

PAKISTAN SOCIETY OF DEVELOPMENT ECONOMISTS

PROGRAMME

OF

THE 26th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE

28th – 30th December, 2010

(Hosted by the Pakistan Institute of Development Economics and co-hosted by the Forum of Federations, HEC, CIDA, USAID, and FES)

Theme: “Fiscal Decentralization: Empowering the Provinces, Strengthening the Federation”

Venue: The Marriott, Islamabad

MARCH 16, 2010

INAUGURAL SESSION

Crystal Ball Room

09:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Chairperson: Syed Naveed Qamar
Federal Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources
Government of Pakistan.

Recitation from the Holy Quran:
Qari Allah Nawaz

Welcome Remarks and Secretary's Report:
G. M. Arif
Secretary, PSDE

President's Address:
Investing in People.
Rashid Amjad
President, PSDE
Vice-Chancellor, PIDE

Keynote Address:
Ishfaq Ahmad
Deputy Chairman
The Planning Commission, and Chancellor, PIDE

Inaugural Address by the Chief Guest.

11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. TEA

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INVITED LECTURE - I

The Allama Iqbal Lecture

Crystal Ball Room - A

Chairperson: M. E. Tusneem
Member Food and Agriculture
The Planning Commission
Government of Pakistan.

Speaker: Hirashima Shigemochi
Professor Emeritus
Meiji-Gakuin University, Japan

Topic: **Growth-Poverty Linkage and Income-Asset Disparity:
Evidence from Pakistan and India.**

Discussants: Abdul Salam
Federal Urdu University of Arts, Sciences and Technology
Islamabad

Munir Ahmed
PIDE
Islamabad.

General Discussion

01:30 p.m. – 02:00 p.m. LUNCH

March 16, 2010
02:00 p.m. – 03:30 p.m.

FIRST TECHNICAL SESSION

Crystal Ball Room - A

Governance, Growth and Social Sector

Chairperson: Akmal Hussain
Distinguished Professor
Beaconhouse National University
Lahore.

1. Sustainable Incubator Management: A Case Study for Pakistan.

Aneel Salman and Atif Abdul Majeed
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
New York, USA.

2. Pakistan, Politics, and Political Business Cycles.

Irem Batool and Gernot Seig
TU Braunschweig, Germany.

3. Public Sector Innovation: Case Study of e-government Projects in Pakistan.

Irfanullah Arfeen and Nawar Khan
University of Manchester, UK *and*
National University of Science and Technology, Rawalpindi.

4. Economic Evaluation of Health Cost of Pesticide Use: Willingness to Pay.

Muhammad Khan
Federal Urdu University of Arts, Science and Technology
Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Abdul Jabbar
International Islamic University
Islamabad

General Discussion

Crystal Ball Room – B

Labour and Skill Development

Chairperson: Naved Hamid
Director, Centre for Research in
Economics and Business (CREB)
Lahore School of Economics, Lahore.

1. Skill, Competitiveness and Productivity.

Muhammad Khan, Fouzia Aftab Kiani, Afsheen Ashraf,
and M. Iftikharul Husnain
Federal Urdu University of Arts, Science and Technology
Islamabad

2. Skill Shortage versus Subject Choice: Case of Pakistan.

Atiq ur Rehman, Hafsa Anis and Saud Ahmed Khan
International Islamic University, Islamabad, *and*
National Institute of Computer Science and Technology
Islamabad.

3. The Dynamics of Moonlighting in Pakistan.

Asma Hyder and Ather Maqsood
National University of Science and Technology
Islamabad.

4. Employer Size Wage Differential: Does Investment in Human Capital Matter?

Zafar Mueen Nasir and Nasir Iqbal
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Tahir Hijazi
University of Central Punjab
Lahore

General Discussion

Noor Mahal

Pricing Mechanism

Chairperson: Khalid Mirza
Chairman
Competition Commission of Pakistan
Islamabad.

1. Sticky Information vs. Sticky Prices: An Empirical Comparison within DSGE Framework for the Euro Area.

Adnan Haider and Drissi Ramzi
PIDE, Islamabad, and CERESG, ESG Business School
France

2. Single Stock Futures Trading and Stock Price Volatility: Empirical Analysis.

Safi Ullah Khan and Syed Tahir Hijazi
Kohat University of Science and Technology, Kohat, *and*
Comsats Institute of Information Technology, Islamabad.

3. Empirical Investigation of Debt-Maturity Structure: Evidence from Pakistan.

Attaullah Shah and Shahid Ali Khan
Institute of Management Sciences, Peshawar.

DISCUSSANT: Eatzaz Ahmad
Quaid-i-Azam University
Islamabad

General Discussion

03:30 p.m. – 04:00 p.m. TEA

PANEL DISCUSSION - I

Crystal Ball Room - A

Education System in Pakistan: Lessons Learned and the Way Forward

Chairperson: Ahsan Iqbal
Member National Assembly of Pakistan
and Former Federal Minister for Education

- Panelists:*
1. Pervez Hoodbhoy
Chairman, Department of Physics
Quaid-i-Azam University
Islamabad
 2. Pervez Tahir
Former Chief Economist
The Planning Commission
Government of Pakistan
 3. Shaukat Hameed Khan
Former Member
The Planning Commission
Government of Pakistan
 4. Rehana Siddiqui
Joint Director
PIDE
Islamabad.

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SECOND TECHNICAL SESSION

Crystal Ball Room - A

Health and Education: Understanding Disparities

Chairperson: Masoom Yasinzai
Vice-Chancellor
Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad

1. Regional Health Accounts for Pakistan—Provincial and District Health Expenditures and the Degree of Districts Fiscal Autonomy.

Christian Lorenz and Muhammad Khalid
Gesellschaft fuer Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ)
Islamabad.

2. Education Order in Punjab: A District Level Study.

Aisha Khan
Lahore School of Economics
Lahore.

3. Measuring Impact of Education and Socio-economic Factors on Health for Pakistan.

Zahid Asghar, Nazia Attique and Ameena Arooj
Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad *and*
PIDE, Islamabad.

4. Consumer Satisfaction in Social Security Hospital: A Case Study of Punjab Employees Social Security Institution Hospital, Rawalpindi.

Nasir Ayat and Mahmood Khalid
Consultant Health Economist *and*
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Naushin Mahmood
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

Crystal Ball Room – B

Growth, Poverty and Inequality

Chairperson: Mohammad Nizamuddin
Vice-Chancellor
University of Gujrat, Gujrat

1. Inter-Governmental Funds Flows in Pakistan: Are they Reducing Poverty?

Qazi Masood Ahmed and Akhtar Lodhi
Institute of Business Administration, Karachi, *and*
Applied Economics Research Centre, Karachi.

2. Do Foreign Inflows Benefit Pakistani Poor?

Muhammad Ali
Applied Economics Research Centre
Karachi.

3. Providing for the Resource Shortfall for Poverty Elimination through Potential Zakat Collection in OIC-member Countries: Reappraised.

Nasim Shah Shirazi and Muhammad Fouad Bin Amin
International Islamic University, Malaysia.

4. Inequality and Welfare by Food Expenditure Components.

Rashida Haq and Nabeela Arshad
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Talat Anwar
CIDA, Islamabad

General Discussion

Noor Mahal

Agriculture Competitiveness

Chairperson: Sarfraz Khan Qureshi
Former Director
PIDE, Islamabad

1. Trade Liberalisation Could Improve Producers Profitability in Agriculture: A Case of Basmati Rice.

Muhammad Zulfiqar, Dilawar Khan,
Anwar Chisti, Munir Khan, Wasiullah,
Muhammad Zakir, and Robina Karim
Kohat University of Science and Technology
Kohat.

2. Competitiveness among Asian Exporters in the World Rice Market.

Muhammad Ilyas, Tahir Mukhtar,
and Muhammad Tariq Javed
Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad, Fatima Jinnah Women
University, Rawalpindi, and Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad.

3. Livestock Productivity in the Desert Ecologies of Pakistan: Setting the Development Priorities.

Umar Farooq, Munir Ahmed, and Ikram Saeed
Pakistan Agricultural Research Council, Islamabad, *and*
PIDE, Islamabad.

4. Fostering FDI in the Agriculture Sector.

Areef Salman
Islamic Development Bank
Saudi Arabia

DISCUSSANT: Zakir Hussain
University of Sargodha, Sargodha

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INVITED LECTURE -II

Crystal Ball Room

The Mahbub Ul Haq Memorial Lecture

Chairperson: Attiya Inayatullah
Member National Assembly

Speaker: John Casterline
Lazarus Professor in Population Studies
Ohio State University, USA

Topic: **Demographic Transition: A Fresh Assessment.**

Discussants: Mohammad Nizamuddin
Vice-Chancellor
University of Gujrat
Gujrat

Zeba A. Sathar
Country Director
Population Council
Islamabad

Iqbal Alam
University of Gujrat
Gujrat

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PANEL DISCUSSION-II

Crystal Ball Room

Remittances and Economy

Chairperson: Rashid Amjad
Vice-Chancellor
PIDE
Islamabad

- Panelists:*
1. Ashfaque H. Khan
Dean
Business School
National University of Science and Technology
Islamabad
 2. Nuzhat Ahmed
Director
Applied Economics Research Centre
Karachi
 3. Najam us Saqib
Chairman
Pakistan Remittances Initiative
Karachi

General Discussion

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INVITED LECTURE-III

Crystal Ball Room

The Gustav Ranis Lecture

- Chairperson:* Syed Nawab Haider Naqvi
Director General
Federal Urdu University of Arts, Sciences and Technology
and Former Director, PIDE
- Speaker:* Robin Burgess
Professor of Economics
International Growth Centre
London School of Economics
UK
- Topic:* **Weather and Death: Public Policy Challenges for South Asia.**
- Discussants:* Akmal Hussain
Distinguished Professor
Beaconhouse National University
Lahore.
- Rehana Siddiqui
Joint Director
PIDE, Islamabad.

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Crystal Ball Room - A
Aid, Investment and Growth

Chairperson: Waqar Masood
Federal Secretary
Ministry of Textile
Islamabad

1. The Impact of Foreign Direct Investment on Employment Opportunities: Panel Data Analysis.

Syed Zia Abbas Rizvi and Muhammad Nishat
Institute of Business Management, Karachi, *and*
Institute of Business Administration, Karachi.

2. Effectiveness of Foreign Aid and Human Development.

Nasim Shah Shirazi, Turkhan Ali, Abdul Mannap, and
Muhammad Ali
International Islamic University, Malaysia, *and*
International Islamic University, Islamabad.

3. Investment, Inflation and Economic Growth Nexus.

Nasir Iqbal and Saima Nawaz
PIDE, Islamabad

4. Sector Level Analysis of FDI-growth Nexus: A Case Study of Pakistan.

Somia Iram and Muhammad Nishat
Applied Economics Research Centre
Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Wasim Shahid
Quaid-i-Azam University
Islamabad

General Discussion

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THIRD TECHNICAL SESSION

Crystal Ball Room - B
Trade, Industry and Human Capital

Chairperson: Pervez Tahir
Former Chief Economist
The Planning Commission

1. A Dynamic Analysis of the Relationship among Human Development, Exports and Economic Growth in Pakistan.

Muhammad Afzal, A. Rauf Butt, and Hafeez ur Rehman
University of the Punjab, Lahore, and University of Management
and Technology, Lahore.

2. Changing Rules of the Games of Textile Trade: Gender Implications for Pakistan from a CGE Analysis.

Rizwana Siddiqui
PIDE, Islamabad

3. Efficiency Dynamics of Sugar Industry of Pakistan.

Abdul Raheman, Abdul Qayyum, and Talat Afza
COMSATS Institute of Information Technology, Islamabad *and*
PIDE, Islamabad.

4. An Analysis of Technology Adoption by Export-Oriented Manufacturers in Pakistan.

Tariq Mahmood, Musleh ud Din, and Ejaz Ghani
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Mazhar Iqbal
Quaid-i-Azam University
Islamabad

General Discussion

Noor Mahal
Fiscal Policy

Chairperson: Sakib Sherani
Principal Economic Advisor
Ministry of Finance
Government of Pakistan

1. Government Expenditure and Tax Revenue Causality and Cointegration: The Experience of Pakistan 1972-2007.

Zinaz Aisha and Samina Khatoon
Sardar Bahadur Khan University, Quetta, *and*
University of Karachi, Karachi.

2. The Impact of Tax Policies on Economic Growth: Evidence from Asian Economies.

Ihtsham ul Haq Padda and Naeem Akram
Federal Urdu University of Arts, Science and Technology
Islamabad.

3. Dynamic Effects of Changes in Government Spending in Pakistan's Economy.

Attiya Y. Javed and Umaima Arif
PIDE, Islamabad.

4. Measuring the Dynamic Effects of Fiscal Policy Shocks in Pakistan.

Rozina Shaheen and Paul Turner
Loughborough University, UK.

DISCUSSANT: Fazal Hussain
PIDE, Islamabad

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PANEL DISCUSSION-III

Crystal Ball Room

Conflict, Security and Development

Chairperson: Mushahid Hussain Sayed
Former Senator and Chairman
Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate

- Panelists:*
1. Kamal Matinuddin
Lt. General (Retired) and Former Ambassador
 2. Tariq Osman Hyder
Member Oversight Board for Strategic Export Controls
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
 3. Riffat Hussain
Chairman
Department of Defence and Strategic Studies
Quaid-i-Azam University
Islamabad

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INVITED LECTURE-IV

Crystal Ball Room

The Quaid-i-Azam Lecture

Chairperson: Syed Salim Raza
Governor
State Bank of Pakistan
Karachi.

Speaker: Mohsin Khan
Senior Fellow
Peterson Institute for International Economics
Washington, DC, USA

Topic: **The Design and Conduct of Monetary Policy: Lessons for Developing Countries.**

Discussants: Waqar Masood
Federal Secretary
Ministry of Textile
Islamabad

Musleh-ud Din
Joint Director
PIDE, Islamabad.

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BUSINESS SESSION

Crystal Ball Room

Chairperson: Rashid Amjad
President
Pakistan Society of Development Economists

AGENDA :

1. Vote of Thanks.
2. Theme of the 26th Annual General Meeting and Conference.
3. General Discussion.
4. Photo Session with Students.

End of the Programme.