

**Charity Registration No. 1179415**



**Trustees' Annual Report  
For the year ended 31 July 2023**

Bloomsbury Pakistan – Social Science Research & Advocacy is a charity with registration no. 1179415 (The Charity Commission for England and Wales).

Its governing document is its constitution, drawn up and approved by the Trustees in 2018.

### **Mission**

The object of the CIO is to promote education in Britain and Pakistan by raising public understanding about pressing social and intellectual challenges in Pakistan by: Public Lectures and panel discussions; Publishing Book reviews and reports on academic research; Dissemination of academic research through the social and mainstream media; Teacher Training Programmes in UK and Pakistan

### **Administrative Details**

#### **Address**

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#### **Internal Auditor**

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#### **Accounts prepared by**

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#### **Banker**

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Holborn Branch  
326-328 High Holborn  
London WC1V 7PE

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Account No: 73338762

## **Structure, Governance and Management**

### **Officers (Trustees) and Executive Committee**

The managing body of the Charity is the Executive Committee, which consists of nine Officers (Trustees) The assets of the charity, including any money standing to the credit of the Society in any bank account and the right to deal with the same, vest in the Trustees. The Officers and the Executive Committee are unpaid and work on a voluntary basis.

### **Members of the executive committee (Trustees) are:**

Chairman - Dr David Taylor  
Secretary - Mr Nadir Cheema  
Treasurer - Mr Tariq Khan  
Dr Nichola Khan  
Dr Stephen Lyon  
Dr Farooq Bajwa  
Dr Maria Rashid  
Dr Najam Abbas  
Dr Farid Panjwani  
Mr Zulfiqar Khimani  
Dr Ayaz Qureshi

### **Advisory Board:**

Dr Tariq Rahman  
Mr Arif Hasan  
Dr Sarah Ansari  
Dr Matthew Nelson

### **Affiliates:**

Dr Kaveri Qureshi  
Dr Umair Javed  
Dr Sameen Mohsin  
Dr Tayyab Safdar  
Dr Fatima Burney  
Dr Najia Mukhtar  
Dr Salman Rafi

During the reporting period, the Executive Committee (Trustees) met two times online on 10 November 2022 and 22 May 2023.

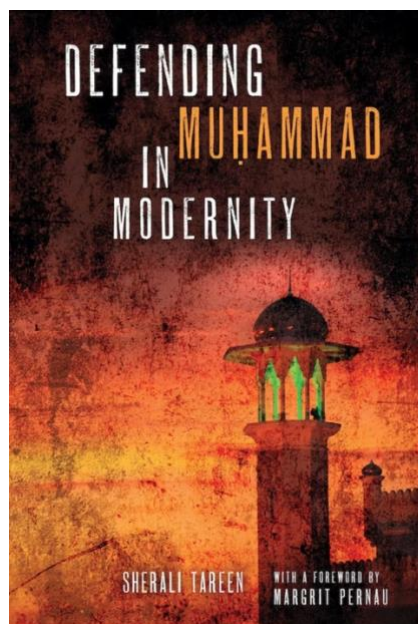
## **Review of the year 1 August 2022 to 31 July 2023**

Bloomsbury Pakistan has continued to work in accordance with its goals and aims during the year. Its activities during the year fall into the following categories:

- i) Book Reviews
- ii) Book Prize
- iii) Events
  - Book Launches
  - Annual Lecture
  - Pakistan Literature Festival

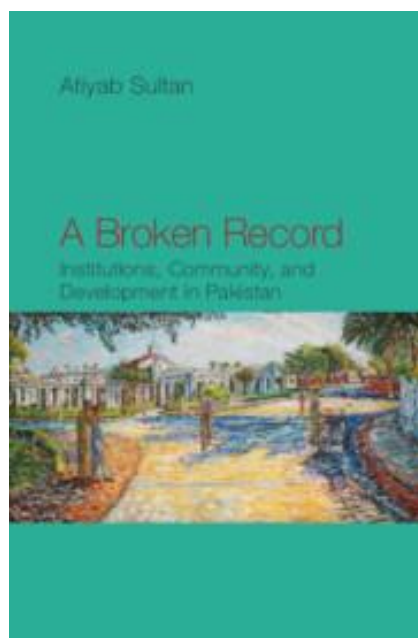
## i) Book Reviews

<http://www.bloomsburypakistan.org/publications/>



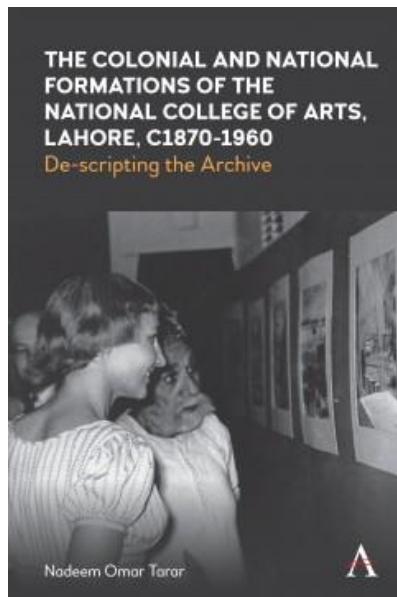
1) **Defending Muhammad in Modernity** by Dr SherAli Tareen

Notre Dame Press 2020, 506pp. **Reviewed by: Dr Nauman Faizi, LUMS (21 July 2023)**



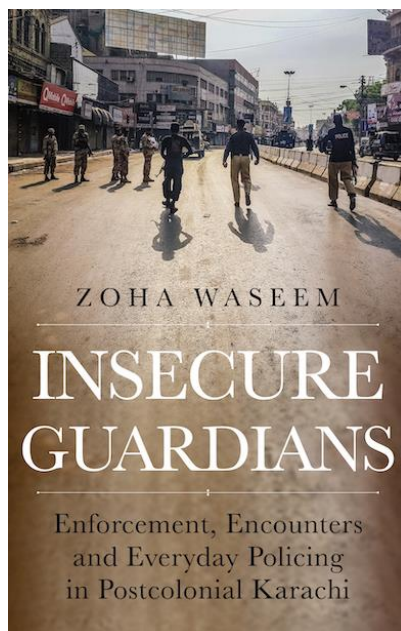
2) **A Broken Record: Institutions, Community and Development in Pakistan** by Dr Atiyab Sultan

Cambridge University Press 2022, 229pp. **Reviewed by: Professor Imran Ali (7 July 2023)**



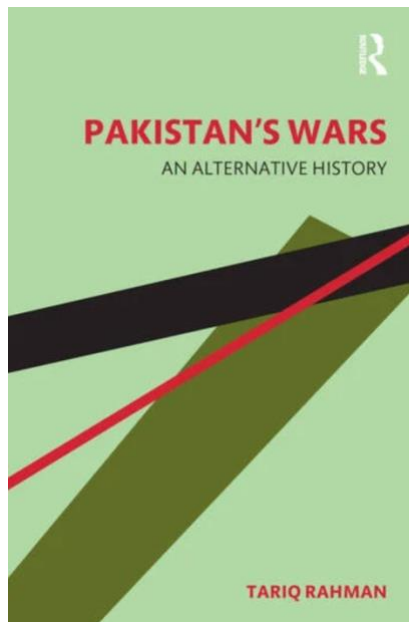
3) **The Colonial and National Formations of the National College of Arts, Lahore, circa 1870s to 1960s** by Dr Nadeem Omar Tarar

Anthem Press 2022, 250pp. **Reviewed by: Dr Samina Iqbal, Lahore School of Economics (30 June 2023)**



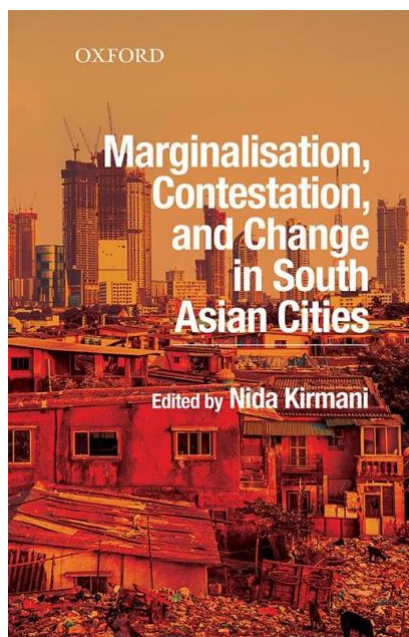
4) **Insecure Guardians: Enforcement, Encounters and Everyday Policing in Postcolonial Karachi** by Dr Zoha Waseem

Hurst Publishers 2022, 328pp. **Reviewed by: Prof Laurent Gayer, CERI-Sciences Po (9 June 2023)**



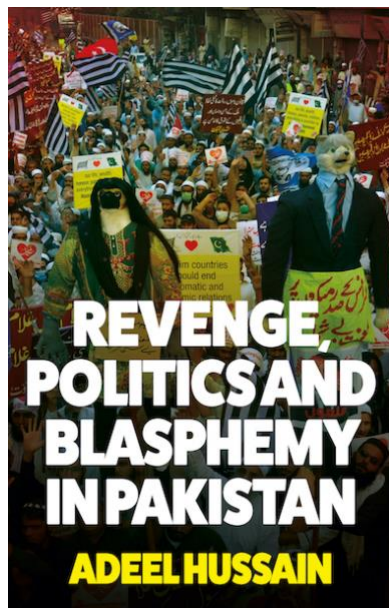
5) **Pakistan's Wars: An Alternative History** by Prof Tariq Rahman Routledge 2022, 364pp

Reviewed by: Dr Farooq Bajwa, PhD (LSE) (2 June 2023)

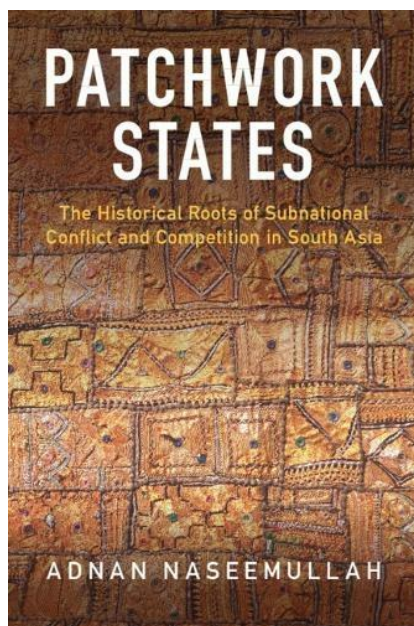


6) **Marginalisation, Contestation and Change in South Asia** edited by Dr Nida Kirmani

Oxford University Press 2022, 224pp. Reviewed by: Ms Fizzah Sajjad, PhD Candidate (LSE) (26 May 2023)

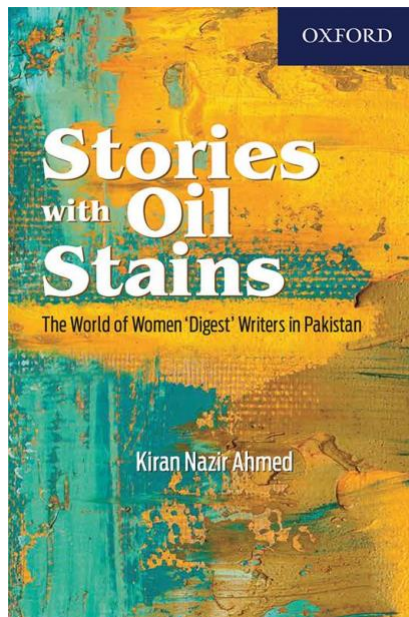


- 7) **Revenge, Politics and Blasphemy in Pakistan** by Dr Adeel Hussain  
 Hurst Publishers 2022, 242pp. **Reviewed by: Dr Sana Ashraf, PhD (ANU)**  
**(12 May 2023)**

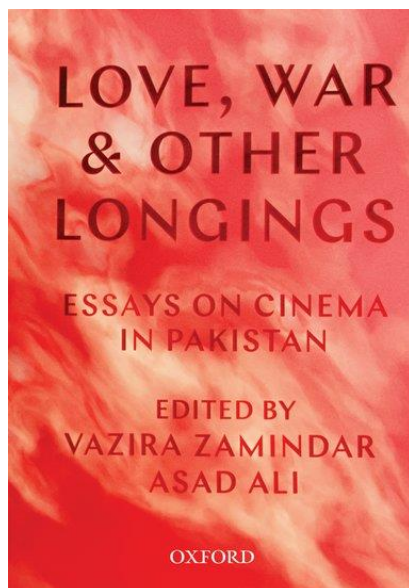


- 8) **Patchwork States: The Historical Roots of Subnational Conflict and Competition in South Asia** by Dr Adnan Naseemullah  
 Cambridge University Press 2022, 309pp. **Reviewed by: Prof Yunas Samad, LUMS**  
**(5 May 2023)**

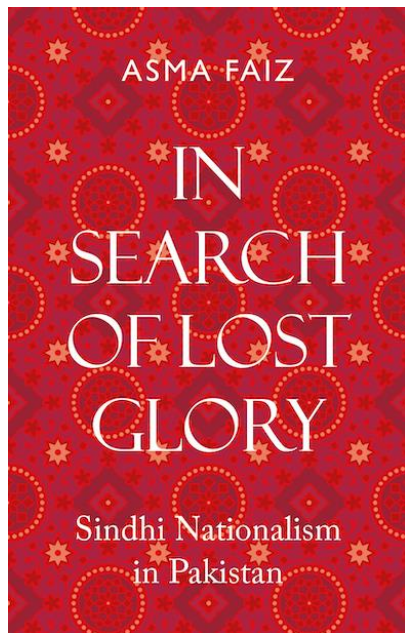




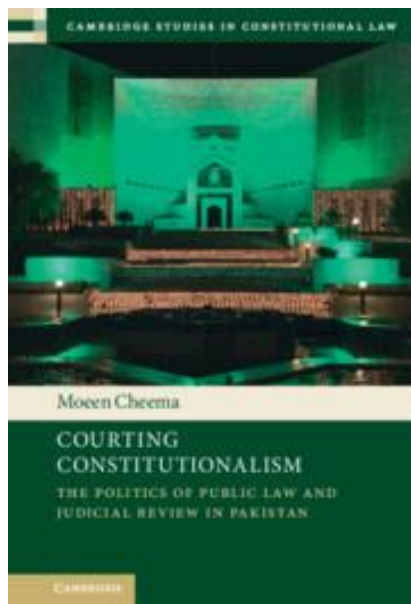
- 9) **Stories with Oil Stains – The World of Women ‘Digest’ Writers in Pakistan** by Dr Kiran Nazir Ahmed  
Oxford University Press 2020, 232pp. **Reviewed by: Dr Zainab Latif, PhD (CUNY) (28 April 2023)**



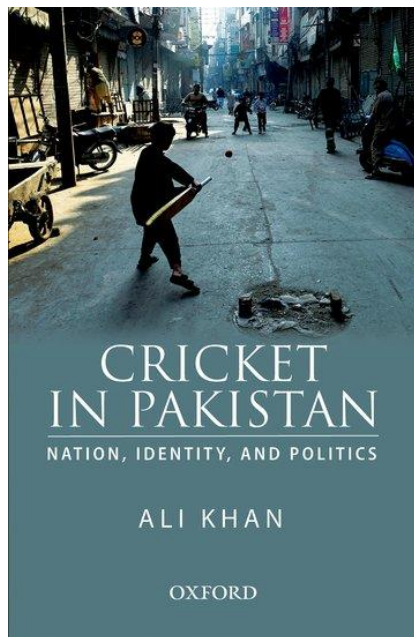
- 10) **Love, War & Other Longings: Essays on Cinema in Pakistan** Edited by Prof Vazira Zamindar and Dr Asad Ali  
Oxford University Press 2020, 274pp. **Reviewed by: Dr Samhita Sunya, University of Virginia (31 March 2023)**



11) **In Search of Lost Glory: Sindhi Nationalism in Pakistan** by Dr Asma Faiz  
Oxford University Press and Hurst Publishers 2021, 277pp. **Reviewed by: Prof Matthew A. Cook, North Carolina Central University (17 March 2023)**



12) **Courting Constitutionalism: Politics of Public Law and Judicial Review in Pakistan** by Dr Moeen Cheema  
Cambridge University Press 2022, 251pp. **Reviewed by: Dr Yasser Kureshi, University of Oxford (4 November 2022)**

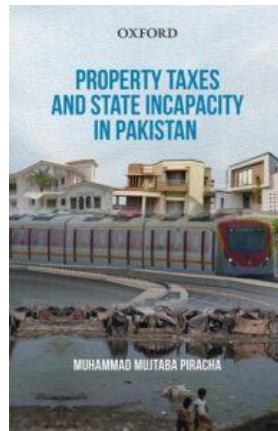


**13) Cricket in Pakistan: Nation, Identity, and Politics** by Dr Ali Khan

Oxford University Press 2022, 306pp. **Reviewed by: Prof Mohammad Waseem, LUMS**  
**(28 October 2022)**

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## BLOOMSBURY PAKISTAN BOOK PRIZE 2022



***'Property Taxes and State Incapacity in Pakistan' by Dr Mujtaba Piracha***  
Oxford University Press 2021

We extend our congratulations to *Mujtaba Piracha* and plan to celebrate this important text in an upcoming BP seminar (to be announced). We would also like to acknowledge the three runner-up entries (listed in alphabetical order) for their excellent contributions to the study of Pakistan.

***Sana Ashraf. Finding the Enemy Within: Blasphemy Accusations and Subsequent Violence in Pakistan.*** Australian National University Press 2021

***Akbar Zaidi. Making a Muslim: Reading Publics and Contesting Identities in Nineteenth-Century North India.*** Cambridge University Press 2021

***Waleed Ziad. Hidden Caliphate: Sufi Saints beyond the Oxus and Indus.*** Harvard University Press 2021

We extend our congratulations to the four authors for producing these original and thought-provoking texts that deepen as well as challenge our understanding of Pakistan.

The book prize is awarded to the most outstanding academic book published in English in the previous calendar year on a topic or theme connected to the history / politics / society / economy / culture either of Pakistan within its present borders or of the communities of South Asia where the work is broadly relevant to Pakistan. The successful book is expected to make an original contribution to scholarly understanding of the lives and experiences of the people of Pakistan or South Asia.

*Convenor:* Dr Maria Rashid

*Selection committee:*

Prof Kamran Asdar Ali, University of Texas

Dr Farzana Shaikh, Chatham House

Prof Matthew Nelson, SOAS University of London

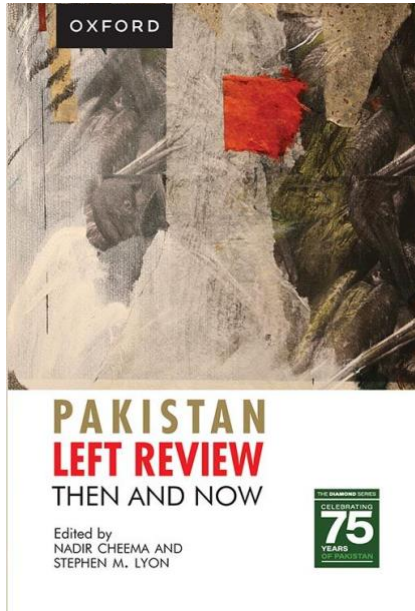
We are grateful to the convenor and the selection committee for handling the book prize with due diligence.

More details - <https://bloomsburypakistan.org/bloomsbury-pakistan-book-prize/>

### iii) Events

<http://www.bloomsburypakistan.org/events/>

## Book Launch



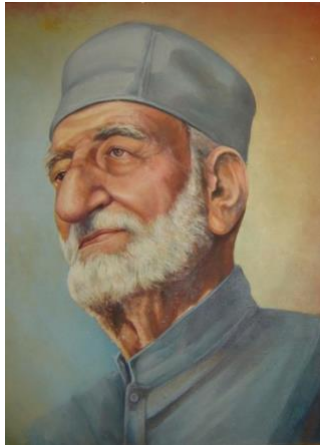
### **Book Launch: Pakistan Left Review: Then and Now**

Speaker: *Prof Amin Mughal, Prof Salima Hashmi, Prof Kamran Asdar Ali (via Zoom)*

*Prof Stephen Lyon and Nadir Cheema held on 21 October 2022*

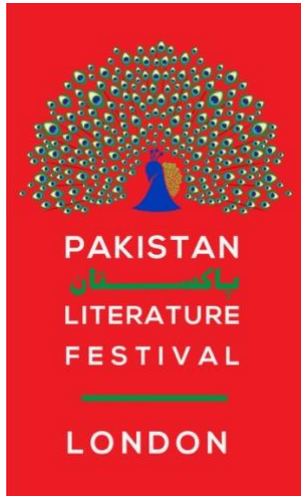
[More details](#) and [video of the lecture](#).

## **Annual Lecture:**



### **Annual Bacha Khan Lecture 2022: *Pashtun Women and Education***

Speakers: *Dr Wiqar Ali Shah* is the former Dean of Faculty of Social Sciences, Quaid-i-Azam University. He is the author of several books. His research focuses on Abdul Ghaffar Khan and Khudai Khidmatgars, gender, tribal areas and Afghanistan. He was awarded PhD from the University of Oxford. Discussant: *Dr James Caron* is an academic at SOAS. His academic research is on Pakhtuns, Pushto literature and history & politics of the region. Chair: *Dr Mukulika Banerjee* is an academic at LSE. Banerjee was awarded her doctorate from the University of Oxford where she worked on Bacha Khan, published as the book 'The Pathan Unarmed: Opposition and Memory in the North West Frontier'. Introduction: *Mr Ziauddin Yousafzai* is from Swat, Pakistan. He is an activist and works on girls' education. [More details](#) and [video of the lecture](#)



### **Pakistan Literature Festival (PLF) London 2023**

The Pakistan Literature Festival (PLF) London will be held on 17th June 2023 at Conway Hall. PLF London is launched by the pioneers of literature festivals, Ameena Saiyid & Asif Farrukhi, Lightstone Publishers and Bloomsbury Pakistan. PLF London is a part of the movement in Pakistan to celebrate academics, writers, artists, free debate and creative expression. [PLF 2023 Programme](#) and [More details](#)





Charity name

Charity number (if any)

For the period from (start date)

to (end date)

## Section A

## Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	6230				
<i>Sub total</i>					
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, etc</b>					
<i>Total receipts</i>					
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Bank Charges	100.90				
Software	127.12				
PLF Travel - Guest Speaker	2735.18				
PLF - Hotel Guest Speaker	414				
PLF - Books Courier	720.75				
PLF - Venue Hire	995				
Other PLF Admin	2812.88				
Book Prize	1000				
<i>Sub total</i>	(2675.83)				
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, etc</b>					
<i>Total payments</i>					
<i>Net of receipts/(payments)</i>	(2675.83)				
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>					
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	4940.63				
<i>Cash funds this year end</i>	2264.80				



## Section B

## Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

	Details	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Current Account	2264.80		
	<i>Total cash funds</i> (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			

	Details	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>				

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>				

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>				

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>				

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf  
of all the trustees

Signature

Print name

Date of approval



Nadir Cheema

01/09/2023



Dr David Taylor

01/09/2023