

WHV – Persian Garden and Qanats

The Persian Qanat and The Persian Garden, Iran (Islamic republic of)

Cultural properties inscribed on the World
Heritage List since 2011 and 2016

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Throughout the arid regions of Iran, many agricultural and permanent settlements are still supported by the ancient qanat system of tapping alluvial aquifers at the heads of valleys and conducting the water along underground tunnels by gravity. The Qanat of Hassan Abad-e Moshir alimts the Pahlavanpour garden, also inscribed as part of The Persian Garden property: these gardens exemplify the diversity of designs that evolved and adapted to different climate conditions while retaining principles that have their roots in the 6th century BC.

Project objectives:

Implemented for the first year at the crossroad of two inscribed properties, the project aims at raising awareness about the vulnerable condition of the Qanat and promotes its value and importance, while involving youth in the conservation and the improvement of the conditions of the aqueduct.

Project activities:

The volunteers will design and arrange signs along the boundaries and buffer zone of the property to increase the visibility of the Qanat, and will help cleaning the path of the canal and the garden area. They will conduct creative educational activities with the local children and help the community for the apricot and grape picking.

Partners:

International Center on Qanats and Historic Hydraulic Systems (ICQHS) Tamadon Karizi Consulting Eng. (TKCE), Karizban NGO, Public librari of Mehriz, Puppet Museum of Kashan.

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