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QUALIFICATION:

Ph.D. in Applied Economics (2020), Thesis title “Food Prices and Household Welfare in Pakistan”, from Applied Economics Research Centre University of Karachi

MAS in Applied Economics (2005), Secured 2nd Position, from Applied Economics Research Centre University of Karachi

M.Sc. in Economics (2003), with First Division, from Department of Economics, University of Karachi

B.Sc. (H) in Economics (2002), with First Division, from Department of Economics, University of Karachi

EXPERIENCE:

Aug 2020- To date	Research Economist/ Assistant Professor	Applied Economics Research Centre University of Karachi
Mar 2011-Aug 2020	Staff Economist/ Lecturer	Applied Economics Research Centre University of Karachi
Sept 2008-May 2009	Research Economist	ARCH TEC Consulting firm
Feb 2008- July 2008	Lecturer	KASB Institute of Technology
June 2006-Aug 2007	Research Scholar	Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industries (FPCCI)
Jan 2006-May 2006	Junior Lecturer	Institute of Business Management (CBM)
Mar 2005-Nov 2005	Teaching Assistant	Applied Economics Research Centre University of Karachi

RESEARCH INTEREST

Poverty, Human Development / Welfare, Micro Economics and Macro Economics

PUBLICATIONS:

- "Impact of food price volatility on child health and education attainment: A case study of urban households of Pakistan," International Journal of Social Economics, Emerald Group Publishing, vol. 47(2), pages 223-243, January.
- "FOOD PRICE VOLATILITY: A Comparative Analysis among Major Cities of Pakistan," Pakistan Journal of Applied Economics, Applied Economics Research Centre, vol. 29(1), pages 71-91.
- "Human Development and Trade liberalization a comparative study of Developing versus Developed Economies", The Economic Journal of Nepal, Vol.38, No. 1 and 2, pages 46-55, 2015.
- The Pakistan Pharmaceutical Industry Published in Pakistan & Gulf Economist, pages 41-42, June 4-10 (2007).
- Pakistan Has Great Potential in Gems and Jewellery Industry Published in Pakistan & Gulf Economist, pages 27-28, July 16-22 (2007).
- Tourism Sector Yet To Be Tapped In Pakistan Published in Pakistan & Gulf Economist, pages 45-46, July 16-22 (2007).

TRAINING COURSES & WORKSHOPS:

- Training workshop on "Introduction to GIS" conducted by the Geography Department University of Karachi.
- Training workshop on "Marketing/ PR & Financial Management" conducted by Center for International Private Enterprise affiliated with US Chamber of Commerce.
- Training Course on "Elimination of Textile Quotas and Pakistan-EU Trade" conducted by Social Policy Development Centre (SPDC) and sponsored by European Union.

COMPUTER SKILLS:

MS OFFICE, E-VIEWS, STATA, etc.

REFERENCES:

Will be furnished on request