



**MUSLIM Institute organized a national Conference on “Junagadh: Challenges & Prospects” on Tuesday September 14, 2021 at National Library of Pakistan, Islamabad. The conference consisted of six sessions, four academic sessions, an inaugural session, and a concluding ceremony. Ambassadors, Historians, political scientists, foreign policy experts, students, university professors, lawyers, journalists, political leaders, social activists, and people from different walks of life participated in the Conference.**



# Conference Overview

Junagadh State was a well-revered dynasty that existed for almost two hundred and twelve years (1735-1947) before the partition of the Indo-Pak Sub-Continent. State of Junagadh acceded to Pakistan on September 15, 1947 when His Highness Nawab Mahabat Khanji, the sovereign of the State of Junagadh, signed instrument of accession with Founder & first Governor-General of Pakistan Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah. Junagadh remained part of Pakistan for two and a half months. Later on, India; like Kashmir, forcibly occupied Junagadh on November 9, 1947. According to international law, Junagadh is still lawful part of Pakistan. Speakers presented an in-depth discussion on the history, accession to Pakistan, Indian illegal occupation of the Junagadh state recent developments and various other aspects. Details of the speakers and papers presented in the conference are given below.

## Inaugural Session





HIS HIGHNESS  
**Nawab Jahangir Khanji**  
 SOVEREIGN IN EXILE, NAWAB OF JUNAGADH STATE  
**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS**



GENERAL (R)  
**AHSAN UL HAQ**  
 FORMER CHAIRMAN JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF COMMITTEE OF PAKISTAN  
**CHIEF GUEST OF SESSION**



SAHIBZADA  
**SULTAN AHMED ALI**  
 DEWAN OF JUNAGADH & CHAIRMAN, MUSLIM INSTITUTE  
**WELCOMING REMARKS**



MAJ GEN (R)  
**SHAHID AHMAD HASHMAT**  
 FORMER PRINCIPAL, CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACE & STABILITY, NUST, ISLAMABAD  
**GUEST OF HONOUR**



AMBASSADOR (R)  
**AFRASIAB MEHDI HASHMI QURESHI**  
 FORMER ADDITIONAL FOREIGN SECRETARY OF PAKISTAN  
**GUEST OF HONOUR**



MR.  
**AHMER BILAL SOOFI**  
 PRESIDENT, RESEARCH SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW (RSIL) & FORMER FEDERAL MINISTER OF LAW  
**KETNOTE SPEECH**



DR.  
**MUJEEB AHMAD**  
 DEPT. OF HISTORY & PAKISTAN STUDIES, INTERNATIONAL ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY, ISLAMABAD  
**GUEST OF HONOUR**

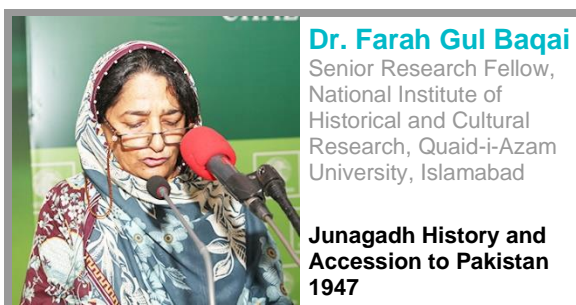


# First Academic Session

## HISTORY OF JUNAGADH STATE



Details of speakers and topics discussed in First Academic Session of conference are as follow:





Second Academic Session  
ACCESSION OF JUNAGADH AND OTHER PRINCELY STATES OF INDO-PAK SUB-CONTINENT



**Prof. Dr. Samina Awan**

Chairperson, Dept. of History, Allama Iqbal Open University, Islamabad

**Chair of the Session**

Details of speakers and topics discussed in Second Academic Session of conference are as follow:



(Via Video link)

**Dr. Muhammad Nawaz Bhatti**

Chairman, Dept. of Politics & International Relations, University of Sargodha

**Accession of Princely States: A Comparative Study of Junagadh and Jammu & Kashmir**



**Dr. Juliyaana Usman Wachani**

Lecturer, Raunaq e Islam Government College for Women, Kharadar Karachi

**Validity of Pakistan's Claim on the Issue of Junagadh: An Analytical Discussion with the Slight Touch with Kashmir Issue**



**Rana Pervaiz Iqbal**

Ph.D. Scholar, Department of Political Science, The Islamia University of Bahawalpur

**Accession of Princely States to Pakistan: A Comparative Study of Junagadh and Bahawalpur**



**Mr. Mudassir Ayub**

PhD Scholar, Dept. of History, Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad

**Accession of Junagadh & Kalat States to Pakistan: A Comparative Study**



(Via Video link)

**Mr. Rizwan Shahzad**

MS Scholar, Department of Education, Sindh Madressatul Islam University, Karachi

**Synthesizing on the Accession of Junagadh State with Pakistan**



**Mr. Muhammad Mehboob**

Dept. of Defense and Strategic Studies, Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad

**Re-orientation of the new Political Map of Pakistan: A Case Study of Junagadh State Accession**



# Third Academic Session ISSUE OF JUNAGADH STATE AND LEGAL PERSPECTIVE



**Prof. Dr. Nazir Hussain**  
Dean Social Sciences and Humanities,  
University of Wah  
**Chair of the Session**


Details of speakers and topics discussed in Third Academic Session of conference are as follow:




**Dr. Altaf Ullah**  
Senior Research Fellow,  
National Institute of Historical and Cultural Research, Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad  
**Junagadh State: An Examination of the Two Divergent Approaches**



**Dr. Muhammad Asim**  
Assistant Professor,  
Political Science, Govt. Associate College, Rawalpindi  
**Discrepancies between Indian Standpoints over Accession of Junagadh within the Context of Indian Independence Act 1947**



**Dr. Samza Fatima**  
Assistant Professor of Law, University Gillani Law College, Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan  
**Accession of Junagadh State with Pakistan: Reinvigorating the Issue that were Thrown under the Mud**



**Dr. Imran Naseem**  
Assistant Professor,  
COMSATS University Islamabad, Abbottabad Campus  
**Issue of Junagadh: Dead or Alive**



**Advocate Feroz M. Siddiqui**

Chairman of Junagadh State Lawyers Council, Visiting Faculty Member, Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto University of Law, Karachi

**Issue of the Princely State of Junagadh in Perspective of International Law**



**Mr. Asif Tanveer Awan**

(LLM, International Law), Research Associate, MUSLIM Institute

**Issue of Junagadh State in Perspective of International Law**



**Mr. Nasir Abbas Shah**

Scholar on Law

**Status of Junagadh State in the Domestic Law of Pakistan**



## Fourth Academic Session RECENT DEVELOPMENTS ON JUNAGADH ISSUE



**Dr. Saif ur Rahman Malik**

Director India Study Centre, Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad

**Chair of the Session**

Details of speakers and topics discussed in Fourth Academic Session of conference are as follow:





**Mr. Hamza Malik**  
National University of  
Science & Technology  
(NUST), Islamabad

**Narratives surrounding  
the Annexation of the  
State of Junagadh: A  
Critical Analysis**



**Mr. Tariq Khan**  
MS Scholar in  
International Relations,  
Bahria University,  
Islamabad

**The Revival of  
Junagadh Movement:  
Challenges and  
Prospects**



**Mr. Zafar Masood**  
Dept. of Political Science,  
University of the Punjab,  
Lahore

**Junagadh Movement in  
Contemporary Era**



**Mr. Muhammad  
Waseem Abbas**  
Researcher, MUSLIM  
Institute

**Modern Discourse on  
Junagadh Issue: A  
Critical Analysis**



**Ms. Nida Kanwal**  
M.Phil. Scholar, Dept. of  
History & Civilization  
Studies, Bahauddin  
Zakariya University,  
Multan

**Socio-Political and  
Economic Role of  
Junagadh Community  
in Pakistan**



**Mr. Abdul Basit**  
Lecturer, School of Media  
and Communication  
Studies, University of  
Management and  
Technology, Lahore

**The Role of Junagadh  
Community in the  
Social Development of  
Pakistan: An Overview**

## Concluding Session





HIS EXCELENCY  
**Sahibzada Mehboob Sultan**  
 FEDERAL MINISTER FOR STATES AND FRONTIER REGIONS  
**CHIEF GUEST OF SESSION**



HONOURABLE  
**SYED FAKHAR IMAM**  
 FEDERAL MINISTER FOR NATIONAL FOOD SECURITY AND RESEARCH  
**GUEST OF HONOUR**



HONOURABLE  
**Ali Muhammad Khan**  
 STATE MINISTER FOR PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS  
**GUEST OF HONOUR**



HONOURABLE  
**AIZAZ AHMAD CHAUDHARY**  
 DIRECTOR GENERAL, INSTITUTE OF STRATEGIC STUDIES ISLAMABAD & FORMER FOREIGN SECRETARY OF PAKISTAN  
**GUEST OF HONOUR**



AIR VICE-MARSHAL (R)  
**Faaiz Amir**  
 FORMER VICE CHANCELLOR, AIR UNIVERSITY, ISLAMABAD  
**GUEST OF HONOUR**



**CONFERENCE RESOLUTION**  
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