

SABA ANWAR

Work Experience

- February 2022 – to date** **Senior Research Economist (PIDE).**
- December'2009 – Feb 2022** Research Economist.
 Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE).
- June'05 – December'2009** Staff Economist.
 Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE).
- September'05 – August'08** Associate Fellow.
 South Asia Network of Economic Research Institutes (SANEI).

Publications

- 2021 - The Spatial Effects of Economic Corridor on Employment in Pakistan: the Role of Complementary Factors, Accepted/forthcoming in The Pakistan Development Review.
- 2020 – Investments in Energy Conservation: Policy Implications for Pakistan. 10(6) International Journal of Economic Energy and Policy, 10(6), 662-671
- 2020 - Developing Low Carbon Finance Index: Evidence from Developed and Developing Economies. Finance Research Letters.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.frl.2020.101520>
- 2019- Is There a Role of Human Capital in Monetary Aggregates - Evidence from South Asian Countries. Ad Alta Journal of Interdisciplinary Research, 10/2 – XII, 41-50
- 2014 - Modelling electricity demand using the STAR (Smooth Transition Auto-Regressive) model in Pakistan. Energy, 78, 535- 542.
- 2010 - Is Commercialization a Sin? Pakistan Journal of Issues vol.3, pp. 84-94.

In progress

- SME sector in Pakistan: Mapping the Policy Framework, Opportunities and Constraints
- Resolving the Mismatch in theoretical and empirical evidence on human capital- growth linkages
- The Role of Human Capital in Demand for Money - A Panel Approach.

Working Papers

- Special Economic Zones (SEZs) and CPEC: Background, Challenges and Strategies, Pakistan Development Review, 2016.
- Electricity Demand in Pakistan: A Nonlinear Estimation. The Pakistan Development Review, 52(4), 479-492.
- Size of the Government, Quality of Institutions and Growth in SAARC Countries. MPRA working paper 49524, 2013.
- Impact of Monetary Policy on Volatility of Stock Market in Pakistan. International Journal of Business and Social Science. 2 (8), 2011.

In progress

- Market Demographics and the Demand for Internet
- Internet and Economic Growth – Panel Approach

Project

- Impact of Pakistan-Afghanistan Transit Trade on Pakistan's Economy Funded by: Pakistan Business Council (PBC)
- CPEC an Engine of Employment: A Situational Analysis and Policy Framework - CE-CPEC Competitive Policy Research Grant-2017 (Phase 1)

Book

- RASTA funded book on Pakistan Railways forthcoming in 2022.

Recent PIDE Products

Knowledge Brief

- Track Access Regime: The International Practices and Pakistan Railways. KB # 47:2021.

Policy Viewpoint

- Internet for All. PV # 26:2021

- Doing Taxes Better. Simplify Open and Grow. PV # 17.2020
- Reforming Pakistan Railways with Nudger's (in process)
- Jio Effect (in progress)

Reports

- Budget 2021-22 Highlights and Commentary
- Budget 2020-21 Highlights and Commentary
- Growth Inclusive Tax Policy: A Reform Proposal. 2020

P&R Magazine

- Tax, Expenditures and Debt: Trica of Budget Challenges P&R Volume 2, Issue 6, Contributing Editor.

Blogs

- Pakistan Railways – Why not on Rails?

Webinar

- PIDE –RE Eight webinar series on Pakistan Railways (PR)

Conference/webinars/seminars/panels

- **Organised**
Doing Taxes Better: Shifting The Paradigm of Tax Policy and Administration.
- **Presented**
SME sector in Pakistan: Mapping the Policy Framework, Opportunities and Constraints in One day Conference on Evaluations of Regulatory Authorities, Government Packages and Policies

Academic Qualifications

- Ph.D in Economics
- M.Phil in Economics from Quaid e Azam University, Islamabad with merit scholarship.
- M.Sc in Economics from Quaid e Azam University, Islamabad.

Training and Courses

- Registered in Coursera for Maps and Geospatial Revolution of Pennstate University

- Introduction to R for Researchers
- Workshop on Panel Data Handling and Techniques
- Macro econometric forecasting by EDX
- Introduction to R, Two Day Workshop.