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AREAS OF INTEREST

Education, Labour Market, Rural Economy and Poverty

QUALIFICATION

- ❖ **Ph.D. (Economics)**, Brookes Business School, 2012-2015, Oxford Brookes University, UK
- ❖ **MA Political Science** (2010), AJ&K University Muzaffarabad
- ❖ **M.Phil. Economics** Department of Economics (2004-2007), Federal Urdu University of Arts Science & Technology (FUUAST) Islamabad
- ❖ **M.Ed.** (2003) Al-Khair University AJK, Pakistan
- ❖ **B.Ed.** (2002) Al-Khair University AJK, Pakistan
- ❖ **M.Sc. Economics** Department of Economics (1997-2000), AJ&K University Muzaffarabad

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PRESENT POSITION

As Senior Research Economist, I am responsible to conduct independent and joint research with other researchers. I am also the part of faculty, Department of Business Studies and Department of Development Studies

WORK EXPERIENCE:

- Senior Research Economist, Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE) Islamabad (July-2016 to date)
- Research Economist, Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE) Islamabad (Dec-2010 –July-2016)
- Examinations Administrator (contract/causal) (December 2013 – June 2015) Exams Office, Oxford Brookes University, UK
- Staff Economist Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE) Islamabad (Dec-2007 - Dec-2010)
- Assistant Corrdinator Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) Islamabad (Contract) (Aug 2006—Dec-2007)
- Lecturer (Visting) Taught Macro & Micro Economics for MBA Course At Federal Urdu University of Arts Science & Technology (FUUAST), Islamabad (May-2004 to Feb-2005)
- Lecturer (Contract) Govt. Degree College Charoi Dist. Kotli AJ&K (Jan-2003 to Mar-2004)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Sustainable Development and Economic Policy, (Fall-2018 Morning/Evening) Department of Development Studies, Pakistan Institute of Development Economics, Islamabad.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- Member of the Pakistan Society of the Development Economists (PSDE), Islamabad, Pakistan.

TRAININGS

- Workshop on “Social Safety Nets for Poverty Alleviation”(20-22 March 2017)at NCRD Islamabad, Pakistan.
- “Disaster Risk Reduction” (27-31 March 2017) training at NCRD Islamabad, Pakistan.
- SPSS: An Introduction, Graduate College, Oxford Brookes University, UK
- Presentation skills: An introduction, Graduate College, Oxford Brookes University, UK
- EndNote: An Introduction to Managing your References, Graduate College, Oxford Brookes University, UK
- Publishing Workshop for Doctorial Researchers, Brookes Business School, Oxford Brookes University, UK
- Level–A/B Quantitative Method Workshop, Brookes Business School, Oxford Brookes University, UK
- Structural Equations Modeling Workshop, Brookes Business School, Oxford Brookes University, UK
- Level–A/B Qualitative Method Workshop, Brookes Business School, Oxford Brookes University, UK
- Research Writing Workshop, Brookes Business School, Oxford Brookes University, UK
- Research Ethics Workshop, Brookes Business School, Oxford Brookes University, UK
- Level–A/B Qualitative Method Workshop, Brookes Business School, Oxford Brookes University, UK
- Introduction to Nvivo, Brookes Business School, Oxford Brookes University, UK

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- “Efficiency Dynamics of Agro based Industries of Pakistan” - Sarhad Journal of Agriculture (Ansa Nazli and Usman Ahmad)- **Forthcoming**
- Ahmad, U: Singh, P & Farooq, S (2020) Impact of Shocks and Dynamics of Poverty on Child Labour and Schooling in Pakistan: A Panel Analysis-Pakistan Journal of Social Issues (Volume 11, 2020)
- Farooq, S., Ahmad, U. (2020) Economic Growth and Rural Poverty in Pakistan: A Panel Dataset Analysis. Eur J Dev Res. <https://doi.org/10.1057/s41287-020-00259-y>
- Ahmad, U (2018) “Inclusive Education and Child Disability in Pakistan”, Research Journal Social Sciences Volume 5, No. 2, pp. 61–76

- Ahmad, U (2017), Factors affecting the services sector growth in Pakistan: A time varying parametric approach (with Zeb A, Hussain K, Ajmair M), Journal of Economics Library www.kspjournals.org
- PhD thesis- “Child Labour and Child Schooling in Developing Countries: A Case Study of Pakistan”
- M.Phil thesis- “Impact of Financial Sector Reforms on Efficiency and Productivity of Domestic Commercial Banks in Pakistan”.
- MSc thesis- “Estimation of Money Supply Function of Pakistan”
- Efficiency Dynamics and Financial Reforms: Case Study of Pakistani Banks (with Shujaat Farooq, and Hafiz Hanzla Jalil). International Research Journal of Finance and Economics, Issue 25: 172-182, 2009.
- Educational and Qualificational Mismatches: Non-monetary Consequences for Workers (with Asif Javed, Shujaat Farooq, and Jhangir Khan). European Journal of Social Sciences, vol. 9 (2): 275-291, 2009.
- Size of Government Spending & Human Capital Inequality; Evidence from Cross Sectional and Panel Data Analysis (with Jhangir Khan, Asif Javed, and shujaat Farooq). European Journal of Social Sciences, vol. 9(2): 300-322, 2009.
- Education, Underemployment, and Job Satisfaction (with Usman Ahmed and Rehmat Ali). Pakistan Journal of Commerce and Social Sciences, vol. 1, 2008.
- Education, Underemployment, and Job Satisfaction (with Shujaat Farooq and Rehmat Ali). Pakistan Journal of Commerce and Social Sciences, vol. 1: 83-91, 2008. Presented at COMSATS International Conference on Management for Humanity and Priority, January -02-03, 2008, Lahore.
- Underemployment, Education and Job Satisfaction (with Shujaat Farooq). Pakistan Development Review, vol. 46(4): 895-907, 2007. Presented at 24th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Pakistan Society of Development Economics (PSDE) being held under PIDE, dated 23-25 March, 2008, Islamabad
- Shorter Note (2008) on “Elementary Education in Pakistan” The Pakistan Development Review Vol. 47 No.2.
- Financial Sector Reforms and Their Impact on Efficiency of Banks: A Case of Pakistan” (with Dr. Abdul Qayyum) presented at 3rd Annual Conference on Management of the Pakistan Economy, Economic Reforms: The Road Ahead (2007-2010) on 2nd & 3rd May-2007 at Lahore School of Economics (LSE), Lahore.
- Demands of the New Moderate Islamic Era in the Light of Sariat-e-Tyyeba” Muqala on Sariat-un-Nabi Conference (2005), Published by Ministry of Religious Affairs, Zakat Usher Govt. of Pakistan (2007).
- Estimation of Money Supply Function of Pakistan: An Econometric Investigation (with Abdul Qayyum) Journal of Islamic Banking and Finance, 2000.

PROJECTS

- Worked as Co-Principal Investigator for a study “An Analysis of Grievance Redressal System in Sehat Sahulat Program: Lessons and Learning”, funded by Heath Service Academy and WHO (January 2021 to March 2022).

- Worked as Qualitative expert for a study “An Analysis of Enrolment, Health Utilization Behavior and Information Level Among the Beneficiaries of Sehat Sahulat (SSP)”, funded by Health Service Academy and WHO (January 2021 to March 2022).
- Worked as Principal Investigator for a study “Economics Empowerment, access to productive resources and entrepreneurship opportunities: the case of women in Punjab” Funded by Punjab Commission on the Status of Women (PCSW) (October 2018 to December 2018)
- Worked as Team member with FAO to evaluate the project ‘A Post Harvest Impact Assessment of Relief Inputs under OSR/PAK/803/CHA in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa’. A background paper was prepared for FAO on the assessment of relief for flood affected peoples in Peshawar 2009.

DISSERTATION SUPERVISED

MS/M.Phil.

- **Supervised 13 MPhil students (Thesis completed)**

Books:

- Objective Type Economics for 1st Year (with Muhammad Anwar) Published by Majeed Sons Lahore (2003)
- Objective Type Economics for 2nd Year (with Muhammad Anwar) Published by Majeed Sons Lahore (2003)

COMPUTER SKILLS

MS Office; NVivo; Endnote; SPSS

INTERPERSONAL

- Strong interpersonal communication skills well versed in Urdu, English, and Punjabi
- Reading newspapers, Economic journals and current affairs articles