

PMI Membership - ROI for PMP Aspirants

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If you are preparing for PMP exam follow the following steps and save a fortune on the overall process. I'll specifically discuss the case for PMI Lahore Chapter, though the same may apply to a lesser or greater extent for other local chapters as well.

- 1. Get PMI membership.
- 2. Get your local chapter's membership. (PMI Lahore Chapter's membership comes free with PMI membership)
- 3. Get enrolled in the training programs sponsored by PMI Lahore Chapter.
- 4. Take the exam.

Why is local chapter membership so crucial?

PMI Lahore Chapter's membership will save you Rs.10,000 (approximately \$140) on the trainings sponsored by the chapter. Thus by paying \$129 for PMI membership, you will be able to recover more than the amount invested in PMI membership as soon as you enroll for the training.

The exam fee is \$555 for non members and \$405 for members, that's a difference of \$150 in the exam fees alone.

Member

Non Member

Training with books / study material

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\$280

\$420

Exam

\$405

\$555

PMI Membership fee

\$129

\$0

Total

\$814

\$975

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The total saving in cost after paying the PMI membership fee is \$161. In certain cases the exam fee is [also fully or partially reimbursed](#) by PMI Lahore Chapter. The great benefits that come with the membership are as under:

- · Access to PMI's knowledge base; Members have download access to PMI's publications such as *PM Network, PMI's Career Track, Leadership in project Management, Project Management Journal, PMI Today* and *e-newsletters*
- · Access to downloadable soft copies of PMI standards documents including PMBOK.
- · Invitations for chapter meeting, seminars and annual dinner weigh a lot in terms of networking opportunities
- · Opportunities to earn PDUs after getting certified