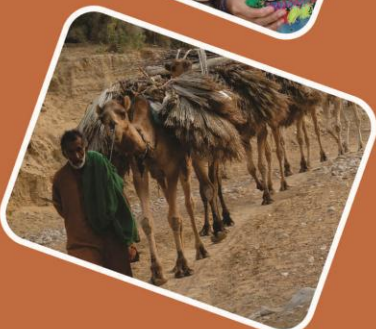
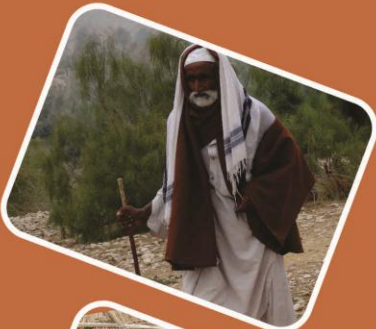




# Newsletter

# DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

Imparting multidisciplinary knowledge to address key development challenges.



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**DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT STUDIES**  
**PAKISTAN INSTITUTE OF DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS**

Department of Development Studies began its academic operations in 2011, as part of PIDE University, Islamabad. Over the course of six years it has developed many avenues for students to gain a knowledge base of sharp analytical skills and research practices. Department of Development Studies firmly believes in *Spirit of Free Inquiry* therefore, it has been working towards a dynamic and prominent research unit with an academic presence that encompasses the globe. In line with this approach, the department has also ventured into many new initiatives to promote and polish students' capabilities.

A glimpse of such initiatives, activities and events for the Fall Semester 2016 are enclosed in this copy of the newsletter for the readers.

**Dr. Zulfiqar Ali,**  
Head of Department

## **Organogram of the Department**

Total number of currently enrolled students	116
Total number of graduates	45
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## RESEARCH IN DEVELOPMENT STUDIES (DS)

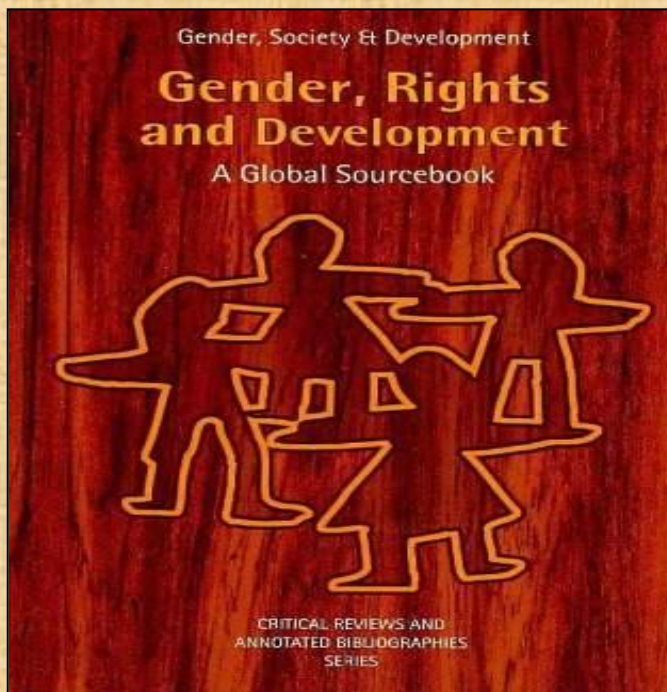
A complete list of thesis topics and students of DS Batch 2012 is listed below:

Sr. No	Name of Student	Thesis Topic
1	Yaminay Usman Mustafa	Human Resource Management and NGO Fieldworkers: Case Study of BRAC and NRSP
2	Ayesha Rasheed Dar	Linkages Between Education And Empowerment: The Case Of Kashmiri Refugee Women
3	Saeeda Khan	Impact Of Non-international Armed Conflict On Female Education In Pakistan: Case Study Of District Swat
4	Gullalai Jogezeai	Social Viability of Karez Rehabilitation in Balochistan, Pakistan (A study of Loralai District)
5	Shams ul Deen	Revising Decentralisation And Quality Of Public Services In Rawalpindi District Of Pakistan
6	Fahd Zulfiqar	Money Can Buy Love: Contextualising Love in the <i>Zenana/Khusra</i> Communities Of Rawalpindi, City Kasur, Mansehra City, and Kot Radha Kishan
7	Sadaf Farooq	Early Age Marriage Triad; Causes, Correlates and Consequences
8	Saira Zafar Khan	Higher Education, Empowerment and Gender: A Contextual Study of Women Pursuing Higher Education in Islamabad
9	Ali Husnain	Understanding Socio-economic Characteristics of Kidney Sellers in Pakistan
10	Asad ur Rehman	Political Economy of Democratic Decentralisation and Local Political Associations in Rural Punjab: A Case Study of Sialkot District
11	Faiza Majid	Is Firm financing gender sensitive?: Evidence from Pakistan
12	Ijaz Hussain	Women Empowerment through Employment in Rural Areas: A Case study of Muzaffargarh
13	Anayat Ullah	Armed Conflict and Displacement: Demand and Supply Analysis of Schooling in FATA (A Case Study of IDPs in Jalozei Camp)
14	Asad Shoaib	Politics Beyond Voting: A Study of Ahmadiyya Community's State Accessing Mechanism in Ralioko, Sialkot
15	Munazam Hussain	Public Facilitation through E-Governance A Case of Passport Office Islamabad, Pakistan
16	Sara Kamal Bajwa	Religion and Development: An Ethnographic Study of Jamia Hafsa in Islamabad
17	Adnan Khan	Socio-economic Impact of Militancy on Local People (A Case Study of Darra Adam Khel)
18	Jamshed Ahmad Bukhari	Victims of Social Exclusion: The Case of Gypsies in Pakistan

## READ AND SHARE BOOK FORUM



The Department of Development Studies initiated a study circle as “Read and Share Book Forum” in Fall Semester 2015. The aim of this forum is to provide a platform to the students of Development Studies for sharing already existing books with reference to current and cross-cutting issues in development discourse, competing methodological frameworks and variant theoretical claims. In Fall Semester 2015, six forums were conducted. In Spring Semester 2016, five forums were conducted. In Fall Semester 2016, one forum was conducted the details of which are described in the following text:



The eleventh presenter of this forum was Ms. Rafia Jalil (DS M.Phil, 2015) who reviewed a book titled ‘**Gender, Rights and Development: A Global Sourcebook**’ edited by Maitrayee Mukhopadhyay and Shamim Meer.

This book is divided into five chapters with the introduction written by the editors. The book has touched upon the struggles played out by the women of South Africa, Nicaragua, Bhopal (India) and Arab countries. Their struggles are centred on the human rights defined along the broader dimensions of ethnicity, nationalism, sexuality and health. Ms. Jalil, very efficaciously, presented the contents of all the case studies and bridged the conceptual articulation of human rights and gender.

Ms. Jalil’s presentation raised pertinent issues related to policy outcomes for the issues of women whom rights are not recognised, importance of sexual autonomy for women and medicalisation of research on women sexuality.

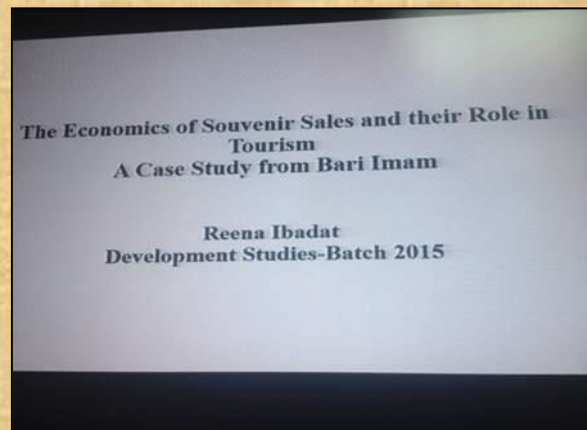
## DISCUSSION PAPER FORUM



The department of Development Studies started a forum for discussing student papers. This forum intends to encapsulate the spirit of Development Studies by providing ample opportunities to the students to share their research and disseminate to the wider audience, generate discussion, and carve out for themselves the possibility of publishing their research work. Four forums were conducted in Fall Semester 2015. One forum was conducted in Fall Semester 2016 the details of which are mentioned in the following text:

The fifth presenter of this forum was Ms. Reena Ibadat (DS Batch, 2015) who presented her discussion paper titled **'The Economics of Souvenir Sales and their Role in Tourism: A Case Study of Bari Imam'**. The study was conducted in Bari Imam (Islamabad) using quantitative approach with structured interviews as methods. This research

focuses on the impact of pilgrimage tourism on economic growth. To unpack this reciprocity, the author investigates the economic importance of souvenir in the context of religious tourism. Souvenir is an important ingredient of tourism having numerous, social, cultural, religious and economic, motivations. To increase revenues from tourism, the study advises two basic ways for a business or community to follow. Firstly, the number of visitors need to be increased, secondly, the amount that each visitor spends also. This way, if a destination is able to attract more tourists, there will be more spending. The visitors will spend money on lodging and they will eat more meals and will have more time to shop in local stores hence boosting business activities in the economy. This is why governments are devoted to attract more visitors to any tourist destination areas.



Ms. Ibadat's presentation was well-received by the audience. She confidently responded to the questions asked to her by the listeners on research methodology and theoretical framework of her research. She also generated debate on the role government should play to upgrade the physical surroundings of Bari Imam through which souvenir sales can increase.

## DEVELOPMENT STUDIES PANEL DISCUSSION

The department held a panel discussion on the **'Stigmatisation of Women Working in Media'**. The seminar was conducted by Mr. Khawar Mahmood (DS Batch, 2016). The panelists comprised female media experts from filmmaking, news broadcasting and journalism.

Ms. Mahrukh Qureshi (broadcast journalist, **Capital TV**) talked the audience through the personal and professional challenges faced by her as a woman anchor person. She also highlighted that despite her penchant to report from conflict-torn territories on riskier domains such as women's positionality in conflict-ridden zones, she cannot do so because of the familial and societal pressures and practical resistances faced by women working in

Pakistani media. She also shared factual data with the audience which showed the dearth of social security benefits and paucity of physical security guaranteed to women working in Pakistani media.

Faheela Muzaffar from **Dunya News** also shed light on the discrimination, the women working in Pakistani media face on daily basis. She emphasised that Pakistan should follow the western model to secure the professional rights of women working in media.

Beenish Javed (**DW, Germany**) who joined the panel discussion through Skype also alluded that professional friction of men against talented media women is rampant, but that must not limit women from taking active part in media. She also encouraged young female students and researchers from PIDE to join this profession.



Adding to the discussion was Vaishnavi Sundar, a feminist filmmaker from India, who also took part in discussion through Skype. In addition to maintaining similar viewpoints on the above-mentioned issues, Ms. Sundar asserted that stigmatisation and ostracisation of women working in Indian media is structural and it is contingent upon the institutionalisation of patriarchal structures embedded in Indian society.

The seminar was concluded with an open debate on the subject matter and concluding remarks by Dr. Huma Haque (Permanent Faculty Member, Development Studies PIDE). Dr. Haque questioned the notion of culturalised boundaries and stated that women need to be agentic to

challenge and question these boundaries which feed on patriarchy.





## DEVELOPMENT STUDIES INTERACTIVE SESSION

The department hosted the team of **Integrity Idol Pakistan** for an interactive session on the **Role and Importance of Integrity in our Society**. This one hour session was attended by the faculty members, students and university staff members to avail the opportunity of nominating next "Integrity Idol of Pakistan" and be a part of a nation wide movement to celebrate Integrity in our society.



### Faculty Spotlights

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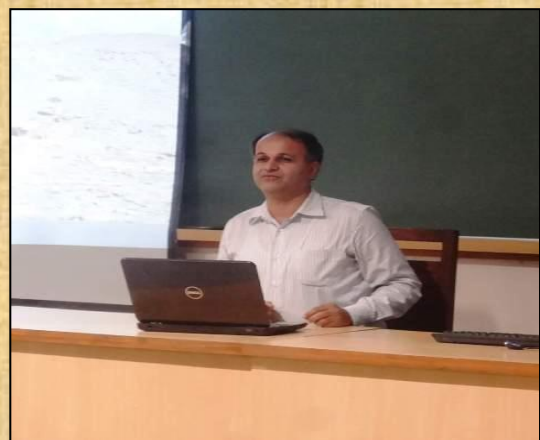
**Dr. Zulfiqar Ali- Head of Department.**

#### **Paper Presentations**

1. **Civil Society, the UNESCO World Heritage and Sustainable Development**, Istanbul, Turkey, July 2016.



2. **Emerging trends in South Asian Rock Art: Theories, Methods and Scientific Studies**, Indian Institute of Science, Education and Research (IISER), Mohali, India, September, 2016.



3. **2nd International Conference on Cult Practices**, Bulgaria, Blagoevgrad, October 2016.



4. **24th International Conference on Asian History, Culture, and Environment: Vernacular and Oriental Paradigms**, Islamabad, Pakistan, December 2016.



### Research Paper

Khan, Sarfraz. and Kalhoro, Z. A. (2016), **The Impact of International Migration on Spiritual Healing Practices in Rural Punjab, Pakistan**. *J.P.H.S*, Vol. LXIV, No. 4.

### Dr. Huma Haque- Assistant Professor

#### Guest Lecture

Invited to give a lecture on **Pakistan and Sustainable Development Goals**, National Institute of Management, Lahore, November 2016.



**Dr. Muhammad Jehangir Khan- Assistant Professor****Research Paper**

Khan, M. J and Arif, G.M. (2016), **Household Charity in Pakistan: Magnitude, Determinants and its Importance for the Wellbeing of Society**, PIDE Working Paper No. 141.

**Workshop**

**How to Teach Elementary Descriptive Statistics**, HEC Workshop for Teachers of Statistics, PIDE, August 2016.

**Dr. Junaid Alam Memon- Assistant Professor****Postdoctoral Scholar**

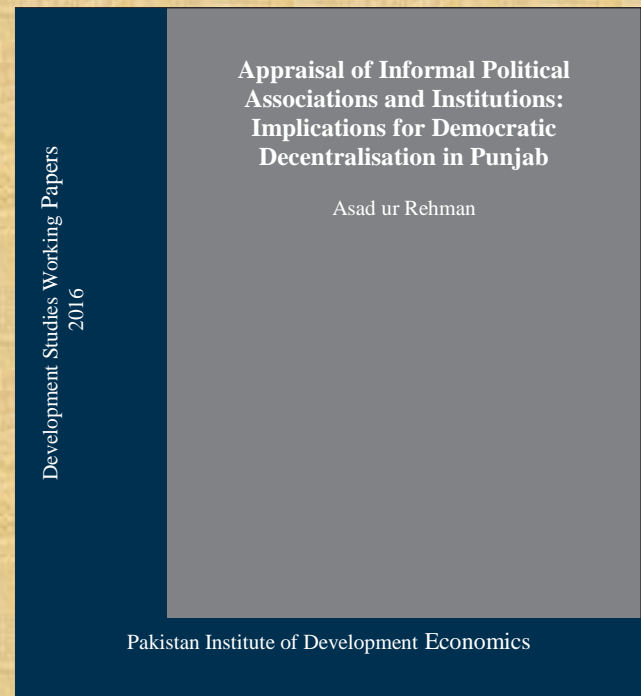
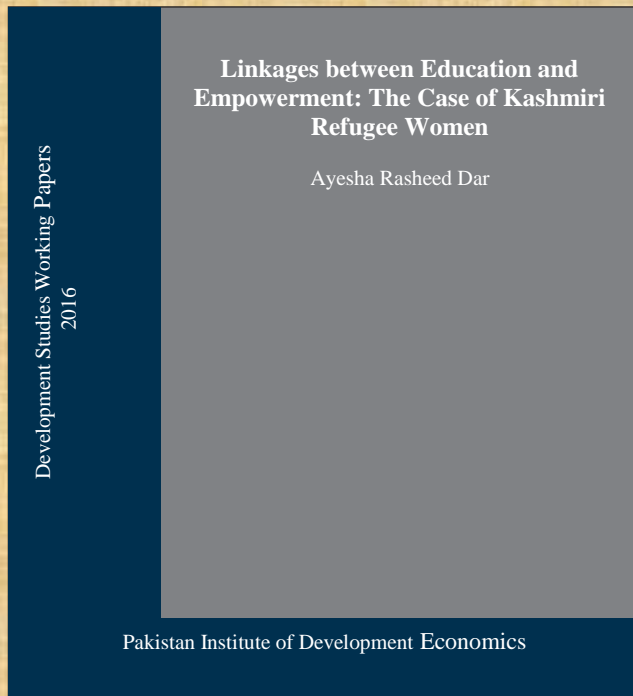
Completed postdoctoral research, Fulbright Visiting Scholar, Ostrom Workshop.

**Research Paper**

1. Memon, J. A., Jomezai, G., Hussain, A., Alizai, M. Q., Baloch, M. A., (accepted in press) Rehabilitating Traditional Irrigation Systems: Assessing Popular Support for Karez Rehabilitation in Balochistan, Pakistan. *Human Ecology*, Springer USA (DOI : 10.1007/s10745-016-9890-1)
2. Memon, J.A., & Thapa G. B. (2016) Explaining the de facto open access of public property commons: Insights from the Indus Delta mangroves. *Environmental Science and Policy*, 66 (2016), 151–159 – Elsevier.



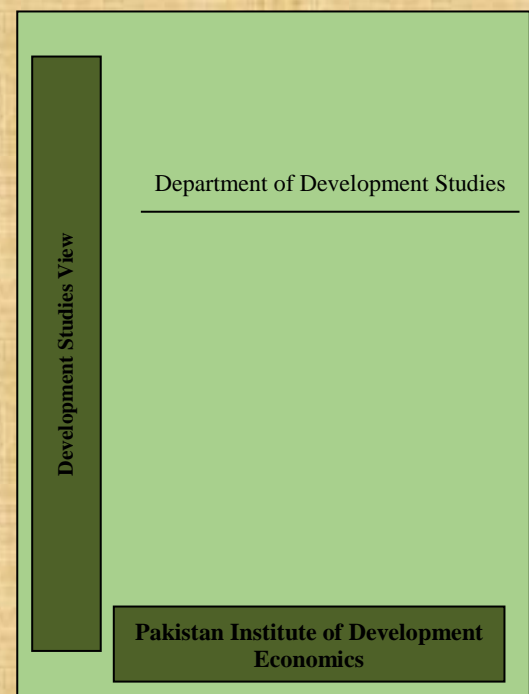
## Development Studies Working Paper



### Development Studies View

The department of Development Studies started a new series of academic activity in Fall 2016 in which students and researchers wrote academic essays related to the discourse of Development. The attempt was to create a space for generating a range of views and opinions on social issues including though not limited to poverty, inequality, gender, conflict and human security. Five essays were published under this forum during Fall Semester 2016. The details are in the following text:

1. DS View 1: **Analysis of Child Abduction: An Ever Rising but Overlooked Phenomena in Punjab** authored by Mr. Asif Iqbal (DS MPhil 2011).
2. DS View 2: **An Anthropological Research in Urban Slums: Some Notes from the Field** authored by Mr. Aziz Khan (DS MPhil 2014)
3. DS View 3: **Development Agenda for Pakistan** authored by Mr. Asad ur Rehman (DS MPhil 2012)
4. DS View 4: **Post-Structural Anthropologists: A Critique** authored by Mr. Fahd Zulfiqar (DS Lecturer)
5. DS View 5: **Gender and the British Raj** authored by Ms. Ramsha Masood Ahmad (DS M.Sc)



## Development Studies Policy Brief

Six Policy Briefs were published in Fall Semester 2016.  
The themes for these were:

1. Conflict and Security
2. Governance
3. Communities and Ethnographies

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**Policy Brief**

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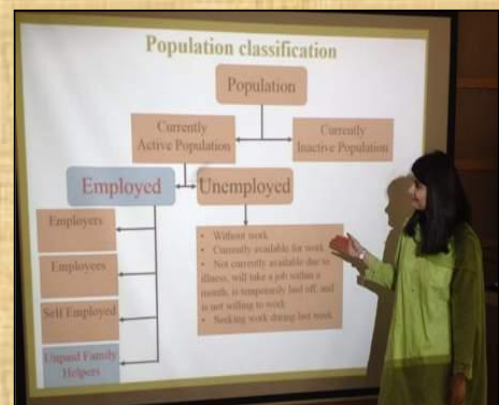
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## Thesis Defence



Mr. Mubasher Rehman Khattak (DS 2013) defending his thesis titled **Determinants of Child Labour: A Case Study of Children Working at Automobiles Workshop at Tehkal Payan of Peshawar City, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan** supervised by Dr. Muhammad Jehangir Khan.

Ms. Neha Riaz Khan (DS 2013) defending her thesis titled **Invisible Workers: A Case Study of Unpaid Female Family Helpers in District Lahore** supervised by Dr. G. M. Arif.





Mr. Muhammad Saleem (DS 2014) defending his thesis titled **Role of Shrines in Local Politics-Ruralisation of Urban Areas: A Case Study of Pakpattan District Punjab** supervised by Dr. Zulfiqar Ali.



Mr. Muhammad Rahim Shah defending his thesis titled **Socio-Economic and Cultural Assessment of Suicide among Female Youth: A Study in Ghizer District, Gilgit-Baltistan** supervised by Dr. Zulfiqar Ali and co-supervised by Dr. Junaid Alam Memon.

Mr. Muhammad Saqib Khan defending his thesis titled **Health Services in Public Sector Hospitals: Evidence from two Hospitals in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan** supervised by Dr. Karim Khan.

