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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Research Economist

Pakistan Institute of Development Economics, February 2022 – till now

Research Economist

Pakistan Institute of Development Economics, April 2014 – February 2022

Staff Economist

Pakistan Institute of Development Economics, January 2011 – April 2014

RESEARCH WORK

Books and chapters

- “Islamabad Real Estate Regulatory Authority: An Evaluation” (2022) Chapter 8 in Evaluation of Regulatory Authorities, Government Packages, and Policies edited by Fahd Zulfiqar, Pakistan Institute of Development Economics.
- “PIDE Sludge Audit Vol. I” (2022), Pakistan Institute of Development Economics.

Papers, Working Papers, and Reports

- “Heterogeneous Firms and Lobby Participation Decision” (2019) with Jun-ichi Itaya, Economic Bulletin, Vol. 39, No. 4, pp. 2415-2422.
- Economic Transaction Sludge: Building Evidence from Pakistan” (2021) with Naseem Faraz, presented at the 35th Annual General Meeting and Conference of Pakistan Society of Development Economists.
- “The Real Estate Price Quandary: Issues and Way forward” (2022) PIDE Knowledge Brief.
- “Availing Net-metering Facility: Impact of BOI Reforms” (2022) PIDE Analytics.
- “Fiscal Consolidation and Economic Growth; Insights from the case of Pakistan” (2017) with Ali Kemal and Omer Siddique, The Pakistan Development Review, Vol. 56 No. 4, pp. 349-367.
- “Precise Estimate of Unrecorded Economy” (2012) with Ali Kemal, The Pakistan Development Review, Vol. 51 No. 4, pp. 505-516.
- “Trade Policy with Intermediate Inputs Trade” (2019) with Jun-ichi Itaya, Discussion Paper Series, Hokkaido University, 342
- “Fiscal Consolidation and Economic Growth; A Case Study of Pakistan” (2015) with Ali Kemal and Omer Siddique, PIDE Working Paper, 2015:124
- “Exploring the Structure and Performances of Petroleum Retail Outlets in Pakistan” (2016), with Omer Siddique and Hanzla Jalil, PIDE Working Paper, 2016:145

Short Notices

- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). Human Development Report 2013. The Rise of the South: Human Progress in a Diverse World. New York, USA: The Pakistan Development Review, Vol. 52 No. 1
- Akhtar Hasan Khan. The Impact of Privatization in Pakistan. Ferozsons (Pvt). Ltd. 2012. The Pakistan Development Review, Vol. 51 No. 1

Projects Undertaken

- “Regionally Competitive Energy Tariffs and Textile Sector’s Competitiveness” All Pakistan Textile Mills Association (APTMA), March 2021
- “PIDE Reform Agenda for Accelerated and Sustained Growth” Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE), April 2021
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- “Feasibility Study of Pakistan Thailand Free Trade Agreement” World Bank, July 2015
- “Feasibility Study of Pakistan South Korea Free Trade Agreement” World Bank, August 2015
- “Study on Review of the Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) and Petroleum Dealers’ Margins on Petroleum Products” Joint project of PIDE and the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Resources (MP&NR), Nov. 2013.
- “Fiscal Federalism in Pakistan” Joint project of PIDE and Forum of Federations, May 2012.
- “The 7th NFC Award: An Evaluation” Joint project of PIDE and Forum of Federations, May 2012.

Economic Briefs, Blogs, and Newspaper Articles

- “Cities Pay Taxes” (2020) with Idrees Khawaja
- “Resolve to Revive our Textile Sector” (2021) PIDE Blog
- “Cities in Pakistan are Paying Taxes” Newspaper article
- “PIDE-Macroeconomic Brief 3rd Issue 2012”
- “PIDE-Economy Brief August 2013”
- “Research at PIDE 2010–2012, 2013”

TRAINING & SEMINARS

- “One-week training on Public Policy Design, Implementation and Evaluation” organized by COMSATS Islamabad from 16th to 20th March 2015.
- “Seminar on Economic Growth Mode and Sustainable Development for Developing Countries” organized by Ministry of Commerce China from 3rd July to 23rd July 2012 in Beijing, China.
- “Training Course on Fiscal Decentralization in Pakistan” organized by Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE) from October 20-21, 2011, Islamabad, Pakistan.
- “Training Course on Effective Communication Skills” organized by Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE) from April 12-17, 2010, Islamabad, Pakistan
- “Postgraduate Research Tools- Research Made Easy” organized by PIDE and Research Center for Training and Development from 29th to 30th January 2014
- “Data Analysis with Excel: Stage II” organized by the Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE) from 9th to 10th June 2014
- “Seminar on Economic Growth Mode and Sustainable Development for Developing Countries” organized by the Ministry of Commerce China from 5th August to 25th August 2014 in Beijing, China.

EDUCATION

Hokkaido University	2019
Ph.D. (Economics)	
Quaid-i-Azam University, Pakistan	2011
M.Phil (Economics)	
International Islamic University Islamabad, Pakistan	2008
MSc. Economics	
Punjab University, Lahore, Pakistan	2005
Bachelor of Commerce	