

## Key Facts about Iran

January 7, 2026 • vajiramandravi.com



### Iran Latest News

Recently, India has issued an advisory urging its nationals to avoid any non-essential travel to Iran until further notice amid the ongoing protests.

### About Iran

- **Location:** It is a prominent country **located in West Asia**.
- **Bordering Countries:** It shares land boundaries with **Armenia, Azerbaijan, and Turkmenistan** to the north, **Afghanistan and Pakistan** to the east, **Iraq** to the west, and **Turkey** to the northwest.
- **Maritime Boundaries:** It is bordered by major water bodies, namely the **Caspian Sea** to the north, and the **Persian Gulf** and the **Gulf of Oman** to the south.
- **Capital City:** Tehran
- It is a member country of **SCO, OPEC and BRICS**.

### Geographical Features of Iran

- **Terrain:** Its terrain is predominantly marked by the **Iranian Plateau**, characterised by vast deserts like the **Dasht-e Kavir and Dasht-e Lut**.
- **Mountain Range:** It has important mountain ranges such as the **Zagros Mountains** in the west and the **Alborz Mountains** in the north.
- **Highest Peak: Mount Damavand**, located in the **Alborz Mountain Range**, is the highest peak in Iran.
- **Climate:** Iran's climate varies from **arid and semi-arid conditions** to subtropical regions, especially along the Caspian coast.
- **Major Rivers:** Karun, Dez, Karkheh, and Diyala rivers, essential for irrigation and agriculture.
- **Natural Resources:** It is rich in oil and natural gas, along with coal, chromium, copper, iron ore, lead, manganese, zinc, and sulphur.

**Source: ET**

---

Source: <https://vajiramandravi.com/current-affairs/iran/>

© Vajiram & Ravi. For personal use only.