



INTRODUCTORY BOOKLET



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Foreword

Youth Parliament Pakistan is a platform for Pakistani Youth patterned after the National Assembly of Pakistan with 48 members from all over the country. The Youth Parliament membership is selected from across the country for a one-year term.

PILDAT formed the first-ever Youth Parliament of Pakistan in the year 2007. After the successful completion of the first and second Youth Parliaments, PILDAT has now launched the third term: **Youth Parliament Pakistan 2009-2010.**

Establishment and facilitation of the Youth Parliament is part of PILDAT's focus on Youth in the country and Youth's awareness education and training in the norms of politics and democracy in the country. PILDAT strongly feels that sustainable democracy and the sustainability of sound democratic institutions in Pakistan is not possible without youth's involvement in the democratic and political process even if this involvement is simply as a citizen or voter.

The Youth Parliament Pakistan has its own **2-Party system**, the **Leader of the House** and the **Leader of the Opposition**, a **Youth Cabinet**, a **Shadow Cabinet** and **Parliamentary Committees**. The Youth Parliament Pakistan project is conceived, planned and implemented by PILDAT while it has been supported by the UK Government's **Strategic Priority Fund** of the **UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office**, the **Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation** and the **US Embassy, Islamabad** as recognition of the importance of young people's involvement in democracy and democratic practices. For Youth Parliament Pakistan 2008-2009, PILDAT has also sought and received the support of some individual and corporate sponsors for those members duly acknowledged within this booklet.

This Introductory Book presents details about the Youth Parliament Project and the selected members. The project of Youth Parliament greatly benefitted from the experience in 2007 and 2008, but to further improve the process in future, we at PILDAT, as the Secretariat of Youth Parliament Pakistan, look forward to receiving feedback and input of young members and other stakeholders so as to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of this exercise in the future.

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Steering Committee of the Youth Parliament

No.	Name	Position
1.	S. M. Zafar, Senator Chairman Senate Functional Committee on Human Rights	Chairman
2.	Wazir Ahmed Jomezai, Mr. Former Deputy Speaker, National Assembly of Pakistan	Member
3.	Faisal Karim Kundi, Mr., MNA Deputy Speaker, National Assembly of Pakistan	Member
4.	Donya Aziz, Dr. Member, National Assembly of Pakistan	Member
5.	Khuram Dastgir Khan, Engr. Member, National Assembly of Pakistan	Member
6.	Anusha Rehman, Ms. Member, National Assembly of Pakistan	Member
7.	Sarah Parvez, Ms. British High Commission, Islamabad	Member
8.	Ahmed Bilal Mehboob, Mr. Executive Director PILDAT	Member

Why a Youth Parliament?

Pakistan needs to strengthen its democratic institutions and inculcate democratic culture in the society. We need to discourage extremist tendencies and lack of tolerance for others' beliefs and views and strengthen the rule of law. Open and informed debate on issues facing the society should be promoted. The society should develop tools, mechanisms and systems which can facilitate the exposure of democratic system to its citizens from an early stage.

Youth Parliament Pakistan

The question Pakistani society faces is that how do we deepen our understanding of parliamentary democracy, and uphold and advance its practice in Pakistan? PILDAT, as an organisation committed to strengthening democracy and democratic institutions in Pakistan, feels that it is necessary to engage the Pakistani Youth in healthy discourse and expose them to democratic traditions and culture so that they may be groomed as a civilised, tolerant and peaceful citizens. The concept of Youth Parliament emerged as a way for young people to “learn by doing,” through taking part in Youth Parliament. It was felt that practice on the benches of a mock Parliament can be useful in deciding how to become a more active citizen, either inside or outside formal politics.

The project of Youth Parliament is seen as a way to inculcate democratic culture in Pakistani Youth and to facilitate free but structured expression of their views. The Youth Parliament is also seen as a key towards achieving the objective of support for democracy and growth and sustenance of democratic institutions in Pakistan.

The first-ever Youth Parliament Pakistan, established in 2007 for a one-year term, proved as a great platform through which a representative section of the Youth of Pakistan practiced and experienced life under a political and parliamentary spotlight. The young members of

Youth Parliament Pakistan chose political association, elected their Youth Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposition, a Youth Cabinet and a Shadow Cabinet, debated public policy issues, worked in Parliamentary Committees and gave their detailed input to some of their key policies of the Government of Pakistan such as the Draft Youth Policy, proposed legislation on Provincial Autonomy and a host of other issues. The young members, drawn from across a cross-section of socio-political and economic spectrum of Pakistan, learnt and practiced how to prepare and move legislation, how to enlist support of their fellow members on their bills and resolutions in the House and how to reach consensus and compromise through the use of conversation, dialogue and understanding of the others' concerns, views and perspectives. The vibrant membership of the Youth Parliament Pakistan 2007 concluded its work gloriously through preparing and launching a **Youth Manifesto 2007** to articulate Pakistani Youth's perspective on key issues.

The Youth Parliament Pakistan 2008-2009 discussed and presented youth perspectives on national policies. It has been a great honour for Youth Parliament Pakistan that **Prime Minister of Pakistan Mr. Yusuf Raza Gilani** invited two representatives of Youth Parliament to present their views on draft National Education Policy in the Federal Cabinet meeting that was held on September 09, 2009.

Objectives

The specific objectives of Youth Parliament Pakistan are to educate Pakistani Youth about politics and democracy and to demonstrate to them how Parliaments are able:

- to make legislation;
- to debate matters of national and international concern;
- to demand accountability from those in government;
- to discuss matters in committees;
- to change government without

- recourse to civil disorder; and
- to make and enforce their own rules of conduct.

In addition, we expect the Youth Parliament to become a useful forum to voice views of the Youth about a range of international and national issues. The debates in the Youth Parliament will not only help the young members in their personal development as a useful citizen, it will also serve the purpose of articulating views of the youth on vital issues facing the nation and conveying these to the Government and Society at large.

1st Batch of Youth Parliament Pakistan: 2007

The first-ever Youth Parliament Pakistan was inaugurated in January 2007 and met in Islamabad during six separate sessions from January to December of 2007. Sixty (60) members of Youth Parliament or MYPs were selected from across the country representing all provinces, areas and territories of Pakistan. The seats were divided among these areas on the basis of population criteria used by the National Assembly of Pakistan; however 1 seat each was given to Azad Jammu Kashmir and Northern Areas as well.

Gender profile of Youth Parliament 2007 stood at 72% Male and 28% Females on open merit. The Blue Party (Liberal) formed a majority in the Youth Parliament 2007 bagging 36 seats as opposed to 24 seats held by the Green Party. Two of the key portfolios that of the Deputy Speaker Youth Parliament and the Leader of the Opposition- were also won and retained by the female members of the Youth Parliament 2007.

Over the course of the year, the members of the Youth Parliament 2007 met and interacted with the **Prime Minister of Pakistan**, the **Chief Justice of Pakistan**, the **Leader of the Opposition in the Senate**, **Chairman of the Senate's Foreign Affairs Committee**, the **former Governor of the State Bank**, the **British High Commissioner**, as well as a long list of Cabinet Ministers and political leaders. The MYPs also had a chance to meet with and were addressed by the **British**

Foreign Secretary Mr. David Miliband during his first trip to Pakistan.

As a forum of the Youth, it was mainly up to the MYPs to set the agenda and calendar of the sessions of Youth Parliament. Like the National Assembly of Pakistan, the Youth Parliament also had a Business Advisory Committee which decided the calendar and topics of the Youth Parliament sessions.

The Youth Parliament Pakistan gave its input to the Government of Pakistan on draft Youth Policy as well as prepared and launched Youth Manifesto 2007 to articulate Pakistani Youth's perspective on key issues ranging from Provincial Autonomy to Local Government System; Free and Fair Elections to Law and Order; Combating Extremism and Terrorism to Economy and Agricultural Development; International Relations to Education and Health, etc. in addition to Environment, Culture, Women, Recreation and Sport, Juvenile Justice and Empowerment of Youth in Rural Areas.

Towards the end of the Youth Parliament 2007, the batch of MYPs of 2007, together with PILDAT's consultation formed the Youth Parliament Alumni Association (YPAA) as an independent body of alumni that would serve as a way of keeping all the members in touch with each other after they have served a term as MYPs.

2nd Batch of Youth Parliament Pakistan: 2008-2009

The second Youth Parliament consisted of 62 members from across Pakistan. Gender profile of the Youth Parliament Pakistan 2008-2009 represented 80% Male and 20% Female on open merit.

MYPs engaged in debate on topics ranging from treatment of Pakistani students in Britain, to the trial of former President General Pervez Musharaf, dialogue versus military action on containing militancy; Education Policy and Media Policy, etc.

Recognition of Youth Parliament input to Policy at the Highest Level

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The second batch of Youth Parliament was addressed by the **President and Prime Minister of Pakistan; Foreign Minister of Pakistan; Information Minister of Pakistan**, leading media and political personalities and many local and foreign Members of Parliament, dignitaries and the like.

A **Study visit to UK** for the selected members of the

Youth Parliament 2008-2009 and a **Crisis Management Simulation Exercise** have been the major highlights of the Youth Parliament calendar 2008-2009.

The Study Visit, the objective of which was to understand the working of the British Political System and engage in a meaningful dialogue with the British youth counterparts, especially the Pakistani Diaspora, on issues of mutual concern and interest, provided opportunities to the delegates to understand the working of the British Parliament and various political parties, especially the key political parties and their youth affiliates such as the Labour Students and the Conservative Future, interact with the British youth organizations and engage in a dialogue with the Pakistani-origin and Muslim community organizations active in the UK, how civil society organizations hold the democratic system and the government to account or lobby for various causes such as the environment and the human rights, how the executive branch works and how media freedom is protected in the UK, etc.

The Crisis Management Simulation Exercises were especially designed to develop sharp leadership skills among MYPs. Each exercise which involved a set of MYPs, was conducted by an expert in the presence of an observer well-versed with the process and gave MYPs a crisis situation to develop their solutions.

Key Features of Youth Parliament Pakistan 2009-2010

As a model Parliament for young people, the Youth Parliament Pakistan is patterned after the National Assembly of Pakistan although its membership is smaller than that of the National Assembly. Wherever possible, the Youth Parliament follows the rules of procedures as close to the National Assembly as practical. However, better practices from other Parliaments are adopted to expose Pakistani Youth to better Parliamentary practices.

Membership

The total membership of Youth Parliament 2009-2010 is 48. The seats have been divided among these areas on the basis of population criteria used by the National Assembly of Pakistan, however one seat each is given to Azad Jammu and Kashmir and Gilgit-Baltistan in the Youth Parliament Pakistan. The breakdown of the membership is as follows:

Provinces/Areas	Seats
Azad Jammu Kashmir (AJK)	01
Baluchistan	03
Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA)	03
Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT)	03
Gilgit-Baltistan	01
North West Frontier Province (NWFP)	06
Punjab	19
Sindh	11
Total Membership	48

Age

Only those young Pakistanis who were between the ages of 18-29 years on August 01, 2009 were eligible to apply for membership of the Youth Parliament.

Secretariat of the Youth Parliament

As the organisation which conceived the idea of Youth Parliament Pakistan, PILDAT is the project implementer and acts as the Secretariat of the Youth Parliament.

Members' Political Affiliation

There is no bar on the actual political affiliation of the members of the Youth Parliament. However, Youth Parliament has two mock political parties: the Blue Party and the Green Party and members are asked to join either one of the two political parties for the purpose of Youth Parliament. Joining one of the parties is obligatory for members.

Minimum Work Days

The Youth Parliament will meet for at least 30 days in a year.

Venue

Islamabad

The Selection Process

The process of selection of participants for the Youth Parliament has been multi-tiered and involved the following steps:

1. Placing of Advertisement in nationwide editions of two of the largest circulating English and Urdu daily newspapers of the country as well as advertisements on TV. The Jang Group of Newspapers and the Geo Network partnered with PILDAT in the advertising campaign
2. Submission of Expression of Interest by interested candidates
3. Internal review of Expressions of Interest and short-listing for Interviews
4. Calls for Interviews to short-listed candidates
5. Selection Interviews by Youth Parliament Steering Committee
6. Selection Calls and Invitations for becoming Members of Youth Parliament

Selection Criteria

Following criteria for selection has been adopted:

1. Interested candidates should be citizens of Pakistan or holders of Pakistani Origin Card in the case of Overseas Pakistanis
2. Age of interested candidates should not be less than 18 years and more than 29 years on August 01, 2009
3. Interested candidates should be able to read and write Urdu
4. There should be no criminal record against interested candidates in Pakistan or abroad

Efforts have been made to ensure that all provinces and territories of Pakistan and Azad Kashmir are represented in the finally selected members including adequate representation to women and non-Muslim applicants.

Constituency-wise List of MYPs

No.	Constituency	Name	Gender	Area/Province
1	YP01-AJK01	Muhammad Aatif	Male	AJK
2	YP02-BALUCHISTAN01	Hair-uddin Baloch	Male	Balochistan
3	YP03-BALUCHISTAN02	Hammal Muneer Jan	Male	Balochistan
4	YP04-BALUCHISTAN03	Syed Manzoor Shah	Male	Balochistan
5	YP05-FATA01	Khitab Gul	Male	FATA
6	YP06-FATA02	Zahoor-ud-din	Male	FATA
7	YP07-FATA03	Khan Zeb Burki	Male	FATA
8	YP08-ICT01	Rana Amaar Faaruq	Male	ICT
9	YP09-ICT02	Muneeb Afzal	Male	ICT
10	YP10-ICT03	Gul Andaam Orakzai	Female	ICT
11	YP11-GB01	Mir Waheed Akhlaq	Male	Gilgit-Baltistan
12	YP12-NWFP01	Nabeeha Mohyuddin	Female	NWFP
13	YP13-NWFP02	Ehsan Naveed Irfan	Male	NWFP
14	YP14-NWFP03	Ali Inam Khan	Male	NWFP
15	YP15-NWFP04	Hanan Ali Abbasi	Male	NWFP
16	YP16-NWFP05	Aurangzeb Khan Zalmay	Male	NWFP
17	YP17-NWFP06	Abdul Manan	Male	NWFP
18	YP18-NWFP07	Imran Khan Turangzai	Male	NWFP
19	YP19-PUNJAB01	Muhammad Saleem	Male	Punjab
20	YP20-PUNJAB02	Zulqarnain Haider	Male	Punjab
21	YP21-PUNJAB03	Waqas Nazar Tiwana	Male	Punjab

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No.	Constituency	Name	Gender	Area/Province
22	YP22-PUNJAB04	Muhammad Kamil Quddus	Male	Punjab
23	YP23-PUNJAB05	Lehrasip Hayat	Male	Punjab
24	YP24-PUNJAB06	Muhammad Bilal Qasmi	Male	Punjab
25	YP25-PUNJAB07	Hassan Sajjad Naqvi	Male	Punjab
26	YP26-PUNJAB08	Hassan Tasneem Ahmed	Male	Punjab
27	YP27-PUNJAB09	Ayesha Bilal Bhatti	Female	Punjab
28	YP28-PUNJAB10	Noor Bakht Ghumman	Female	Punjab
29	YP29-PUNJAB11	Anam Javed Cheema	Female	Punjab
30	YP30-PUNJAB12	Asbah Rehman	Female	Punjab
31	YP31-PUNJAB13	Zile Huma	Female	Punjab
32	YP32-PUNJAB14	Maria Fayyaz	Female	Punjab
33	YP33-PUNJAB15	Yasir Ghani	Male	Punjab
34	YP34-PUNJAB16	Madeeha Shahid	Female	Punjab
35	YP35-PUNJAB17	Umer Raza	Male	Punjab
36	YP36-PUNJAB18	Muhammad Abdullah Lak	Male	Punjab
37	YP37-PUNJAB20	Muhammad Adil	Male	Punjab
38	YP38-SINDH01	Prem Chand	Male	Sindh
39	YP39-SINDH02	Hassan Javed Khan	Male	Sindh
40	YP40-SINDH03	Khizer Pervaiz	Male	Sindh
41	YP41-SINDH04	Syeda Rabab Zehra Naqvi	Female	Sindh

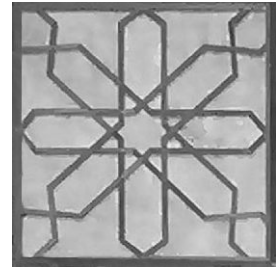


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No.	Constituency	Name	Gender	Area/Province
42	YP42-SINDH05	Ahsan Rasool Panhwar	Male	Sindh
43	YP43-SINDH06	Syed Shan-e-Hussain Naqvi	Male	Sindh
44	YP44-SINDH07	Bilal Jamaee	Male	Sindh
45	YP45-SINDH08	Owais Bin Laiq	Male	Sindh
46	YP46-SINDH09	Imtiaz Ali Khuhro	Male	Sindh
47	YP47-SINDH10	Agha Shakeel Ahmed	Male	Sindh
48	YP48-SINDH11	Shamas Ur-Rehman Alvi	Male	Sindh



Brief Profiles of MYPs

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YP01-AJK01

Muhammad Aatif

Mr. Muhammad Aatif hails from Bagh in Azad Jammu and Kashmir, and was born on July 3, 1989. Currently he is studying BSc Electrical Engineering at the University of Engineering and Technology (UET), Lahore. He is an enthusiastic debater, serving as the executive member of the UET Debating Society and having successfully represented UET in both declamation- and parliamentary-style debates. Mr. Aatif is also youth organizer and volunteer, serving as director of the Youth Development Society, Neelabut and volunteering in the ANSU Foundation, the Blue Star Welfare Society and during the aftermath of 2005 October earthquake.



YP02-BALUCHISTAN01

Hair-uddin Baloch

Mr. Hair-uddin Baloch hails from Dera Murad Jamali, District Naseerabad, Balochistan. He was born on February 10, 1983 and has completed a Bachelors of Arts from Government College, Quetta. He is currently completing his Masters in Sociology from International Islamic University, Islamabad. Mr. Baloch has participated in numerous workshops including International Training workshop on UN Human Rights Mechanism (NCJP), Active Citizen Concept Development workshop (British council), Workshop on step by step guide to Women Rights, Advocacy, Violence against Women, Extra judicial killings and Torture (AGHS legal aid cell), Mass awareness workshop on Human Rights (HRCP), Workshop on Democratic and Educational development in Pakistan (NCJP) and Democracy in Pakistan and issues of Baluchistan (NDI).

These profiles of MYPs are based on the information provided by the members themselves.



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YP03-BALUCHISTAN02 **Hammal Muneer Jan**

Mr. Hammal Muneer Jan was born on August 14, 1986. He hails from the coastal town of Pasni, district Gwadar and is currently doing B.A (HONS) with major in Political Science from Government College University, Lahore. Mr. Jan was a Boy Scout leader in High School. He was also the captain of his High School and College Hockey Teams. He has completed a special course on American History from the US Consulate, Lahore. An active participant in extra-curricular activities, Mr. Jan is a member of Quaid-i-Azam Political Science society and Hiking and Mountaineering club at GCU.

YP04-BALUCHISTAN03 **Syed Manzoor Shah**

Mr. Syed Manzoor Shah hails from Qilla Abdullah and was born on November 29, 1986. He received his intermediate from Cadet College Murree and is currently studying at BUITEMS in Quetta for his BS in Telecommunication. A member of IEEE, he is also the founder of his own engineering society at university, the Telecommunication Engineers Society of BUITEMS (TESB). Mr. Shah is also prominently involved in sports, having represented BUITEMS in both basketball and football at national inter-university championships.





YP05-FATA01
Khitab Gul

Mr Khitab Gul Orakzai hails from Kurram Agency, FATA and was born on January 1, 1983. He did his bachelor's degree in political science and Pashto, and then went on to complete his MSc in Defence and Strategic Studies from Quaid-i-Azam University in 2007. In March 2009, he participated in a Pak-Afghan dialogue held in Islamabad. Mr Orakzai has undertaken research work in organizations such as SASSI and CRSS, focusing on a range of urgent national issues including Pak-Afghan relations, FATA, sectarianism, terrorism, China and democratization. His principle political concern is the poor development in his local constituency of NA-38, where he is currently leading an indigenous platform to highlight the problem.

YP06-FATA02
Zahoor-ud-din

Mr. Zahoor Ud Din hails from Kari Kot village in WANA, South Waziristan Agency. He holds a Masters in History from Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. During his time there, he served as the Vice Chairman Pakhtoon Culture and Welfare Society, Vice President History Society, Member of Action Committee Islamabad and Rawalpindi, Executive Member Quaid-i-Azam Student Movement, Leave Incharge Political Science Society GCU Lahore, Chairman Modern Literary Society WANA South Waziristan.



YP07-FATA03
Khan Zeb Burki

Mr. Burki hails from South Waziristan Agency, FATA. He was born on February 02, 1983 and is currently completing his M Phil from Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad. Mr. Burki holds a Masters in Political Science from Bahauddin Zikria University, Multan. He has interned for a year at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and has held the post of President, People's Student Federation, District Tank.



YP08-ICT01
Rana Amaar Faaruq

Mr. Rana Amaar Faaruq hails from Islamabad. He was born on August 20, 1989 and is currently enrolled in University of London External System programme LLB Hons. 2nd year at The Institute of Legal Studies (TILS) Islamabad. He was the Head Boy of Beacon House School, Islamabad and founded Islamabad's first Debating Society called IDeaS. He was selected to represent Pakistan at the United World College of Hong Kong, among 200 other nationalities for two years on full scholarship where he studied the IB programme. He was recently selected by the American Embassy to attend the SUSI Leadership Programme for South Asian Student Leaders in the United States, representing Pakistan on the State Dept's sponsorship. He has a passion for languages and has studied or holds diplomas in Arabic, French, Hindi, Gurumukhi along with English and Urdu and is currently studying Spanish. He has worked as a volunteer with Cross-roads International, an NGO for refugee assistance, and holds a license as a first aider from Saint John's Ambulance. He also worked in relief assistance and trauma counselling after the 2005 earthquake and is a member of the Sarwari Qadari Sufi order and is regularly involved in writing and speaking on Sufism and religious reform. He hopes to work as a civil servant after becoming a Barrister.



YP09-ICT02
Muneeb Afzal

Mr. Muneeb Afzal hails from Islamabad. He was born on July 05, 1988 and completed his matriculation in 2004 from Sideeq Public School, Rawalpindi and his HSSC from Cadet College Hasanabdal. He is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from NUST E&ME College, Rawalpindi. Throughout his college years, Mr. Afzal has been keenly involved in sports and co-curricular activities. He was captain of the debating team of his wing in Hasanabdal and is an active member of College of E&ME's debating club. He has a keen interest in sports and is a member of his department's Football and Basketball teams.

YP10-ICT03
Gul Andaam Orakzai

Gul Andaam Orakzai hails from Islamabad and was born on October 31, 1987. With a background in humanities and social sciences, Ms Orakzai is currently pursuing an MSc in Economics from Quaid-i-Azam University. During the year 2008, she has attended the Young Leaders' Conference and was selected for a leadership development course organised by the Centre for Civic Education. In 2009, she participated in the Insight Dubai Conference, an exchange programme organised by the Dubai Women's College.





YP11-GB01
Mir Waheed Akhlaq

Mr. Mir Waheed Akhaq hails from Gilgit and was born on July 23, 1985. He is currently pursuing a BA (Hons) in Political Science from Government College University (GCU), Lahore. A keen debater since school, Mr. Akhaq is currently member of the debating society at his university. In 2008, he attended a seven-day workshop on American history, organised by the US Consulate in Lahore. In January 2010, he will be representing his university at the Hans Seidal Foundation organised Second SAARC Simulation in Karachi, where he will be acting as the Information Minister of Bangladesh. Mr. Akhaq is interested in giving his region a political voice and in relieving the deprivation afflicting Gilgit.

YP12-NWFP01
Nabeeha Mohyuddin

Ms. Nabeeha Mohyuddin hails from Peshawar. She was born on December 01, 1987 and is currently studying at Khyber Medical College. She was awarded the Fulbright Scholarship in 2007 and was one of the 18 students at the University of Vermont for a summer exchange program. Ms. Mohyuddin believes in academic excellence coupled with community work and feels that in NWFP – it is up to the women who have exposure, are educated and fortunate enough to come from progressive families – to help empower those who aren't.





YP13-NWFP02
Ehsan Naveed Irfan

Mr. Ehsan Naveed Irfan hails from Mansehra and was born on November 29, 1987. Mr. Irfan is an active social worker, and has received an award from the Pakistan Talent Council for his work on the affectees of the 2005 Kashmir Earthquake. Mr. Irfan was elected the President of the Insaf Student Federation Hazara Division in 2008 and is a founding organizer of Car Racing Events in NWFP, from which the funds generated are provided to the Juvenile section of Prisons, Mansehra District. He also hosts a TV show on Shamal TV. Mr. Irfan is currently working towards an MBBS Degree at the Frontier Medical College, where he is the Chief Proctor.

YP14-NWFP03
Ali Inam Khan

Mr. Ali Inam Khan hails from Dera Ismail Khan and was born on October 7, 1989. He completed his GCE O and A Levels from City School branches of Dera Ismail Khan and Karachi respectively. He has been a prominent debater, notably winning an inter-district debate competition twice. A registered voter in three tiers, NA-24, PF-64 and Union Council 21 Dewala, Mr. Khan strongly believes in electoral participation.



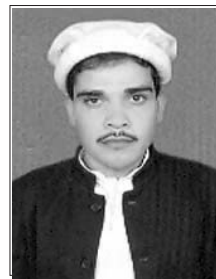


YP15-NWFP04
Hanan Ali Abbasi

Mr. Hanan Ali Abbasi was born on August 29, 1985 and hails from Abbottabad. He is a Journalist, Columnist and Author. Mr. Abbasi started his career in the field of Media at the age of sixteen. He has worked with many National Newspapers as Columnist, Editor and Reporter. Mr. Abbasi has written more than 300 Articles, worked as "Compare" in Radio Pakistan's live program "Surmala" and written a book by the title of Zameni Sitray. He also released an introductory video documentary on the same book. He has written a drama series "Kali Andhi". In 2005, he was Awarded "Pakistan-United Kingdom Excellence Award" in the field of Media and Urdu literature. The District Government Abbottabad and District Government Mansehra officially provided Hanan's book Zameni Sitray to all school of the district. He is currently working as Chief Executive of a media advisory firm "Media Door Private Limited" and writing a book by the title of Qalim Kinaray. He has also been awarded "Best Young Writer in Earthquake Issues" by IHH.

YP16-NWFP05
Aurangzeb Khan Zalmay

Mr. Aurangzeb Khan Zalmay hails from Surangi Mamash khel, Bannu NWFP. He was born on October 25, 1986. Mr. Zalmay did his FSc from Bannu and is currently pursuing a BA (Hons) from GC University, Lahore. An active participant in extra-curricular activities, Mr. Zalmay is a member of the Political Science Society, Punjabi Majlis, ELC and a Pakhtun student leader in Lahore. He regularly writes for German newspapers and is a follower of 'Non-violence philosophy' and 'Khudai Khidmatgar Movement'. He is committed to working for its revival.



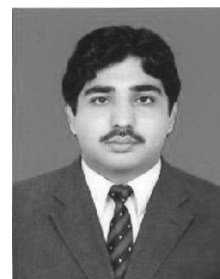


YP17-NWFP06
Abdul Manan

Mr. Abdul Manan hails from Tehsil Adenzai, District Dir (Lower). He was born on June 10, 1990 and did his Matriculation with a distinction from Malakand Board. He completed his intermediate from Islamia College, Peshawar with distinction. He is currently completing his MBBS in Saidu Medical College, Swat. During his college life, he was the coordinator of Blood Donor Society. He has organized an Alumni organization for his school, of which he is President. Mr. Manan is also a member of National Volunteer Movement, Pakistan.

YP18-NWFP07
Imran Khan Turangzai

Mr. Imran Khan Turangzai was born on 31st August 1985 in a village called Ghazghi (Turangzai) of district charsadda N.W.F.P He got his primary education from a government school at his village with distinctions and did his matriculations from Al Karim Public School Charsadda with 3rd position in his District. He did his FSc from the prestigious Islamia College Peshawar. During his time there, he was involved in the Blood Donor society and Pukhtoon Student Federation., He has worked for restoration of student unions. Mr. Turangzai did his Bachelors in Mechanical Engineering from UET Peshawar in 2007. He was one of the pioneer members of Charsadda Student Society and Welfare Society. He has also held the office of President of PSF and CSS for one year term. Currently, he is working as an engineer (SMMS and Planning) in Attock Refinery Limited, Rawalpindi.





YP19-PUNJAB01
Muhammad Saleem

Mr. Muhammad Saleem Chaudhary hails from Bahawalpur. He was born on July 09, 1987 and is a candidate for BSc Electrical Engineering in Islamia University, Bahawalpur. Mr. Chaudary was instrumental in gaining approval for two degree colleges and one sports stadium in his area. He regularly writes for newspapers.

YP20-PUNJAB02
Zulqarnain Haider

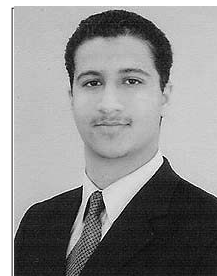
Mr. Zulqarnain Haider hails from Multan and was born on April 5, 1988. Currently studying at University of Engineering and Technology (UET), Lahore, he holds a distinguished record as a student at both the matriculation and intermediate stages of his studies. In 2004, he secured second position nationally in his matriculation exams and in 2006, secured first position in the pre-engineering group of the Multan Board. Mr. Haider's leadership roles include his two-year presidency of the school's literary and debating society, and his executive membership of UET's debating society.



YP21-PUNJAB03

Waqas Nazar Tiwana

Mr. Waqas Nazar Tiwana hails from Khushab. He was born on April 05, 1988. Mr. Tiwana recently completed his Bachelors with Honors in Business Management from Kingston University London. He did his SSC from PEC, Beijing and later completed HSSC from Pakistan. He has been an active member of various social-work and youth organizations including iEARN, YAP, ALIVE PK, Association for Development of Pakistan (ADP), Centre for Youth Development & Activities, World Youth Movement for Democracy & Global Youth Action Network, Voices of Youth Community of UNICEF as and a Committee for ASEAN Youth Cooperation. He was also a part of the Pakistani Delegation at Pakistan-India Students Dialogue and has attended many youth and leadership activities both locally and internationally including the Young Leaders Conference 2008, UN Youth and Students Association Annual Conference 2009, Strategy into Practice UK and United Nations (UN) Conference on Water, Conflict & Development at London School of Economics & Political Science (LSE). He was a representative of the undergraduate student body at Kingston University and is now a Scholar Ambassador for them, while also being an associate fellow at the Chartered



YP22-PUNJAB04

Muhammad Kamil Qaddus

Mr. Muhammad Kamil Qaddus hails from Rawalpindi and was born on June 18, 1989. He did his matriculation and intermediate with distinction from Abbottabad Public School. He is currently pursuing a BSc in Mechanical Engineering from the Ghulam Ishaq Khan Institute of Engineering Sciences and Technology (GIKI). Mr. Qaddus has participated in debates at the national level in both English and Urdu, and on both serious as well as humorous topics. He has also traveled internationally. In 2004, he competed in Geo Fest, a five-day international Geography Olympiad held at Lucknow, India. In 2008, he attended the Wind Turbine Technology Course (SWTT) convened at Aarhus, Denmark. Mr. Qaddus is a registered voter in NA-55.



YP23-PUNJAB05
Lehrasip Hayat

Mr. Lehrasip Hayat hails from Hafizabad and was born on July 9, 1988. He holds a BA (Hons) in Political Science from Government College University (GCU), Lahore. He is currently pursuing an LLB (Hons) at University College Lahore (UCL) through the University of London External System. While at GCU, he was president of the Garrette History Society and attended a survey course on American history that was organised by the US Consulate in Lahore. Currently, he is involved in mock parliament debates at UCL. Mr. Hayat is interested in politics, international law and identity formation.

YP24-PUNJAB06
Muhammad Bilal Qasmi

Mr Bilal Qasmi hails from District Jhang and was born on July 24, 1984. He did his matriculation and intermediate from his local district, and then completed his BSc in Library Science from Allama Iqbal Open University in 2007. He is currently pursuing an MSc in Political Science from Punjab University. Mr Qasmi keenly participates in political activities, and follows foreign and religious affairs of Pakistan.



YP25-PUNJAB07

Hassan Sajjad Naqvi

Mr. Hassan Sajjad Naqvi hails from Mandi Bahauddin. He was born on May 29, 1986 and is currently enrolled in B.A LLB (Hons) at the University Law College, University of the Punjab. Mr. Naqvi has served as the Vice President (Finance) for the Punjab University Model UN Society, the Sub-editor for Apollo Magazine and has attended MUNs in Pakistan, Germany and the Netherlands. He was amongst three students selected from Pakistan to visit South Korea on a Korean Scholarship Program. Mr. Naqvi has interned at SEDC-LUMS and the Research Society of International Law. He is currently serving as the elected Coordinator Law Moot Society at his college. Mr. Naqvi's interests include criminal law, corporate law and international humanitarian law.



YP26-PUNJAB08

Hassan Tasneem Ahmed

Hassan Tasneem Ahmed hails from Rawalpindi and was born on December 24, 1986. Having received his intermediate from FG Sir Syed, Mr Ahmed graduated in electrical engineering from University of Engineering and Technology (UET), Taxila in 2008. During the course of his education, he held various leadership positions, most notably as Chairman of his local IEEE and founder of a research-based student organization at UET, ESI. Mr Ahmed is currently working at Zong. He is passionate about understanding and solving the various developmental crises affecting his local constituency of NA-55.



YP27-PUNJAB09 **Ayesha Bilal Bhatti**

Ms. Ayesha Bilal Bhatti belongs to Sheikhpura and was born on May 20, 1985. She received her early education from Sheikhpura and secured position shields in Matriculation and Intermediate examinations. Ms. Bhatti completed her B.A Honors in Journalism from Kinnaird College, Lahore where she was awarded an academic certificate of Distinction for acquiring 1st Position in Mass Communications Department. She was consequently placed on the Roll of Honor list. Ms. Bhatti was elected to the Executive Council of Kinnaird College and was the Assistant Editor of "KC Times". She is a regular contributor to the print media and has actively taken part in volunteer work. Ms. Bhatti recently completed her Masters in Mass Communication from Kinnaird College and is currently working as an internee at Packages (PVT) LTD. Her interests include politics, foreign Affairs, defence, youth and education.

YP28-PUNJAB10 **Noor Bakht Ghumman**

Ms Noor Bakht Ghumman hails from Sargodha. She completed both her BA (Hons) in Journalism and MA in Mass Communication from Kinnaird College. During her time at Kinnaird College, she was an active member of the student council and was elected for its executive office for two consecutive years. Ms Ghumman is also a dedicated charity worker. She represented her college during the relief work in the aftermath of both the 2004 tsunami and the 2005 earthquake. As member of her college health club, she has arranged blood camps in association with the Fatmid Foundation and Red Crescent. Moreover, she has undertaken fundraising for underprivileged students and special children, and with the help of Pink ribbon and White ribbon, organized awareness seminars. Ms Ghumman has used novel platforms for generating social awareness, including theatre and documentaries (radio and video) and has also written for the English newspaper, The Nation. Currently working on a research project titled 'Political Socialization via Electronic Media in Pakistan', Ms Ghumman aspires to ultimately join politics in order to focus on issues in foreign affairs, and youth and female empowerment.





YP29-PUNJAB11
Anam Javed Cheema

Ms Anam Javed Cheema hails from Toba Tek Singh and was born on April 24, 1989. Having completed her GCE A Level from Froebel's International School, she is currently pursuing a BSc in Dental Sciences. Ms Cheema's previous leadership activities include representing Islamabad at the Young Leaders' Conference held in Karachi and organizing protest rallies in support of Palestinian rights. She is currently working on the youth project, Developing Visionaries of Pakistan. She has also worked for the DAWN Expo and assisted in the rehabilitation of Swat IDPs. Ms Cheema aspires to contribute to developments in Pakistan's systems of healthcare and education.

YP30-PUNJAB12
Asbah Rehman

Ms Asbah Rehman hails from Lahore and was born on the October 5, 1988. A straight-A student during her GCE O and A Level studies at Beaconhouse School System, Rawalpindi, she is currently pursuing an MBBS from Army Medical College, NUST. While at Beaconhouse, she was involved in a number of extra-curricular activities and school elections, notably acting as general secretary for the school's science club and arranging science exhibitions for junior students. Ms Rehman is also passionately dedicated to charity work. Until the age of 18, she was regular member of the charity organization, Young Friends of Al-Shifa, where she was part of a team that organized and attended several workshops on 'Personality Development' and 'Organizing Volunteer Efforts'. In the aftermath of the October 2005 earthquake, she volunteered at the Shifa Eye Trust and Railway Hospital. Ms Rehman is a currently an intern at the charity school for street children, Rah-e-Amal.



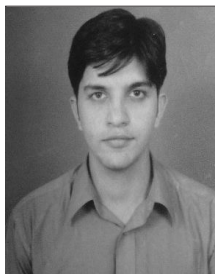
YP31-PUNJAB13
Zile Huma

Ms Zile Huma hails from Chakwal and was born on July 17, 1986. She did her matriculation from the Fauji Foundation School Jhatla in Chakwal, and completed both her intermediate and bachelor's with distinction from the F.G Post Graduate College in Rawalpindi. She is currently pursuing an MSc in International Relations from Quaid-i-Azam University. Having held various leadership positions prior to her graduate studies, she has been elected Girls' Representative of her batch at Quaid-i-Azam University for the last two semesters. She has now also been nominated for the offices of both General Secretary and Treasurer of the IR Society at Quaid-i-Azam University. Ms Huma has traveled abroad as well, visiting the United States in 1999 and Saudi Arabia (for Umra) in 2007.



YP32-PUNJAB14
Maria Fayyaz

Ms Maria Fayyaz hails from Bahawalpur and was born on May 3, 1985. Having received a bachelor's in English literature and psychology from Government Sadiq Degree College, Bahawalpur, she is currently pursuing her master's in education at the International Islamic University, Islamabad. Ms Fayyaz has been active both as a student leader and volunteer. Notably, she was head of English Dramatic Society during her college years and is currently undertaking voluntarily work for the Islamabad-based NGO, Pakistan International Human Rights Organization. Her other interests include poetry and article writing, both in English and Urdu and she has occasionally contributed articles to various newspapers.



YP33-PUNJAB15
Yasir Ghani

Mr. Yasir Ghani hails from Lahore and holds a Masters in Public Administration (MPA) with a specialization in Human Resource Management From the Institute of Administrative Sciences, University of the Punjab Lahore. Mr. Ghani is an active participant in debates and is also an Oracle Certified Professional (OCP). He was a part of his university's cricket team and has played for the Universal Cricket Club. He is currently working as Assistant Manager HR in Sheeba Corporation Ltd.

YP34-PUNJAB16
Madeeha Shahid

Ms. Madeeha Shahid hails from Rawalpindi and is a faculty of Human Resource and coordinator for one of the centers of excellence, Center for Industrial Linkages at NUST Business School Islamabad. She has completed her MBA in HR, with a specialization in change management and organizational innovation from Bahria Institute of Management and Computer Sciences, Islamabad. She has been an active member of different societies and clubs including Multimedia Club, Arts & Literary Society, Rector's A Team. She was also a participant at the First Entrepreneur Summit and HR Confluence at LUMS, Lahore and supports the education expenses of a 6 year old boy, Fayyaz at SOS Village.





YP35-PUNJAB17
Umer Raza

Mr. Umer Raza hails from Khanewal and was born on October 26, 1987. Currently pursuing undergraduate studies in engineering from Ghulam Ishaq Khan Institute of Engineering Sciences and Technology (GIKI), he secured first place in Khanewal for his Intermediate studies. His leadership activities include participation in Pakistan's Young Leaders' Conference for 2008, presidency of the youth organization of Pehchaan, and vice-presidency of the technical society, IET's GIKI Student Chapter. Mr. Raza is registered voter of NA-157.

YP36-PUNJAB18
Muhammad Abdullah Lak

Mr. Abdullah Lak hails from Sargodha. He was born on November 06, 1989. Currently, he is completing his BSc (Hons) in Economics and Political Sciences from LUMS, Lahore. Mr. Lak completed his O and A Levels with straight As from Aitchison College, Lahore. He is an accomplished debater and has represented his college at many competitions. He is the Vice President of the Green Leaf Society and is a member of the Law and Politics Society at LUMS. Mr. Lak won a bronze medal while representing his university in Swimming and Water Polo competitions in Turkey. He is a committed social worker and has volunteered and interned in SOS and Bunyad Foundation. His areas of interest are economic and foreign affairs.





YP37-PUNJAB19
Muhammad Adil

Mr. Muhammad Adil Arshad belongs to Toba Tek Singh, Punjab. He was born without eyesight, yet despite this disability, he holds a Masters in Politics, a Masters in Special Education, a Masters in History and an LLB. Mr. Arshad was presented a special Youth Award by the Ministry of Youth Affairs. He has also worked as an FM compare and has played blind cricket at the national level. He is currently working as a Subject Specialist, Political Science at Government College for Elementary Teachers at Kamalia.

YP38-SINDH01
Prem Chand

Mr. Prem Chand hails from Sanghar, Sindh. He was born on April 03, 1984 and is studying for a Masters in Social Work at the University of Sindh. He is a social work student and performs numerous activities in this regard.





YP39-SINDH02
Hassan Javed Khan

Mr. Hassan Javed hails from Hyderabad, Sindh. He was born on October 30, 1984 and is currently working for the Royal Bank of Scotland, Karachi as a Team Head for Client Relationships for the Royal Preferred Banking (RPB) Department. He has completed his MSc in Investment and Finance with Distinction from Queen Mary, University of London, UK. During his stay there, he participated in University of London Squash League. Mr. Javed secured Gold medals at Hyderabad B.I.S.E Inter-school Squash Tournament consecutively in 1998 & 1999. He believes in an independent and sovereign Foreign Policy, uniform Educational System and strong Justice System.

YP40-SINDH03
Khizer Pervaiz

Mr. Khizer Pervaiz hails from Karachi. He was born on June 20, 1980 and holds an MBA degree from University of Nottingham, UK. During his undergraduate study at Cranfield University, he was President of the Chess society. Mr. Pervaiz contributed to Earthquake relief efforts by generating funds worth £30,000. He has worked for Rolls Royce, HSBC, Barclay Bank, Apple Inc and was the Best 'Sales & Service Performer for the Year 2005' at Standard Chartered Bank



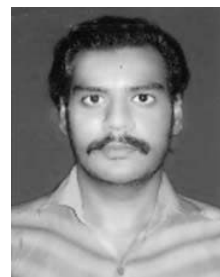


YP41-SINDH04
Syeda Rabab Zehra Naqvi

Ms Syeda Rabab Zehra Naqvi hails from Karachi and was born on May 11, 1989. Having completed her GCE O Levels from the Mama Parsi School and GCE A Levels from the Karachi Grammar School, she is currently pursuing a BSc in Economics and Finance as an external student of the London School of Economics and Political Sciences (LSE). During her school years, she held various leadership positions, including memberships in various student councils. Currently, she is an elected office bearer of the Students' Union in her college. Ms Naqvi has interned at various institutions, including banks, media firms and NGOs, and plans to follow a career in national politics once her studies are completed.

YP42-SINDH05
Ahsan Rasool Panhwar

Mr. Ahsan Rasool hails from Naushero Feroze district, Sindh. He completed his Matriculation and Intermediate from Cadet College, Sanghar and is currently completing his Bachelors in Mechanical Engineering. Mr. Rasool has been active in extra-curricular activities, and is a member of the Karachi Youth Assembly as well as Pasban-e-Pakistan.



YP43-SINDH06

Syed Shan-e-Hussain Naqvi

Mr. Shan-e-Hussain Naqvi hails from Karachi. He was born on May 17, 1983 and has a passion for Graphics Design. One of his projects was Wadi-a-Hussain, the world's first online graveyard. He has completed web based projects for numerous organizations including Sind Club, Johnson & Johnson, Soil Testing Services, and All Pakistan Music Conference. Mr. Hussain has also worked at Post Amazers, one of the leading production houses in Pakistan. He is also a founding member of his school's alumni association.



YP44-SINDH07

Bilal Jamaee

Mr. Bilal Jamaee was born on June 14, 1987 in Karachi. He is a 2nd Year student for Mass Communication at the University Of Karachi and is the General Secretary of 'Bazm-e-Adab'. He has participated in numerous Debating Competitions and written a number of stories for children's magazines. Mr. Jamee has worked for two years at Elite Pulishers as Asst. Manager.

YP45-SINDH08
Owais Bin Laiq

Mr. Owais Bin Laiq hails from Karachi and was born on June 20, 1988. Following the completion of his GCE O and A Levels, he joined the Institute of Business Administration (IBA) for a bachelor degree in business administration. Passionately engaged in the field of media, he is currently the manager of the Media and Publication Society at IBA and has also won various contests, such as the National Samaa TV Documentary Competition. Mr. Laiq also notably interned at International Business Machine (IBM). Possessing a keen interest in traveling, he has visited India, Iran, UAE, South Africa and Zimbabwe.



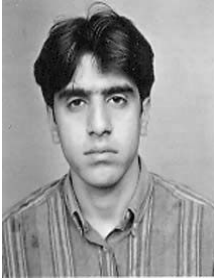
YP46-SINDH09
Imtiaz Ali Khuhro

Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khuhro hails from Khairpir Mirs, Sindh. He was born on March 03, 1987 and has done his Masters in Political Science from GC University, where he was an active participant in extra-curricular activities. In this regard, he was Vice President of Young Journalist Society, Finance Secretary in Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society and Executive member of Historian Society.



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YP47-SINDH10 **Agha Shakeel Ahmed**

Mr. Agha Shakeel Ahmed hails from Larkana. He was born on January 05, 1981 and has been an active participant in political activities in his district. He was the unit in charge of Pakistan People's Party (SB) under the leadership of Late Murtaza Bhutto. He has done his Masters in Anthropology from Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. During his time there, he was elected General Secretary of Mehran Council, which has a mandate to promote cultural activities and support the students from Sindh in getting admission to QAU. Currently, he is a part of the People's Rights Movement in Islamabad and is contributing his voice for the rights of people as citizen of Pakistan.

YP48-SINDH11 **Shamas Ur-Rehman Alvi**

Mr. Shamas ur Rehman Alvi was born on September 01, 1985 and hails from Karachi. He studied at Karachi Grammar School and St. Patrick's High School before proceeding to the United States to complete his higher education at Northwestern University in Chicago, IL. At the age of sixteen, he was selected for an internship at the United Nations Global Headquarters in Nairobi, Kenya where he worked closely with the Under Secretary General and various other important dignitaries in reforming Environmental Policies. Mr. Alvi was selected to represent Pakistan at the UN water conference hosted in Dubna, Russia. At Northwestern, he became the first Pakistani to be elected to the Associated Student Government (ASG), where he legislated and proposed various bills for his constituents. Mr. Alvi has worked for various Government and Non-Profit organizations such as Ministry of Finance, Chief Secretariat Office, The Citizens Foundations and Behbud. After a brief stint as an Investment Banker in the United States, he is currently working with his father in Karachi.





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