

**THE STATUS OF PEACE AND CONFLICT STUDIES RESEARCH IN PAKISTAN
A STUDY OF HEC RECOGNIZED JOURNALS
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ABSTRACT

This paper intends to contemplate the status of harmony and strife research in Pakistan. In the background of post 9/11 psychological warfare and battle on dread in the district, it is continuously been understood that the territory needs harmony and that it should be for all intents and purposes sought after. With the rise of harmony and struggle concentrates as a scholastic control in Pakistan, the exploration regarding the matter is likewise picking up grounds. In any case, harmony and strife research, right now, is blurred under the shadows of political theory, worldwide relations, guard, vital and security, provincial investigations, and ebb and flow issues. This paper centers around harmony and strife research in Pakistan by investigating research diaries being perceived by the Higher Education Commission of Pakistan (the public organization approved to perceive scholarly diaries). The paper dissects the substance of pertinent diaries, especially diaries that emphasis on provincial issues, political investigations, protection, security and vital examinations, and harmony considers. The paper investigated the substance of the most recent four issues of the said diaries and ordered the articles under specific subjects that may arise because of examination. A sum of 29 topics were found in this examination.

Catchphrases: Peace and Conflict, Research, Pakistan, Higher Education, Journals

PRESENTATION

Pakistan is one of the seven South Asian nations. It is known to the world for psychological oppression. It has been battling the War on Terror since 9/11 occurrence happened in the US. Starting at July 2017, there have been 459 self destruction assaults in the nation, slaughtering 7370 and leaving 15000+ others harmed (South Asian Terrorism Portal, 2017a). It likewise saw 326 robot assaults by the US, murdering 2822 and leaving 350+ others harmed (South Asian Terrorism Portal, 2017b). In the previous a long time (since 2011), just about 30,000 regular folks, security powers, and assailants passed on because of psychological warfare (South Asian Terrorism Portal, 2017c). In excess of a little less than half of the fatalities happened to regular folks. Out of 163 recorded nations in 2017, Pakistan is positioned at 152 in Global Peace Index (Global Peace Index, 2017). It stayed one of the most savage nations in South Asian since 9/11. UCDP information base records in excess of 40 thousand killings because of intra-state struggle in Pakistan since 2001 (UCDP, 2018).

It has been named as „hard country“ by certain essayists (Lieven, 2012). US Defense Secretary in 2008, Robert Gate, named it a spot where the "best danger" to the country lies (US Defense Secretary, 2008). Naval commander Mike Mullen named Pakistan „toughest public security problem“ for the US (Bumiller and Perlez, 2011; Gray, 2008). A January 14, 2008 issue of The Economist title posted the image of a hand projectile with Pakistani banner and subtitle „the world“s most risky place“ (The Economics, 2008). Additionally, an October 29, 2007 issue of NewsWeek title has the main event "the most risky country on the planet isn“t Iraq. It“s Pakistan" (Newsweek, 2007, October 29). A September 22, 2008 issue of Time magazine terms it „a country at risk“ (Time, 2008, September 22). Similarly, Riedel (2012) likewise considers Pakistan „deadly“ for US relations. Counsel to Gen. McCrystal, David Kilcullen, likewise called Pakistan „the most difficult issue of all“ (Kilcullen, 2009). Be that as it may, the nation isn't shy of worldwide distinctions. It is additionally known for Malala Yousafzai, the new essence of female schooling, and Abdul Sattar Edhi, the unbelievable humanitarian who set up the biggest private emergency vehicle administration on the planet.

OUTLINE OF PEACE AND CONFLICT RESEARCH IN PAKISTAN

Since its autonomy in 1947, Pakistan saw numerous interstate and intrastate rough clashes. The principal strife happened just after autonomy with India over Kashmir in 1948. It was trailed by battle of 1965, 1971. From that point forward, there has been no major and open battle between the two nations. Pakistan additionally saw aggressiveness in Balochistan and parts of Federally Administered Tribal Area (FATA). Alongside this, Karachi and other significant urban communities of Pakistan has been oftentimes casualty to partisan, ethnic and political brutality.

Exploration explicitly regarding this matter is yet to pick up force. Prof. Moonis Ahmer held a meeting on Conflict Resolution Research in South Asia in 2010 at Karachi University. It produced excellent examination grant from researchers around the globe with explicit spotlight on South Asia (Ahmer, 2010). Notwithstanding, that exertion couldn't be regulated into a running exploration diary.

SYSTEM

This exploration depends on auxiliary information. Universe of the examination was HEC perceived diaries in „X“ or „Y“ classification. It was choose to search for most recent four (4) issue of every diary. All the diaries were gotten to online for chapter by chapter list. Nonetheless, there were a couple of diaries that gave admittance to set number of past issues (just 1 or 2). In such cases, any accessible four issues were gotten to for chapter by chapter list.

A different Microsoft Word document was kept up for each journal“s accessible four issues tables of substance. The authors“ names were taken out from the articles“ titles to clean the information for all the more clear investigation.

HEC list remembers 48 perceived diaries for sociology in "X" and "Y" classification. Out of these 48, just 10 diaries were in the "X" class while the others were in "Y" classification (List of all diaries is given in Annexure).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

As an initial phase in the investigation, the crude rundown of HEC perceived diaries of Social Science was subject-wise sorted. Because of this cycle, all the diaries were ordered into twelve (12) subject classifications. Just a single diary was sorted both in History and Archeolog

MEASURES FOR JOURNAL INCLUSION

A diary whose points, targets, as well as degree referenced in any event one of the accompanying watchwords was remembered for this exploration.

As a subsequent cycle, all the diaries were screened through utilizing the screener catchphrases (Table 1). Through this cycle, ten (10) diaries were incorporated for additional examination (see Table 3 for subtleties of the diaries). Out of those 10 diaries, 6 were arranged under the subject International Relations 2 for History, and one each for Pakistan Studies and Political Science.

IPRI journal's scope incorporates the words „global south“, and „international affairs“ in its extension. Consequently, it was incorporated.

Diary of Political Studies was incorporated inferable from the way that its points incorporate the catchphrases „political science“, „international relations“, „regional“, and „international issues“ in its points and extension.

Diary of Strategic Studies was incorporated for having „regional and worldwide key issues“, „international harmony and security“ in its points and degree. The diary additionally means to advance educated public comprehension in Pakistan.

NDU Journal incorporates the catchphrases „national defence“, „armed forces“, „national“, „regional“, „international issues“ in its points and degree. Along these lines, it was incorporated for examination.

Pakistan Horizon was incorporated for the catchphrases „international relations“, „international issues“, „foreign policy“, „regional and worldwide issues“, „IR theory“, „terrorism“, and „security studies“ in its points and extension. This diary additionally incorporates women's worries in worldwide relations as its degree.

Pakistan Vision is a diary being distributed with various points. Its points and extension incorporate the watchword „Pakistan affairs“ in its degree. Along these lines, it was additionally included.

According to Table 4, a sum of 412 articles were distributed in all the ten (10) diaries that were access for this exploration. Note that this number is determined dependent on past four (04) issues got to for this examination. Obviously, the most elevated number of articles was distributed in Journal of South Asian Studies, for example 90 articles. It was trailed by Journal of Political Studies with 80 articles in four issues. Pakistan vision stands third with 50 papers distributed in past four issues. Different diaries went from twenty to 35 papers in past four issues.

Further, it can likewise be realized that there were just 3 quarterly diaries while seven diaries were distributed two times per year. An aggregate of 279 articles were distributed in half-yearly diaries while 133 articles were distributed in quarterly diaries. With a touch of more computation, it very well may be realized that at normal, there were 10 articles distributed in semiannual diaries per issue. On different hands, at normal, the quarterly diaries have distributed 11 articles for each issue.

Table 5 shows the quantitative examination of the diaries. From the diary, plainly the most referred to catchphrase in the Titles of these articles was Pakistan, for example 200 events in past four issues, all things considered. Second most engaged region was US , for example 58 passages. The third most engaged region was Asia and Central Asia that together

have 50 sections in past four issues of all these 10 diaries. Further, 37 articles zeroed in on „relations“ among nations, generally Pak-China, Pak-India, Pak-Afghanistan, and Pak-US. India was engaged in 46 articles while China was engaged in 37 articles. Moreover, 24 articles zeroed in on war issues and 26 zeroed in on approach issues. Afghanistan was referenced multiple times in the titles of these 412 articles. Atomic arrangement or danger likewise got 19 passages in these articles. There were 15 sections explicitly on „conflict“, 18 on „peace“ and 24 explicitly on „war“. Iran, Russia, illegal intimidation, hostility, UN, EU, SAARC, Arab, Israel, Middle East, FATA and administration got the most minimal passages in these article titles.

The significant focal point of these examination papers was on Pakistan, India, China, US, Central Asia, War, Conflict, and Peace. UN, EU, Middle East, administration, strategy, atomic danger, and religion and so on are the most un-centered zones.

END

As the investigation discoveries uncover, the significant focal point of harmony and struggle contemplates research is on Pakistan, India, US, China, Asian (Central Asia), Peace, Conflict, and War. Notwithstanding, the examination is in its early stages. There is just a single diary with a particular spotlight on all parts of harmony and struggle in Pakistan, for example PJPCS. There is a requirement for pulling in more grant for this field of study.

Pakistan Journal of Peace and Conflict Studies was set up in 2016. In spite of the fact that it still can't seem to get acknowledgment from the HEC, it is the main diary explicitly zeroing in on all regions identified with harmony and struggle. It has distributed four issues starting at now. It is distributed by the Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Peshawar semi-yearly.

It has distributed papers on battle on dread, Pashto verse, relocation because of psychological warfare, common liberties infringement, paper examination, ISIS, web-based media for illegal intimidation, network brutality, harmony news coverage, strife hypothesis, struggle.

goal, and so on Ideally, with acknowledgment from HEC, the diary would draw in many examination papers from around the globe.

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