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No-Win War
The Paradox of US-Pakistan Relations in Afghanistan’s Shadow
Zahid Hussain

This book explores the post 9/11 relations between the United States of America and Pakistan. The growing divergence between Washington and Islamabad has taken an already uneasy alliance to a point of estrangement. Yet a complete breakup is not an option. The underlying cause of the tension within the partnership the two had entered on 13 September 2001 has never been fully understood. What is rarely discussed is how Pakistan’s decision to ally itself with the United States pushed the country into a war with itself; the cost of Pakistan’s tight roping between alignment with the United States and old links with the Afghan Taliban, and its long-term implications for the region and global security.

Zahid Hussain is an award-winning journalist and author. He was a Pakistan Scholar at Woodrow Wilson International Centre, Washington DC (2011–2012), and a visiting fellow at Wolfson College, University of Cambridge (1999), and at the Henry L. Stimson Center, Washington DC (1994).

The Fragrance of Tears
My Friendship with Benazir Bhutto
Victoria Schofield

Benazir Bhutto twice served as prime minister of Pakistan (thereby becoming the first woman to head a democratic government in a predominantly Muslim nation); she was assassinated in December 2007 while attempting a political comeback. This book provides first-hand insights into Benazir’s transformation from Oxford undergraduate to political activist, prisoner, and politician against the backdrop of an increasingly turbulent region. Drawing on diaries and letters, Schofield narrates with affection and emotional honesty the trajectory of her close and enduring bond with one of the most charismatic and controversial figures in South Asian politics—and a woman whose life and career were defined by tragedy.

Victoria Schofield is a historian and commentator on international affairs, with special expertise on South Asia.
Liaquat Ali Khan
His Life and Work
Muhammad Reza Kazimi

Liaquat Ali Khan (1895–1951) was among the founding fathers of Pakistan. His contribution to the creation and consolidation of Pakistan has been immense. Yet the fact that no biography of this first Prime Minister of Pakistan and the last Honorary Secretary of the Muslim League has ever been written in English shows how far his role has been neglected. This book has the distinction of being the first biography of this historic figure. Based on primary and unpublished material including the Jinnah-Liaquat Correspondence, The All-India Muslim League Papers, and The Shamsul Hasan Collection, this book contains many interesting disclosures, notably about the Desai–Liaquat talks, Liaquat’s hostility to the British War efforts, and the economic imperatives of the 1947 ‘Poor Man’s Budget’. This will be essential reading for all those who are interested in the recorded history of Pakistan.

Muhammad Reza Kazimi has taught Islamic History and Pakistan Studies since 1970 and continues to supervise doctoral research at the University of Karachi.

Pakistan’s Foreign Policy
A Reappraisal
Third Edition
Shahid M. Amin

This book is a penetrating analysis of Pakistan’s foreign policy from the time of Independence until the beginning of the new millennium. The book pragmatically examines the structural failures of Pakistan’s foreign policy-making process and calls for new thinking on its various aspects. This edition contains a new introduction and a chapter on the developments in Pakistan’s foreign policy from 2010 to 2020.

Shahid M. Amin is a veteran Pakistani diplomat, with a 39-year-experience in the Pakistan Foreign Service (1958–1997).
Principles of Administrative Law
A Comparative Study
Revised and Expanded
Hamid Khan

This book is a comparative study of the principles of administrative law as developed by the superior courts in Pakistan, India, Britain, and the US. It elaborates the essential principles and concepts of administrative law including action, discretion, adjudication, delegated legislation, tribunals, the ombudsman, and judicial review of administrative action and discretion.

Hamid Khan is a senior advocate of the Supreme Court of Pakistan and one of the founding partners of Cornelius, Lane & Mufti, a leading law firm in Pakistan.
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