

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS: A HISTORY OF PAKISTAN (1947-2022)

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Department of History & Pakistan Studies, International Islamic University, Islamabad in collaboration with the Higher Education Commission, Islamabad is organizing a two-day National Conference in the last week of August 2022 / first week of September 2022 to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of the creation of Pakistan. The venue of the Conference will be Quaid-i-Azam / Allama Iqbal Auditoriums, IIUI. Eminent scholars of History and Pakistan Studies from across the country are going to be invited to attend the conference and present their papers. After the conference, all the proceedings of the conference will be published.

The basic aim of the conference is to get analysed what Pakistan as a nation has achieved and lost during the last 75 years and to see whether the dream, which the founders of Pakistan had envisioned has been fulfilled or not. The focus of the scholars should be on the sources of stability and instability of Pakistan. Presentations may also be made on the religio-political, socio-economic and constitutional developments, the causes and consequences of the rapid population growth, the rising trend of urbanization, the impact of global warming and climate change on the country and the challenges to the economy of Pakistan. Papers on some recent developments, like role of Pakistan in the war on terror, merger of the former FATA in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) and developments in the region in the post-9/11 are most likely to be presented in the conference. The role of Pakistan in the comity of nations since 1947 may also be an area of keen interest of the scholars.

The proposed conference is also an attempt to evaluate the policies and strategies employed by subsequent governments during last seventy-five years to achieve the national integration in Pakistan. It also aims to suggest the future course of action for ensuring a strong Federation of Pakistan and decreasing the trust deficit between the Federation and Federating Units of Pakistan, promoting ethnic peace, cultural harmony, religious tolerance, and

peaceful coexistence. The scholars are urged to academically engage with the policies of the

past and provide the policy input for future course of action learning from the international

best practices in this regard. It would be interesting to see how the future of Pakistan is

portrayed and predicted on the basis of the lessons, learned from the last 75-years of

independence.

Important dates of the Conference:

Deadline for submission of abstracts: June 15, 2022.

Acceptance of abstracts will be notified on: June 30, 2022.

Deadline for complete papers to be received: July 31, 2022.

Conference Dates: Last week of August 2022/First week of September 2022.

Conference Themes:

The themes are not limited only to the areas, mentioned in the aims and objectives of the

conference above. Any topics/themes, which are academically sound, about the past, present

and future of Pakistan and which serves the national interests of Pakistan will be appreciated

by the evaluation committee and will be considered for acceptance for the conference.

Languages of the Conference:

English and Urdu

Venue of the Conference:

International Islamic University, Islamabad

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