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Personal

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Education

1979 MA – Sociology
State University of New York at Binghamton, USA

1974 MA – Political Science
University of California at Santa Barbara, USA

1972 BA – Philosophy
University of California at Santa Barbara, USA

1970 BArch – not completed
Texas A & M University at College Station, USA

Professional experience

1981 – present	The C.A.S. School, Karachi <i>Founder-Principal</i>
1988 – present	The Bookgroup, Karachi <i>Executive Director</i>
2004 –2017	Southshore College (School for A-Level Studies) <i>Executive Director</i>
2007 – present	<i>Director Programmes</i> Government School Reform Project Fatima Jinnah Government Girls School, Karachi, 85 schools in District Lodhran, Punjab, Naz Public High School, Khairpur, Sindh
2010 – 2014	Neemtree School for Music, Karachi <i>Director, and Chairman, Board of Directors</i>
1980 – 1981	University of Karachi, Karachi <i>Assistant Professor</i>
1978	State University of New York at Binghamton <i>Instructor</i>
1974 – 1977	University of Karachi <i>Lecturer</i>
1972 – 1973	University of California at Santa Barbara <i>Research Assistant</i>
1971 – 1972	University of California at Santa Barbara <i>Teaching Assistant</i>

Experience in educational projects

2003	World Bank : Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund <i>Consultant on the education sector</i>
2002	Task Force on Human Development <i>Coordinator for education</i>
1999 – 2000	National Committee on Education (NCE) <i>Executive Director</i>

1998	Experts Committee for National Education Policy 1998-2010 <i>Team Leader</i>
1986 – 1989	The Education Project (Orangi) <i>Director</i>
1992	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) (for Government of Sindh, 8 th Five Year Plan 1993-98) <i>Education Consultant</i>
1992	Basic Education Programme Support Group (UNDP, UNESCO, UNICEF and Government of Pakistan) <i>Education Consultant</i>
1986 – 1988	Teachers Resource Centre (TRC), Karachi <i>Member, Board of Governors</i>
1984 – 1985	International Labour Organization (ILO): Educational Uplift and Employment Opportunities for Women <i>Consultant</i>

Conferences, lectures and workshops attended

1993	2–week visit to Japan on a Japan Foundation grant to study Japanese educational system
1990	Visit to schools in Rochester NY on a BCCI Foundation study grant
1989	Workshop at the Orangi Education Project on ‘Rethinking educational objectives’
1988	Workshop at the Dawood Public School, Karachi on ‘Teaching organization and attitudes’
1988	Workshop at the Prince Aly Khan School, Malir on ‘Redefining the curriculum’
1987	Workshop at the Teachers Resource Centre (TRC) on ‘Introducing change in teaching methods’
1984	Conference in Bandung (Indonesia) on ‘Community organization: A case study’
1984	Talk at the World Bank, Washington DC on ‘Community efforts in Orangi’
1979	Lecture at the Berlin Technical University (Germany)

- on 'The present situation in Pakistan'
- 1979 Lecture at the Universities of Uppsala and Lund (Sweden) on 'Community development approaches and political development in Pakistan'
- 1979 Visiting Fellow, University of Manchester (UK)
- 1976 Lecture at the Applied Economics Research Center, University of Karachi on 'Structural constraints in Pakistan's economic development'
- 1970 Represented Texas A & M University at the Student Conference on National Affairs (SCONA), College Station, Texas

Publications

Urdu books for Children published by Bookgroup (Karachi, Pakistan)

- Jamun kis kay liye hain*, 2014
Hum, 2012
Itney Saray Khargosh, 2012
Khali Bhari Kitab, 2012
Neeli Ghaas, 2011
Meray Itney Sarey Rang, 2011
Lodbran ki Khatti Meethi Bakria, 2011
Jim aur Kishmish, 2011
Paani, 2011
Abmed, 2010
Hara Patta, 2010
Patli Lambi Kitab, 2010
Lal Kitab, 2010
Akhtar Mian, 2010
Tony, 2009
Barey jub chotey thay, 2006
Naadir Bandar aur Taymur, 2004
Hawai Jabaz, 2004
Makainwala, 2001
Jabaz jabaz, 1997
Tu tu main main, 1993

Kishmish, 1992

Khushion ka aangan (co-authored), 1991

Hasan ki gali (co-authored), 1989

English books: *Year of the Quail (ed)*: 2012

Dogs, 2017

My friends, 2018

The Mystery of Things (ed): 2018

Environment

A teacher's handbook for the teaching of environmental studies, classes 3 to 6 (Karachi: The C.A.S. School, December 1987)

Pakistan: A Study in Underdevelopment (Lahore: South Asian Institute, University of the Punjab, 1975)

Newspaper Articles published in *Dawn* (Karachi)

'Analyzing failure of government initiatives in education': 2004

'Initiative to change some directions in education': 2003

'What ails public sector schools': 2003

'The story of the National Committee on Education': 2003

'The Ministry of Education's 'Grand' design': 2003

'The myth of free schooling': 2003

'Playing politics with education': 1998

'A positive step towards good governance': 1997

'A new hope for state run schools': 1996

'How relevant is our curriculum?': 1996

'Seeking education for all : Key factor action, not rhetoric': 1995

'A case against obedience': 1991

'Missing the wood for the trees': 1991

'When the teacher is at fault': 1990

'Glimpses from the lives of little children': 1989

'Promises, promises and promises: The deteriorating educational system of our country': 1989

'Do not inhibit your child: Notes on early schooling': 1989

'Privatization of schools: Putting issues in perspective': 1989

'The syllabus syndrome: Gods that teachers worship': 1988

'In praise of naughty children': 1987

'Problem parents: Good intentions aren't good enough': 1983

And another over 70 articles written on educational, social and development issues for local newspapers and journals.

Other interests

Member, Board of Governors, Research & Training Institute (RTI)
1994 to 2005

Coordinator, Traffic Management Programme (TMP)
1997-1999 and 2002

Member, Governor's Task Force on Municipal Services
1999-2001

Member, Karachi Public Transport Society
2000-2004

Member, Task Force on Prison Reform
1998-1999

Member, Editorial Board, *Pakistan Progressive* (New York)
1977-1978

President, International Students Organization
State University of New York at Binghamton
1977-1978

Vice-President, International Students Association
University of California at Santa Barbara
1971-1972

President, the Amateurs' Club (Chittagong) 1965 to 1968

Travel

Azerbaijan	Indonesia	Sweden
Bangladesh	Japan	Switzerland
Canada	Malaysia	Thailand
Dubai	Maldives Islands	Turkey
France	New Zealand	United Kingdom
Germany	Singapore	USA
India	Sri Lanka	

and to remote areas in the north of Pakistan