

DECEMBER 19, 2005

INAUGURAL SESSION

The Marquee

09:30 a.m.– 10:45 a.m.

1. *Recitation from the Holy Quran:*
Qari Allah Nawaz.
2. *Welcome Remarks and Secretary's Report:*
Rehana Siddiqui,
Secretary, PSDE.
3. *Presidential Address:*
Skill Development in Pakistan.
A. R. Kemal,
President, PSDE.
4. *Keynote Address:*
Skill Development, Productivity, and Growth.
Atta-ur-Rahman,
Chairman, Higher Education Commission, and
Adviser to the Prime Minister on Science and Technology.
5. *Inaugural Address by the Chief Guest.*

10:45 a.m.– 11:15 a.m.

REFRESHMENTS.

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11:15 a.m.– 12:30 p.m.

FIRST PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

THE MAHBUB UL HAQ MEMORIAL LECTURE

Chairperson: Robert E. Evenson,
Professor,
Department of Economics,
Yale University,
USA.

Speaker: M. Ali Khan,
Professor,
Department of Economics,
The Johns Hopkins University,
Baltimore, USA.

Topic: **Social Capital and Economic Development: Lessons from Pierre Bourdieu.**

DISCUSSANTS: S. M. Naseem,
Formerly of Development Planning Division,
ESCAP, United Nations, Bangkok.

Asad Zaman,
Director General,
International Institute of Islamic Economics,
Islamabad.

General Discussion

12:30 p.m.– 01.30 p.m.

LUNCH.

01:30 p.m.– 03:00 p.m.

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

The Marquee

SKILL DEVELOPMENT

Chairperson: Pervez Tahir,
Chief Economist,
Planning and Development
Division, Government of Pakistan,
Islamabad.

1. Skill Formation Strategies for Sustaining ‘The Drive to Maturity’ in Pakistan.

Muhammad Zahid Siddique,
National University-FAST, Karachi, *and*
Javed Akbar Ansari,
Management Sciences Department,
PAF, Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Musleh-ud Din,
PIDE, Islamabad.

2. Enhancing Vocational Training for Economic Growth in Pakistan.

Usman Mustafa, Kalbe Abbas, and
Amara Saeed,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Talat Anwar,
UNDP/UNOPS,
Islamabad.

3. Governance, Globalisation and Human Development in Pakistan.

Naveed Ahmed,
Institute of Business Administration,
Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Ejaz Ghani,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

Upper MarqueePOPULATION AND
GENDER ISSUES

Chairperson: Abdul Razzaque Rukanuddin,
Formerly Executive Director,
NIPS, Islamabad.

1. Relationship between Poverty, Population Growth, and the Environment.

Seeme Mallick,
Islamabad, *and*
Naghmana Ghani,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Mehboob Sultan,
NIPS, Islamabad.

2. Modelling Gender Dimension of the Impact of Economic Reforms in Pakistan.

Rizwana Siddiqui,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Tariq Javed,
Quaid-i-Azam University,
Islamabad.

3. Female Education and Fertility Behaviour: A New Perception.

Erum Shafi,
University of Balochistan,
Quetta.

DISCUSSANT: G. Y. Soomro,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

Margalla Room

AGRICULTURE – I

Chairperson: Abdul Salam,
Formerly Chairman,
Agricultural Prices Commission,
Islamabad.

1. An Analysis of Farmers’ Allocative Efficiency in Northern Pakistan.

Muhammad Bashir and Dilawar Khan,
NWFP Agricultural University,
Peshawar.

DISCUSSANT: Muhammad Iqbal,
PIDE, Islamabad.

2. Estimation of Export Supply Function for Citrus Fruit in Pakistan.

Usman Haleem *and* Khalid Mushtaq,
University of Agriculture, Faisalabad,
Azher Abbas *and* A. D. Sheikh,
PARC, Faisalabad.

DISCUSSANT: Umar Farooq,
PARC, Islamabad.

3. Domestic Citrus Marketing Systems: Constraints and Potential for Improvement.

Muhammad Sharif, Umar Farooq, and
Waqar Malik,
PARC, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Muhammad Bashir,
NWFP Agricultural
University, Peshawar.

General Discussion

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EXCHANGE RATE

Chairperson: Aftab A. Khan,
Senior Fellow,
PIDE, Islamabad.

1. Impact of Exchange Rate Volatility on Growth and Economic Performance of Pakistan.

Toseef Azid,
Markfield Institute of Higher Education,
Leicestershir, UK; Mohammad Jamil,
Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan; *and*
Anila Kausar,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: M. Ali Kemal,
PIDE, Islamabad.

2. Interest Rate, Price, and Output Inter-relationships in Pakistan.

Rozina Shaheen,
NUST Institute of Management Sciences,
Rawalpindi, *and*
Mohammed Nishat,
Institute of Business Administration,
Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Atif A. Jafri,
PIDE, Islamabad.

3. Managing Foreign Exchange Inflows: An Analysis of Sterilisation in Pakistan.

Asad Jan, M. Ather Elahi, M. Aslam
Zahid, and M. Sharif Khawaja,
State Bank of Pakistan, Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Idrees Khawaja,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

03:00 p.m.– 03:30 p.m. TEA.

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SECOND PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

Chairperson: Sartaj Aziz,
Vice-Chancellor,
Beaconhouse University,
Lahore.

Speaker: Karin Wagner,
Professor,
Fachhochschule für Technik und Wirtschaft,
Berlin, Germany.

Topic: **Productivity and Skills in Industry and Services—A British-German Comparison.**

DISCUSSANTS: Aftab Ahmed Khan,
Senior Fellow,
PIDE, Islamabad.

Pervez Tahir,
Chief Economist,
Planning and Development Division,
Government of Pakistan,
Islamabad.

General Discussion

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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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GROWTH / INDUSTRY

MACROECONOMICS

TRADE ISSUES

BANKING AND FINANCE

Chairperson: Rafique Ahmed,
Professor Emeritus,
Centre for South Asian Studies,
University of the Punjab,
Lahore.

Chairperson: M. Ashraf Janjua,
Dean,
College of Business Management,
Karachi.

Chairperson: M. Ali Khan,
Professor,
The Johns Hopkins University,
Baltimore, USA.

Chairperson: Saeed A. Qureshi,
Senior Fellow,
PIDE, Islamabad.

1. Evidence on Allocative Efficiency and Elasticity of Substitution in the Manufacturing Sector of Pakistan.

Sohail Zafar,
University of Laval, Quebec, Canada, *and*
Eatzaz Ahmed,
Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Nishat Ahmed,
Institute of Business
Administration,
Karachi.

2. Public-Private Investment Linkages: A Multivariate Cointegration Analysis.

Abdul Rashid,
Institute of Business Management, Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Imtiaz Ahmad,
PIDE, Islamabad.

3. Financial Development and Economic Growth in Pakistan.

M. Arshad Khan, Abdul Qayyum, and
Saeed Ahmed Sheikh
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Omer Siddique,
PIDE, Islamabad.

1. Money, Price Level, and Output: Evidence from Asian Developing Countries.

M. Aslam Chaudhry, Munir A. S. Chaudhry, and
Mehak Ejaz,
University of the Punjab, Lahore.

DISCUSSANT: Abdul Qayyum,
PIDE, Islamabad.

2. Redistributive Impact of GST Tax Reforms in Pakistan, 1999–2001.

Saadia Refaqt,
University of Bath, UK.

DISCUSSANT: Hasan M. Mohsin,
PIDE, Islamabad.

3. Macroeconomic Determinants of Tariff Policy in Pakistan.

Mohammed Nishat,
Institute of Business Administration, Karachi, *and*
Anjum Aqeel,
Applied Economics Research Centre, Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Afia Malik,
PIDE, Islamabad.

4. Performance Evaluation of Mutual Funds in Pakistan.

Amir Shah and Tahir Hijazi,
Muhammad Ali Jinnah University, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Nisar H. Hamdani,
University of Azad Jammu and
Kahmir, Muzaffarabad.

1. Non-agricultural Market Access: A South Asian Perspective.

A. R. Kemal, Musleh-ud Din, and
Ejaz Ghani,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Akhtar Mahmood,
Former Federal Secretary,
Islamabad.

2. The Growth Impact of Exports in South Asian Countries.

Abid Hameed, M. Ali Chaudhry, and
Kiran Younas Khan,
Fatima Jinnah Women's University,
Rawalpindi.

DISCUSSANT: Lubna Hasan,
PIDE, Islamabad.

3. An Analysis of Exports and Growth in Pakistan.

M. Abdul Quddus,
Punjab Economic Research Institute,
Lahore, *and* Ikram Saeed,
Pakistan Agricultural Research Council,
Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Zahid Asghar,
PIDE, Islamabad.

4. Demand for International Reserves: A Case Study of Pakistan.

Eatzaz Ahmed,
Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad, *and*
Karim Khan,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Aqdas Ali Kazmi,
The Planning Commission,
Islamabad.

1. Economic Growth, Inflation, and Monetary Policy in Pakistan: Some Empirical Estimates.

Ahmed M. Khalid,
Bond University, Gold Coast, Australia.

DISCUSSANT: Zafar Mahmood,
KISR, Kuwait.

2. Interest Rate Pass-through in Pakistan: Evidence from the Transfer Function Approach.

Abdul Qayyum, Sajawal Khan, and
Idrees Khawaja,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Ahmed M. Khalid,
Bond University, Gold
Coast, Australia.

3. Strategic Directions for Developing an Islamic Banking System.

Rukhsana Kalim,
University of Management and Technology,
Lahore, *and* Suleman Aziz Lodhi,
APTMA, Lahore.

DISCUSSANT: Mazhar Iqbal,
Quaid-i-Azam University,
Islamabad.

4. The Impact of Regulatory Changes upon the Productivity of the Banking Sector in the Indian Subcontinent.

Shabbar Jaffry, Yaseen Ghulam,
Joe Cox, and Sean Pascoe, University of
Portsmouth, Portsmouth, UK.

DISCUSSANT: Saba Anwar,
PIDE, Islamabad.

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THIRD PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

Chairperson: Javed Jabbar,
Chairperson,
Pakistan National Committee of IUCN Members,
Karachi.

Speaker: Professor Christopher Colclough,
Professor of the Economics of Education, and
Director, Centre for Commonwealth Education,
The University of Cambridge,
UK.

Topic: **Does Education Abroad Help to Alleviate Poverty at Home? An Assessment.**

DISCUSSANTS: Ashfaque H. Khan,
Director General,
Debt Management,
Ministry of Finance,
Islamabad.

G. M. Arif,
Poverty Specialist,
Asian Development Bank,
Islamabad.

General Discussion

12:45 p.m.– 01:30 p.m.

LUNCH.

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01:30 p.m.– 02:45 p.m.

FOURTH PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

Chairperson: Salman Shah,
Adviser to the Prime Minister on Finance and Economic Affairs,
Islamabad.

Speaker: Mohsin S. Khan,
Director,
Middle East and Central Asia Department,
International Monetary Fund,
USA.

Topic: **Human Capital and Economic Growth in Pakistan.**

DISCUSSANTS: Rashid Amjad,
Director,
Policy Planning, Employment Sector,
International Labour Organisation,
Geneva.

Musleh-ud Din,
Chief of Research,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

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02:45 p.m.– 04:00 p.m.

FIFTH PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

ROUND TABLE

Skill Development, Productivity, and Growth

Moderator: Khalid Aftab,
Vice-Chancellor,
G. C. University,
Lahore.

- Panelists:*
1. Mian Tajamul,
Chairman,
Skill Development Council, Punjab,
Lahore.
 2. Yousaf Haroon,
Manager Linkages,
Technology Upgradation and Skill Development Company,
Ministry of Industries Production and Special Initiatives,
Lahore.

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TEA.

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SIXTH PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

ROUND TABLE

**Pro-poor Growth and Governance in South Asia—Decentralisation
and Participatory Development**

Chairperson: Daniyal Aziz,
Chairman,
National Reconstruction Bureau,
Islamabad.

- Speakers:*
1. Ponna Wignaraja,
Chairman,
South Asian Perspective Network Association,
Colombo, Sri Lanka.
 2. Akmal Hussain,
Managing Director,
Sayyed Engineers Pvt. Ltd.,
Lahore.

General Discussion

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THIRD REGULAR SESSION

09:00 a.m.– 10:30 a.m.

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LABOUR ISSUES

Chairperson: Malik Asif Hayat,
Secretary,
Labour, Manpower and Overseas
Pakistanis Division, Government
of Pakistan, Islamabad.

1. Efficiency Wage Hypothesis—The Case of Pakistan.

Syed Kanwar Abbas and Asad Zaman,
International Islamic University,
Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Aliya H. Khan,
Quaid-i-Azam University,
Islamabad.

2. Trade Liberalisation and Labour Demand Elasticities: Empirical Evidence from Pakistan.

Bushra Yasmin and Aliya H. Khan,
Quaid-i-Azam University,
Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Ejaz Ghani,
PIDE, Islamabad.

3. Child Labour in Pakistan and other Developing Countries.

Himayatullah Khan,
Institute of Development Studies,
Peshawar.

DISCUSSANT: Zafar Mueen Nasir,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

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POVERTY

Chairperson: Akmal Hussain,
Managing Director,
Sayyed Engineers Pvt. Ltd.,
Lahore.

1. An Analysis of Poverty at the Local Level: A Case Study of the Union Council, Dharmyal.

Rashida Haq
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Hina Nazli,
Innovative Development
Strategies, Islamabad.

2. Prevalence of Relative Poverty in Pakistan.

Talat Anwar,
UNDP/UNOPS, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Rizwana Siddiqui,
PIDE, Islamabad.

3. Poverty in Cholistan: Profile and Correlates.

Imran Sharif Chaudhry and
Shahnawaz Malik,
Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan, *and*
Muhammad Ashraf,
Allama Iqbal Open University, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Naheed Zia Khan,
Fatima Jinnah Women's
University, Rawalpindi.

General Discussion

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AGRICULTURE – II

Chairperson: M. Shafi Niaz,
Senior Fellow,
PIDE, Islamabad.

1. Sustainable Cotton Production through Skill Development among Farmers: Evidence from Khairpur District.

Muhammad Azeem Khan,
NARC, Islamabad, *and*
Muhammad Iqbal,
PIDE, Islamabad.

DISCUSSANT: Ikram Saeed,
Pakistan Agricultural
Research Council,
Islamabad.

2. Testing Onion Market Integration in Pakistan.

Herman D. Lohano and Fateh M. Mari,
Sindh Agriculture University, Tando Jam, *and*
Rajab A. Memon,
Hyderabad.

DISCUSSANT: Usman Mustafa,
PIDE, Islamabad.

3. Total Factor Productivity Growth and Agricultural Research and Extension in Pakistan's Agriculture.

Shujat Ali,
Member, Planning and Development Board,
Lahore.

DISCUSSANT: Muhammad Iqbal,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

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GOVERNANCE AND
ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

Chairperson: Anwar H. Siddiqui,
Senior Fellow,
PIDE, Islamabad.

1. Poverty, Power, and Local Government in Pakistan.

Akmal Hussain and Savail Hussain,
Sayyed Engineers Pvt. Limited,
Lahore.

DISCUSSANT: Faiz Bilquees,
PIDE, Islamabad.

2. Interaction between Population and Environmental Degradation.

Usman Azhar,
Balochistan University of Information
Technology, Quetta, *and*
Mohsin Hasnain Ahmad, Syed Ashraf
Wasti, and Zeshan Inam,
Applied Economics Research Centre,
Karachi.

DISCUSSANT: Naghmana Ghani,
PIDE, Islamabad.

General Discussion

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SEVENTH PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

THE IQBAL MEMORIAL LECTURE

Chairperson: Shah Mahmood Qureshi,
Member,
National Assembly of Pakistan,
Islamabad.

Speaker: Rashid Amjad,
Director,
Policy Planning, Employment Sector,
International Labour Organisation,
Geneva.

Topic: **Skill and Competitiveness: Can Pakistan Break Out of the Low-level Skills Trap?**

DISCUSSANTS: Nadeem ul Haq,
Adviser to the Federal Minister of Commerce,
Government of Pakistan,
Islamabad.

Christopher Colclough,
Professor of the Economics of Education and
Director, Centre for Commonwealth Education,
The University of Cambridge,
UK.

General Discussion

12:30 p.m.– 01:30 p.m.

LUNCH.

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EIGHTH PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

Chairperson: Jahangir Khan Tareen,
Minister for Industries and Production and Special Initiatives,
Islamabad.

Speaker: T. N. Srinivasan,
Chairman,
Department of Economics,
Yale University,
USA.

Topic: **Productivity and Economic Growth.**

DISCUSSANTS: Faisal Bari,
Executive Director,
Mahbub ul Haq Human Development Centre,
Islamabad.

M. Ali Khan,
Professor,
Department of Economics,
The Johns Hopkins University,
Baltimore, USA.

General Discussion

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NINTH PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

Chairperson: Ishrat Hussain,
Formerly Governor,
State Bank of Pakistan,
Karachi.

Speaker: Rakesh Mohan,
Deputy Governor,
Reserve Bank of India,
India.

Topic: **Reforms Productivity and Efficiency in Banking: The Indian Experience.**

DISCUSSANTS: Mohsin S. Khan,
Director,
Middle East and Central Asia Department,
International Monetary Fund,
USA.

M. Ashraf Janjua,
Dean,
College of Business Management,
Karachi.

General Discussion

04:00 p.m.– 04:30 p.m.

TEA.

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TENTH PLENARY SESSION

The Marquee

THE QUAID-I-AZAM MEMORIAL LECTURE

Chairperson: M. Akram Sheikh,
Deputy Chairman,
The Planning Commission,
Government of Pakistan,
Islamabad.

Speaker: Robert E. Evenson,
Professor,
Department of Economics,
Yale University,
USA.

Topic: **The Green Revolution and the Gene Revolution in Pakistan: Policy Implications.**

DISCUSSANTS: Zafar Altaf,
Former Federal Secretary,
Islamabad.

Kausar Abdullah,
Member, Biosciences,
Pakistan Atomic Energy Commission,
Islamabad.

General Discussion

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06:00 p.m.– 06:30 p.m.

BUSINESS SESSION

The Marquee

Chairperson: A. R. Kemal,
President,
Pakistan Society of Development Economists,
Islamabad.

A G E N D A :

1. Theme of the 22nd Annual General Meeting and Conference.
2. General Discussion.

End of the Programme.