

PAKISTAN SOCIETY OF DEVELOPMENT ECONOMISTS

PROGRAMME

OF

THE 21st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE

19th–21st December, 2005

(Hosted by the Pakistan Institute of Development Economics and cohosted by the DFID, FES, NRB, UNFPA, NBP, and ZTBL.)



Theme: Skill Development, Productivity, and Growth.

Venue: Marriott, Islamabad.

THE purpose of the Annual General Meeting and Conference of the Pakistan Society of Development Economists (PSDE) is to provide a forum where leading professional economists, other social scientists, and policy-makers can exchange ideas on the vital economic and social issues facing Pakistan. With the passage of time, the philosophy of development has undergone a profound change. There is now, as never before, an increasing awareness of the complexities involved in the development process which has engendered a greater sense of realism.

In Pakistan's development experience, a number of problems typically confronting developing countries in their progress towards a self-reliant economy have been tackled. These problems are complex and multi-dimensional in nature. High rates of population growth, uneven distribution of income, rising levels of poverty, low literacy rates, poor quality of education, shortage of skilled and technical manpower, poor health facilities, relatively low savings rates, large internal and external deficits, and inadequate physical infrastructure for energy generation and communications threaten to nullify the modest economic gains made here, as in many other developing countries. Despite these problems, the development process in Pakistan has progressed reasonably well, although not without encountering difficulties.

The Annual General Meeting and Conference of the Society is also an occasion for stock-taking of the work done, at PIDE and elsewhere, on various socio-economic problems of Pakistan, as well as for suggesting new initiatives for further research. These Meetings provide for the much-needed communication amongst the economics profession, policy-makers, and various schools of interested observers of the ongoing debate concerning development-related issues. Keeping in view the challenge of global socio-economic changes together with the aim of achieving sustained growth, the theme of the conference this year is: **Skill Development, Productivity, and Growth.**

The 21st Annual General Meeting and Conference, being held on December 19–21, 2005, will address important topics such as agricultural productivity, industrial and international economic issues, gender, youth and socio-economic development, demographic and health issues, science and technology, skill development and industrial growth, financial markets, human development, trade and monetary and fiscal policy, and economic growth in Pakistan. Following the Inaugural Address by the Chief Guest, the Keynote Address will be delivered by Professor Atta-ur-Rahman. The Quaid-i-Azam Memorial Lecture, being delivered by Professor Robert E. Evenson of Yale University, is titled "The Green Revolution and the Gene Revolution in Pakistan: Policy Implications". The Allama Iqbal Memorial Lecture, by Dr Rashid Amjad of the International Labour Organisation, will be on "Skill and Competitiveness: Can Pakistan Break Out of the Low-level Skills Trap?" The Mahbub ul Haq Memorial Lecture, titled "Social Capital and Economic Development: Lessons from Pierre Bourdieu", will be delivered by Professor M. Ali Khan of The Johns Hopkins University, USA. In addition, the Distinguished Lectures include: (1) "Productivity and Skills in Industry and Services—A British-German Comparison"; (2) "Does Education Abroad Help to Alleviate Poverty at Home? An Assessment"; (3) "Human Capital and Economic Growth in Pakistan"; (4) "Productivity and Economic Growth"; and (5) "Reforms Productivity and Efficiency in Banking: The Indian Experience". Round Table discussions will be held on: "Skill Development, Productivity, and Growth" and "Pro-poor Growth and Governance in South Asia—Decentralisation and Participatory Development".

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INAUGURAL SESSION

The Marquee

09:30 a.m.– 10:45 a.m.

1. *Recitation from the Holy Quran:*
Qari Allah Nawaz.
2. *Welcome Remarks and Secretary's Report:*
Rehana Siddiqui,
Secretary, PSDE.
3. *Presidential Address:*
Skill Development in Pakistan.
A. R. Kemal,
President, PSDE.
4. *Keynote Address:*
Skill Development, Productivity, and Growth.
Atta-ur-Rahman,
Chairman, Higher Education Commission, and
Adviser to the Prime Minister on Science and Technology.
5. *Inaugural Address by the Chief Guest.*

10:45 a.m.– 11:15 a.m.

REFRESHMENTS.

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11:15 a.m.– 12:30 p.m.

FIRST PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

THE MAHBUB UL HAQ MEMORIAL LECTURE

Chairperson: Robert E. Evenson,
Professor,
Department of Economics,
Yale University,
USA.

Speaker: M. Ali Khan,
Professor,
Department of Economics,
The Johns Hopkins University,
Baltimore, USA.

Topic: **Social Capital and Economic Development: Lessons from Pierre Bourdieu.**

DISCUSSANTS: S. M. Naseem,
Formerly of Development Planning Division,
ESCAP, United Nations, Bangkok.

Asad Zaman,
Director General,
International Institute of Islamic Economics,
Islamabad.

General Discussion

12:30 p.m.– 01.30 p.m.

LUNCH.

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

01:30 p.m.– 03:00 p.m.

The Marquee**SKILL DEVELOPMENT**

Chairperson: Pervez Tahir,
Chief Economist,
Planning and Development
Division, Government of Pakistan,
Islamabad.

1. **Skill Formation Strategies for Sustaining 'The Drive to Maturity' in Pakistan.**

Muhammad Zahid Siddique,
National University-FAST, Karachi, *and*
Javed Akbar Ansari,
Management Sciences Department,
PAF, Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Musleh-ud Din,
PIDE, Islamabad.

2. **Enhancing Vocational Training for Economic Growth in Pakistan.**

Usman Mustafa, Kalbe Abbas, *and*
Amara Saecd,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Talat Anwar,
UNDP/PUNOPS,
Islamabad.

3. **Governance, Globalisation and Human Development in Pakistan.**

Naveed Ahmed,
Institute of Business Administration,
Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Ejaz Ghani,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion***Upper Marquee*****POPULATION AND GENDER ISSUES**

Chairperson: Abdul Razzaque Rukanuddin,
Formerly Executive Director,
NIPS, Islamabad.

1. **Relationship between Poverty, Population Growth, and the Environment.**

Seeme Mallick,
Islamabad, *and*
Naghmana Ghani,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Mehboob Sultan,
NIPS, Islamabad.

2. **Modelling Gender Dimension of the Impact of Economic Reforms in Pakistan.**

Rizwana Siddiqui,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Tariq Javed,
Quaid-i-Azam University,
Islamabad.

3. **Female Education and Fertility Behaviour: A New Perception.**

Erum Shafi,
University of Balochistan,
Quetta.

DISCUSSANT: G. Y. Soomro,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion***Margalla Room*****AGRICULTURE – I**

Chairperson: Abdul Salam,
Formerly Chairman,
Agricultural Prices Commission,
Islamabad.

1. **An Analysis of Farmers' Allocative Efficiency in Northern Pakistan.**

Muhammad Bashir *and* Dilawar Khan,
NWFP Agricultural University,
Peshawar.

DISCUSSANT: Muhammad Iqbal,
PIDE, Islamabad.

2. **Estimation of Export Supply Function for Citrus Fruit in Pakistan.**

Usman Haleem *and* Khalid Mushtaq,
University of Agriculture, Faisalabad,
Azher Abbas *and* A. D. Sheikh,
PARC, Faisalabad.

DISCUSSANT: Umar Farooq,
PARC, Islamabad.

3. **Domestic Citrus Marketing Systems: Constraints and Potential for Improvement.**

Muhammad Sharif, Umar Farooq, *and*
Waqar Malik,
PARC, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Muhammad Bashir,
NWFP Agricultural
University, Peshawar.

General Discussion***Noor Mahal*****EXCHANGE RATE**

Chairperson: Aftab A. Khan,
Senior Fellow,
PIDE, Islamabad.

1. **Impact of Exchange Rate Volatility on Growth and Economic Performance of Pakistan.**

Toseef Azid,
Markfield Institute of Higher Education,
Leicestershir, UK; Mohammad Jamil,
Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan; *and*
Anila Kausar,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: M. Ali Kemal,
PIDE, Islamabad.

2. **Interest Rate, Price, and Output Interrelationships in Pakistan.**

Rozina Shaheen,
NUST Institute of Management Sciences,
Rawalpindi, *and*
Mohammed Nishat,
Institute of Business Administration,
Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Atif A. Jaffri,
PIDE, Islamabad.

3. **Managing Foreign Exchange Inflows: An Analysis of Sterilisation in Pakistan.**

Asad Jan, M. Ather Elahi, M. Aslam
Zahid, *and* M. Sharif Khawaja,
State Bank of Pakistan, Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Idrees Khawaja,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

03:00 p.m.– 03:30 p.m. TEA.

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03:30 p.m.– 05:00 p.m.

SECOND PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

Chairperson: Sartaj Aziz,
Vice-Chancellor,
Beaconhouse University,
Lahore.

Speaker: Karin Wagner,
Professor,
Fachhochschule für Technik und Wirtschaft,
Berlin, Germany.

Topic: **Productivity and Skills in Industry and Services—A British-German Comparison.**

DISCUSSANTS: Aftab Ahmed Khan,
Senior Fellow,
PIDE, Islamabad.

Pervez Tahir,
Chief Economist,
Planning and Development Division,
Government of Pakistan,
Islamabad.

General Discussion

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09:00 a.m.– 11:00 a.m.

The Marquee

GROWTH / INDUSTRY

Chairperson: Rafique Ahmed,
Professor Emeritus,
Centre for South Asian Studies,
University of the Punjab,
Lahore.

1. **Evidence on Allocative Efficiency and Elasticity of Substitution in the Manufacturing Sector of Pakistan.**

Sohail Zafar,
University of Laval, Quebec, Canada, *and*
Eatzaz Ahmed,
Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Nishat Ahmed,
Institute of Business
Administration,
Karachi.

2. **Public-Private Investment Linkages: A Multivariate Cointegration Analysis.**

Abdul Rashid,
Institute of Business Management, Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Imtiaz Ahmad,
PIDE, Islamabad.

3. **Financial Development and Economic Growth in Pakistan.**

M. Arshad Khan, Abdul Qayyum, and
Saeed Ahmed Sheikh
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Omer Siddique,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

Upper Marquee

MACROECONOMICS

Chairperson: M. Ashraf Janjua,
Dean,
College of Business Management,
Karachi.

1. **Money, Price Level, and Output: Evidence from Asian Developing Countries.**
M. Aslam Chaudhry, Munir A. S. Chaudhry, and
Mehak Ejaz,
University of the Punjab, Lahore.

DISCUSSANT: Abdul Qayyum,
PIDE, Islamabad.

2. **Redistributive Impact of GST Tax Reforms in Pakistan, 1999–2001.**

Saadia Refaat,
University of Bath, UK.

DISCUSSANT: Hasan M. Mohsin,
PIDE, Islamabad.

3. **Macroeconomic Determinants of Tariff Policy in Pakistan.**

Mohammed Nishat,
Institute of Business Administration, Karachi, *and*
Anjum Aqeel,
Applied Economics Research Centre, Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Afia Malik,
PIDE, Islamabad.

4. **Performance Evaluation of Mutual Funds in Pakistan.**

Amir Shah and Tahir Hijazi,
Muhammad Ali Jinnah University, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Nisar H. Hamdani,
University of Azad Jammu and
Kashmir, Muzaffarabad.

General Discussion

Margalla Room

TRADE ISSUES

Chairperson: M. Ali Khan,
Professor,
The Johns Hopkins University,
Baltimore, USA.

1. **Non-agricultural Market Access: A South Asian Perspective.**

A. R. Kemal, Musleh-ud Din, and
Ejaz Ghani,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Akhtar Mahmood,
Former Federal Secretary,
Islamabad.

2. **The Growth Impact of Exports in South Asian Countries.**

Abid Hameed, M. Ali Chaudhry, and
Kiran Younas Khan,
Fatima Jinnah Women's University,
Rawalpindi.

DISCUSSANT: Lubna Hasan,
PIDE, Islamabad.

3. **An Analysis of Exports and Growth in Pakistan.**

M. Abdul Quddus,
Punjab Economic Research Institute,
Lahore, *and* Ikram Saeed,
Pakistan Agricultural Research Council,
Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Zahid Asghar,
PIDE, Islamabad.

4. **Demand for International Reserves: A Case Study of Pakistan.**

Eatzaz Ahmed,
Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad, *and*
Karim Khan,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Aqdas Ali Kazmi,
The Planning Commission,
Islamabad.

General Discussion

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BANKING AND FINANCE

Chairperson: Saeed A. Qureshi,
Senior Fellow,
PIIDE, Islamabad.

1. **Economic Growth, Inflation, and Monetary Policy in Pakistan: Some Empirical Estimates.**

Ahmed M. Khalid,
Bond University, Gold Coast, Australia.

DISCUSSANT: Zafar Mahmood,
KISR, Kuwait.

2. **Interest Rate Pass-through in Pakistan: Evidence from the Transfer Function Approach.**

Abdul Qayyum, Sajawal Khan, and
Idrees Khawaja,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Ahmed M. Khalid,
Bond University, Gold
Coast, Australia.

3. **Strategic Directions for Developing an Islamic Banking System.**

Rukhsana Kalim,
University of Management and Technology,
Lahore, *and* Suleman Aziz Lodhi,
APTMA, Lahore.

DISCUSSANT: Mazhar Iqbal,
Quaid-i-Azam University,
Islamabad.

4. **The Impact of Regulatory Changes upon the Productivity of the Banking Sector in the Indian Subcontinent.**

Shabbar Jaffry, Yaseen Ghulam,
Joe Cox, and Sean Pascoe, University of
Portsmouth, Portsmouth, UK.

DISCUSSANT: Saba Anwar,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

11:00 a.m.– 11:30 a.m. TEA.

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11:30 a.m.– 12:45 p.m.

THIRD PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

Chairperson: Javed Jabbar,
Chairperson,
Pakistan National Committee of IUCN Members,
Karachi.

Speaker: Professor Christopher Colclough,
Professor of the Economics of Education, and
Director, Centre for Commonwealth Education,
The University of Cambridge,
UK.

Topic: **Does Education Abroad Help to Alleviate Poverty at Home? An Assessment.**

DISCUSSANTS: Ashfaq H. Khan,
Director General,
Debt Management,
Ministry of Finance,
Islamabad.

G. M. Arif,
Poverty Specialist,
Asian Development Bank,
Islamabad.

General Discussion

12:45 p.m.– 01:30 p.m.

LUNCH.

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01:30 p.m.– 02:45 p.m.

FOURTH PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

Chairperson: Salman Shah,
Adviser to the Prime Minister on Finance and Economic Affairs,
Islamabad.

Speaker: Mohsin S. Khan,
Director,
Middle East and Central Asia Department,
International Monetary Fund,
USA.

Topic: **Human Capital and Economic Growth in Pakistan.**

DISCUSSANTS: Rashid Amjad,
Director,
Policy Planning, Employment Sector,
International Labour Organisation,
Geneva.

Musleh-ud Din,
Chief of Research,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

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02:45 p.m.– 04:00 p.m.

FIFTH PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

ROUND TABLE

Skill Development, Productivity, and Growth

Moderator: Khalid Aftab,
Vice-Chancellor,
G. C. University,
Lahore.

- Panelists:*
1. Mian Tajamul,
Chairman,
Skill Development Council, Punjab,
Lahore.
 2. Yousaf Haroon,
Manager Linkages,
Technology Upgradation and Skill Development Company,
Ministry of Industries Production and Special Initiatives,
Lahore.

General Discussion

04:00 p.m.– 04:30 p.m.

TEA.

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SIXTH PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

ROUND TABLE

**Pro-poor Growth and Governance in South Asia—Decentralisation
and Participatory Development**

Chairperson: Daniyal Aziz,
Chairman,
National Reconstruction Bureau,
Islamabad.

- Speakers:*
1. Ponna Wignaraja,
Chairman,
South Asian Perspective Network Association,
Colombo, Sri Lanka.
 2. Akmal Hussain,
Managing Director,
Sayyed Engineers Pvt. Ltd.,
Lahore.

General Discussion

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09:00 a.m.– 10:30 a.m.

THIRD REGULAR SESSION

The Marquee

LABOUR ISSUES

Chairperson: Malik Asif Hayat,
Secretary,
Labour, Manpower and Overseas
Pakistanis Division, Government
of Pakistan, Islamabad.

- ✓ 1. **Efficiency Wage Hypothesis—The Case of Pakistan.**
Syed Kanwar Abbas and Asad Zaman,
International Islamic University,
Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Aliya H. Khan,
Quaid-i-Azam University,
Islamabad.

- ✓ 2. **Trade Liberalisation and Labour Demand Elasticities: Empirical Evidence from Pakistan.**
Bushra Yasmin and Aliya H. Khan,
Quaid-i-Azam University,
Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Ejaz Ghani,
PIDE, Islamabad.

- ✓ 3. **Child Labour in Pakistan and other Developing Countries.**
Himayatullah Khan,
Institute of Development Studies,
Peshawar.

DISCUSSANT: Zafar Mueen Nasir,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

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POVERTY

Chairperson: Akmal Hussain,
Managing Director,
Sayyed Engineers Pvt. Ltd.,
Lahore.

- ✓ 1. **An Analysis of Poverty at the Local Level: A Case Study of the Union Council, Dharmyal.**
Rashida Haq
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Hina Nazli,
Innovative Development
Strategies, Islamabad.

- ✓ 2. **Prevalence of Relative Poverty in Pakistan.**
Talat Anwar,
UNDP/UNOPS, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Rizwana Siddiqui,
PIDE, Islamabad.

- ✓ 3. **Poverty in Cholistan: Profile and Correlates.**
Imran Sharif Chaudhry and
Shahnawaz Malik,
Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan, *and*
Muhammad Ashraf,
Allama Iqbal Open University, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Naheed Zia Khan,
Fatima Jinnah Women's
University, Rawalpindi.

General Discussion

Margalla Room

AGRICULTURE – II

Chairperson: M. Shafi Niaz,
Senior Fellow,
PIDE, Islamabad.

- ✓ 1. **Sustainable Cotton Production through Skill Development among Farmers: Evidence from Khairpur District.**
Muhammad Azeem Khan,
NARC, Islamabad, *and*
Muhammad Iqbal,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Ikram Saeed,
Pakistan Agricultural
Research Council,
Islamabad.

- ✓ 2. **Testing Onion Market Integration in Pakistan.**
Herman D. Lohano and Fateh M. Mari,
Sindh Agriculture University, Tando Jam, *and*
Rajab A. Memon,
Hyderabad.

DISCUSSANT: Usman Mustafa,
PIDE, Islamabad.

- ✓ 3. **Total Factor Productivity Growth and Agricultural Research and Extension in Pakistan's Agriculture.**
Shujat Ali,
Member, Planning and Development Board,
Lahore.

DISCUSSANT: Muhammad Iqbal,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

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GOVERNANCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

Chairperson: Anwar H. Siddiqui,
Senior Fellow,
PIDE, Islamabad.

- ✓ 1. **Poverty, Power, and Local Government in Pakistan.**
Akmal Hussain and Savail Hussain,
Sayyed Engineers Pvt. Limited,
Lahore.

DISCUSSANT: Faiz Bilquees,
PIDE, Islamabad.

- ✓ 2. **Interaction between Population and Environmental Degradation.**
Usman Azhar,
Balochistan University of Information
Technology, Quetta, *and*
Mohsin Hasnain Ahmad, Syed Ashraf
Wasti, *and* Zeshan Inam,
Applied Economics Research Centre,
Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Naghmana Ghani,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

10:30 a.m.– 11:00 a.m. TEA.

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SEVENTH PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

THE IQBAL MEMORIAL LECTURE

Chairperson: Shah Mahmood Qureshi,
Member,
National Assembly of Pakistan,
Islamabad.

Speaker: Rashid Amjad,
Director,
Policy Planning, Employment Sector,
International Labour Organisation,
Geneva.

Topic: **Skill and Competitiveness: Can Pakistan Break Out of the Low-level Skills Trap?**

DISCUSSANTS: Nadeem ul Haq,
Adviser to the Federal Minister of Commerce,
Government of Pakistan,
Islamabad.

Christopher Colclough,
Professor of the Economics of Education and
Director, Centre for Commonwealth Education,
The University of Cambridge,
UK.

General Discussion

12:30 p.m.– 01:30 p.m.

LUNCH.

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EIGHTH PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

Chairperson: Jahangir Khan Tareen,
Minister for Industries and Production and Special Initiatives,
Islamabad.

Speaker: T. N. Srinivasan,
Chairman,
Department of Economics,
Yale University,
USA.

Topic: **Productivity and Economic Growth.**

DISCUSSANTS: Faisal Bari,
Executive Director,
Mahbub ul Haq Human Development Centre,
Islamabad.

M. Ali Khan,
Professor,
Department of Economics,
The Johns Hopkins University,
Baltimore, USA.

General Discussion

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02:45 p.m.– 04:00 p.m.

NINTH PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

Chairperson: Ishrat Hussain,
Formerly Governor,
State Bank of Pakistan,
Karachi.

Speaker: Rakesh Mohan,
Deputy Governor,
Reserve Bank of India,
India.

Topic: **Reforms Productivity and Efficiency in Banking: The Indian Experience.**

DISCUSSANTS: Mohsin S. Khan,
Director,
Middle East and Central Asia Department,
International Monetary Fund,
USA.

M. Ashraf Janjua,
Dean,
College of Business Management,
Karachi.

General Discussion

04:00 p.m.– 04:30 p.m.

TEA.

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TENTH PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee ✓

THE QUAID-I-AZAM MEMORIAL LECTURE

Chairperson: M. Akram Sheikh,
Deputy Chairman,
The Planning Commission,
Government of Pakistan,
Islamabad.

Speaker: Robert E. Evenson,
Professor,
Department of Economics,
Yale University,
USA.

Topic: **The Green Revolution and the Gene Revolution in Pakistan: Policy Implications.**

DISCUSSANTS: Zafar Altaf,
Former Federal Secretary,
Islamabad.

Kausar Abdullah,
Member, Biosciences,
Pakistan Atomic Energy Commission,
Islamabad.

General Discussion

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06:00 p.m.– 06:30 p.m.

BUSINESS SESSION

The Marquee

Chairperson: A. R. Kemal,
President,
Pakistan Society of Development Economists,
Islamabad.

AGENDA:

1. Theme of the 22nd Annual General Meeting and Conference.
2. General Discussion.

End of the Programme.

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