

## **KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA INVENTORY ON THE INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE**

**Name of the Element: Jirgaskarik Nanawaty:** Traditional judicial system of conflict resolution

**Brief Description:** Jirgaskarik is present in every village of the Kalasha community, and every village has five to six men who settle the disputes of the community or of individuals. Each tribe has a Qazi, and if two individuals from the same tribe have a dispute amongst them then the community practices Jirgaskarik to settle the dispute. The Qazi honors the decision of the Jirga and hence the issue is resolved. If a certain individual does not honor the decision made, then the Jirga imposes a communal boycott on the person. If the issue is taken to a court of law, then the members of the Jirga also go to the court hearings and deliver the decision of the Jirga to the presiding Judge, and request the court that their traditional conflict-resolution systems be honored