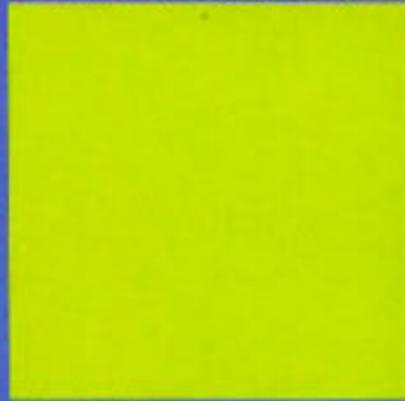


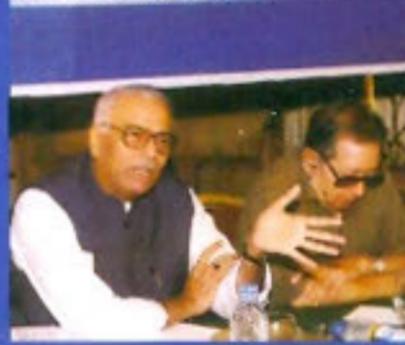
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## ABBREVIATIONS & ACRONYMS

<b>CSOs</b>	Civil Society Organisations
<b>DG</b>	Director General
<b>IPRI</b>	Islamabad Policy Research Institutes
<b>ISI</b>	Inter-Services Intelligence
<b>ISSRA</b>	Institute of Strategic Studies, Research and Analysis (ISSRA NDC)
<b>Lt. Gen</b>	Lieutenant General
<b>MNA</b>	Member National Assembly
<b>MPA</b>	Member Provincial Assembly
<b>MQM</b>	Muttahidda Qaumi Movement
<b>NRB</b>	National Reconstruction Bureau
<b>NCSW</b>	National Commission on the Status of Women
<b>PIDE</b>	Pakistan Institute of Development Economics
<b>PILER</b>	Pakistan Institute of Labour Education & Research
<b>PML</b>	Pakistan Muslim League
<b>PML-N</b>	Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz
<b>PPPP</b>	Pakistan Peoples Party Parliamentarian

## FOREWORD

**T**his is the Fourth Annual Report of PILDAT, covering the period from July 01, 2005 to June 30, 2006.

This report presents the variety of various initiatives of PILDAT focussed on promoting understanding, resolutions of conflict scenarios and inculcating a leaning contributing to strengthening of democracy and democratic institutions and peaceful coexistence. From dialogue on civil-military relations to dialogue to develop understanding between the Muslim World and the West, PILDAT focussed during the period on facilitating linkages and providing avenues of support stakeholders for a sustainable democracy.

The year 2007 is termed as crucial for the future of democracy in Pakistan as the country faces a General Election. Owing to that, PILDAT directed its efforts towards research and activities on topics such as the system of caretaker government before election, conduct of Local Government Elections and its impact on General Election and research publications on required reform in electoral processes and regional comparison of various laws and systems.

As always, PILDAT's work this year embodied thought leadership on cross-cutting issues and themes crucial for improving governance and democracy in the country.



Ahmed Bilal Mehboob  
Secretary General & Executive Director  
Islamabad: July 2006

## BASIC INFORMATION

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### **Formation Date**

November 01, 2001

### **Legal Entity**

Society registered under the Societies Registration Act  
XXI of 1860

### **Objective**

To Strengthen Democracy and Democratic  
Institutions

### **Registration Date**

September 19, 2002

### **Auditors**

Ford Rhodes Sidat Hyder & Company  
(a member of Ernst & Young International)

### **Bankers**

Bank Alfalah (Pvt.) Ltd.

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## BOARD OF ADVISORS

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The PILDAT Board of Advisors is a unique mix of prominent intellectuals, media persons, national and international Parliamentarians and academicians which regularly advise PILDAT on its programmes, oversee progress of existing programmes and act as a great resource to the organisation on an honorary basis. A brief portfolio of the members of the Board of Advisors is as under:



**Senator S. M. Zafar:**  
**Chairman**

Senator S. M. Zafar is a prominent lawyer and former Federal Minister of Law and Parliamentary Affairs, Pakistan. He is also the Chairman of the Human Rights Society of Pakistan and is involved with various developmental works. He is Chairman of the Senate's Functional Committee on Human Rights.



**Mr. Mujib-ur-Rehman Shami:**  
**Member**

Mr. Mujib-ur-Rehman Shami is a senior and renowned journalist. He is Editor-in-Chief of daily "Pakistan" and has served as the elected chairman of the Council of Pakistan Newspaper Editors (CPNE). A thinker and a political analyst, Mr. Shami is a well-known intellectual of the country.



**Dr. Ijaz Shafi Gilani:**  
**Member**

Dr. Ijaz Shafi Gilani is the Chairman and Chief Executive of Gallup Pakistan. He has a Ph.D. in Political Science from the Massachusetts Institute of

Technology (MIT), USA. He has also served as adviser to Prime Minister and Chairman of the Prime Minister's Committee for Research and Analysis from 1991-93. Dr. Gilani has directed electoral studies for all local bodies and national elections since 1979.



**Dr. Hasan-Askari Rizvi:**  
**Member**

Dr. Hasan-Askari Rizvi is an independent Political and Defence Analyst. He obtained an M.A. And Ph.D. in Political Science and International Relations from the University of Pennsylvania, USA, and an M. Phil. in Politics from the University of Leeds, UK. Earlier, he did his Masters in Political Science from the University of the Punjab, Lahore. He was Quaid-i-Azam Professor of Pakistan Studies at Columbia University, New York (December 1995-July 1999), and Allama Iqbal Professor at Heidelberg University, Germany and Research Scholar at University of New Mexico and Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque (2002). He was also on the Faculty of Political Science Department, University of the Punjab, Lahore, (1971-2001) where he also served as Chairman of the Department of Political Science.



**Lord Nazir Ahmed of Rotherham:**  
**Member**

Lord Nazir Ahmed of Rotherham is a member of the British House of Lords. Active on the international political issues, Lord Ahmed brings his sharp understanding, experience and insight of the British and International political perspective to PILDAT as a member of the Board of Advisors. He is the first person of Pakistani origin to have become a member of the House of Lords.

**Dr. Zahid H. Bukhari:**  
**Member**

Dr. Zahid H. Bukhari has a Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Connecticut, USA and is currently serving as the Director of the programme Director, American Muslim Studies Program (AMPS) at the Georgetown University, USA.



**Mr. Mohammad Sarwar:**  
**Member**

Mr. Mohammad Sarwar is member of the British House of Commons from McGover, Glasgow, UK. He has the distinction of being the first Pakistani-British and Muslim MP in the UK parliament and possesses a deep insight into the political issues and parliamentary affairs of both UK and Pakistan.



**Mr. Khalid Mahmood:**  
**Member**

Mr. Khalid Mahmood is a British Parliamentarian of Pakistani origin from Perry Barr, Birmingham, UK. He is actively involved with various political forums in UK and extensively travels around the world for advocacy-related work.



**Dr. Donya Aziz:**  
**Member**

Dr. Donya Aziz, member of the National Assembly of Pakistan, is a medical doctor by profession. Her main focus is on the public health sector and gender. She is also associated with the Association of Pakistani Physicians of North America - APPNA, and the Human Development Foundation of North America -

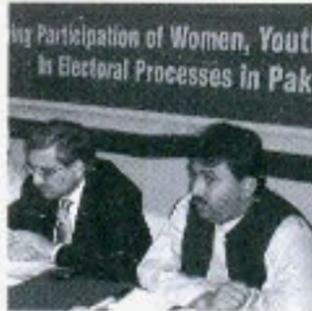
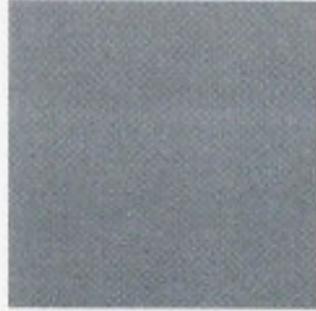
HDFNA, organisations based in the USA. She is also the Parliamentary Secretary for the Ministry of Population Welfare.



**Mr. Anwar Ali:**  
**Member**

Mr. Anwar Ali is an Architect by profession. He is a member of the Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners (PCATP), the Institute of Architects (IAP) Pakistan, and the Anjuman-e-Mimaran Pakistan. He has over 31 years of experience in planning, design, supervision and management of various Architectural and planning projects in Pakistan and abroad, including legislative assembly buildings of Azad Kashmir and NWFP. Mr. Ali is President & Chief Executive of Ace-Arts (Pvt.) Ltd, an architectural and town planning consultancy firm.

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**Sardar M. Yusuf Khan:**  
**Chairperson**

Sardar M. Yusuf Khan is Advisor Corporate Affairs, Hub Power Company, Ltd., Islamabad, Pakistan; and Regional Director / Resident Representative of Xenel Group of Companies, Saudi Arabia. He is Honorary Chairman of the Overseas Pakistanis Education Network (OPEN), and Honorary Member of the Advisory Council of the National Commission for Human Development, Government of Pakistan.

**Mr. Ahmed Bilal Mehboob:**  
**Secretary General**

Mr. Mehboob possesses extensive experience of management of professional organisations in the public sphere. He has organised and conducted over 100 focus group studies, consultative sessions and roundtables on various issues of crucial public and policy interest in Pakistan and abroad.

**Mr. Abdul Latif Mirza:**  
**Board Member**

Mr. Abdul Latif Mirza has served as Manager Production Support, Technology Services, Saudi Hollandi Bank, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, and Head, EDP Saudi Hollandi Bank, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

**Mr. Ismet Amin Khawaja:**  
**Board Member**

Mr. Ismet Amin Khawaja is General Manager for Foundations Building Contracting Company, Ltd. He is Chairman of the Institution of Engineers Pakistan, Eastern Province Sub-Centre, Saudi Arabia. In October 2001, he was appointed Honorary Investment Counselor for Eastern Region of Saudi Arabia by the Board of Investment, Government of Pakistan. Mr. Khawaja has been involved in a number of international projects.

**Mr. Mohammad Haroon:**  
**Board Member**

Mr. Mohammad Haroon is Senior Vice President / Assistant General Manager at United Gulf Bank, Bahrain. He has served as an Investment Banker at Investment Corporation of Pakistan at Karachi and Peshawar; Manager, Senior Manager (Development), Acting Zonal Head, Senior Manager (Credit & Marketing for Gulf); and as Commercial Manager, National Bank of Pakistan, Peshawar, Abbotabad and Bahrain, 1974-1981.

**Mr. Javed Nawaz:**  
**Board Member**

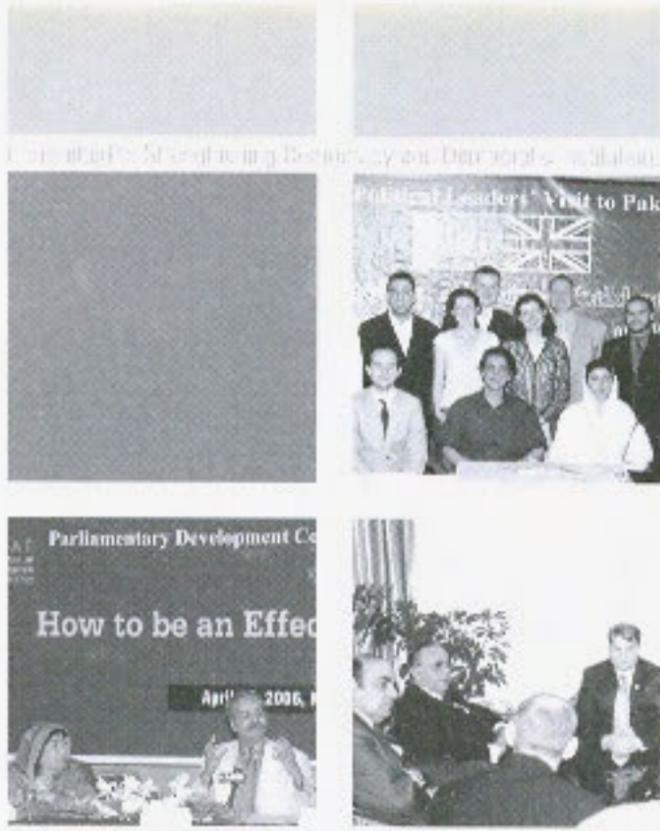
Mr. Javed Nawaz is the Managing Director of AgroDev in Oman. He is also serving as Honorary Investment Counsellor, Government of Pakistan, in Oman. He has served on the Executive Committee of the Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (1980-83). He established 3 schools while he was the Chairman Board of Governors, Pakistan College, Muscat. He is a Law Graduate and has a post graduate degree in Business and Statistics. Mr. Nawaz was member of the First Group Study Exchange Team sponsored by Rotary International to visit California, USA in 1974.

**Mr. Mohammad Jameel Bajwa:**  
**Board Member**

Mr. Mohammad Jameel Bajwa is Chief Engineer at National Engineering Services of Pakistan (NESPAK), one of the largest multi-disciplinary consulting firms in Pakistan. His expertise is in Infrastructure Development. He has worked in Nigeria as Project Manager of Kaduna State Housing Authority and has executed mega-scale projects in his field including housing projects in Pakistan and abroad.

## MISSION STATEMENT

“PILDAT will work for strengthening democracy and democratic institutions in Pakistan by building the capability of and instituting non-partisan monitoring framework for the elected representatives and legislatures while facilitating greater participation of all segments of the society in the democratic process and development of new political leadership”



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## ACTIVITIES DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

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### Short Courses, Briefing Sessions, Workshops, Dialogues and Roundtable Discussions

#### Dialogue on Civil-Military Relations



(L. to R) Mr. Mujib-ur-Rehman Shami, Brig. (Retd.) Shaukat Qadir, Dr. Sohail Mahmood and Dr. Hasan-Askari Rizvi

PILDAT's programme of Track-II Dialogue on Civil Military Relations continued during the reporting period and held sittings. A brief description of the dialogue sittings is as follows:

#### Third Sitting: Preventing Military Interventions in the Political System of Pakistan and the Role of the National Security Council

Under its Track-II Civil Military Dialogue Programme, third sitting of the civil-military dialogue was organised by PILDAT on August 04, 2005 at Islamabad on the topic of "Preventing Military Interventions in the Political System of Pakistan and the Role of the National Security Council." Representatives from the Institute of Strategic Studies, Research and Analysis (ISSRA), National Defence College, participated in the dialogue as observers while both civil and military

minds were represented by a select group of former military personnel, politicians, academicians and opinion leaders. The participant from the civil side included Mr. Sartaj Aziz, Former Foreign & Finance Minister, Mr. Shahid Hamid, Former Governor Punjab, Mr. Shah Mahmood Qureshi, MNA, Mr. Javed Jabbar, Former Federal Minister for Information & Media Development, Mr. Mujib-ur-Rehman Shami, Editor-in-Chief Daily Pakistan, Dr. Hasan-Askari Rizvi, Renowned Defence & Political Analyst. Participants with the military background included Air Marshal (Retd.) Asghar Khan, Admiral (Ops) Ifkhar Ahmed Sirohey, Former Chief, JCSC; Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Talat Masood, Former Federal Secretary Defence & Senior Defence Analyst; Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Asad Durrani, Former DG ISI; Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Moinuddin Haider, Former Federal Minister for Interior and Brig. (Retd.) Shaukat Qadir, Former Vice President, IPRI. Dr. Syed Riffat Hussain, DG, ISSRA, NDC, Brig. Badar Munir, Director Studies ISSRA, NDC, Mr. Hayat U. Khan, Senior Research Fellow, ISSRA, NDC, Dr. Sohail Mahmood, Senior Research Fellow, ISSRA, NDC, Mr. Ahmed Bilal Mehboob Executive Director PILDAT, Ms. Aasiya Riaz, Joint Director PILDAT participated as observers in the meeting. In order to enrich the discussion, a background paper was especially



(L. to R) Dr. Riffat Hussain, Mr. Javed Jabbar, Adm. (Retd.) Ifkhar Sirohey and Mr. Mujib-ur-Rehman Shami

commissioned by PILDAT on the topic of "National Security Council: A Comparative Study of Pakistan and Other Selected Countries" authored by Dr. Hasan-Askari Rizvi.

#### Fourth Sitting: Roadmap for Military's Disengagement from Political Power

PILDAT held the 4th sitting of the dialogue on Thursday, December 15, 2005 at Islamabad. The subject of the dialogue was "Roadmap for Military's Disengagement from Political Power." Two presentations, one from the military and one from the civilian background were given at the dialogue while all participants presented their perspectives on various issues relating to the topic. The dialogue enjoyed an intense and thorough debate on aspects under consideration and resulted in outlining a draft strategy for the future. Following persons participated in the dialogue: Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Abdul Qadir Baloch, Former Corps Commander/Governor Balochistan; Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Asad Durrani, Former Director General, Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI); Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Hameed Gul, Former DG ISI; Dr. Hasan-Askari Rizvi, Defence and Political Analyst; Mr. Javed Jabbar, Former Senator

and Federal Minister for Information & Media Development; Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Moinuddin Haider, Former Governor Sindh; Senator Nisar A. Memon, Chairman, Senate Committee on Defence & Defence Production; Mr. Sartaj Aziz, Former Foreign & Finance Minister; Mr. Shah Mahmood Qureshi, MNA; Mr. Shahid Hamid, Former Governor Punjab; Brig. (Retd.)



(L to R) Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Talat Masood, Mr. Shah Mahmood Qureshi, Dr. Askari, Mr. Shahid Hamid & Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Moinuddin Haider

Shaukat Qadir, Former Vice President IPRI; Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Talat Masood, Former Federal Secretary Defence & Senior Defence Analyst; Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Tanwir Hussain Naqvi, Former Chairman NRB. Representatives from ISSRA, National Defence College participated as observers. A working group was created towards the end of the 4th sitting to take up immediate requirements emanating out of the agreed strategy. Mr. Javed Jabbar, Mr. Shahid Hamid, Dr. Hasan-Askari Rizvi, Mr. Shah Mahmood Qureshi, Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Asad Durrani and Brig. (Retd.) Shaukat Qadir volunteered to be part of the working group.

#### Meetings of the Working Group

1. First Meeting of the Working Group was held on Monday, January 16, 2006 at Islamabad. The objective of the meeting was to further deliberate on the subject of Military's



Women Members of Parliament as participants at a PILDAT Briefing Session

disengagement from political power and come up with a draft document, which should, in essence, outline the immediate disengagement and reform agenda discussed during various sittings of the dialogue.

## 2. Second Meeting of the Working Group was



(L to R) Women MPs Dr. Fehmida Mirza and Ms. Fauzia Wahab at the Consultative Session

held on Friday, February 24, 2006 at Islamabad. Working Group agreed on a draft communiqué which was to be shared with full meeting of the dialogue.

## Fifth Sitting: Discussion on Draft Communiqué to the President of Pakistan

The 5th sitting of the dialogue was held on Friday, March 24, 2006 at Islamabad to consider the draft communiqué proposed by the working group. It was agreed by the participants of the dialogue that the proposed communiqué, after it is signed by all those participants of the dialogue who are willing to sign it, will be sent to the President of Pakistan for his consideration. The participant from the civil side included Dr. Hasan-Askari Rizvi, Renowned Defence & Political Analyst; Mr. Javed Jabbar, Former Federal Minister for Information & Media Development; Mr.

Mujib ur-Rehman Shami, Editor-in-Chief Daily Pakistan, Mr. Shafqat Mahmood, Former Senator and Mr. Shahid Hamid, Former Governor Punjab. Those with military background included Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Abdul Qadir Baloch, Former Corps Commander/Governor Balochistan; Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Asad Durrani, Former DG ISI; Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Moinuddin Haider, Former Federal Minister for Interior; Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Syed Tanwir Hussain Naqvi, Former Chairman NRB; Brig. (Retd.) Shaukat Qadir, Former Vice President, IPRI and Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Talat Masood, Defence Analyst. Mr. Ahmed Bilal Mehboob, Executive Director PILDAT and Mr. Hamid Sharif, Resident Representative, The Asia Foundation participated as observers in the meeting.

## Consultative Session on the Conduct of Local Government Election 2005 and Prospects of the Next General Election

PILDAT, with the support from the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung-Islamabad, organised a consultative Session on the conduct of Local Government Election 2005 on September 05, 2005 at Islamabad. The main objective of the session was to learn lessons from the

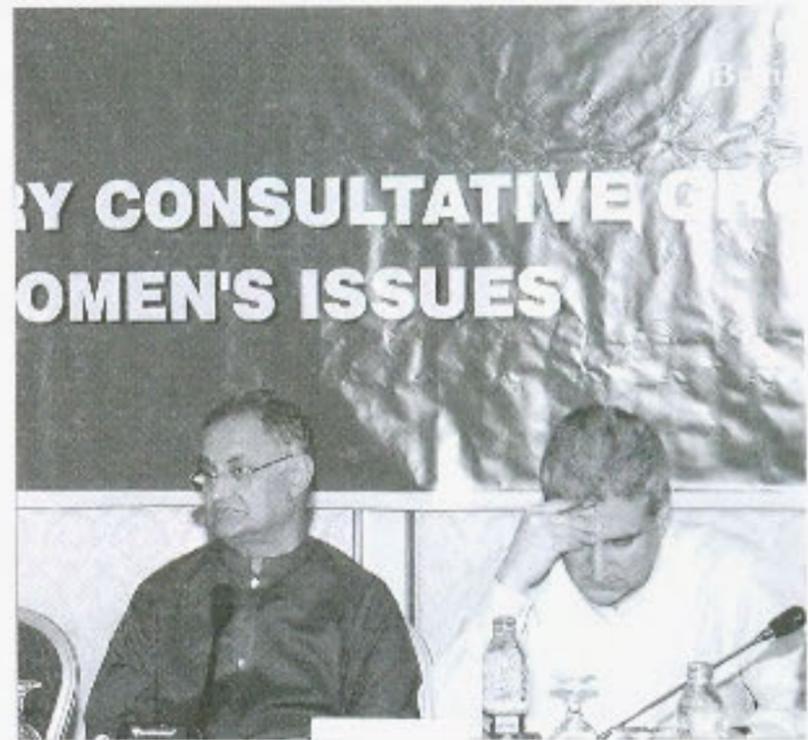


(L to R) Mr. Salman Abid, Mr. Sarwar Bari, Dr. Mohammad Waseem, Mr. Mehboob, Mr. M. Ziauddin, Ms. Gulmina Bilal & Ms. Aasiya Riaz

conduct of Local Government (LG) Election and to ensure free, fair and transparent conduct of General Election in 2007. The Speakers included Dr. Muhammad Waseem, Political Scientist and Head of International Relations Dept., Quaid-e-Azam University, Mr. Sarwar Bari, Executive Coordinator Pattan, Ms. Gulmina Bilal, Member, Indivklu-land, Mr. Salman Abid, National Coordinator, Citizen's Campaign for Women's Representation, Aurat Foundation, Mr. M. Ziauddin, Resident Editor, Daily Dawn Islamabad, Mr. Mujib-ur-Rehman Shami, Editor in Chief Daily Pakistan, Ms. Aasiya Riaz, Joint Director PILDAT and Mr. Ahmed Bilal Mehboob, Executive Director of PILDAT. A total of 19 parliamentarians attended the session.

The speakers believed that LG Election showed that the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) lacked the management and administrative capacity to conduct elections which was evident from widespread examples of mismanagement such as electoral rolls' mis-printing, or absence of electoral symbols of candidates on ballot papers, lack of necessary facilities in polling stations, lack of organised training to polling staff and its inability to implement election-related laws and code of conduct especially dealing with open violation of

clauses such as non-party election. The ECP seemed unprepared to receive or address complaints, while delay in the compilation and publication of official results in the gazette also speak volumes about this lack of capacity. MNAs from the ruling parties as well as those from opposition agreed that elections were not held according to the prescribed rules and laws. Even



(L to R) Senator Nisar A. Memon and Mr. Shah Mahmood Qureshi, MNA at the PCGWI Meeting

the parties such as MQM that did not press on the issue of rigging agreed that massive electoral reform was required in the light of the unsatisfactory conduct of LG election and that a permanent CEC should be appointed in consultation with all political parties and groups represented in the Parliament. MNAs from ruling PMI, also said lack of implementation of rules by the ECP and its administrative issues allowed massive rigging and use of power and muscle in the LG Election.

### Dialogue on Democracy, Governance and Extremism with the delegation accompanying the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister of Canada

PILDAT organised a dialogue between some members of the visiting delegation accompanying Honourable



Mr. Ahmed Bilal Mehboob (middle) leading PILDAT series of Dialogues between the Muslim World & the West

Anne McLellan, the Deputy Prime Minister of Canada and a select group of Pakistani Parliamentarians, analysts and academicians on September 15, 2005 at PILDAT office in Islamabad, to discuss State of Democracy and Governance in Pakistan and Perceptions about Extremism. Pakistani participants included Prof. Dr. Tahir Amin, Department of

(CCRS). Representative of the Canadian High Commission included Mr. Stuart Hughes, Deputy Head of Mission, Canadian High Commission and Mr. Aized Ali, Senior Political Officer, Canadian High Commission.

The participants from the Pakistani side were each given a specific topic under the broad theme of Governance, Democracy and Extremism as per their field of expertise. From the Canadian side, Ms. Genevieve Tremblay spoke on behalf of the delegation and presented the Canadian Government's perspective on the state of Governance and Democracy in Pakistan and the concerns about extremism as viewed by the Canadian government. A question and answer session followed the discussion.



Participants of the Dialogue on Democracy, Governance and Extremism

International Relations, Quaid-e-Azam University; Islamabad; Senator Nisar A. Memon, Chairman Senate Committee on Defence and Defence Production; Lt. General (Retd.) Asad Durrani, Former DG ISI; Ms. Sherry Rehman, MNA and Chairperson, Policy Planning Wing, PPP; Mr. Farhan Bokhari, Journalist and Commentator, Financial Times and Director ARY TV News and Senator Prof. Khurshid Ahmed, Chairman Institute of Policy Studies, Islamabad. On the Canadian side, the delegation included Mr. Wajid Khan, Member of the Canadian House of Commons; Mr. Michael MacDonald, Executive Assistant to the Deputy Prime Minister, Canada; Ms. Genevieve Tremblay, Senior Advisor to the Deputy Prime Minister; Mr. Alex Swann, Director of Communications to the Deputy Prime Minister; Mr. Taleeb Noormohamed, Senior Advisor, Department of PSEPC; Mr. Mohinder Grewal and Mr. Hussein Hamdani of Cross-Cultural Roundtable on Security

### Briefing to Parliamentarians on Labour Issues

PILDAT, with the support from the Solidarity Centre - Islamabad, organised a Briefing Session for Parliamentarians on Labour Issues on September 19, 2005 at Islamabad. The objective behind the session was to discuss the Labour policy with MPs so as to assist MPs in understanding and evaluating it. Key speakers at the session included Mr. Ghulam Sarwar



A glimpse of Speakers and Panelists from the Briefing Session for Parliamentarians on Labour Issues in Pakistan

Khan, Federal Minister for Labour, Manpower and Overseas Pakistanis; Dr. A. R. Kamal, Director, Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE) and former Chief Economist of Pakistan; Mr. Ehsan Ullah Khan, Chairman of Workers Employers Bilateral Council of Pakistan (WEBCOP); Mr. Zahoor Awan, Secretary of the Ministry of Labour, Manpower and Overseas Pakistanis; Senator Anisa Zeb Tahirkheli, Federal Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting and Mr. Greg Schulze, Representative of the Solidarity Centre. A total of 18 MNAs and 4 Senators from major political parties participated in the Briefing Session.

The briefing that was scheduled to last for 3 hours continued for over 4 hours due to the keen interest evinced by the parliamentarians in the briefing. Minister Ghulam Sarwar Khan, admitted shortcomings in the system and sought fellow parliamentarians' cooperation and proposals to address these shortcomings. He said that Rs. 29 billion were lying unutilised in the Workers Welfare Fund and the government was seeking good proposals to spend this money on workers welfare. Dr. A.R. Kamal stressed that the Bureau of Statistics should be given complete autonomy to report its findings freely to public without

the interference of any ministry. Mr. Ahsan Akhtar Malik presented the government view on the Labour Issues and listed the actions Government is taking to address these issues. Mr. Ehsan Ullah Khan introduced WEBCOP and said that this forum was the first of its kind in the whole of Asia and it has presented concrete proposals and recommendations on the minimum

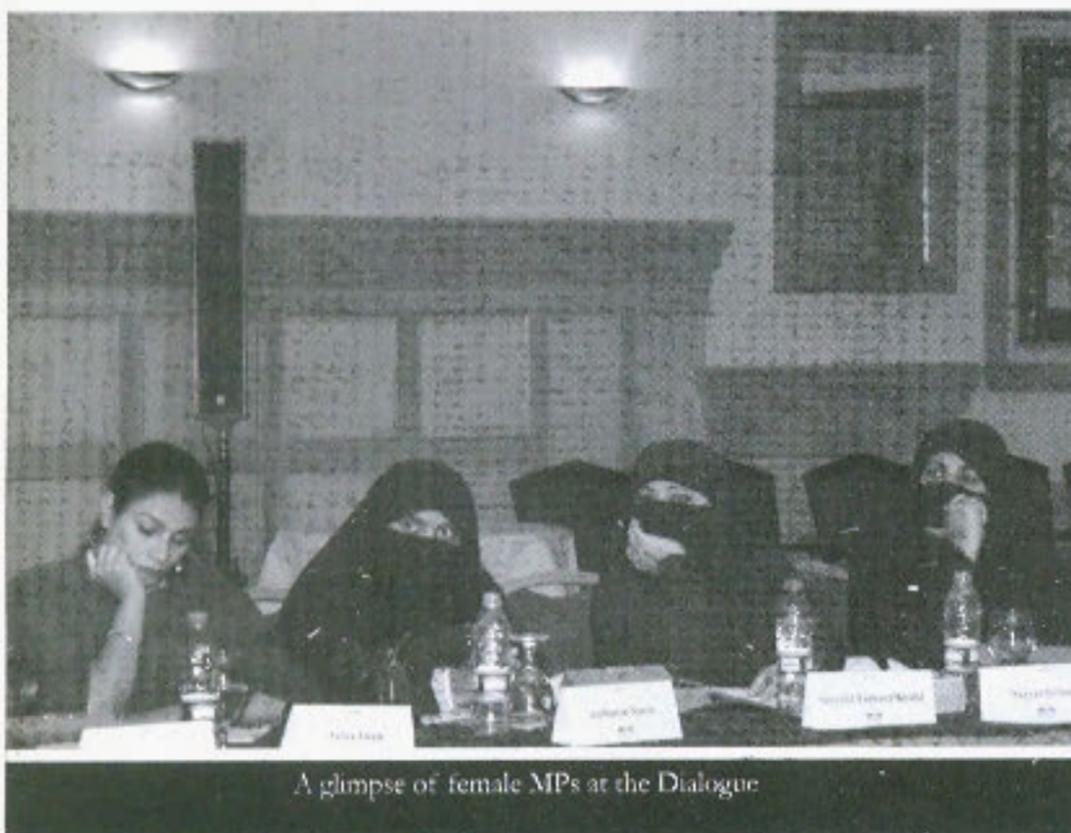


Mr. Qamar-uz-Zaman Kaira, MNA (Left) engaged in discussion at the briefing session

wages. He called for a comprehensive Industrial Relations Policy and expressed regret at the withdrawal of subsidy given to Skill Development Councils in the provinces. Mr. Zahoor Awan highlighted that a large segment of the labour force in the informal sector was outside the ambit of organised labour and therefore not the beneficiary of labour legislations.

#### Discussion with Mr. Khalid Mahmood, Member, House of Commons, UK, on "Understanding 7/7: The Perspective of a British-Pakistani"

Mr. Khalid Mahmood, Member House of Commons, UK, and Member PILDAT Board of Advisors, shared his thoughts on the topic of 'Understanding 7/7: The Perspective of a British-Pakistani' at a discussion organised by PILDAT on September 23, 2005. A select group of Pakistani MPs, intellectuals and academicians



A glimpse of female MPs at the Dialogue

included Senator S. M. Zafar, Chairman Senate Functional Committee on Human Rights; Senator Hameedullah Jan Afridi; Mr. Saeed Shafiqat, Executive Director, National Institute of Population Studies; Senator Rukhsana Zuberi; Mr. Tayyab Siddiqui, Former Ambassador; Dr. Gulfraz Ahmed, Executive Director NUST International Institute for Peace &

among participants were MNAs and Senators from various political parties, analysts and opinion makers, representatives of business community and media representatives.

The briefing was organised by PILDAT in the background that due to the improving relations between India and Pakistan, Kashmir dispute was at a critical stage of its resolution. Institutional involvement of Parliament and political parties represented in the Parliament as public representatives was necessary in policy-formulation of any kind and it was important that Parliament and its relevant committees were briefed and consulted before any policy proposals were forwarded towards the resolution of the Kashmir dispute. Understanding the need for an informed discourse on the issue, PILDAT prepared a briefing paper carrying concise details of proposed solutions of the Kashmir dispute forwarded by different individuals, institutions and states since 1947 to-date to set the debate into perspective.

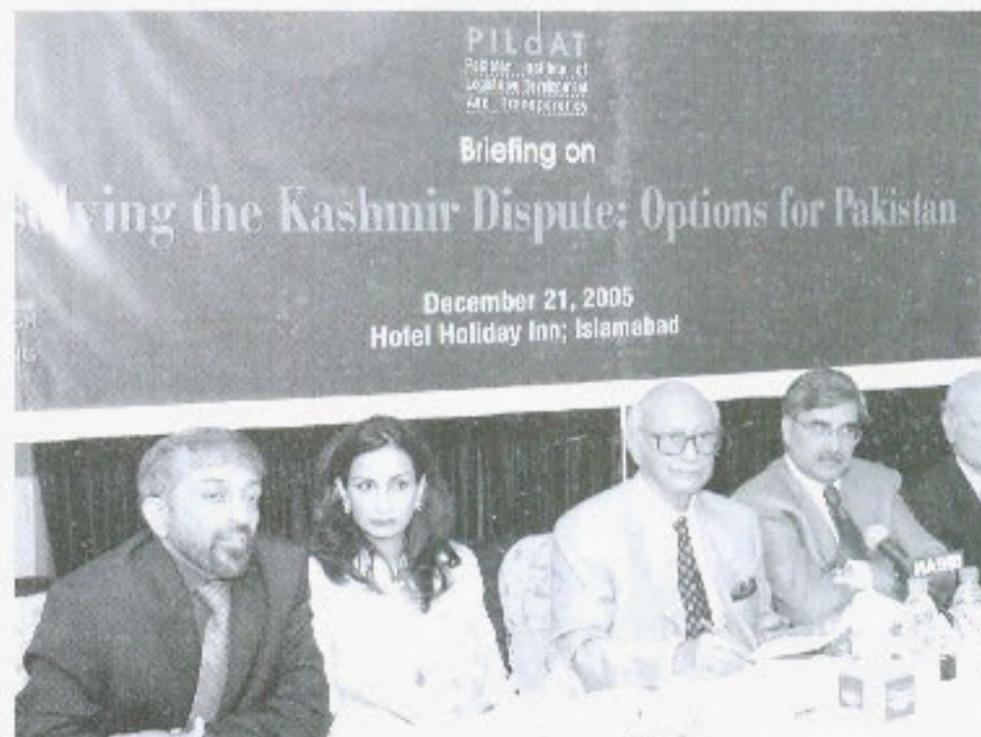
Geo-political environment dictated that Pakistan and India no longer had the option to seek military-solution of the Kashmir issue, speakers believed. Pakistani government needed to take caution in forwarding



Conflict Resolution; Sardar M. Yusuf Khan, Chairman, PILDAT; Ms. Alex Cole, Second Secretary (Political), British High Commission and Mr. Aized Ali, Senior Political Officer, Canadian High Commission, Islamabad.

### Briefing on Resolving the Kashmir Dispute: Options for Pakistan

PILDAT, with the support from the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung Islamabad, organised a briefing session on the topic of Resolving the Kashmir Dispute: Options for Pakistan on December 21, 2005 at Islamabad. Senator S. M. Zafar, Chairman Senate Functional Committee on Human Rights; Dr. Farooq Sattar, Chairman National Assembly Foreign Relations Committee; Ms. Sherry Rehman, MNA and Chairperson Policy Planning Wing of PPPP and Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Talat Masood were speakers at the briefing. Prominent



(L to R) Dr. Farooq Sattar, MNA, Ms. Sherry Rehman, MNA, Senator S. M. Zafar, Mr. Mehboob & Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Talat Masood

various proposals to India for the resolution of the issue without first getting a cross-party support and agreement on these proposals, they said. The right forums for achieving these agreements were Parliamentary committees, they held.

### Seminar on SAFTA: Opportunities and Challenges

PILDAT joined hands with Nathan Associates, USA to organise a Seminar on South Asian Free Trade Area - SAFTA: Opportunities and Challenges on February 03, 2006 at Islamabad. Mr. Shahid Javed Burki, Former Finance Minister of Pakistan, who is serving as the Team Leader and Pakistan Country Expert under the project, was the key-note speaker at the seminar. Other speakers included Mr. James Robertson and Dr. Salman Shah, Advisor to Prime Minister on Finance. The seminar was attended by national and regional experts, parliamentarians, economists, CSO representatives and the media.

Mr. Burki believed that Pakistan must open trade with India and other South Asian countries as it is in Pakistan's interest to do that. Participants believed that

while SAFTA was a welcome step for South Asian countries, the agreement was still very conventional in nature and steps needed to be undertaken to bring it line with the rapidly changing realities of global trade and similar agreements elsewhere. Dr. Salman Shah, Advisor to Prime Minister on Finance believed that opening of trade with India was to be a step-wise



(L to R) Dr. Salman Shah, Mr. Shahid Javed Burki and Mr. James Robertson at the SAFTA Seminar

approach. He was of the view that the first step should be through opening of borders and increasing tourism opportunities. He highlighted that there were huge issues experienced by Pakistani business in trade with India due to a vast regime of Indian non-tariff barriers (NTBs). Participants from the business and legislative community believed that although there is a general consensus in South Asia on SAFTA as a good opportunity, the devil is in its details. Composite dialogue with India should take up the issue of NTBs as India is a tightly controlled economy and is not easy to penetrate. Homework needs to be done by South Asian countries before ratifying SAFTA, they believed.

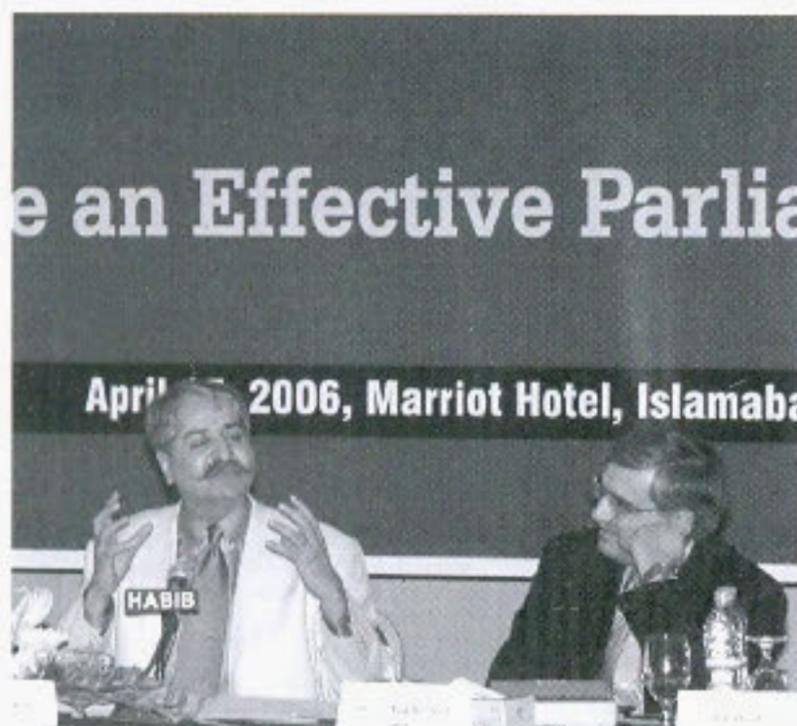
### Briefing for Punjab MPAs on Understanding Labour Issues in Pakistan

PILDAT, in collaboration with the Solidarity Centre-Islamabad, organised a briefing for the members and



Women Parliamentarians at the Briefing

staff of the Punjab Assembly on Labour Issues on Tuesday, March 14, 2006 at Lahore. Briefing was given by Mr. Karamat Ali, Executive Director, Pakistan Institute of Labour Education & Research (PILER), Karachi; Mr. Ifikhar Mehmood Randhawa, Chairman, WEBCOP, Punjab Chapter, Lahore; Chaudhary Talib Nawaz, President, All Pakistan Federation of Labour,



(L to R) Syed Naveed Qamar MNA and Mr. Mehboob at the Short Course for Women Parliamentarians

Lahore and Mr. Zarar Haider, Director Labour, Punjab. The meeting was attended by 15 MPAs belonging to various political parties; legislative staff from Punjab Assembly secretariat; members of different labour unions and the media

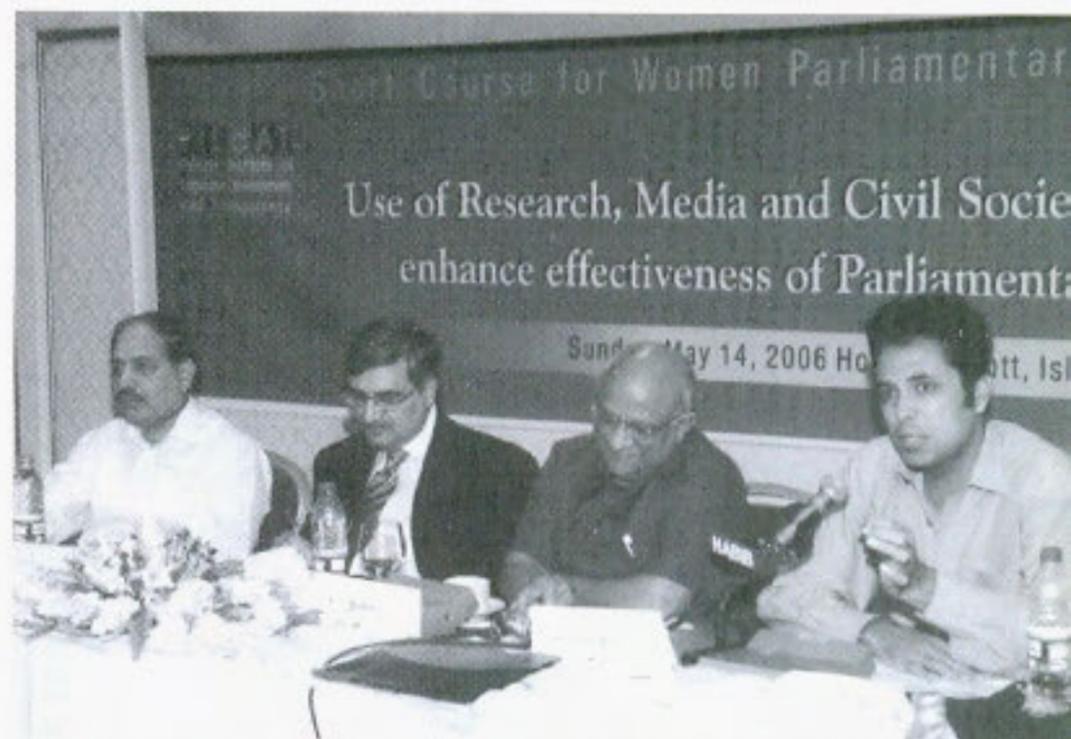
Speakers highlighted that labour is a "concurrent subject" in the legislative lists for the centre and the provinces in the Constitution of Pakistan and remains a neglected issue. Whereas old labour laws were detailed with specified rules but the new laws were brief and left room for bureaucracy to interpret the laws and frame them according to their choice. Only 2.4 per cent of the workforce is organised in the country and in the current system of contractorship, labour is deprived of a lot of benefits. Speakers stressed that if both workers and employers remain un-happy, business can not grow.

## Series of Parliamentary Development Courses for Women Mps

PIIDAT developed and delivered a series of 5 Parliamentary Development Courses for Women MPs with support from the Global opportunities Fund, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, UK through the British High Commission, Islamabad. Brief description of the courses, delivered from April to June 2006, is as follows:

### Short Course for Women MPs on How to be an Effective Parliamentarian?

PIIDAT organised a short course for women MPs at Islamabad on April 17, 2006. Resource Persons at the course included Syed Naveed Qamar, MNA and Former Federal Minister and Mr. M.P. Bhandara, MNA, while the course was chaired by Dr. Noor Jehan Panzai, Former Deputy Chairperson, Senate of Pakistan. 15 MNAs and 5 Senators participated in the course.



(L to R) Raja M. Amin, Secretary Senate Mr. Mehboob, Mr. G. C. Malhotra and Syed Talat Hussain at the Short Course

### Short Course for Women MPs on Use of Research, Media and Civil Society Organisations to enhance Effectiveness of Parliamentary Committees

The short course organised on May 14, 2006 at Islamabad, was delivered to Women MPs, Women Chairs of Parliamentary Committees, legislative staff and the research wings of National Assembly and Senate. Mr. G. C. Malhotra, who recently retired as the secretary general of the Indian Lok Sabha, was the key resource person at the course while Mr. Talat Hussain, Director Current Affairs of Aaj TV Channel was another resource person. Course participants displayed keen interest in the comparative study of the parliamentary rules and practices of the two countries. Mr. Malhotra explained that Indian parliamentary rules require a mandatory report from the secretaries of the ministries on the actions recommended by parliamentary committees. The concerned minister has to report the status of implementation to the Lok Sabha Speaker every six months, he added. Pakistani executive branch is under no such obligation to report on the action taken by the ministries on recommendations of parliamentary committees, stated

the Pakistani committee chairs.

In his briefing to MPs, Mr. Talat Hussain spoke about the significance of the media in the effective performance of parliamentary committees. He also answered a number of questions on the quality and extent of media coverage of the parliamentary



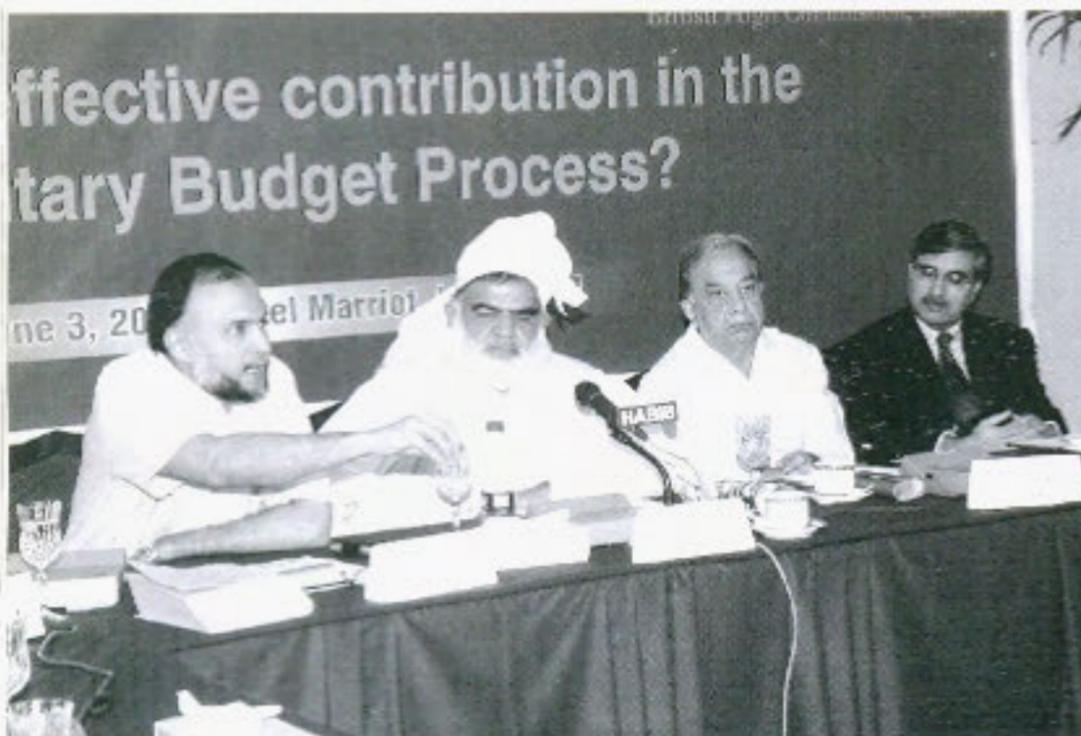
(L to R) Ms. Sherry Rehman, MNA, Dr. Donya Aziz, MNA & Senator Dilawar Abbas

committee proceedings and advised Women MPs and Committee Chairs to take a proactive approach in disseminating information in the right form and to the right people in the media.

Raja Muhammad Amin, Secretary Senate, a number of Senate and National Assembly officials and Women Chairs of Parliamentary Committees attended the course. Certificates of participation were distributed among the participants at the end of the course.

### Short Course for Parliamentarians on Being an Effective Committee Member

The third course in the Parliamentary Development Course series covered the topic of "Being an Effective Committee Member" and was held on May 15, 2005 at Islamabad. Women MPs from all major political parties



(L to R) Mr. Ahsan Iqbal, Makhdoom Ahmad Alam Anwar, MNA & Senator Dilawar Abbas and Mr. Mehboob

participated in the course. Senator, Ch. Anwar Bhinder, Chairperson, Senate Standing Committee on Government Assurances; Mr. G.C. Malhotra, Former Secretary General of Indian Lok Sabha and Former Senator Farhatullah Babar acted as resource persons at the course.



Mr. Rauf Mengal, MNA (first from right) sharing his views

Speakers believed that MPs could become effective committee members by working hard, doing their homework, contributing to deliberations, and attending sessions and meetings regularly. Effectiveness of committees depends on the effectiveness of their members. The executive oversight role to be played by MPs in the committee demands that they do not solely rely on briefings provided by the executive branch and must take time to investigate the issue with the help of media and civil society expertise, speakers explained. The course ended with distribution of certificates of participation to the Women Mps.

### Short Course on How to Make Effective Contribution in the Parliamentary Budget Process?

For MPs, the process of passing the federal budget is the most critical means of influencing the country's economic policy. It should be the most effective tool for MPs to hold government accountable, to ensure public oversight on spending and to provide for transparency in transactions. These views were expressed by speakers at the short course on How to Make Effective Contribution in the Parliamentary Budget Process held by PILDAT on June 03, 2006 at Islamabad. Speakers included Ms. Sherry Rehman, MNA; Senator Dilawar Abbas; Chairman Senate Committee on Petroleum and Natural Resources and Mr. Ahsan Iqbal, former MNA and Deputy Chairman Planning Commission.

Speakers highlighted that performance of MPs in the budget process is poor due to lack of research support infrastructure available to them. MPs need to pay more attention to their role in budget process and in committees as compared to mere speeches in the plenary. MPs need to be involved in the budget process

### Budget Process and Analysis

Wednesday, June 7, 2006; Hotel Marriott, Islamabad



Mr. Yashwant Sinha, Former Indian Finance Minister (2nd from left) sharing details of Indian Budget Process with Pakistani Parliamentarians

at least 6 months prior to presentation of the budget, while it was important that committees are given an integral role in budget-making and oversight. There was an agreement amongst organisers, speakers and participants that there is an urgent need to change the existing budgetary process in Parliament in order to make it more substantive. Members of the Senate and National Assembly from all major parties attended the course.

### Short Course on Budget Process and Analysis

Mr. Yashwant Sinha, Former Indian Minister of Finance and Minister of External Affairs, was the keynote speaker at the short course for Pakistani MPs organised by PILDAT on June 07, 2006 at Islamabad. Explaining the parliamentary budget process in India to Pakistani MPs, Mr. Sinha said that Indian Parliament discusses the budget for 75 days and its ministries-related standing committees examine the demands for grants for 3 weeks before Lok Sabha passes the budget. He also highlighted that Indian Parliament receives supplementary budgets three times a year. In addition the Finance Minister presents an implementation statement about the previous year's budget while

presenting the next year's budget, he added. Sinha, who faced a number of questions from Pakistani parliamentarians about the Indian Parliamentary practices, explained that the Defence Budget in India is presented in as much detail as the budget of any other ministry and the defence budget also goes through a detailed parliamentary scrutiny. He also explained the



Women Parliamentarians receiving certificates from Resource Persons at the Short Course Series

system of National Finance Commission in India and said that the NFC awards are never challenged by the Parliament though parliament has the final authority to approve it.

Mr. Omar Ayub Khan, Minister of State for Finance and Revenue endorsed Pakistani MPs' demand to involve parliamentary standing committees in the pre-budget and post-budget phases. He said that parliament is sovereign and it can change the rules of procedure to involve the parliamentary standing committees in the budget process. He called for a greater dialogue to debate various points of view on national economy and the budget and said that he would welcome a PILDAT-sponsored discussion on contending opinions about the budget.

In the second part of the short course, budget analysis techniques for parliamentarians were put forward by



(L to R) Mr. G. C. Malhotra, Senator Anwar Bhinder, Mr. Mehboob and Senator Farhatullah Babar

Pakistani economist Dr. Kaiser Bengali. He presented historical analysis of the key features of Pakistani Budget since 1973. He pointed out that poor segment of the society bears a relatively larger burden of taxes whereas rich contribute less. He also said that Sindh bears the maximum burden of taxes whereas NWFP bears the minimum burden. Mr. Omar Ayub Khan, the



Dr. Kamal Hossain (2nd from Left) sharing the Bangladeshi experience of the system of caretaker government

Minister of State on Finance disagreed with Dr. Kaiser Bengali and proposed to PILDAT to organise a wider discussion involving experts of the Ministry of Finance.

### Dialogue between Muslim World and the West by Youth Representative from UK and Pakistan

PILDAT, with the support of Global Opportunities Fund of the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office, organised a series of dialogues between the youth representative from UK and Pakistan at Karachi, Quetta, Lahore, Peshawar and Islamabad.

The Dialogue brought together a seven-member delegation of Young Politicians from the U.K. representing the Labour Party, Conservative Party, Liberal Democratic Party and Social Democratic &

Labour Party of Northern Ireland alongside young representatives from Pakistan representing the youth wings of political parties, students, legislators, university teachers, civil society organisations, journalists, writers, political workers and social activists to discuss issues of Current State of Relations between Muslims and the West, Democracy, Clash of Civilisations, Extremism and Terrorism in the West and in the Muslim Countries and finally to deliberate on the Way Forward on these and other aspects of relations between the Muslims and the West. A total of 38 Pakistani youth, of which 20 were females and 18 were males between 20 to 35 years of age, participated in all the five sittings of the dialogue. Between five to ten Pakistani youth participated in the dialogue with the seven British youth at each sitting.

### Roundtable Discussion on Bangladeshi Electoral Reforms and the System of Caretaker Government: Lessons for Pakistan

PILDAT, with support from The Asia Foundation Pakistan office, organised an inter-active Roundtable Discussion with Dr. Kamal Hossain, Former Foreign Minister of Bangladesh on the topic of 'Bangladeshi



Delegation of Young Political Leaders of UK with their Pakistani friends

Electoral Reforms and the System of Caretaker Government: Lessons for Pakistan' on May 17, 2006.

The participants at the roundtable discussion included Mr. Gohar Ayub Khan, Former Foreign Minister; Mr. Farhatullah Babar, Former Senator; Kunwar Khalid Yunus, MNA; Senator S. M. Zafar; Mr. M. P. Bhandara, MNA; Senator M. Ibrahim; Senator Dr. Sajid Mir; Senator Nisar A. Memon; Ms. Aasiya Azeem, MNA and representatives from civil society and donor organisations.

### Discussion on Pakistan-India Relations: The Way Forward

PILDAT organised an interactive discussion on the topic of 'Pakistan-India Relations: The Way Forward' with Mr. Yashwant Sinha, Former Indian Minister of Finance and Minister of External Affairs, on June 06, 2006 at Lahore. The objective of the session was to reflect on the current relations between India and Pakistan and provide an opportunity for Pakistani politicians and analysts to share views with Mr. Sinha on future course of relations between India and Pakistan. The discussion sought to highlight the

options and opportunities which both the countries could take up in order to move forward on the peace process initiated in 2004.

The interactive discussion was attended by a select gathering of former Ministers, Parliamentarians, politicians, intellectuals, journalists, and civil society



A glimpse from the Dialogue between the Muslim World & the West

groups. The session was chaired by Former Finance and Foreign Affairs Minister of Pakistan Mr. Sartaj Aziz.

The "deficit of trust" was identified by Mr. Sinha as the core issue between Pakistan-India relations and he stressed that in order to keep the peace process moving in the right direction, it was imperative to remove the state of mistrust existing between the two countries over the years. An important aspect mentioned during the discussions was the need for India to show more flexibility on resolution of issues. Discussions also highlighted that media was not the proper forum to give proposals on bi-lateral disputes and the two governments should not allow the media to dictate the dialogue process. It was noted that governments should communicate directly with each and not through the media as too much talking through the media becomes counter productive.



Group Photo of Women Parliamentary Committee Chairs at the completion of a Short Course

### 5th Meeting of the Parliamentary Consultative Group on Women's Issues - PCGWI

Since May 2004, PILDAT has facilitated the formation of a Parliamentary Consultative Group on Women's Issues (PCGWI). PILDAT, in its independent and non-partisan capacity, acts as the secretariat of the PCGWI.



Participants at a Short Course

A total of 90 Parliamentarians started the group (of whom 67 are women) which now has a membership of over 100 MPs.

The 5th meeting of the PCGWI was held on June 12, 2006. In view of the potential of PCGWI to serve as a channel for lobbying on a range of national issues, PILDAT proposed three possible themes for the consideration of PCGWI as its agenda in the meeting. The themes included Conflict Resolution of the Balochistan Issue; Watchdog role on Millennium Development Goals (MDGs); and lobbying efforts to ensure free and fair elections in 2007.

PCGWI members discussed all three themes and requested PILDAT to arrange a detailed briefing on each theme in the next meeting so as to enable PCGWI to pick the most suitable of the themes as its agenda for the year after deliberations.

### Seminar on Madrassah Education in Pakistan and the UK

A delegation of 06 British Muslim Leaders from the United Kingdom was in Pakistan on an official visit from June 22 to 26, 2006. Earlier, a delegation of Madrassa Administrators and Government officials from Pakistan had visited UK from February 26 to March 04 2006 to gain firsthand knowledge as to how madrassahs and Islamic schools operate within the UK's state-regulated system.

PILDAT, with the support of British High Commission, Islamabad, organised a Seminar on Madrassah Education in Pakistan and the UK on June 22, 2006 at Islamabad. Attended by Pakistani and UK participants, the seminar discussed in detail the systems in place. Dr. Ataur Rehman, MNA; Professor Mufti Muneeb-ur-Rehman, President, Dar-ul-Uloom Naecmia, Karachi; Mr. Vakil Ahmed Khan, Secretary, Ministry of Religious Affairs, Zakat and Ushr, Pakistan; Qari Muhammad Hanif Jalandhary, Secretary General, Wafaq-ul-Madaris Al Arabia, Sahibzada Naecm-ur-Rasool, Project Director of the Madrassah Reforms Project, Ministry of Education and Maulana Abbas



Women Parliamentarians participating in a Short Course

Naqvi spoke on the occasion. The speakers and participants from UK included Mr. Akram Khan Cheema, Chief Inspector of Schools in Bradford; Mr. Asim Siddiqui, Chairman of the City Circle, a network of young British Muslim professionals; Dr. Bano Murtaja, Senior Associate at Vis-à-Vis Research Consultancy and Ms. Shahedah Vawda, lecturer in Occupational Therapy at London's South Bank University.

The Seminar was also attended by Mr. Kunwar Khalid Yunus, MNA, Qari Gul Rehman, MNA, Mr. Peter Wilson, Political Counsellor, British High Commission and representatives of the Media and CSOs.

### Seminar on What makes an Election Credible?

In an effort to highlight the crucial issue of ensuring free, fair and credible elections in Pakistan, PILDAT, with support from the Public Affairs Dept. of the US Embassy, Islamabad organised a seminar on What makes an Election Credible on June 23, 2006 at Islamabad. Mr. Andrew M. Raucci, Election Law Expert from USA and Mr. T. N. Seshan, Former Chief Election Commissioner of India (Via Video link from

India) were the speaker in the seminar while Mr. Ahsan Iqbal, Information Secretary PML-N and Ms. Sherry Rehman, Information Secretary, PPPP were the panellists.

Mr. Andrew M. Raucci, stressed the need for an independent election commission and an independent



(L. to R) Sardar M. Yusuf Khan, Mr. Farhan Bokhari and Ms. Sherry Rehman, MNA

judicial system to ensure free, fair and transparent elections in a country. He was of the view that people should have complete confidence in the judiciary. Mr. T. N. Seshan was of the view that no self-respecting country needs foreign observers to monitor election and decide about their fairness. Seminar was attended largely by Pakistani MPs, diplomats, representatives of CSOs and the media.

### Support to the Senate of Pakistan

PILDAT, on the request of the Senate Secretariat, produced an Introductory Booklet of the Parliament of Pakistan for the Pakistani Parliamentary delegation's visit to the IPU conference in Switzerland. The booklet brought forth significant elements of Pakistan's Parliament and highlighted key activities and achievements of the Senate and National Assembly. The objective of the booklet was to provide a concise



Participants at a PILDAT Briefing

introduction to the political system in Pakistan and the composition and activities of the Parliament and the Provincial Assemblies.

### Support to the Ministry of Youth, Sports and Cultural Affairs



The delegation of Jefferson Fellows from the East-West Centre, Hawaii, during a briefing

PILDAT, upon request from the Federal Ministry of Youth and Culture, prepared a background paper on Youth and Politics in Pakistan. The paper was prepared for its presentation in the Second All Pakistan Youth Convention organised by Ministry of Youth, in Islamabad on July 20, 2005. PILDAT Executive Director, Mr. Ahmed Bilal Mehboub, was also invited to conduct the session on Youth and Politics in Pakistan during the convention.

### Support to the Senate Committees

PILDAT continued its support for the Senate Committees in providing them with assistance in designing and preparing their reports and the websites. PILDAT prepared a total of 10 reports for the committees of the Senate namely Senate Standing Committees of Foreign Affairs, Kashmir Affairs and

Northern Affairs, Education and Scientific and Technological Research, Health, Social Welfare and Special Education, Petroleum and Natural Resources and the Senate Functional Committee on Human Rights during the reporting period.

### Study Visits

#### Visit of Jefferson Fellows, East-West Centre, Hawaii, to Pakistan

PILDAT joined hands with the East-West Centre, Hawaii as its programme partners in Pakistan for designing, arranging and managing a visit of Jefferson Fellows to Pakistan from February 12-14, 2006. The Jefferson Fellows, which included 13 journalists, 6 from the US and 7 from different countries of the Asia-Pacific, met with the President and Prime Minister of Pakistan, got briefings from the Ministry of Finance, National Commission on the Status of Women, Ministry of Information and Ministry of Religious Affairs including a visit to a madressah, as part of the programme. The fellows also met with some of the Opposition Senators, called on the Chairman Senate, interacted with senior staffers of the Daily Dawn and



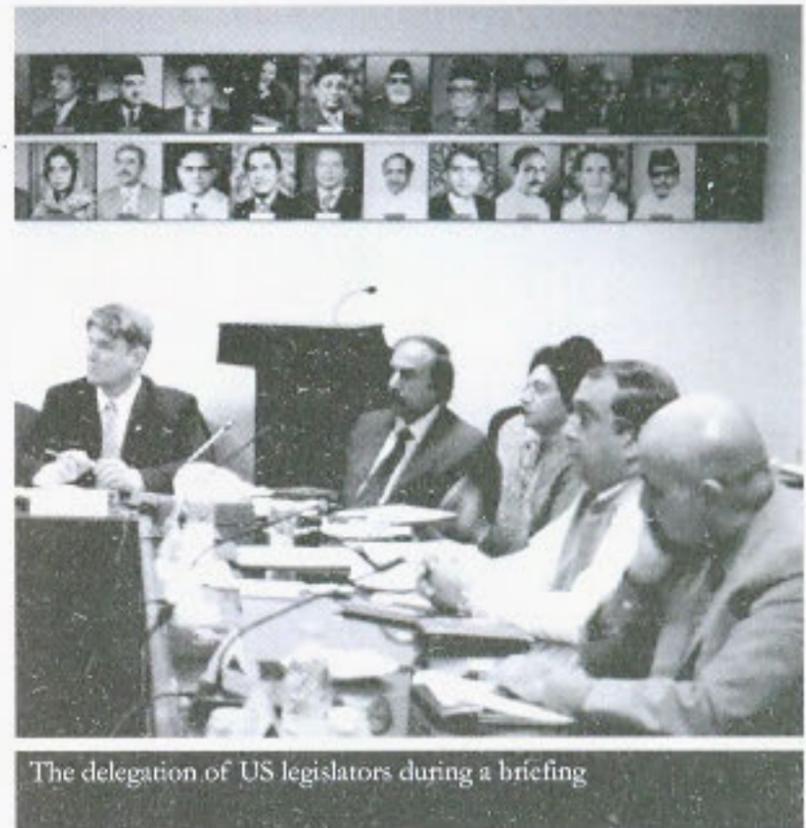
Pakistani students during a discussion with young political leaders

were given a briefing on the role of civil society in disaster management by an NGO Sungi Development Foundation during their visit. In a key-note Speech, Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed, Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, briefed fellows on the prevailing geo-political situation of Pakistan, its state of democracy, overall foreign relations and some of the regional challenges of the present and the future. The visit programme was planned in line with the theme of "South Asia Shining" of the Winter 2006 Jefferson Fellowship. The programme focussed on recent economic growth and development in Pakistan in the broader political, social, cultural and security context of the region. Director General of the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) Maj. Gen. Shaukat Sultan hosted a dinner for the visitors at the start of their visit.

### Visit of American Legislators to Pakistan

PHIDAT joined hands with the American Council of Young Political Leaders - ACYPL, for planning and managing a visit of a group of US State Senators and legislators to Pakistan from April 02-12, 2006. The 7-member visiting delegation included the honourable

Hector H. Balderas, Member, New Mexico House of Representatives; Ms. Ayelet Hines, Senior Strategic Communications Specialist, American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees; Ms. Rachel Zagrabelny, Director, State-Government Relations, International Council of Shopping Centers; Mr. Joseph Patrick Achacoso, Member, President's National Hire



The delegation of US legislators during a briefing

Veterans Committee, US Department of Labour; the honourable John Brueggeman, Member, Montana State Senate; the honourable Mark Martin, Member, Arkansas House of Representatives and the honourable Brian Joyce, Member, Massachusetts State Senate.

As a part of their 11-day visit, the delegation held meetings with the honourable Mr. Mohammedmian Soomro, Chairman Senate; Mr. Omar Ayub Khan, Minister of State for Finance; Mr. Daniyal Aziz, Federal Minister and Chairman NRB; Raja Javed Ikhlas, Nazim (Lord Mayor), Rawalpindi City District Government; Mian Amer Mahmood, Nazim (Lord Mayor), City District Government Lahore; Maj. Gen. Farooq Ahmed Khan, Federal Relief Commissioner; Mr. Khurshid Mehmud Kasuri, MNA, Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs; Mr. Shahid Rafi, Secretary Ministry of Information and Ms. Arifa Sayeda Zehra,



Senator Mohammedmian Soomro (left), Chairman Senate of Pakistan, receiving the US delegation

Chairperson NCSW. The design of the study tour combined roundtable discussions on topics such as Tools employed for Political Management; Dialogue between Muslim World and the West; and People and the Legislatures. The delegation also held interactions with office bearers and legislators of leading political parties of Pakistan including the ruling PML, PML-N,



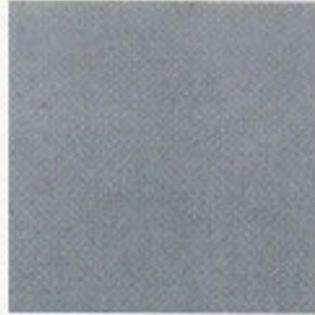
Mr. Khurshid Mahmud Kasuri, Foreign Minister of Pakistan (3rd from left) with the delegation

PPPP, JI and MQM. The programme also included the delegates' interaction with students and faculty of International Relations Dept. of Quaid e Azam University, Islamabad. The delegation was hosted to a number of luncheons and dinners by leading members of the business and political community alongside the United States Embassy in Pakistan.



Dr. Donya Aziz, MNA (left) at a Dialogue with the US delegation of Young Legislators

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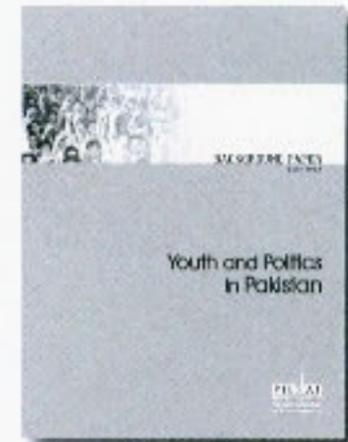
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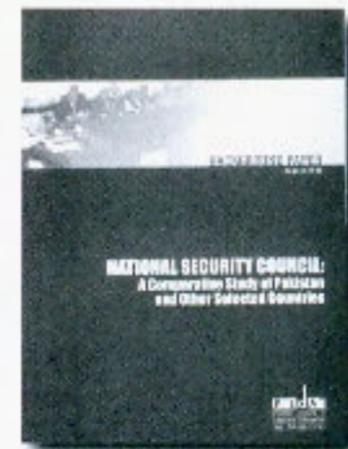
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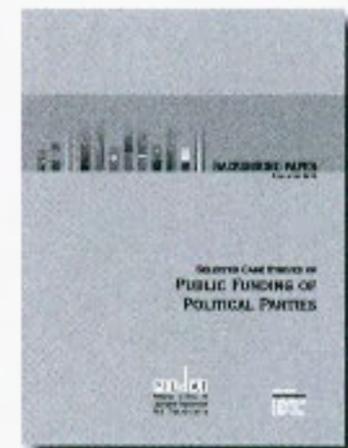
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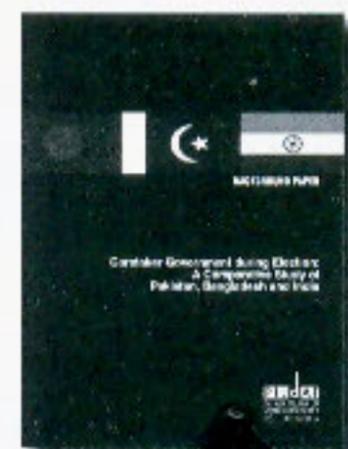
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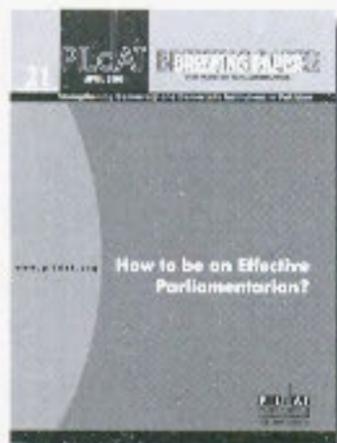


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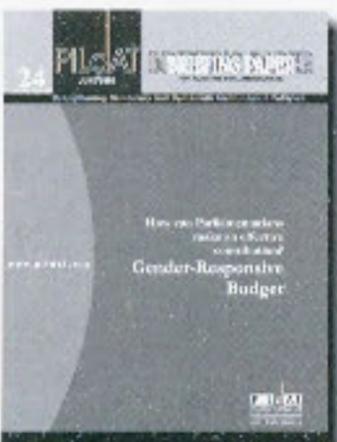
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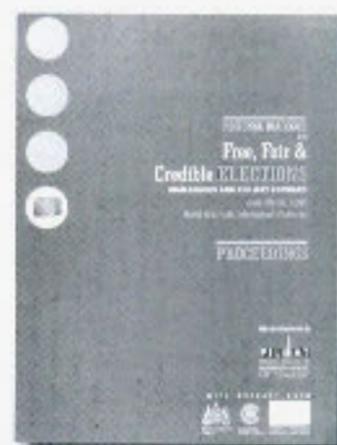


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## AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

We have audited the annexed balance sheet of **Pakistan Institute Of Legislative Development And Transparency-PILDAT** (the Society) as at **June 30, 2006** and the related income and expenditure account, together with the notes forming part thereof (here-in-after referred to as the financial statements), for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the management of the Society. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the auditing standards as applicable in Pakistan. These standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the above said statements are free of any material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting policies and significant estimates made by management, as well as, evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion:-

- (a) the payments made and expenditure incurred during the year was for the purpose of the approved objects of the society;
- (b) where funds were received for a specific stated purpose, these have been spent for the purpose only; and
- (c) to the best of our information and according to the explanation given to us, the financial statements give the true and fair view of the state of the Society's affairs as at June 30, 2006 and of the surplus for the year then ended.

ISLAMABAD:

*Ford Rhodes Sidat Hyder & Co.*  
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

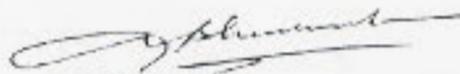
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**PAKISTAN INSTITUTE OF LEGISLATIVE DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPARENCY**  
**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

	Note	2006 Rupees	2005 Rupees
<b>Income</b>	7	31,534,827	38,793,232
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Workshops and seminars	8	6,475,745	14,122,968
Operational, support services and administration expenses	9	14,677,260	21,216,872
Study tours	10	-	9,462,800
Financial charges	11	6,655	35,643
		<u>21,159,660</u>	<u>44,838,283</u>
<b>Surplus / (Deficit) for the year transferred to General fund account</b>		<u>10,375,167</u>	<u>(6,045,051)</u>

The annexed notes from 1 to 15 form an integral part of these financial statements.

*FRSIT & Co.*

  
Secretary General

  
Chairman

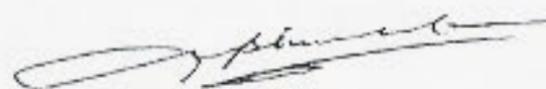
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**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT JUNE 30, 2006**

	Note	2006 Rupees	2005 Rupees
Tangible fixed assets	3	4,774,102	4,880,293
<b>Current assets</b>			
Advances, deposits and prepayments	4	349,876	163,978
Cash and bank balances	5	14,037,411	4,620,403
		<u>14,387,287</u>	<u>4,784,381</u>
<b>Less: Current liabilities</b>			
Accrued and others liabilities	6	1,137,916	2,016,368
		13,249,371	2,768,013
		<u>18,023,473</u>	<u>7,648,306</u>
<b>Represented by:</b>			
General fund account		7,648,306	13,693,357
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year		10,375,167	(6,045,051)
		<u>18,023,473</u>	<u>7,648,306</u>

Auditors' report annexed

The annexed notes from 1 to 15 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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Secretary General

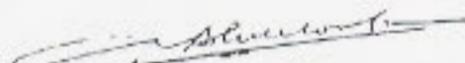
  
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**PAKISTAN INSTITUTE OF LEGISLATIVE DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPARENCY**  
**CASH FLOW STATEMENT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2006**

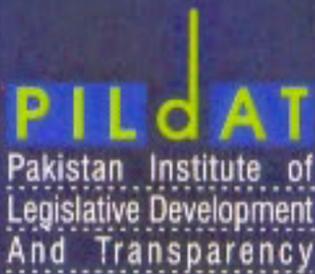
	Note	2006			2005		
		DFID Rupees	OTHERS Rupees	TOTAL Rupees	DFID Rupees	OTHERS Rupees	TOTAL Rupees
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>							
(Deficit) / Surplus for the year		(573,937)	10,949,104	10,375,167	(3,906,109)	(2,138,942)	(6,045,051)
Items not involving movement of cash -							
Depreciation on fixed assets		798,316	432,722	1,231,038	1,052,046	292,126	1,344,172
Financial charges		2,975	3,681	6,655	11,347	35,643	46,990
Assets written off		132,878	-	132,878	-	-	-
Gain on sale of fixed assets		-	-	-	-	(5,440)	(5,440)
Net cash flows from operations before working capital charges		350,231	11,385,507	11,745,738	(2,842,716)	(1,816,614)	(4,659,330)
Working capital changes -							
(Increase) / Decrease in advances, deposits and prepayments		821	(186,719)	(185,898)	1,324,304	684,786	2,009,090
(Decrease) / increase in accrued and other liabilities		(112,316)	(766,142)	(878,452)	(359,482)	(3,780,309)	(4,119,791)
(Decrease) / increase in interunit accounts		(250,381)	250,381	-	1,888,095	(1,888,095)	-
Cash generated from / (used in) operations		(1,638)	10,683,026	10,681,388	30,701	(6,800,232)	(6,770,031)
Financial charges paid		(2,975)	(3,681)	(6,655)	(11,347)	(35,643)	(46,990)
Net cash generated from / (used in) operating activities		(4,613)	10,679,346	10,674,733	18,854	(6,835,874)	(6,817,021)
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>							
Capital expenditure		-	(1,257,725)	(1,257,725)	(171,545)	-	(171,545)
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets		-	-	-	-	53,000	53,000
Net cash (used in) / from investing activities		-	(1,257,725)	(1,257,725)	(171,545)	53,000	(118,545)
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>							
Proceeds from redemption of loan		-	-	-	-	61,000	61,000
Net cash from / (used in) financing activities		-	-	-	-	61,000	61,000
Net (decrease) / increase in cash and cash equivalents		(4,613)	9,421,621	9,417,008	(152,691)	(6,721,874)	(6,874,566)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year		50,336	4,570,067	4,620,403	203,027	11,291,941	11,494,968
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	5	45,723	13,991,688	14,037,411	50,336	4,570,067	4,620,403

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