

INTRODUCTORY BOOKLET



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Foreword

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.

PILDAT has received cooperation of the Ministry of Youth Affairs, Pakistan in launching the Youth Parliament while the project is supported by the **Global Opportunities Fund** of the **UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office** and the **Friedrich Ebert Stiftung**, Germany as a recognition of the importance of young people's involvement in democracy and democratic practices.

This introductory booklet presents details about the first Youth Parliament project and the selected members. The Youth Parliament is being run as a pilot project for the first time in Pakistan. Where on the one hand it seeks to introduce innovation, the project also looks to benefit from experience gained through this exercise to improve this process in the 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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Patron Youth Parliament Pakistan



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Minister of Youth Affairs &
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(The Ministry of Youth Affairs is a
partner of the Youth Parliament project.)



Steering Committee of the Youth Parliament Project

No.	Name	Position
1.	S. M. Zafar, Senator Chairman Senate Functional Committee on Human Rights	Chairman
2.	Rai Aziz ullah Khan, MNA Chairman National Assembly Standing Committee on Culture, Sports and Youth Affairs	Member
3.	Donya Aziz, Dr., MNA Parliamentary Secretary for Population Welfare	Member
4.	Wazir Ahmad Jomezai, Mr. Former Deputy Speaker, National Assembly of Pakistan	Member
5.	Talib Hussain Sial, Mr. Senior Joint Secretary, Ministry of Youth Affairs	Member
6.	Yusuf Jomezai, Mr. British High Commission, Islamabad	Member
7.	Abdul Qadir, Mr. Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Islamabad	Member
8.	Ahmed Bilal Mehboob, Mr. Executive Director PILDAT	Member



Youth Parliament Panel of Speakers

No.	Name
1.	Gohar Ayub Khan, Mr. Former Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan
2.	Illahi Bakhsh Soomro, Mr. Former Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan
3.	Syed Fakhar Imam, Mr. Former Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan
4.	Syed Yusuf Raza Gillani, Mr. Former Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan
5.	Wazir Jogezi, Mr. Former Deputy Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan

The list has been arranged alphabetically and includes those former Speakers who have consented so far to act as Speakers for the Sessions of Youth Parliament



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 felt it important 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.

It is often said that widespread apathy exists among the younger generation towards political participation and parliamentary democracy. Whether this fear is exaggerated or not, without doubt young people need to understand the principles which underpin democracy and civil society, develop the skills to use that knowledge effectively and be able to participate at the appropriate fora. One method of assisting young people to understand these principles is through a Youth Parliament. Youth Parliaments provide participants with an opportunity to acquire or improve upon many skills such as public speaking, debate, presentation, research and organisational skills, aiding their personal development.



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.

Key Features of Youth Parliament

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 is 60. The breakdown of the membership is as follows:

Provinces/Areas	Seats
Azad Jammu Kashmir (AJK)	01
Baluchistan	03
Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA)	01
Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT)	05
Northern Areas (NA)	01
North West Frontier Province (NWFP)	08
Punjab	29
Sindh	13
Total Membership	60

Subsistence Allowance

There will be a limited travel and subsistence allowance for members to attend the sessions of the Youth Parliament.

Age

Only those young Pakistanis who were between the age of 18-29 years on October 01, 2006 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 will have two mock political parties: the Blue Party and the Green Party and members will be asked to join either one of the 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
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
2. Age of interested candidates should not be less than 18 years and more than 29 years on October 01, 2006
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 persons belonging to religious minorities.

Additionally, the Expression of Interest Form sought to gauge the following from the candidates' responses:

- Commitment to politics and democracy
- Understanding of issues
- Previous activist involvement
- Communication skills

Membership and Functions of the Steering Committee

PILDAT formed an independent Steering Committee of Youth Parliament to oversee the selection process and effective functioning of the Youth Parliament. Some of the basic functions of the Steering Committee are as follows:

- i. Review and finalisation of Rules of Procedures and Conduct of Business for the Youth Parliament
- ii. Interviews and final selection of members of the Youth Parliament
- iii. Reviewing agenda of the Youth Parliament Sessions
- iv. Reviewing progress of operation of the Youth Parliament project

Constituency-wise List of MYPs

No.	Constituency	Name	Gender	Area/Province
1	YP01-AJK01	Khawaja Hamid Mushtaq	Male	Azad Kashmir
2	YP02-BALUCHISTAN01	Kamran Khan Kakar	Male	Balochistan
3	YP03-BALUCHISTAN02	Liaqat Ali Shahwani	Male	Balochistan
4	YP04-BALUCHISTAN03	Qasim Khan Badini	Male	Balochistan
5	YP05-FATA01	Yawar Abbas	Male	FATA
6	YP06-ICT01	Aatika Nagrah	Female	ICT
7	YP07-ICT02	Mariam Raza Zaidi	Female	ICT
8	YP08-ICT03	Mustafa Hyder Sayed	Male	ICT
9	YP09-ICT04	Osama Azeem Chaudary	Male	ICT
10	YP10-ICT05	Shahzad Zaheer	Male	ICT
11	YP11-NA01	Syed Ali	Male	Northern Area
12	YP12-NWFP01	Afzal Khan Shinwari	Male	NWFP
13	YP13-NWFP02	Muhammad Nawaz	Male	NWFP
14	YP14-NWFP03	Nida Khan	Female	NWFP
15	YP15-NWFP04	Ommar Hayat Abbasi	Male	NWFP
16	YP16-NWFP05	Rafi Ullah Khan	Male	NWFP
17	YP17-NWFP06	Sidra Tariq	Female	NWFP
18	YP18-NWFP07	Tariq Salam	Male	NWFP
19	YP19-PUNJAB01	Abdul Ghaffar	Male	Punjab
20	YP20-PUNJAB02	Ajmal Shah Din	Male	Punjab
21	YP21-PUNJAB03	Arif Mahmood Chaudhary	Male	Punjab



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No.	Constituency	Name	Gender	Area/Province
22	YP22-PUNJAB04	Ashir Masih	Male	Punjab
23	YP23-PUNJAB05	Hammad Kabir	Male	Punjab
24	YP24-PUNJAB06	Hina Anwar Ali	Female	Punjab
25	YP25-PUNJAB07	Hummayun Javed	Male	Punjab
26	YP26-PUNJAB08	Iftikhar Mubarik	Male	Punjab
27	YP27-PUNJAB09	Jawaad Ali Latif	Male	Punjab
28	YP28-PUNJAB10	Jawad Abbas	Male	Punjab
29	YP29-PUNJAB11	Jawdat Bilal	Male	Punjab
30	YP30-PUNJAB12	Khadija Malik Hassan	Female	Punjab
31	YP31-PUNJAB13	Khawaja Zeeshan Mujtaba	Male	Punjab
32	YP32-PUNJAB14	Madiha Tallat	Male	Punjab
33	YP33-PUNJAB15	Mohibi Hussain	Male	Punjab
34	YP34-PUNJAB16	Muhammad Anwar-ul-haq	Male	Punjab
35	YP35-PUNJAB17	Muhammad Imran Khan	Male	Punjab
36	YP36-PUNJAB18	Muhammad Nazeef	Male	Punjab
37	YP37-PUNJAB19	Rashid Muhammad	Male	Punjab
38	YP38-PUNJAB20	Muhammad Zia Khan	Male	Punjab
39	YP39-PUNJAB21	Nazia Abidi	Female	Punjab
40	YP40-PUNJAB22	Qasiar Mahmood	Male	Punjab
41	YP41-PUNJAB23	Safwan Ullah Khan	Male	Punjab
42	YP42-PUNJAB24	Saif Ullah Khan	Male	Punjab

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No.	Constituency	Name	Gender	Area/Province
43	YP43-PUNJAB25	Saima Usman	Female	Punjab
44	YP44-PUNJAB26	Syed Ali Raza	Male	Punjab
45	YP45-PUNJAB27	Syeda Afshan Batool Zaidi	Female	Punjab
46	YP46-PUNJAB28	Umair Javed	Male	Punjab
47	YP47-PUNJAB29	Wajiha Zia	Female	Punjab
48	YP48-SINDH01	Afshan Laeeque Khan	Female	Sindh
49	YP49-SINDH02	Akhtar Muhammad Shah	Male	Sindh
50	YP50-SINDH03	Basil Nabi Malik	Male	Sindh
51	YP51-SINDH04	Faik Ali Chachar	Male	Sindh
52	YP52-SINDH05	Farooq Shah	Male	Sindh
53	YP53-SINDH06	Hamad Khan Marri	Male	Sindh
54	YP54-SINDH07	Mehvish Muneera Ismail	Female	Sindh
55	YP55-SINDH08	Mir Ghulam Murtaza Noorani	Male	Sindh
56	YP56-SINDH09	Qurat-ul-Ain Marri	Female	Sindh
57	YP57-SINDH10	Riaz Hussain Wassan	Male	Sindh
58	YP58-SINDH11	Saira Soomro	Female	Sindh
59	YP59-SINDH12	Sana Toaha Faridi	Female	Sindh
60	YP60-SINDH13	Zaka Zahid Shafiq	Male	Sindh



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YP01-AJK01

Khawaja Hamid Mushtaq

Khawaja Hamid Mushtaq belongs to District Muzaffarabad, Azad Jammu & Kashmir. Born on December 24, 1983, he completed his Bachelor of Engineering from Mehran University of Engineering & Technology, Jamshoro in 2004. With a bright academic record, he was the recipient of gold medal in Matriculation examination and has also participated actively in extra-curricular activities such as debates, sports, dramatics, scouting and editing of University magazine, etc throughout his academic life. Khawaja Hamid Mushtaq was also the founding member and General Secretary of Jammu and Kashmir Student's Organisation, Sindh Chapter at his university. His professional experience includes working for AJK PWD, WAPDA and National Highway Authority. His fields of interests include foreign affairs, housing & works and interior affairs.



YP02-BALUCHISTAN01

Kamran Khan Kakar

Born on May 08, 1987, Kamran Khan Kakar belongs to District Quetta. He has a bachelors degree and has participated in extra-curricular activities alongside his studies. Kamran Khan Kakar has been active in athletics and has been the captain of Balochistan Athletics Team for Boys and Girls Junior Championships held at Islamabad in 2003 and in Karachi in 2003 and 2005. He participated in International Marathon Race at Lahore in January 2005, won first position in Balochistan Anti Narcotics Force Marathon Race and has, to his credit, a Bronze Medal in 1500 meters All Pakistan Athletics Championship. On the political front, he has worked on voter registration campaign in Nawa Killi Quetta while he has participated in polio campaign with World Health Organisation, UNICEF, and the Government of Pakistan. Kamran was a participant in All Pakistan Youth Camp of Ministry of Youth Affairs in 2003 and 2005. His fields of interests include sports, education and women development.

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



YP03-BALUCHISTAN02
Liaqat Ali Shahwani

Liaqat Ali Shahwani was born on May 10, 1978. He belongs to Quetta District. Liaqat holds Masters degree in Political Science and Philosophy from the University of Balochistan, Quetta. A political activist, Liaqat is affiliated with the National Party. Liaqat Ali Shahwani believes that tribalism, feudalism, dictatorship and bureaucratic style of governance are the major problems of Pakistan today. He is keenly interested in learning about different political systems, constitutions and the evolution of democracy in different societies. Also active in sports, Liaqat has served as Secretary General of Sariab Sports Board from 2000 to 2003. Foreign Affairs, Youth Affairs and Education are the main areas of his interest. He speaks six different languages including English, Urdu, Pashto, Balochi, Persian and Brohvi.

YP04-BALUCHISTAN03
Qasim Khan Badini

Qasim Khan Badini was born on March 15, 1988. He belongs to District Noshki. He matriculated from Helper Public School, Noshki and got his intermediate degree from Tameer-i-Nau Public College, Quetta in 2006. Qasim Khan Badini served as the president of the students union at his school. Qasim Khan Badini believes the Youth Parliament should inculcate a sense in youth of how to strengthen democracy and also sensitise the youth towards the need of positive political involvement in the governance affairs of the country. Qasim Khan Badini is a member of organization for union of youth since 2002. Foreign Affairs, Defence and Health are the main fields of his interest in addition to issues relating to opportunities of employment overseas for Pakistanis.





YP05-FATA01
Yawar Abbas

Yawar Abbas was born on July 05, 1984 and belongs to Kurram Agency in the Federally-Administered Tribal Areas (FATA). Yawar received his early education from Peshawar while he obtained a Masters degree in Political Science from Government College University, Lahore. A bright student, he was awarded an academic Certificate of Distinction for obtaining second position. Yawar was also elected as the President of the Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society at GCU Lahore. He represented the Debating Society of GCU Lahore, at various debating competitions. Yawar has also served as a research associate under a HEC Scholarship Programme and has written a number of research papers and articles. Yawar wishes to pursue further education in the disciplines of Political Science and International Relations. His areas of interest include the role of UNO, International Humanitarian Law and Pakistan's Foreign Policy.

YP06-ICT01
Aatika Nagrah

Aatika was born on November 25, 1984 and belongs to Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT). She is pursuing her Masters degree in Economics from Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad and set to graduate in February 2007. She got her bachelors degree from the Punjab University securing 1st position at her college and was subsequently placed on the college Roll of Honour. Throughout her academic career, Aatika has held several student body positions including the current Presidency of the Economics Society at the Quaid-i-Azam University. She is also co-editor of the University magazine. Aatika has been involved in volunteer work for Tsunami victims and the Earthquake affectees in Pakistan with the UNDP and the MKR Foundation. She also possesses a one-year internship experience at the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and at The World Conservation Union (IUCN). Her main fields of interest include Economic Policies, Women Development, Youth Affairs, Sports, Finance and Foreign Affairs.





YP07-ICT02

Mariam Raza Zaidi

Mariam Raza Zaidi was born on June 22, 1983 and belongs to ICT. She completed her BA in English Literature and Applied Psychology from Federal Government College Islamabad in 2004 and won a Gold medal. Currently she is a student of International Relations at Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. Possessing a diverse portfolio of extra-curricular activities, Mariam has actively participated in debates, served as national debating coach, event manager, documenter, teacher, personality coach and volunteer. She has won different debates and competitions. Mariam has also represented Pakistan at the 11th IYLC conference, Prague, Czech Republic. She is a member of Pakistan Debating Society, Board of Governors of 3 RS, NGO and the Alpine Club. She has also remained a member of the Oxford Debating Society England from 2001 to 2004. Her fields of interests include Foreign Affairs, Defence and Youth Affairs.



YP08-ICT03

Mustafa Hyder Sayed

Mustafa Hyder Sayed was born on September 16, 1988. He completed his A-Levels from Froebel's International School in 2006. He was recently admitted in the Hobart and William Smith College, a liberal arts college in upstate New York, USA. His interests include debating, tennis, working out and politics. A debater as well, Mustafa has participated in numerous debating competitions. He also participated in Model United Nations at LUMS. Tennis is his favourite sport and he attended Harvard University and MIT summer tennis programmes in Massachusetts, USA. In the future he plans to pursue his interest in politics, economics and law. These are also the subjects he plans to study in college. He is also interested in foreign affairs. He believes the youth Parliament should address issues such as inflation and youth & education.



YP09-ICT04
Osama Azeem Chaudary

Osama Azeem Chaudary was born on February 19, 1987. He is a student of A-Levels. Osama is part of the school debating team and has represented his school at many debating contests including the Model UN at Lahore University of Management Sciences in 2006. Osama has also worked as an intern at the Pakistan State Oil during summer 2006 honing his skills in business report writing and management affairs. Osama Azeem Chaudhry also writes occasionally for the "Daily Post" on Socio-Political issues. Also interested in sports including athletics and cricket, he has been declared the best athlete of his school from 1999 to 2001. He has been also selected in the Islamabad under-19 cricket squad in 2004. His fields of interest include Foreign Affairs, Economics, Interior Affairs and Law.

YP10-ICT05
Shahzad Zaheer

Shahzad Zaheer was born on September 09, 1981. He has completed his MBA in Finance and Marketing from Bahria University, Islamabad in 2006. He was not only scholarship holder for four consecutive semesters in his university but also a class representative and an avid sportsman, with special interest in cricket. Since his graduation he is focusing on energy and power, as he believes that the future growth and development of Pakistan will depend to a large extent on the manner in which the country develops these two sectors. Regional and political affairs also fascinate him especially local political scenario and developments in the Central Asian and the Middle Eastern states. He believes society has a responsibility towards the welfare of less privileged people especially in the areas of health, education and economic uplift. He has worked with Pakistan Tobacco Company as an internee during 2004 and 2005.





YP11-NA01
Syed Ali

Syed Ali belongs to Ghanche in Northern Areas and was born on October 18, 1986. He completed his A-levels and is currently a student of law. Syed Ali has performed the responsibilities of coordinator for the student council during his A-levels in his school. Apart from a focus on his studies, he has been participating in different extra-curricular activities including debates and essay competitions. He was also selected for South Asian Undergraduate Student Leaders programme at Dickinson College, Pennsylvania by the United States Education Foundation Pakistan. Syed Ali also writes on issues such as human Rights, youth activism and education in various newspapers. He is a volunteer with United Nations, a member of Pakistan British Law Council and Green Peace Cyber Activist Community. His areas of interest include Women Development, Law and Youth Affairs.

YP12-NWFP01
Afzal Khan Shinwari

Afzal Khan Shinwari belongs to District Kohat in NWFP. He was born on December 30, 1979. His academic career includes O'levels and intermediate from Peshawar, a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science from FAST and a Masters in Business Administration with a major in Marketing from Lahore University of Management Sciences. As a student, he was actively involved in university societies and clubs. He is also a scholarship holder by ministry of science and technology. Currently he is working in the marketing side at Paktel. Previously he has worked for two years in the field of Information Technology. Afzal Shinwari has also participated in national and international conferences. His major areas of interests include Telecommunications, Interior Affairs and Foreign affairs.





YP13-NWFP02
Muhammad Nawaz

Muhammad Nawaz belongs to District Peshawar. He was born on December 25, 1982. He has graduated from the University of Peshawar in Law and Political Science and is currently pursuing a Masters degree in political science. He is also working as president of a local NGO, Rural Community Relief Organization. Previously, he has worked with the Islamic Academy Peshawar as an English Language teacher. Active in areas relating to youth and youth affairs, Muhammad Nawaz is also a member of the Youth Forum, a project of the British council. Muhammad Nawaz is politically affiliated with Pakistan Peoples Party Parliamentarian. Harbours political ambitions, Muhammad Nawaz plans to take part in next local government election. His areas of interest include Education, Interior Affairs, Law, Women Development and Youth Affairs.

YP14-NWFP03
Nida Khan

Nida Khan belongs to District Mardan. She was born on March 27, 1982. She has completed one year of M.Phil in Anthropology from Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad. Nida Khan has earlier obtained a MBA in Finance with distinction from Bahria University Islamabad and MSc Sociology from Allama Iqbal Open University. She has been class representative throughout her university period. She has also been awarded Bahria University's scholarship. Nida received a Silver Medal for standing Second in All Pakistan Naat Competition also. She has worked in the development sector also including the Delegates of Danish Red Crescent. In 2005, she was selected as an intern to work with the Parliament under the Parliamentary Internship Programme by PILDAT. Her fields of interests include Youth Affairs, Women Development and Education.





YP15-NWFP04
Ommar Hayat Abbasi

Ommar Hayat Abbasi belongs to District Abbottabad. He was born on October 20, 1982. Ommar holds a Masters degree in Defence & Strategic Studies from Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. He has worked with Inter Services Public Relations (ISPR) previously and is currently working with Pakistan Institute of Legislative Development And Transparency (PILDAT). Ommar has won many National and International debates and quizz competitions including 5th SAARC Quiz. He is also a debater while he has represented Pakistan in various youth delegations. A prolific writer, Ommar contributes to newspapers and journals. He has also worked to organise various events such as All Pakistan Youth Convention and Commonwealth Youth Celebrations hosted by Pakistan. His fields of interest include Religious Affairs, Youth Affairs and Foreign Affairs.

YP16-NWFP05
Rafi Ullah Khan

Rafi Ullah Khan was born on July 03, 1982. He belongs to District Dir. He is a student of MBBS at Saidu Medical College, Swat. Earlier, Rafi Ullah Khan completed his Matriculation from Swat Public School and passed his intermediate examinations from Islamia College, Peshawar. He is also a winner of the National Talent scholarship. Rafi Ullah Khan has also been nominated for Global Youth Exchange Programme organised by the British Council. He has also participated in Youth visit to China organized by the Government of Pakistan. Rafi Ullah has worked as a volunteer and also participated in walks against Aids, Hepatitis and pollution. He has worked with American Medical Students in July 2006 during their visit to Pakistan sponsored by the Pakistani-American Organization APPNA. He is a member of the National Volunteer Movement as well as a member of the Child Labour Prevention Society. His fields of interest include Foreign Affairs, Youth Affairs and Education.





YP17-NWFP06
Sidra Tariq

Sidra Tariq belongs to District Mansehra. She was born on August 14, 1984. Sidra has completed her Bachelor of Arts degree from Islamabad College for Girls and is a student of International Relations at Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. She has won over 200 prizes throughout her educational career in different disciplines. In extra-curricular activities, Sidra has held the office of Secretary (Music), Secretary (Fine Arts), Vice President and President of the Students Council of Islamabad College for Girls. She had also been declared as the “Best Student of the College” for consecutive two years. Sidra was also awarded Roll of Honour by the Punjab University. Active in youth affairs, Sidra has been part of youth forums and conferences organised by the Friedrich Naumann Stiftung foundation and the Liberals Youth Forum. Sidra’s fields of interest include Foreign Affairs, Education and Women Development.

YP18-NWFP07
Tariq Salam

Tariq Salam was born on October 03, 1982 and belongs to District Lakki Marwat. He completed his Bachelor of Arts from Islamia College Peshawar in 2002 and then joined Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad, from where he obtained his masters degree in International Relations in 2005. He is currently working as an Assistant Controller of Examinations at Kohat University of Science and Technology. A bright student, Tariq has been awarded gold medals both in his masters and bachelors degrees. He has served as the Secretary General of Islamian Student Council, Peshawar during his stay at the college while he was also awarded a roll of honour. He also held the position of Senior Vice President of International Relations department at Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. Tariq is a member of the Japanese South Asian Youth Forum since 2003 and is also affiliated with Shaheen Youth Welfare Society as a joint secretary since 2001. His major areas of interest are Foreign Affairs, Youth Affairs and Education.





YP19-PUNJAB01
Abdul Ghaffar

Abdul Ghaffar belongs to District Khanewal. He was born on January 1, 1985. He has completed his graduation from Bahauddin Zakria University Multan in European History & Sociology. He is currently a student of Defence & Strategic Studies at Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. Abdul Ghaffar is a Vice President of the DSS Society, a member of Quaid-i-Azam Literary Society and also a Member of Adventure Club. He is very interested in International Relations and Pakistan's decision making structure and for this reason he has enrolled himself in Defence and Strategic Studies masters programme. Political issues, education, law & order situation, religious affairs and women development are the fields which interest him as he believes these issues are related to the people and society which can affect them directly.

YP20-PUNJAB02
Ajmal Shah Din

Ajmal Shah Din was born on March 04, 1978. He belongs to District Okara. Ajmal Shah Din got his bachelors degree from Okara. Currently working in the electronic media, Ajmal Shah Din has worked as a columnist, bureau chief, editor, chief editor and executive editor of different print and electronic media organisations. He considers it an achievement to introduce safeguards for the intellectual property rights of the writers and columnists from South Asia through his organisation Right Vision Advertising. He has been very active in journalists' politics too and is a member of the governing body of Electronic Media Reporters' Association, Lahore as well as in-charge Secretary General of Pakistan Union of Journalists, Lahore since 2000.



YP21-PUNJAB03

Arif Mahmood Chaudhary

Arif Mahmood Chaudhary was born on November 23, 1983. He belongs to District Faisalabad. He completed his A-levels in 2002 and enrolled in B.Sc (Honours) in Accounting and Finance at Cardiff University, UK. Arif Mahmood Chaudhary has worked alongside his studies in different financial houses at UK. He has also worked as an internee with Pakistan Tobacco Company in July 2007. Arif believes a strong economy is the backbone for development and prosperity of a country and its people. A strong proponent of youth's grooming for future leadership, he believes that the society needs to make investments in preparing youth for its role. Arif Mahmood Chaudhary is a member of Asian Society. His fields of interest include Finance, Law and Interior Affairs.



YP22-PUNJAB04

Ashir Azim Masih

Ashir Azeem Masih belongs to District Gujranwala. He was born on January 04, 1984. He has completed his Masters from Government Islamia College, Gujranwala. Currently he is serving as a lecturer of Urdu at Garrison Academy, Khariyan. Politically, he is affiliated with Pakistan Muslim League. He has served as a nazim of students in his college and chairman Youth Wing of "Anjuman-e-Iqbal, Pakistan. He is also a member of Inter-faith Peace Committee, District Gujranwala and Secretary General of Mutthahidda Muslim Christian Ethihad. According to him, the issues of his interest include Sports, Education, Religious Affairs and Youth Affairs. The Youth Parliament should address issues of political development and sustainability of democracy in Pakistan. He intends to raise issues of youth education and health as MYP.



YP23-PUNJAB05
Hammad Kabir

Hammad Kabir belongs to District Gujranwala. He was born on July 03, 1980. He has completed his Bachelor of Science Degree from FAST National University of Computer and Emerging Sciences, Lahore in 2002. Active in extra-curricular activities, he has received many awards. Hammad Kabir later Joined Lahore University of Management Sciences for obtaining a Masters Degree in Business Administration. He has worked in the telephone, business and software sectors since obtaining his professional education. He is interested in issues such as Education, Youth Affairs and Religious Affairs. Hammad Kabir believes that as an active forum of youth in Pakistan, the Youth Parliament should focus on these areas.

YP24-PUNJAB06
Hina Anwar Ali

Hina Anwar Ali belongs to District Lahore. She was born on December 07, 1982. She holds a BBIT and is currently pursuing a Masters degree in Diplomacy and Strategic Studies from Punjab University. Hina has also got a postgraduate diploma in International Affairs from Punjab University. She is also working in business development. Earlier, she has worked as an instructor with FAST University. Active in youth affairs, Hina has served as a coordinator for Youth Alliance for Human Rights. She has also worked as a facilitator with the UNFPA, Pakistan. Involved in various social causes, Hina serves as Secretary General of Society for Welfare Activities, Vice President of Mashal-e-Rah and President of Rozan-e-Zindan. Her fields of interest include Youth Affairs, Foreign Affairs and Women Development.



YP25-PUNJAB07
Hummayun Javed

Hummayun Javed belongs to District Rawalpindi. He was born on November 16, 1987. Currently he is studying in the BSc (Hons) Program at the Lahore University of Management Sciences, scheduled to graduate in 2009. His major area of interest include Development Economics and Finance. He completed A-Levels from Beaconhouse in Islamabad in 2005. He received merit scholarships both at the Beaconhouse and at the Lahore University of Management Sciences. His achievements have been in the community service sector, where he worked with a variety of organizations including Islamic Relief, STEP, and International Commission on Workforce Development, International Islamic University, SOS Village and AIESEC Pakistan. What he strives for is the creation of awareness regarding social, political and economic issues that need to be understood by the masses in order to bring change for the better in Pakistan.



YP26-PUNJAB08
Iftikhr Mubarik

Iftikhr Mubarik belongs to Lahore. He was born on December 31, 1981. He passed matriculation from Lahore Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education in 1997 and completed his higher Secondary School Certificate from Allama Iqbal Open University. He is working with a company of Metro Bus Services as a Ticket Clerk. He worked as a coordinator in Adult Literacy project of Education Foundation as well as served as an assistant to National Coordinator for Election Monitoring Cell of Human Rights Commission of Pakistan. He has also served with an NGO SAHIL. Iftikhar joined the Labour Party Pakistan in 1998, and soon became a member of Lahore Committee to organise the party in Lahore. His fields of interest include are Women Development, Youth Affairs and Child Welfare Protection.



YP27-PUNJAB09
Jawaad Ali Latif

Jawad Ali Latif belongs to Rawalpindi. He was born on November 11, 1986. He has completed his Secondary School Certificate from Fauji Foundation in 2002 and got his Higher Secondary School Certificate from Federal Government, Sir Syed Rawalpindi College in 2004. He then qualified his Certified Accounting Technician (CAT) from SKANS Institute in 2005 and is currently a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA). He wishes to pursue MBA degree from Harvard Business School. He is a member of the National Science Talent Contest Alumni Association. He has been awarded Fulbright Grant for Pakistani Undergraduate Leaders in 2006. He believes the Youth Parliament should address public policies as a whole from the perspective of the youth.

YP28-PUNJAB10
Jawad Abbas

Jawad Abbas belongs to District Jhang. He was born on June 07, 1986. He completed his Matriculation from the National Cadet School and Intermediate from District Jhang where he has remained his class representative. He got his Bachelor of Arts degree from the Forman Christian College, Lahore. Currently he is a student of History at the Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. He is keenly interested in political activities and his hobby includes learning about the social and political setup of the society. His fields of interest are Foreign Affairs, Food and Agriculture and Religious Affairs.





YP29-PUNJAB11
Jawdat Bilal

Jawdat Bilal belongs to Lahore. He was born on June 20, 1983. He has completed his BBA (honours), with major in Finance from the Lahore School of Economics in 2006. He believes youth has to be prepared for leadership roles in the country and hence youth's grooming is required. Politically conscious, he wishes to contest election in the future to be elected as public representative. Democracy and rule of law wont truly take root in the country if citizens, especially youth, do not take up their responsibilities, he believes. He is interested in issues such as Media, Education and Foreign Affairs.

YP30-PUNJAB12
Khadija Malik Hassan

Khadija Malik Hassan belongs to District Mandi Bhauddin. She was born on August 06, 1978. She completed her O'levels and A-levels in 1994 and 1996 respectively from Karachi Grammar School. She graduated from Lahore University of Management Sciences in Social Sciences and got first position in her majors. She has also got a BA degree in Government and English from Cornell University, United States of America. Currently she is a freelance with the print media. She has written on culture, literature and politics for The Friday Times, Sunday and Libas International. Her short stories have been published and she has also edited the masterworks of Punjabi Sufi Poetry. She was president of the Pakistani Students Association at Cornel University, USA and was also Secretary of the American Parliamentary Debate Association, Cornel. Her major areas of interest are Foreign Affairs, Education and Women Development .





YP31-PUNJAB13

Khawaja Zeeshan Mujtaba

Khawaja Zeeshan Mujtaba belongs to District D.G. Khan. He was born on March 04, 1981. He has completed his Matriculation from Lasalle High School in 1996. He passed his intermediate in 1999. He got his Bachelor of Computer Science from Hamdard University, Karachi. Currently he is a Student of Political Science at the Bahauddin Zakria University Multan. He was the class representative during his bachelor degree in Hamdard University. He is the Managing Director of Tanzeem Al-Falah, Taunsa, since June 2006. He is also a member of The Lion Club international as well as a member of Zubair Khan Trust. His fields of interest are Science, and Technology, Education and Communication Technology.



YP32-PUNJAB14

Madiha Tallat

Madiha Tallat belongs to District Sargodha. She was born on November 1, 1984. She is currently a student of BA/ LLB Programme at the Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS) and plans to graduate in 2008. She has worked with Save Our Souls (SOS) as an internee. She has also served for International Committee of the Red Crescent (ICRC) as a team member. She is a member of the Association for the Development of Pakistan (ADP) since 2005. Madiha has represented Pakistan at the Jean Pictet Competition for International Humanitarian Law held in Serbia in 2006. She has also published an article on the philosophy of disagreement in Islam which has appeared in the philosophy journal of the UNESCO. She is particularly interested in International Humanitarian Law, International Criminal Law and Labour laws. Apart from these interests, she is attracted by Foreign Affairs.



YP33-PUNJAB15
Mohibi Hussain

Mohibi Hussain belongs to Lahore. She was born on January 02, 1979. She completed her Matriculation from Crescent Model School Lahore in 1994 and then cleared her Inter from Kinnaired College Lahore in 1996. After completing her Intermediate, she joined University of Engineering & Technology, Lahore and got her degree in B. Sc. Electronic Engineering (Telecommunications) in 2001. She won first Prize & trophy for University of Engineering & Technology in the inter-college English debate competition 2000. She got 1st prize in F.Sc. in Kinnaired College and wrote several articles and poems for college magazine and newspapers. Currently she is working as a head of Information Security with Mobilink GSM. She is also Director Information of Consumer Rights Forum. Mohibi is also a member of the Pakistan Engineering Council Since 2001. She would like to focus on areas such as good governance, strong judicial system and a resulting stable political system.

YP34-PUNJAB16
Muhammad Anwar ul Haq

Muhammad Anwar ul Haq belongs to Lahore. He was born on September 08, 1983. He completed his O-levels from St. Anthony High School in 1999 and got his A' levels from National Grammar School in 2001. After that he pursued his B.E. in Electrical & Telecomm Engineering from the University of Engineering and Technology, Lahore in 2006. He was the president of the Debating Society at the UET Lahore and also captain of the University Basketball Team. He has worked for Mobilink GSM and Alcatel Pakistan Ltd. He was declared the best speaker of the tournament at the 1st International Parliamentary Debating Championship hosted by the Government College University Lahore in 2005. His areas of interest include Finance, Science and Technology and Interior Affairs.





YP35-PUNJAB17
Muhammad Imran Khan

Imran Khan belongs to District Muzaffargarh. He was born on April 08, 1981. He completed his Matriculation and Inter from Muzaffargarh He Joined College and completed his B.Sc from Government College. Imran Khan is currently a student of M.Sc at the Bahuddin Zakria University Multan. He also undertook a course of dispenser from District Head Quarter Hospital Muzaffargarh. He is associated to teaching by profession as well as a dispenser with Punjab Employees Social Security. Imran Khan was good debater in his college. He was also Secretary General of the Peoples Student Federation (PSF) in his college. He is also a social organizer for seminars on different subjects for the awareness about the rights of women. According to Imran Khan, Parliament in Pakistan is not an effective institution because of its limitations. Economy, Poverty, Education, Health and Law and Order interest him.

YP36-PUNJAB18
Muhammad Nazeef

Muhammad Nafeez belongs to District Chakwal. He was born on January 01, 1985. He completed his Matriculation from Federal Government Boys high School Quetta cantonment in 2000. Then he passed intermediate in Computer Sciences from Army Public School and College Rawalpindi Cantt in 2003. He is presently a student of Bachelor of Arts with the majors in English literature, history and journalism. He was team member of Uncer-15 cricket team Squad from Quetta region in year 1999. He was the editor of Shaheen, a section in an Urdu magazine, published annually from Quetta. He is interested in Foreign Affairs, Youth Affairs and Education.



YP37-PUNJAB19

Muhammad Rashid

Muhammad Rashid belongs to District Gujranwala. He was born on February 02, 1983. He completed his eight years of religious education and was awarded “Shahada-tul-Almia” equivalent to Masters in Islamic Studies. Currently he is studying in the faculty of Usul-ud-din at the International Islamic University, Islamabad. He is interested in Politics, Sectarianism, Poverty and Unemployment.



YP38-PUNJAB20

Muhammad Zia Khan

Zia Khan belongs to District Pakpattan and he was born on November 11, 1977. He is a law graduate from Punjab University Law College and has also got a Masters degree in English Literature from Bahauddin Zakariya University. He is a law moot winner during his LLB. He has participated in a seminars & workshops on International humanitarian law. He has studied Political Science, American History, Public Administration, International Affairs, and Mercantile Law & Constitutional Law in his CSS examinations. He has begun to practice law. At present he is doing a diploma in Intellectual Property Laws from Punjab University Law College, Lahore. He wants to address many key issues as like education, health, poverty and good governance from the platform of Youth Parliament.



YP39-PUNJAB21
Nazia Abidi

Nazia Abidi belongs to Lahore and she was born on November 18, 1985. She is a third year student of BSc.(Honors), majoring in Economics, at the Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS). She plans to graduate in 2008. She has been active in extracurricular activities both at the school and the university. Public speaking interests her. Writing is another thing that she enjoys and she was editor of her school magazine's English section. She is serving as a volunteer for LUMS Community Service Society since 2005. Currently she is a research peer of SOMARI research group at LUMS and also Admin Manager with LUMS Entrepreneurial Society since 2005. Major issues of her interest include Education and Women's Development and Finance.

YP40-PUNJAB22
Qaisar Mahmood Gondal

Qaisar Mahmood Gondal belongs to District Mandi Bhauddin and he was born on November 23, 1979. He completed his graduation from Government Federal College Lahore in 1999 and then his Masters in computer science from the Institute of leadership and Management, Lahore. He has held various portfolios in different academic and other societies during his studies. By occupation he is an Agriculturist. He is not affiliated with any political party but supports Imran Khan, Chairman of Pakistan Tehrik-e-Insaaf (PTI) as well as Alliance for the Restoration of Democracy (ARD). Currently he is improving his skills in farm management. Democracy and its continuous derailment in Pakistan concern him as leading issues he wants to discuss in Youth Parliament. Agriculture and Commerce are main areas of his interest.





YP41-PUNJAB23
Safwan Ullah Khan

Safwan Ullah Khan belongs to District Rawalpindi. He was born on June 1, 1983. He completed his matriculation from Federal Government Sir Syed School Rawalpindi in 1998 and then passed his Intermediate from Government College in 2000. He has also graduated from the same College in 2002. He got his MSc Degree from Arid Agriculture University Rawalpindi in 2005 and is pursuing his M. Phil in Biology. He is also serving as a researcher in the subject of biology. He has received two educational scholarships and got a 3rd position in the HEC inter-university debate competition in 2006. He is a member of the Hamdard Foundation since 1996. He is also a member of Daa'wah Academy and the Reader's Club. He is interested in Foreign Affairs, Interior and Youth Affairs.

YP42-PUNJAB24
Saif Ullah Khan

Saif Ullah Khan belongs to district Lahore and he was born on January 04, 1983. He passed his Matriculation in 2000 and his Intermediate in 2002 and joined Preston University to get his bachelors degree in Information Technology. Saif Ullah Khan has visited many countries including Turkey, Syria, Jordan and the United Arab Emirates. Interested in youth affairs, Saif Ullah has been part of an official Youth Delegation to China in 2006. He is interested in Current Affairs, especially, defence and strategic and political affairs with their critical analysis. He likes music and to play guitar and his interests in sports include soccer and cricket. The issues of his interest include Sports and Foreign Affairs.



Saima Usman
YP43-PUNJAB25

Saima Usman belongs to District Multan and she was born on November 24, 1984. She attended Army Public School Bahawalpur, Iqra Army Public School Quetta and then completed secondary education from Kehkahshan Army Public School Multan with distinction. She obtained her intermediate degree in pre-engineering from F.G Degree College Multan and got third position in Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education with a silver medal. She received her Bachelors of Engineering (Honours) degree in Telecommunication from National University of Sciences and Technology (NUST) with a third position in the University including a scholarship. Active in extra-curricular activities as well, Saima Usman has taken part in sports like athletics, baseball, badminton, etc. She has also held portfolios as Student Counselor, House Captain, and Prefect.



YP44-PUNJAB26
Syed Ali Raza

Syed Ali Raza belongs to Lahore and he was born on April 26 1983. He completed his O'Levels and Intermediate from Crescent Model Higher Secondary School. He completed his B.Sc. from Government College University, Lahore. He is pursuing a LLB degree at the Punjab University. He has represented his academic institution at different regional and international forums, including being member of the Trophy winning team in Law Moot Competition, at Government Law College, Mumbai, India in February 2005 and he a member of the Student Exchange Programme, organised by the University of Delhi where he met the President of India as well. He is undergoing legal apprenticeship at the Mujtaba Jamal Law Associates, Lahore. He has possesses writing experiences as a sub-editor in the Daily Nation. His areas of interest include Law and Food & Agriculture.

YP45-PUNJAB27

Syeda Afshan Batool Zaidi

Syeda Afshan Batool belongs to District Vehari. She was born on May 07, 1979. She completed her Graduation in First Division from Bahauddin Zakria University Multan in 2004. She has an MA Islamiyat and a B.Ed degree from Allama Iqbal Open University. She has attended National Cadet Course during her academic session. She has also been taking part in college debates. Book studying, especially events of early Muslim rulers and historical events are her favourite pastimes along with newspaper reading. By profession she is a teacher at the Askari Cadet School, Burewala. She thinks that Youth Parliament should raise the issues of Lack of Educational standards and feudalism. Her fields of interest are Economics, Education, Women Development and Religious Affairs.



YP46-PUNJAB28

Umair Javed

Umair Javed belongs to Lahore. He was born on October 15, 1985. He completed his O'Levels and A'Levels from Beaconhouse, Islamabad. He is a student of BA\LLB at the Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS). Active in extra-curricular activities apart from his studies, Umair Javed as a junior at LUMS was part of the Law & Politics Society's Constituent Assembly that drafted the constitution for the society. He also contested and won the elections for Vice President of the society. He has had the honour of representing LUMS and Pakistan at Jean-Pictet Competition on International Humanitarian Law held in 2006 at Serbia Montenegro. His fields of interests are Foreign Affairs, Defence and Law.



YP47-PUNJAB29

Wajiha Zia

Wajiha Zia belongs to District Vehari. She was born in August 02, 1983. She Completed her Matriculation from Defence Public School, Lahore in 1999, her intermediate from Lahore College for Women University in 2001, and holds a B.S. Honours in Communication Studies from University of the Punjab in 2006 and a B.A. with English Elective, Political Science, Fine Arts from Lahore College for Women University in 2003. Apart from these, Wajiha has a diploma in Informatics. She has worked at the Institute of Communication Studies as a Researcher for Media and Marketing Committee. Her fields of interest include Education, Communication and Women Development.

YP48-SINDH01

Afshan Laeeque Khan

Afshan Laeeque Khan belongs to Karachi and she was born on December 04, 1984. She passed her Intermediate from Abdullah Government College, Karachi and is pursuing a bachelors degree. Afshan is deeply interested in political issues of the country and believes that all concerted efforts need to be made for sustainable democracy and upholding of the rule of law in Pakistan. Politically she is affiliated with the Jama'at-e-Islami where she is Nazima of Orangi Town Karachi. She is a member of Al-Khidmat Foundation since 2003 where she holds the position of Administrator. She has participated in different seminars and workshops on Youth affairs. Afshan Laeeque has visited different countries. Her fields of interest include Foreign Affairs, Education and Women Development.





YP49-SINDH02
Akhtar Muhammad Shah

Akhtar Muhammad Shah belongs to District Shikarpur. He was born on July 22, 1982. He was the top position holder at All Pakistan English Essay Writing Contest in year 2000. His educational qualification include Bachelor of Engineering (B.E.) in Computer and Information Systems. He is currently working with Standard Chartered Bank as a Management Trainee. Interested in sports also, Akhtar is authoring a book on Pakistan Hockey's rise and fall. He is in-charge of Youth Affairs of Sindh Hockey Association since 2003 and also the press secretary of District Hockey Association, Sukkur. Unemployment, Poverty, Illiteracy and Health are a few inter-related issues, that he wishes to address.

YP50-SINDH03
Basil Nabi Malik

Basil Nabi Malik belongs to Karachi. He was born on October 16, 1984. Basil is pursuing his LLB from the Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS). During his stay at LUMS, he has undertaken many projects relating to law and politics owing to his interest. In October 2006, he moderated and organised a panel discussion on the status of the Northern Areas of Pakistan. He was also a member of the constituent assembly which created the constitution of the Law and Politics Society at LUMS. He has also worked on problems relating to religious minorities.





YP51-SINDH04
Faik Ali Chachar

Faik Ali Chachar belongs to District Ghotki. He was born on June 07, 1979. Faik Ali Chachar obtained a BA (Hons) degree in English Literature and Linguistics from University of Sindh Jamshoro in 2000. He also got a Masters degree in English Literature. During his student years, he took active part in politics from the platform of a nationalist party of Sindh which groomed his political capabilities. He joined Pakistan Peoples Party Parliamentarian's Central Information Secretary as a Media and Communication Coordinator in 2006. He has earlier worked as an interpreter, coordinator and observer with the European Union Election Observation Mission 2002 which led him to have first-hand experience and knowledge of electoral processes.



YP52-SINDH05
Farooq Shah

Farooq Shah was born on January 06, 1978. He belongs to Karachi. Farooq Shah has passed his intermediate from Government Degree Science College Orangi Town Karachi and later completed his DHMS from Pakistan Central Homeopathic Medical College in 1998. He is currently serving at Farooq Medical centre. He is politically affiliated with Pakistan Peoples Party Parliamentarian. He believes that Education and Health need to be focussed on to improve the lives of people. Apart from his political interests, Farooq Shah is also the head of Global Anti Narcotics and Social Development Organisation since 1999. His fields of interest include Education, Women Development and Health. As a member of Youth Parliament, he wishes to discuss the issues of unemployment, corruption and terrorism as leading issues of concern to youth.



YP53-SINDH06
Hammad Khan Marri

Hammad Khan Marri was born on May 14, 1980. He belongs to District Sanghar. Hammad Khan Marri got his secondary education from Army Public School Murree and then completed his graduation from University of Sindh, Jamshoro in Computer and Information Technology. Hammad Khan Marri is politically affiliated with Pakistan Muslim League (Functional) and has also been serving as the president of PML Tando Adam. He has also worked with the Pakistan Senate's Standing Committee on Petroleum and Natural Resources as an intern. He has served his professional services voluntarily for local bodies of 2005 election campaign. He is also a member of the Sindh Development Society (SDS) since January 2004 as well as a member of Medical Equipment Aid. His areas of interest include Youth Affairs, Information & Broadcasting and Interior.

YP54-SINDH07
Mehvish Muneera Ismail

Mehvish Muneera Ismail belongs to Karachi. She was born on July 18, 1984. She completed her schooling from Karachi Grammar School in 2003 and is a student of B.A/ L.L.B at Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS). She has also worked as a teaching assistant at LUMS. Mehvish is active in extra-curricular activities and is a member of the LUMS Law and Politics Society. Mehvish Muneera Ismail has carried research on the issue of the humanitarian crisis of the stranded Biharis, the Juvenile System Ordinance 2000, and Police Reforms with reference to the Police order 2002, and the NAB ordinance, etc. Her areas of interest include Interior, Law and Women Development.





YP55-SINDH08

Mir Ghulam Murtaza Noonari

Mir Ghulam Murtaza Noonari belongs to District Jacobabad. He was born on March 02, 1983. He holds a Masters degree in Sociology from Shah Abdul Latif University, Khairpur. He has worked as a youth mobiliser and as an international volunteer in Global Youth Exchange Programme. Currently, he is working with Youth Action in Pakistan as a youth coordinator. He is also working with Pakistan Young Greens as its Secretary General. Murtaza has also remained President of District Student Alliance. He is a member of the Youth Advisory Panel of the United Nations Family Planning Association (UNFPA), United Nations Volunteer Network (UNVN) and World Student Assembly. He seeks to address several key issues from the Youth Parliament including gender issues, social security, democracy, Pak-India relations and youth participation in electoral processes. His main fields of interest include Foreign Affairs, Youth Affairs and Commerce.

YP56-SINDH09

Qurat ul Ain Marri

Qurat ul Ain Marri belongs to District Sanghar. She was born on April 27, 1981. She completed her O Levels in 1998 and A-Levels in 2000. She is currently enrolled in the Law Programme. Her scholastic achievements include representing her school at various public speaking events organised by the European Union and the Jinnah Foundation. She has also remained editor of her school newsletter and magazine. During her brief stint at high school in the USA, she remained the co-chair of the Lincoln Douglas Debate Squad, representing her school at various debate meets including the Harvard Debate Tournament of Champions. She has also written articles on politics and social issues in newspapers. Her fields of interest include Youth Affairs, Law & Women Development.



YP57-SINDH10

Riaz Hussain Wassan

Riaz Hussain Wassan belongs to District Khairpur. He was born on February 05, 1984. Riaz Hussain Wassan holds a Masters degree in Public Administration from University of Karachi with a major in Human Resource Management. He is currently working as a training consultant designing and managing training programmes as well as delivering lectures at the Sindh National Textile College. He has remained Vice Principal of a school from 2000 to 2001 also. Riaz Hussain Wassan has attended many seminars, workshops and short courses in his discipline including some focusing on problem solving & decision making. Interested in community affairs, Riaz is also the president of Wassan Welfare Education, Defence and Youth Affairs.



YP58-SINDH11

Saira Soomro

Saira Soomro was born on July 15, 1979. She belongs to District Shikarpur, Sindh. She completed her schooling up to A-Levels from Karachi Grammar School, where she also served as the school prefect. She later completed her LLB from University of Kent, Canterbury, United Kingdom where she graduated with honours in 2001. In the same year, she qualified as a barrister from Society of Lincolns Inn. She has served with Fakhruddin G. Ebrahim & Co. as an associate. She later joined Liaquat Merchant Associates where her corporate experience includes projects such as the merger of American Express bank Ltd into JS Bank. On the political front, she has participated in extensive election campaigns in different parts of the country. She desires to focus on the development of Health and Education facilities, especially for the female population of her area.



YP59-SINDH12
Sana Toaha Faridi

Sana Toaha Faridi belongs to Karachi. She was born on December 12, 1977. Sana Toaha Faridi got her intermediate degree from College of Home Economics and later her bachelors degree in Political Science from the Karachi University in 2003. She is a house wife and has two sons. Sana is a staunch supporter of democracy. Sana Toaha Faridi would like to highlight the impediments in the way of democracy from the platform of Youth Parliament as she believes that only youth conscious of these issues can take Pakistan forward towards a sustainable democratic future. Sana's major fields of interest include Education, Health, Youth Affairs and Labour and Manpower.

YP60-SINDH13
Zaka Zahid Shafiq

Zaka Zahid Shafiq was born on November 03 1982. He belongs to Karachi. Zaka has spent ten years at Aitchison College, Lahore where he obtained his O-levels. From there, he moved to Toronto, Canada to complete his high school education and earned the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) in June 2001. Zaka obtained a BA (Hon) in Political Science & International Relations from Trinity College, University of Toronto. Zaka Zahid Shafiq possesses a keen interest in Pakistan's constitutional and legal history. He has also worked on a project on judicial reforms in Pakistan and wrote a paper on the jirga/tribal justice system for the report. Zaka is keenly interested in learning more about Pakistan's legal and legislative systems, especially through his association with the Youth Parliament. His areas of interest include Foreign Affairs, Finance, Law and Education.





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