

Faculty Profiles

Adnan Sher holds Masters in Environmental Management from the University of Nottingham, UK. He has been a civil servant and belongs to the District Management Group (DMG). Sher is currently on deputation and is associated with a USAID project called, Districts that Work (DTW). He has been EDO Finance for District Rawalpindi, one of the largest districts in Pakistan. Sher has also worked with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) in Pakistan.

Arshed Bhatti, holds Masters in Development Management from the London School of Economics (LSE) and an MPhil from Quaid-e-Azam University Islamabad. With more than fifteen years' experience in civil service, non-profit sector and media, Bhatti is one the most sought-after consultants today. He has worked as Director Governance with British Council Pakistan and as Senior Programme Officer with Action Aid. Bhatti is founder of the famous café' in Islamabad, Civil Junction, which serves as a centre of cultural and political activities for the capital's youth.

Dr. Harris Ahmed

Dr. Ahmed is a medical doctor with vast experience in the field of social marketing. He is currently associated with Green Star Social Marketing Pakistan.

Dr. Naima Hasan holds a PhD degree in Positive Growth after PTSD and an MPhil in Applied Psychology. She has over 20 years experience working for various national and international organizations in diverse fields including project management, human resource management, psychosocial impact assessment and rehabilitation of psychotics/neurotics among others. Currently, she is the Director of Global Vision Organization. She has also conducted innumerable workshops for different organizations.

Dr. Naushin Mahmood currently is a Professor and Consultant at the Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE). She is the former Vice Chancellor of PIDE. She obtained her PhD from the University of Michigan, USA in Sociology and her Masters degree in Population Sciences from Harvard University, USA. She has extensive experience of research on population and social development related issues and has to her credit a number of publications in national and international journals. She is the current President of the Population Association of Pakistan and a member of many professional societies and advisory boards.

Dr. Rakhshinda Perveen, MBBS (Punjab, Pakistan), MPH (KIT, Amsterdam, The Netherlands), has over 16 years of diverse experience in Documentary film making, training, action research, development management and advocacy on issues of public health, gender and social communication. She co-founded SACHET (www.sachet.org.pk) in 1998 and later set up a resource centre AGEHI. She is the first researcher who revived the Urdu alternative of gender i.e. **Sinf** and attempted to demystify gender & RH issues in Pakistani perspectives. She has the honor of producing 'Gender watch' an award winning TV programme that pioneered BCC on RH in Pakistan. She has lead five country teams as the gender advisor, South Asia for CIDA

Dr. Sania Nishtar has an MBBS degree from Khyber Medical College, a Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians and a Ph.D from Kings College, London. After briefly working as a cardiologist, she is currently Founder and President of Heartfile, which is the most powerful health policy voice in Pakistan and is valued as a model for replication in other developing countries. Her main focus is on health and social policy reform, catalyzing change in the health sector and reorienting public health in line with global health trends. She is also the recipient of many national and international awards including the *Sitara-i-Imtiaz* of Pakistan and the European Societies Population Science Award, and has been listed by the International Biographical Center of Cambridge amongst the 2,000 outstanding scientists and intellectuals of the 20th Century.

Zaigam Khan has been a consultant with a number of national and international organizations, including UNDP, the British Council, IUCN and PANOS South Asia. Khan holds a Masters in Social Anthropology and specializes in development communication and social research. He regularly writes a column in *The News*, one of the largest circulating English dailies in Pakistan.