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Profiles of Pakistani Youth Leaders

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5	Mariam Saleem Farooqui	Art Historian	Arts	Islamabad
6	Ubaid Ullah Khan	Student/Musician	Music	Islamabad
7	Haroon Afridi	Government	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assembly	Peshawar
8	Muhammad Akbar Khan	Law	Nishtar and Zafar Law Firm	Peshawar
9	Habib Hassan	M & E Coordinator, Federal SDGs Support Unit	Planning Commission	Islamabad
10	Fatima Iqbal Khan	Human Rights Activist	HEWAD (NGO)	Quetta
11	Saddam Khan Murad	Painter	Arts	Swat
12	Asghar Khan	Youth Activist	Local Government	Mohmand
13	Sundas Khan Yusafzai	Youth Activist	International Islamic University Islamabad	Islamabad
14	Aleena Shah	Youth Leader	President, YGA	Kohat

Pakistani Youth Leaders



Wardah Iftikhar

Wardah Iftikhar is currently working as a consultant in Social Policy Section at UNICEF Pakistan, where she is working with Sustainable Development Goals Secretariat at National Assembly of Pakistan to fulfil Pakistan commitment towards SDG 2030. Since 2007, she has undertaken various campaigns, initiatives and projects that encouraged active women participation and equal opportunities for all. To further the belief, she has worked on program 'Women Can Do' that works with 12 public sector women universities and 6 female seminaries across Pakistan to assist young Pakistani female students develop their entrepreneurial skills. She also worked on project 'Training for Economic and Entrepreneurial Capacity Enhancement and Linkages Development' that works with 6 universities in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and FATA.

Madeeha Raza



Madeeha is an independent filmmaker, digital content creator, trainer/teacher, and a strong women's rights advocate. Her films interweave advocacy and social impact storytelling, with an aim to canvass dialogue on tough social issues and bringing unheard stories of real-life warriors to life. Her work highlights stories and issues of the marginalized, engendering in her audience a deep emotional connection and empathy. She aspires to document stories of women from across borders, to foster people-to-people ties that can be built on commonalities, using film, and social media as effective tools.

Danyal Hayat



Danyal Hayat is Manager Industrial Linkages and Technology Transfer at the Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC), CECOS University. His portfolio includes working with the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Ministry of Youth Affairs, Culture, Tourism and Archaeology as an honorary member of the Youth Development Commission (YDC). Danyal is also serving the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Ministry of Science and Technology as an Adviser for the Council of Young Science Leaders (CYSL). With United Nations Major Group for Children and Youth (UN-MGCY), he has contributed to several policy making processes to ensure inclusive policies for children and youth. In addition to that, Danyal is a Global Shaper at World Economic Forum, Duke of Edinburgh award holder, Advisory Committee Member for Open Access Week and is alumnus of Asia Europe Foundation (ASEF), Harvard Project for Asian and International Relations and UNESCO's Global Citizenship Education (GCED).

Shahaan Ahmed Shah



Shahaan Ahmed Shah is a native to Quetta, Balochistan. He has primarily been working as an artist to study and understand nature, cultures and aesthetics. He does this by traveling, mostly to the remote areas of the country, to experience those places, communicate with the natives and document the essence and later translate his perception of the core aspects through the mediums of art i.e., textile art, photographs, narrative short films, digital art and theatre.

Mariam Saleem Farooqi



Mariam Saleem Farooqi is an art historian and museum professional from Islamabad. She holds a Master's degree in the History of Art and Archaeology from New York University. She has previously worked in the Asian Art Department at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, and has excavated at the ancient Roman site of Aphrodisias in Turkey. In Pakistan, she works as a consultant in the arts and heritage sector, and is currently conducting field research with the British Council. She also helped organize the first Islamabad Art Festival in 2019. Her research interests include community engagement with cultural institutions, and illegal antiquities trade in South Asia. She has presented and published her research in Lahore, London, Istanbul, and Islamabad.

Ubaid Ullah Khan



Ubaid Khan belongs to Malakand District of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Currently, he is doing Masters in Anthropology from Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. Ubaid Khan is a musician and has done various workshops on how music can be a medium for promoting peace. He has worked with different organizations including The World Bank, British Embassy and Youth Assisting Youth. He recently did a workshop in a remote area called "Booni" of Chitral district, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, on bringing awareness in the field of education & extra-curricular activities. Ubaid has also participated in three Programs arranged by CRSS in Islamabad in order to bring the youth of Pakistan and Afghanistan together on one platform for their betterment and prosperity. Ubaid and his team believes that they can bring a positive change through their music.

Haroon Afridi



Haroon Afridi has an M.Phil. Degree in Development Studies from Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE), Islamabad. He has worked with Foundation for Rural Development Peshawar as Program Development Officer and Program Development Assistant. Currently, Haroon Afridi is working as Young Parliamentary Associates in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assembly. He is attached with Deputy Speaker Office, Legislation Wing and Rules of Business Committees.

Muhammad Akbar Khan



Muhammad Akbar Khan belongs to Swabi, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. He graduated with distinction from the University of Peshawar in Bachelor of Laws (LL.B). Since his graduation, he is doing his legal practice with civil, constitutional and human rights as the primary areas of practice. Apart from his professional life, Akbar is part of the World Economic Forum and is a Young Global Shaper.

He has been a member of many youth organizations; including, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Youth Provincial Assembly and Youth Parliament Pakistan where he was an elected Vice-President for FATA & KPK chapter. He has worked with the Government of KPK as a board member of the Youth Advisory Council and also has to his credit affiliation with South Asian Youth Society, Bangladesh as its Regional Fellow and a Team Leader Pakistan of Milkyway Youth Movement. He is interested in politics and wants to serve the nation through politics.

Habib Khan



Habib Hassan is working as Monitoring & Evaluation Coordinator at Federal SDGs Support Unit, Ministry of Planning, Development and Reform, Islamabad. He teaches Urban Economics to senior students at school of Economics, Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. He organized the first ever 'Gilgit-Baltistan Youth Summit 2016' in Skardu, Gilgit-Baltistan to provide a forum for young people, especially females, to raise issues faced by young people in the region. His interest revolve around cities, youth, innovation and ideas for sustainable future communities.

Fatima Iqbal Khan



Fatima Iqbal Khan is a widely-respected human rights activist and development practitioner with eleven years of working experience in the nonprofit & non-governmental sector at different senior positions. Fatima's impressive career includes being the Provincial Head, Manager Programme & Operations, Project Manager and independent human rights activist. She is an authority on women, child and disability rights, and has been actively involved in raising awareness about violence against women, child protection, particularly domestic violence, child protection & welfare, early age marriages, forced conversions, target killing, sectarian violence, women empowerment, human trafficking/illegal migration and interfaith harmony. Fatima's expertise and experience highlight the role of gender in Pakistani social & political leadership. Fatima is also the President of Humanitarian Educational Work and Development Work (HEWAD), in addition to representing other organizations.

Saddam Khan



Saddam Khan Murad is an artist, born and raised in Swat, Pakistan. He has done his FA and BA in Political Science from Government College Mingora, Swat. Saddam joined the National College of Arts (NCA) Lahore in 2013, keeping painting as his major. He graduated in Fine Arts in January 2017. Since then, he has been working as a Professional Artist Practicing Semi-abstract figurative work and is based in Lahore. Much of the thought behind his work stems from

his early experiences of having grown up in the tribal areas of Swat and the politics that surrounds the region today.

Asghar Khan Mohmand



Asghar Khan Mohmand holds an MSc in Economics from University of Peshawar. He is a Youth Nazim Ala Charsadda at PYA, Youth Ambassador ANF, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, CDRT Member at PRCS Mohmand branch, Citizen Journalist Radio TNN, Ambassador at Al-Khidmat Foundation Charsadda, and Executive Member of DC Volunteer Task Force, Charsadda.

Sundas Khan Yusafzai



Sundas Khan Yusafzai belongs to Attock, Punjab. She is a Radio Journalist at FM 105.6. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Media and Journalism Studies and is currently enrolled in Masters in International Relations at International Islamic University Islamabad. Ms. Yusafzai is associated with Sar-E-Aam Team at ARY News Channel. She has been an active member in Afghan Studies Center and Center for Research and Security Studies' conferences.

Aleena Shah



Aleena Shah belongs to Kohat, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and is a final year student of Bachelors in International Relations from Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. Alongside chairing MUNs and partaking in national policy making competitions, she is the President of Islamabad Chapter for Youth General Assembly. She believes in participating in interactive sessions in order to reach a unified and strong solution, and has, therefore, attended various seminars and workshops on the topic of Afghanistan making it an academic as well as personal area of interest. This is Aleena's second time engaging with CRSS to encourage the youth of both countries to discuss ideas and schemes. She is honored for this opportunity and hopes to rise from attending this Summit to giving valuable input to Pak-Afghan relations domestically and internationally.

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1. Hosai Sarwari



Ms. Hosai is gender responsive budgeting officer at Ministry of Public health. She is voluntarily working as Master Trainer with Alpha Afghanistan as well. She has bachelor's degree in Public Policy and Administration from Kabul University and did her internship at the Chief Executive's office in Gender Department. Ms. Hosai has been contributing to women empowerment and gender equality, and she is an active member of promote Musharakt USAID.

2. Sana Ahmadi



Sana Ahmadi has graduated from Public Policy and Administration Faculty of Kabul University and currently working as Professional Planning Member at Ministry of Urban Development and Land. Most of her activities are to manage and oversee the process of deployment, evaluation and creation of a control database of revised plans and forwarding it to national procurement contribute to the process of monotheism and the preparation of the procurement plan, as well as creating and developing an effective mechanism to analyze and review the anticipated requirements in the procurement plan and also creating a logistics information management system. She trains employees to build their capacity.

3. Sabawoon Meenanak



Meenanak has a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Peshgam University in 2018, and graduated diploma in Accounting from Accounting Department of Administration and Accounting Institute in 2014 Kabul, Afghanistan. Since 2011, He is working as a professional member of Strategic Analysis Planning Department, of the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) Afghanistan, where he compiles all departments' operational plan, quarterly reports and annual reports, and analyze them based on MoPH strategic directions, objectives, interventions and sub-activities. Prior to joining Ministry of Health, he was working as an Admin Assistant with CARE International Afghanistan from January 2010 to July 2011 and from 15 Feb 2009 – 01 Jan 2010 Office Assistant to Planning Directorate, Ministry of Public Health. During this period, he attended a range of different national and international workshops and training programs, including Evidence based Public Health Planning at Japan, Planning implementation and Monitoring Evaluation in India, Strategic Planning, Operational Planning, Planning and Reporting, Planning

Implementation and Monitoring Evaluation, Health Sector Review, Gender Equity, Planning and Reporting Analysis, Concept Note etc. at different regions. He is also honored to receive the certificate of appreciation from Dr. Surya Dalil, former Minister of Health in 2013.

4. Wazhma Akbari



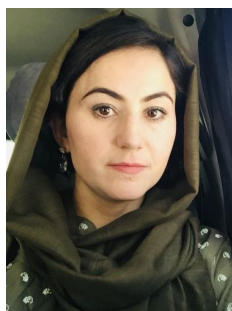
Wazhma Graduated from Public Policy and Administration Faculty of Kabul University and currently working as Gender Responsive Budgeting Officer for about two years in Ministry of Public Health, to make MoPH Budget Gender sensitive. Most of her works has been on gender. The goal is to budget for gender needs and to address gender-specific needs, particularly addressing the basic needs of women in government agency activities and goals. Activities such as: awareness raising and capacity building for women, especially in gender responsive budgeting – gender analyzing of MOPH policies and strategies - Creating programs to include women in various programs. Earlier she had been involved in volunteer work such as: creating of training art programs and workshops, and held art and craft exhibition for marketing and selling women's crafts.

5. Masih Ahmadi



Masihullah Ahmadi is Founder & CEO at Tech Life Company. He has a BCS degree in Computer Science (Information System) from Kabul University, he has web development and mobile development experience over a period of 4 years working on different projects. He has Developed Bank Khon (connect and help those in need of blood to find blood donors), service (provides a platform where you can easily find all services that you require, contact with provide and get it) Election.af (Candidates and voters platform), Getup Freelancer (Freelancing Platform) and many other mobile applications, database and websites. He attended at innovation labs leading in Kabul as event manager and has participated in mobile application development training, Mr. Ahmadi has skills in Leadership, Project Management, and Business Management. He is a member of FB Start (Facebook Program) and my mobile app (Bank Khon) has been approved in bootstrap and social good app in FB start program.

6. Kahkashan Koofi



Khakashan Koofi was born in Koofi district of Badakhshan province in 1992, in a religious, civilized, cultural and science-minded family. She graduated from Kabul Afghan Turk School in Kabul. She is Bachelors of Law and Justice, pursuing a student career as well as pursuing cultural, social, and law-related activities at the Edrak Private Law University and Law School of Political Science. Koofi registered the Afghan Movement Institute under her

own leadership at the Ministry of Economy, recruited many people, made many achievements under her own name, and in the process launched many comprehensive and useful programs from the capital to the provinces. She has recently been at the helm of the Social Security and Social Protection Organization, which has been active for many years. Since 2007 she has been writing various letters for children and women in different provinces. Due to the wide range of activities of her friends, patriots, Koofi has embarked on a transparent and up-to-date process launched by a US-sponsored capacity building and talent institution in Afghanistan, bringing elites from every province. She represented for Afghanistan Badakhshan province, and was on the list of emerging leaders of Afghan civil society, traveling to Bosnia and Turkey in the process, learning scientific, leadership and management skills. Now, as a result of her effective efforts in Afghanistan's emerging civil society network, she was elected Vice President of the Network in a transparent process with most votes. She has been instrumental in many peace-related processes in recent years, participating in and contributing to most of the peacebuilding programs in Afghanistan including her key membership in the Women's Studies for Peace (WPSO).

7. Ahadia Athar



Ahadia was born in Deh Afghanan district of Kabul city in May 1988. She finished her high school from Abdul Qasim Ferdousi High School in Peshawar, and has a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Kardan University, Kabul Afghanistan. She worked in National and international Institutions in Afghanistan as well as with the government. Currently she is working as Program Manager in a civil society organization called Social Safety and Social Protection Organization.

8. Hizbullah Baryal



As a youth activist Baryal has been involved in different youth programs in Afghanistan as well as outside the country. Currently he is doing Masters of Business Administration from Kardan University. Apart from his studies, he is working as an executive assistant to the United Nation- International Labor Organization (ILO) for Afghanistan. Meanwhile, he has a social assignment in the capacity of Director with Youth for Change and Development Organization (YCDO) and is an active member of Global Afghan Forum, Global Shapers Community and Adalat Party. He works as an advisor for South Asian Youth Environmental Network (SAYEN) and youth for Human Rights International (YHRI) in Afghanistan. In 2014, he became a Voice Learner and member of the World Innovation Summit for Education (WISE) in Qatar and Spain.

9. Nabila Sakhizada



Nabila is from Baghlan Province. She is author of contracts with union of worldwide NATO and ISAF at Kabul Omid Company and currently she is doing her bachelor's degree in English Language Literate from Kabul University.

10. Gul khursand



Gul Khursand is from Badakhshan province of Afghanistan. She completed Bachelors of Political Science from Pune university of India. Currently she is working as a gender officer in Presidential Palace. She is member of youth deputy affairs in Kabul, also she has the membership of more youth programs such as youth Action Hub.

11. Deeda Shakeb



Deeda has master's degree in Educational Studies from Karlstad university Sweden, and bachelor's degree in Literature and Human Sciences. She has certificates in subject didactics and language from Karlstad university, Sweden and International languages college, Malaysia respectively. Apart from university diplomas and courses, Ms. Deeda has been part of many short- and long-term programs in the fields of Education, Environment, Leadership, and Peace organized by national and international institutes, and during this period she has received tens of acknowledgment and admiration letters. Ms. Deeda has also worked as Director of Badakhshan General Directorate of Teacher Training Colleges. Apart from that since 2015, she is leading A Call of Kindness initiative where she works to empower women and children. Under this initiative she has helped women in need with clothes and food, and children with school kits and clothes. She establishment of A call of Kindness library for girls in Badakhshan Province. Ms. Deeda is Alumni of Counterpart's Emerging Civil Society Leaders for Afghanistan and a member of Promote Musharikat's Women's Political Participation Coalition.

12. Nader Sultani



Student of MA in Banking and Finance in Kabul University. currently working as budget specialist in NSIA (National Statistics and Information Authority). Alumni and member of (Young Leader Forum - in FES) since 2013.

13. Manziha Muhammadzai



Manziha was born in Kabul in 1990. After completion of her High School, she got her bachelor's in Business Administration from Mashal University in 2016. While, continuing her higher studies she worked with different local organizations in Human Resource Management. She has also worked with UNAMA Afghanistan and Administrative Reform Commission of Afghanistan. Looking to her deep interest in that specific field and her skills in management side, she started her MBA with one of the well-known top universities in Afghanistan Kardan University. Ms. Manizha has also performed duty during Afghanistan Consultative Peace Jirga. She recently joined Ministry of Urban Development as a HR Specialist.

14. Lima Anwari



Lima Anwari did her Bachelor's degree in Islamic law from Kabul university and obtained her Master's degree from Kardan university in the specialized field of leadership and management. she has almost 8 years work experience devoted to management, policy development, gender issues, human rights, juvenile justice, training/mentoring and legal affairs with various national (Afghan Women Network) and international organizations (Justice Sector Support Program, UN Women, USAID Promote Project, and International Development Law Organization). She has been engaged with volunteer work including peace building since 2014. She has attended different events related to the youth involvement in peace process. She is member of volunteer work with Young Leader Forum, AWN, Capacity for Afghanistan, Youth for Development.

15. Muzghan Niazi



Muzghan is from Ghazni province, she graduated from Alama Neek mohammad School. She has Computer science diploma. She graduated from Salam University and studied Law and Political Science. She is working at the Gender Department with Ministry of Information and Culture.

16. Fariha Easar



Fariha is a lawyer and human rights defender. She has done her bachelor's in Law and Political Science from Kabul University, Master of Business Administration, Management and Leadership at Kardan University. She has worked with justice and judicial institutions as well as international organizations for over 10 years in different capacities, supporting the most vulnerable population, women and children. She has been involved in different cultural and social activities in Afghanistan and has conducted field researches on women and leadership, gender issues and disabled women's challenges. She has written articles about gender and women's rights related topics in general, feminism and Islamic feminism. She believes in justice through equality. As a lawyer and activist, she is passionately involved in debates on gender equality and activism. Her aim is to bring Islamic and human rights frameworks together in order to lay the basis for egalitarian Muslim family law.

17. Imamudin Hamdard



Hamdard is working as a program coordinator with Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES) Afghanistan and secretary of Afghanistan Policy Group (APG). He has bachelor's in international Relation and can speak five languages.

He has been part of many international and regional workshops and dialogues especially the Afghanistan-Pakistan Peace Process and Scenarios for the Islamabad- Pakistan in 2018 and "Security and Geopolitics in Afghanistan and South Asia", Berlin-Germany in 2018.

18. Sheewa Mohammadi Kabir



Sheewa Mohammadi Kabir is a project management assistant in Afghan Education Production Organization, a local non-profit media organization which produces educational radio programs for BBC radio, along with the Program development unit; she is an active member and leader of women's club of organization. She is currently pursuing her MA in TESOL and she holds a BA degree in English language and Literature from Kabul University, after graduation she started working as an English instructor with private universities in Kabul and several local NGOs since 2013.

During the period she continued doing volunteer work as well to find sponsors and donations, in order to, help children working on streets continue their education and in distributing basic educational materials to kids. Also, she is an official and one of the leading members of Afghanistan Intellectual Movement—a step towards peace building.

In 2018, she has participated in a Women Leadership Program held by UNITAR, being certified as future women leaders, she designed and implemented a small project within the organization by developing a gender policy and a concept to build female staffs' management capacities. Sheewa has recently established a women-lead organization which will work for Afghan women and youths, additionally, she now is working with small groups of young volunteers to find donations and help people in need, especially working children.

19. Shabnam Sarwari



Shabnam Sarwari holds bachelor's degree in Science from Kabul University. She currently works with German International cooperation-GIZ international Services in Admin and Finance department. Apart from university diplomas, she has been part of many short- and long-term programs in the fields of Education, Leadership, and Peace organized by national and international institutes, and during this period she has received tens of acknowledgment letters. Ms. Shabnam has also worked as a Vice Principal at Afghanistan International School. She is also an Alumni of USAID-Counterpart's Emerging Civil Society Leaders for Afghanistan. In 2018, she has participated in a Women Leadership Program in Japan held by United Nation Institute of Training and Research being certified as future women leaders, she designed and implemented a small project within the organization by developing Capacity Building trainings and female staffs' management capacities policy. In 2019, her name was listed among the 100 women leaders, technical, gender and rights activists' experts across all sectors of Afghanistan which USAID reflected these women's Profiles in their book.

20. Zulfia Paikaar



Zulfia Paikaar graduated in International Relations from Kardan University, she is currently working as a coordinator between Kabul University and the European Union. Zulfia is founder of the Women Work Force Promotion Organization. Through her organization she is working with the Ministry of Higher Education, the Ministry of Education, and the World Bank projects.

21. Ehsanullah Subhan



An aspirant and hardworking recent university graduate with Majors in Computer Networking and Cyber Security from London. He has the work experience at a Cyber Security firm. Furthermore, he is aiming to leverage industry experience and academic proven knowledge with a strong mind to successfully execute Cyber Security professional responsibilities. Subhan is frequently praised as adaptable by his peers and he believes he can be relied upon to help attain great results.