meeting in Moscow on Nov. 23, 2026.
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Leader calls for reversing population policy shortcomings

Social Desk

The Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Mojtaba Khamenei has called for addressing the shortcomings of past population policies, describing efforts to increase the country's young population with a focus on the family as a strategic priority for Iran's strength and development.

In a message to the Fourth National Population Youth Award event, Ayatollah Khamenei said population growth was among the most important factors in securing Iran's future, strengthening its capabilities and advancing its scientific, cultural, economic and social opportunities.

He said the issue had repeatedly been emphasized by his predecessor, martyred Leader of Iran's Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei, and criticized what he described as a prolonged and damaging period of neglect in the country's planning and management of population affairs.

The Leader added that recent measures had created an opportunity for officials and the public to approach the issue with greater attention.

Ayatollah Khamenei stressed that efforts to achieve an optimal population required attention to both families and individuals, including investment in infrastructure that strengthens family life and measures addressing individual needs, particularly in health.

He identified facilitating marriage at a young age, safeguarding individual health, supporting childbearing and promoting a family-centered culture as key steps toward strengthening the country.

Highlighting successful examples of family life and explaining the importance of population growth to the public, especially younger generations, were also necessary, he said.

Ayatollah Khamenei said patriotic Iranians who wanted a prosperous future for their country should be motivated to ensure the continuation of generations in line with the ideals of the new Islamic civilization.

He expressed hope that correcting the shortcomings of previous population policies and consistently pursuing a strategy of increasing the young population with the family at its center would help Iran overcome what he described as a critical and decisive period.

The message was read at Tuesday's event by Dr. Marzieh Vahid Dastjerdi.

The message was read at the event by Marzieh Vahid Dastjerdi, secretary of Iran's National Population Staff.

The annual National Population Youth Award is held under Article 19 of Iran's Law on the Protection of the Family and Youth of the Population.