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### **Education**

- PhD, Peace and Conflict Studies (PCS), at Centre for International Peace and Stability (CIPS), NUST, Islamabad
- MPhil, International Relations (IR), National Defence University (NDU), Islamabad
- MSc. International Relations (IR), National University of Modern Languages (NUML), Islamabad

### **Area of Interest**

- Pakistan-India-China Policies towards GCC and Iran, Middle Eastern Geo-politics, Foreign Policy of Iran

### **International Fellowship:**

- Attended Gansu International Fellowship Program in 2016 at Gansu, China.
- Attended International Workshop on “Strategic Campaigns for Influencing Policy Agenda” in March 2018 at Bangkok, Thailand.

### **Academic Distinction:**

- Member Editorial Board, Journal of Political Science, University of Baghdad, Iraq
- Member Pakistan-Afghanistan Youth Dialogue, Track-II Dialogue Series at Center for Research and Security Studies (CRSS), Islamabad, Pakistan.
- Permanent Member of China-South and Southeast Asia Think Tank Forum (CSSTTF) at Yunnan Academy of Social Sciences (YASS), Kunming, China.
- Member at Review Panel of globally renowned academic Journal “ASIAN SURVEY” since December 2018.
- Member at Review Panel of globally renowned academic Journal “Asian Journal of Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies” since 2019.

- Member at Review Panel of nationally renowned academic Journal “Policy Perspectives” of Institute of Policy Studies (IPS), since March 2020.

## **Published Research Work**

### **Monographs**

1. Hindutva: A Threat to Regional Stability,  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1oZ6Ss6mjGdCnv4MhGcgK9dHqh54IqznI/view?pli=1>
2. Causes of Gender-Based & Religiously Motivated Crimes in Punjab: An Empirical Analysis of Prison-Inmates’ Criminal Behaviour, <https://ipripak.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/crime-complete-PDF.pdf>

### **Book Chapters**

1. Economic Integration in South Asia: Overcoming Major Challenges, in “Deeper Integration for Peace and Prosperity in South Asia” ed. Dr. Nischal N. Panday, Knorad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS) Consortium of South Asian Think Tanks (COSATT), 2015.
2. "The New Conservative Administration in Iran and Future of Pakistan-Iran Relationship", in "*Pakistan's Foreign Policy: Contemporary Developments*" ed. Dr. Ghulam Ali, (London:Routledge, 2022) DOI: 10.4324/9781003250920-11
3. Pakistan and the Gulf, in “South Asia-Gulf Relations” ed. Dr. Saloni Kapour (Pune, Flame University India, 2022)

### **Research Papers**

1. Abraham Peace Accords and Pakistan, Middle East Policy. 28(1) 2021. (HEC category “W”) <https://doi.org/10.1111/mepo.12569>
2. Indian Growing Influence in the Gulf: Political, Strategic and Economic Implications for Pakistan, IPRI Journal, Vol. XIX, Vol. 2, 2019 <https://doi.org/10.31945/iprij.190203> (HEC category “X” )
3. Passive Mediation in Gulf Conflicts: An Analysis of Pakistan’s Peace Initiatives” Asian Journal of Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies, Vol. 16, No. 3 2019, DOI: 10.1080/25765949.2019.1682306 (HEC category “Y”)
4. Strategizing Nonviolent Kashmir Struggle: Emerging Trends and Future Options Policy Perspective (PP), Vol. 16, No. 2, 2019. (HEC category “Y”)
5. Pakistan-Azerbaijan Economic and Defence Cooperation, IPRI Journal, Vol XVI- No.1, Winter 2016. (HEC category “X”)

6. Emerging Post Nuclear Deal Scenarios, Prospects and Challenges in Middle East” NDU Margalla Papers 2016. (HEC category “X”)
7. Pakistan-US Relations under Trump Administration: Challenges and Opportunities for Pakistan’ Journal of Strategic Studies Vol. 3, No.2. 2018 (HEC category “Y”)
8. Political Dynamics and Security situation of Pakistan: Impact on CPEC” published in Journal of Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) Vol. 1, No. 1, Beijing, China. (International Journal)
9. Pak-Iran Economic Relations: Potential and Prospects, IPRI Insight, Vol-2, Issue-I, 2015.
10. The Kashmir Dispute and Perceptions of Pakistan’s Youth: An Empirical Analysis, Journal of Contemporary Affairs (JOCA), Vol 2, No. 1, 2017
11. Indian Military Buildup: Impact on Regional Stability, Journal of Contemporary Affairs (JOCA), Vol. 1, No.1&2, 2016.
12. Kurdistan’s Attempted Secession from Iraq: Major Powers’ Responses and Regional Implications, Journal of Current Affairs (JoCA) Vol. 4, No. 1, 2019

#### **Book Reviews**

1. Andrew J. Bacevich, America’s War for the Greater Middle East (New York: Random House, 2016), 480 published in IPRI Journal, Summer 2016, Volume XVI, Number 2.
2. Donald J Trump, ‘Great Again: How to fix our crippled America’, IPRI Journal, Winter 2017, Volume XVII, Number 1.
3. Kenneth M. Pollack, Unthinkable: Iran, the Bomb and American Strategy, published in IPRI Journal, Volume XIV, Number 2 (2014)
4. Modi: A Political Biography, published in IPRI Journal, Volume XV, Number 1 (2015)
5. Stephan D. King, Grave New World: The End of Globalization, the Return of History, Journal of Security and Strategic Analysis (JSSA), Vol. IV, No. 2, 2018.
6. Madawi Al-Rasheed, The Son King: Reform and Repression in Saudi Arabia, IPRI Journal, Vol. XXI, No. 1, 2021.

#### **Policy Papers/Special Research Studies/Policy Briefs/Confidential Memos:**

1. Russia-Ukraine Crisis: Analysis Of India And Pakistan Stances Based On Their Strategic Calculations
2. The Killing of Ayman Al-Zawahiri: Implications for Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Al-Qaeda
3. ‘Debt crisis in Pakistan: Political and Security Implications’
4. Countering Violent Extremism: Imperatives and Perspectives of Pakistan
5. RSS Expansion: Mapping Its Organizational Structure and Swath, Narratives, Designs and

Projected Challenges It is Likely to pose to the Security of Pakistan & Region

6. China-Iran Strategic Cooperation: Policy Options for Pakistan
7. Effects of Islamophobia on Indian Influence and Cooperation in GCC
8. Growing Islamophobia in Indian Polity: Impact on Social Harmony of GCC
9. How to Improve Pakistan-Bangladesh Relations?
10. Assassination of Iranian Nuclear Scientist: Implications and Policy Options
11. Arab-Israel Relations and Policy Options for Pakistan
12. Indian Unilateral Actions Carried Out in IIOJK and Pakistan's Response
13. Impact of Hindutva on Regional Stability
14. Iran-Saudi Rapprochement: Impact on Pakistan
15. US Stabilization of Iraq – Post Saddam Era
16. Indian National Intelligence Apparatus
17. Killing of Hazara Coal Miners in Balochistan: Implications and Policy Options
18. US Military and Air Force Bases in Neighbouring Countries of Afghanistan
19. Technology-Terror Nexus
20. Transforming Character of Terrorism and Prospective Pockets of Terrorism and Extremism
21. US Maximum Pressure vs Iran's Maximum Resistance and Its Impact on International Security and CPEC
22. Indian Manipulation to Accrue Vital Defence Procurements

**Speaker at National and International Conferences:**

1. Kashmir: Past, Present and Future jointly organized by NUML and HEC on February 27-28-29, 2018
2. Promoting China's economic corridor construction with the South and Southeast Asian nations, jointly organized by the Kunming Provincial Government and Yunnan Academy of Social Sciences (YASS) June 12-15, 2018
3. China-South Asia Economic Cooperation: Future Prospects, jointly organized by the Kunming Provincial Government and Yunnan Academy of Social Sciences (YASS) June 12-15, 2015.
4. China-South Asia Cultural Cooperation: Impediments, Prospects and Way forward organized by the Kunming Provincial Government and Yunnan Academy of Social Sciences (YASS) June 12-16, 2018.
5. Emerging Political and Economic Challenges for Pakistan, Jointly organized by University of Gujrat and HEC on March 6-8, 2018.

6. Sub-regional Cooperation and Construction of Economic Corridors between China and South Asia”, organized by the Kunming Provincial Government and Yunnan Academy of Social Sciences (YASS) June 11-14, 2019.
7. Passive Mediation in Gulf Conflicts: An Analysis of Pakistan’s Peace Initiatives, presented at 10<sup>th</sup> Gulf Research Meeting, organized by Gulf Research Centre, University of Cambridge, UK on July 15-18, 2019.
8. Gulf States, Israel and Pakistan, presented at 12<sup>th</sup> Gulf Research Meeting, organized by Gulf Research Centre, University of Cambridge, UK on July 23-24, 2021.

**Newspaper Articles: .**

**- (95 Articles published in renowned Magazines, National and International Newspapers)**

S.No.	Date	Newspaper	Title
1	23-May-14	OpedNews	Regionalism:the dominant factor of Iranian foreign policy
2	29-May-14	Global Times	Emerging South Asian Security Complex For Expansion Of Regional institution
3	26-Jun-14	The Patriot	Chaning my Security Complex And isis-ttp similarities
4	11-Jul-14	Pakistan Observer	Challenges For Ashraf Ghani
5	21-Aug-14	Pakistan Observer	Gaza Conflict & Pak Response
6	20-Sep-14	Pakistan Observer	Pak Stand On Gaza
7	29-Oct-14	Pakistan Observer	Pak-Iran trade Potential
8	14-Nov-14	Daily Times	Nuclear diplomacy with Iran
9	05-Dec-14	Daily Times	Bridging the trust deficit
10	12-Dec-14	Daily Times	Time to revisit Pakistan-Iran economic relations
11	19-Dec-14	Daily Times	Black lives matter
12	25-Dec-14	Daily Times	Tunisia hails democracy
13	08-Jan-15	Pakistan Observer	"Factors behind oil glut"
14	13-Jan-15	Pakistan Observer	" Russia seeks new horizons"

15	26-Jan-15	Daily Times	"Indo-Iran partnership: implications for Pakistan"
16	08-Feb-15	Pakistan Observer	"Economic sanctions against Iran"
17	11-Feb-15	Pakistan Observer	"Is Bangladesh heading for anarchy?"
18	16-Feb-15	Daily Times	"Turbulence in Yemen continues"
19	18-Feb-15	Pakistan Observer	"Time to reform SAARC"
20	21-Feb-15	Pakistan Observer	"Transport strategy to help Afghanistan"
21	03-Mar-15	Pakistan Observer	"Libyan turmoil and rise of IS"
22	08-Mar-15	Pakistan Observer	"New challenges to nuclear diplomacy"
23	14-Apr-15	Pakistan Observer	"Pak-Sri Lanka ties: New hopes"
24	25-Apr-15	Pakistan Observer	"Humanity Waits for assistance"
25	27-Apr-15	Pakistan Observer	"Challenging presidential bid for Hillary"
26	10-May-15	Daily Times	"Changing destinies"
27	16-May-15	Pakistan Observer	"Tackling energy crisis"
28	30-May-15	Daily Times	"Discovering new horizons"
29	30-May-15	Pakistan Observer	"Gandhi's ideals & Indian minorities"
30	24-Jun-15	Daily Times	"Flotilla of peace moves to Gaza"
31	24-Jun-15	Pakistan Observer	"CPEC & Chinese OBOR strategy"
32	28-Jun-15	Pakistan Observer	"A win-win strategy for all"
33	03-Jul-15	Daily Times	"Striding towards a 'no spying pact'"
34	29-Jul-15	Pakistan Observer	"Nuclear deal & issue of reversibility"
35	19-Aug-15	Pakistan Observer	"India: Imperialism won't work"
36	25-Aug-15	Daily Times	Social media and the radicalisation process
37	14-Sep-15	Daily Times	Rising Balochistan: the result of national resolve
38	05-Oct-15	Daily Times	No light at the end of the tunnel
39	16-Oct-15	Daily Times	Revival Of the Iranian economy

40	06-Nov-15	Daily Times	Birth of third palestinian intifada
41	02-Dec-15	Daily Times	"Pakistan's perspective in countering extremism
42	19-Dec-15	Daily Times	"Go confidently: we are with you"
43	29-Jan-16	Daily Times	The CPEC and maritime security
44	16-Mar-16	Pakistan Observer	Low castes in India suffer in silence
45	16-Apr-16	Pakistan Observer	Nationalism and Challenges
46	30-Apr-16	Daily Times	Chinese economic outlook: propaganda or reality?
47	3-May-16	Pakistan Observer	A Milestone in Cyber Security
48	5-May-16	Daily Times	What spoils their relationship?
49	5-Jul-16	Pakistan Observer	China and civilisational harmony
50	17-Jul-16	Pakistan Observer	National Security & National Integration
51	27-Jul-16	Pakistan Observer	National debt: Security implications
52	5-Aug-16	Daily Times	Power and Olympics
53	16-Aug-16	Daily Times	Democracy or dynasty: what Pakistan really needs
54	25-Sep-16	Daily Times	SAARCs better future: inclusion of China and Iran
55	20-Oct-16	Daily Times	Diplomacy and conflict: how it works
56	7-Nov-16	Daily Times	China: bound to rise
57	21-Nov-16	Daily Times	CPEC and Gansu
58	04-Jan-17	The Patriot	Indian atrocities against Sikh Community
59	16-Jan-17	Daily Times	Trump: opportunities for Pakistan
60	16-Feb-17	The Nation	Lahore carnage and PSL
61	26-Feb-17	Daily Times	Re-evaluating Pakistan NATO relations
62	25-Mar-17	The Nation	Syria without Assad
63	23-Apr-17	Pakistan Observer	Contours of Pak-UK relations:
64	17-May-17	The Nation	Pakistan -EU relations
65	20-May-17	The Nation	Third American engagement in Afghanistn

66	05-Jun-17	The Nation	Cornering Iran
67	15-Jul-17	Devoloping Magazine China	CPEC and Regional connectivity
68	19-Jul-17	Pakistan Observer	IS inroads in Afghanistan
69	06-Aug-17	Pakistan Observer	Defence budget: Myths vs reality
70	08-Aug-17	The Express Tribune	Forever rivals
71	01-Sep-17	The Nation	Tehreek-Jamaat relations
72	24-Sep-17	Pakistan Observer	The most sanctioned ally
73	23-Oct-17	Pakistan Observer	Kurdish referendum & regional implication
74	28-Oct-17	Daily Times	Foreign Policy - State vs Society
75	06-Nov-17	Daily Times	Rule by law' no more
76	08-Dec-17	The Express Tribune	Efficacy of Riyadh-led Alliances
77	19-Dec-17	The Express Tribune	OIC and Trump
78	20-Jan-18	Pakistan Observer	2018: Fear and hope
79	15-Mar-18	Daily Times	The missing strings of Pakistan's deradicalisation programmes
80	01-Apr-18	Pakistan Observer	Russia- UK standoff
81	05-Apr-18	Daily Times	'People's Movements in Pakistan' – an account of political struggle
82	15-May-18	Daily Times	Character assassination
83	17-May-18	Global Village Space	Identity: A factor inmaking and breaking of terrorist organisations
84	29-Jun-18	Daily Times	Xiplomacy: President Xi's foreign policy
85	19-Jul-18	Global Village Space	The 2nd consecutive democratic power transition: A threat to anti-state elements
86	16-Sep-18	Daily Times	Trump hits Palestine again
87	08-Oct-18	Daily Times	A new trajectory of Pak-Saudi relations?



88	05-Nov-18	Global Village Space	Will Imran's Gulf Yatra means serious compromises?
89	27-Dec-18	The Express Tribune	The Ailing GCC and its Future
90	16-Mar-18	Hilal	عالمی سطح پر پاکستان کا تصور-حقیقت یا افسانہ
91	18-Feb-19	Express Tribune	Trump's Military Doctrine and its Implications
92	13-Mar-19	Express Tribune	The Saudi Mediation
93	14-Mar-19	Daily Times	A Fragmented OIC?
94	11-Apr-19	The Nation	Trump-Israel Nexus
95	17-May-19	The Nation	Looming fears of conflict in Persian Gulf

### IPRI Reviews

1. Foreign Direct Investment and Trade Liberalization Policies in Pakistan, <http://www.ipripak.org/foreign-direct-investment-fdi-and-trade-liberalization-policies-in-pakistan/>
2. Ascertaining Agendas for Alternative Alliances: What Pakistan can Learn from SCO?, <http://www.ipripak.org/ascertaining-agendas-for-alternative-alliances-what-pakistan-can-learn-from-sco/>
3. Asia Pacific: Relevance of Pakistan, <http://www.ipripak.org/asia-pacific-relevance-of-pakistan/>
4. Pakistan's Stand on Gaza Conflict, <http://www.ipripak.org/pakistan-stand-on-gaza-conflict/>
5. Balochistan: Enhancing the Pace of Development, <http://www.ipripak.org/balochistan-enhancing-the-pace-of-development-and-prosperity/>

### Communications & Management Experience:

1. **Coordinator of IPRI's flagship project "Margalla Dialogue" organized in November 2019.**
2. Coordinator of international conference on "MIKTA and Role of Middle Power" in April 2021.
3. Coordinator of Media Workshop on "Hybrid Warfare and Pakistan's Readiness: Time for National Narrative Construct and Strategic Foresight" held on 27 March 2019.

4. Coordinated the IPRI Guest Lecture of Mr. Harrison Akins, Research Fellow, University of Tennessee's Howard H. Baker, Jr., Center for Public Policy, Knoxville, USA on 14 December 2018.
5. Coordinator of IPRI International Conference on "Conflict and Cooperation in South Asia: Role of Major Powers" held on 11-12 December 2018.
6. Assistant Coordinator of IPRI-HSF National Conference on "Changing Security Situation in South Asia and Development of CPEC" held on 19-20 September 2017.
7. Assistant Coordinator of IPRI national conference on "CPEC: Macro and Micro Economic Dividends to Pakistan and the Region" held on 20-21 September 2016.
8. Conducting Officer of a delegation from China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations (CICIR), China (17-23 March 2015)
9. Conducting Officer a delegation from China Institutes of Contemporary International Relations (CICIR) (18 April 2016 to 22 April 2016).
10. Conducting Officer Visit of Mr. Ian Dudgeon, Former President of Australian Institute of International Affairs (AIIA), Canberra, Australia (10-19 October 2016).
11. Conducting Officer with Chinese Delegation from Development Research Centre of Shenzhen Municipal People's Government, Shenzhen, China (7-10 June 2017).
12. Conducting Officer visit of Professor Christophe Jaffrelot is visiting Pakistan from 21 October 2017 to 25 October 2017.
13. Conducting Officer with Mr. Didier Chaudet, a French Journalist is visiting Pakistan from 01 May 2017 to 06 May 2017.

#### **Research Experience (More than 8 years of Research experience)**

- **Research Fellow (RF)**, 'Islamabad Policy Research Institute (IPRI), Islamabad. (September 2021- Present)
- **Research Associate (RA)**, 'Islamabad Policy Research Institute (IPRI), Islamabad. (May 2019-August 2021)
- **Assistant Research Associate**, 'Islamabad Policy Research Institute (IPRI), Islamabad. (May 2014-May 2019)
- **Research Intern**, Islamabad Policy Research Institute (IPRI), Islamabad. (December 2013-February 2014)