

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:**CHAIRMAN**

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT****NAME:** Ar. Zahid Javed Raja**PROFESSION:** Architecture

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION PAKISTAN COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTS AND TOWN PLANNERS (PCATP)

- Member, PCATP Executive Committee (1990-1992)
- Vice Chairman PCATP (2001-2002 & 2003-2004)
- Chairman PCATP (2004)

VISION STATEMENT

**"Let's Work Together to Strengthen PCATP"
"Together We Reform, Together We Achieve"**

With over 44 years of professional and academic experience, I aim to lead PCATP into a future of strength, transparency, and innovation. Here is my concise manifesto:

AGENDA AND PRIORITIES**Strengthening PCATP**

- Reform rules and regulations for efficient and transparent operations.
- Introduce modern technology and software to streamline administrative processes.

Protecting Architects and Planners

- Advocate for the recognition and protection of architectural and planning professions.
- Develop policies to safeguard interests in public and private sectors.

Empowering Professionals

- Ensure architects' and planners' participation in decision-making for sustainable built environments.
- Promote their professional roles in urban development projects.

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Enhancing Academia

- Collaborate with HEC to review and improve architectural and planning curricula.
- Support faculty development to ensure high educational standards.

Academia-Industry Linkages

- Strengthen relationships between academic institutions and PCATP.
- Foster research and innovation to align academia with industry needs.

Job Creation

- Initiate programs to create job opportunities for fresh graduates.
- Partner with government and private organizations for internships and employment.

Merit-Based Practices

- Promote transparency and fairness in all PCATP-led initiatives.
- Reward qualifications, experience, and job performance through a structured system.

Revival of Housing Schemes

- Resume and execute PCATP-initiated housing projects.
- Integrate sustainable and affordable housing solutions.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS AND EXPERIENCE:

- Managing Director, Tech Zone Consultants: Delivered innovative architecture and construction management solutions.
- Former Chief Architect Punjab (2013-2015): Led key architectural policies and projects.

PCATP Leadership:

- Member, PCATP Executive Committee (1990-1992)
- Vice Chairman PCATP (2001-2002 & 2003-2004)
- Chairman PCATP (2004)

International Training:

- Integrated Housing Strategies (Jakarta, Indonesia).
- Construction Management (AIT Bangkok, Thailand).

CALL TO ACTION

- Unite to build a stronger, more effective council.
- Advocate for the role of architects and planners in nation-building.
- Create opportunities for future generations.

"Beliefs Together, Achieve Together."

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:**CHAIRMAN**

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT****NAME:** Ejaz Ahmed Qadri**PROFESSION:** Architect**MEMBERSHIP OF****PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION:** Member PCATP, FIAP, AIA, Life Member Helper Association of Pakistan, Member Rotary International.

I am honored to offer my candidacy for the position of Chairman of the Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners (PCATP). With over 30 years of professional experience in architecture, interior design, and project management, I bring a proven track record of leadership and a deep passion for advancing our profession.

Throughout my career, I have learned that success is driven by a combination of passion, dedication, hard work, and a positive attitude. However, the most vital ingredient is teamwork. Collaboration with stakeholders ensures that challenges are addressed effectively, innovative solutions are developed, and objectives are achieved. I firmly believe that with proper research, strategic planning, and the application of managerial skills, we can achieve transformative outcomes for our profession and community.

If elected, I aim to address key challenges and introduce initiatives that will elevate our profession and contribute to the betterment of architects and town planners across Pakistan. Some of the priorities I intend to focus on include:

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1. **Strengthening Government Collaboration**

It is crucial to establish a strong bridge between our community and government bodies. I propose advocating for a resolution that mandates the inclusion of architects and town planners as permanent employees within civic and development bodies. This will ensure that architectural and urban planning needs are prioritized and safeguarded.

2. **Enhancing Educational Synergy**

I aim to foster stronger collaboration between academic institutions and practicing professionals. This includes revising and upgrading curricula to align with current and future industry needs. By encouraging interaction between students and professionals, we can better prepare young architects and planners for the challenges of the field.

3. **Simplifying Licensing Processes**

Multiple licensing fees pose unnecessary financial and administrative burdens on professionals. I propose a streamlined national certification process that will enable architects and planners to practice across various regions without redundant licensing requirements.

4. **Promoting International Standards**

To prepare young professionals for global opportunities, I aim to support initiatives that align architectural education in Pakistan with international standards. Streamlining the accreditation of architectural schools in compliance with PCATP and HEC guidelines will enhance the quality of education and readiness of graduates.

5. **Fostering Professional Partnerships**

Building collaborations with organizations such as the Pakistan Engineering Council, Green Building Councils, and other professional bodies will provide opportunities for cross-disciplinary training and knowledge exchange. These partnerships will strengthen our community and broaden professional horizons.

6. **Facilitating Global Opportunities**

I will work to establish links with international regulatory authorities to facilitate licensing for Pakistani architects to practice abroad. Arranging these qualification exams within Pakistan will save professionals time and resources.

With my experience as an executive member of PCATP and other managerial roles, I am confident in my ability to lead the organization to new heights. Together, we can achieve meaningful progress and raise the standards of our profession.

“Together, we can make a better tomorrow!”

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:**VICE CHAIRMAN (ARCHITECTURE)**

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT****NAME:** Ar. Dr. Muhammad Arif Khan**PROFESSION:** Architect**MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION:**

- Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners (PCATP)
- Member UET Lahore governing body (Syndicate) 03 times
- Member Advanced Studies and Research Board, UET Lahore

Experience: 32 years of teaching, Research, and administrative experience at UET Lahore**Current Positions:** Dean of Faculty of Architecture & Design at the University of South Asia, Lahore.

- Former positions at UET Lahore
- Professor Architecture (BPS 21) UET Lahore
- Chair Architectural Engineering, UET Lahore
- Member UET Lahore governing body (Syndicate) 03 times
- Member Advanced Studies and Research Board, UET Lahore
- Published 55 Research publications in National, and international conferences and journals.
- 44 M.Sc. produced.
- Won International Research Grants on a competitive basis
- Trainer/ Expert in Outcome Based Education (OBE)

I strongly believe that the joint work of the PCATP, academia, the building industry, regulators, and policymakers can strengthen our country and architecture schools in terms of research and development in Pakistan. This will lead to innovation in the Architecture profession.

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- An effective and meaningful relationship among all the stakeholders would be very helpful in reshaping the existing model of our education system in Architecture and professional practice. In this way, we can create space to play a leading role in the Architectural world on a competitive basis.
- I believe that P.C.A.T.P should act as a facilitator for professional Architects and schools of Architecture. The active participation of academia in P.C.A.T.P. has a critical role in redirecting the current participation of the council in architectural education and other matters. There is an urgent need to minimize the gap between academia and P.C.A.T.P.
- Let us learn from the past, think for the future, and come forward to join hands to contribute to the betterment of the architectural profession, the architects' community, teaching faculty, students, and above all the development and growth of our country.

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF: VICE CHAIRMAN (ARCHITECTURE)

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT****NAME:** Shehla Tasleem**PROFESSION:** Architect**MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION:** Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners (PCATP)**PERSONAL STATEMENT/ MANIFESTO**

As a seasoned architect with 28 years of experience in the design and construction industry, I have had the privilege of contributing to both the built environment and the professional growth those within our field. My professional life started in 1996, and throughout my career the journey has always been guided by a deep commitment to upholding the integrity of profession, advancing architectural education, and fostering innovation within the architectural community. I have an honour that with my professional endeavours I kept myself associated with most of the architecture schools in Karachi as a visiting faculty.

I believe the role of the Vice Chairperson, PCATP is not just about fulfilling official responsibilities of a regulatory requirements, but also about being an experienced professional who can inspire change, advocate for the profession, and build bridges for our society stake holders categorically practitioners, educators and policymakers. With the background in both architecture and Project Management, I bring a comprehensive understanding of the challenges and opportunities that face our fraternity today.

My personal mission is to work on the impediments in the architectural practices, enhancing the standards of architectural education, and advocating for policies that support sustainable development, innovation, and the professional dignity of architects in Pakistan.

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As Vice Chairperson of the Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners, I aim to:

1. Enhance Architectural Education and Training

- Collaborate with architecture academic institutions to update architectural curricula in line with global trends and local needs.
- Introduce students exchange and continuing professional development (CPD) programs to ensure architects remain competitive and well -versed in modern technological practices.
- Establish mentorship programs to connect experienced architects with emerging talent.

2. Strengthen the Architectural Profession

- Advocate for fair regulations and policies that protect the rights of architects and ensure ethical practice.
- Develop a centralized framework for accrediting training programs and certifications for specialized architectural skills.
- Work towards better recognition of Architects' contributions to society and increase public awareness about the importance of architectural excellence.

3. Promote Sustainability and Innovation

- Encourage sustainable architectural practices to address environmental challenges.
- Create forums for architects to showcase innovative projects share knowledge, and collaborate on solutions for urban and rural development.

4. Foster Community and Collaboration

- Build stronger relationships among architects, policy makers, and allied professions to promote interdisciplinary approaches.
- Organize events, conferences and competitions collaborating architecture schools' faculty and IAP chapters for the implementations.

5. Advocate for Policy Reforms

- Ensure government regulations and building codes reflect modern requirement while preserving heritage.
- Lobby for incentives for architects contributing to sustainable low cost projects for the community and conservation projects.

If I elected Vice Chairperson, I will work tirelessly to inspire and implement innovative solutions, promote sustainability, and uphold the dignity of our profession at both national and international levels.

Shehla Tasleem

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT**

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Personal Statement for the Election of Vice Chairperson, Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners (PCATP)

Dear Respected Members,

It is with great pride and a deep sense of responsibility that I submit my candidacy for the position of Vice Chairperson of the Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners (PCATP). As an architect with more than 26 years of professional and academic experience, I am committed to serving our architectural community, advancing our shared goals, and fostering a culture of collaboration and excellence within the council.

Over the years, I have been fortunate to engage in diverse projects that have shaped my understanding of the challenges and opportunities within our profession. I am driven by the belief that architects are key contributors to Pakistan's sustainable development, and it is our responsibility to uphold the highest standards of professional integrity, innovation, and inclusivity.

If elected as Vice Chairperson, I will focus on the following priorities:

1. Strengthening Professional Standards

I am committed to enhancing the regulatory framework of PCATP to ensure that the highest professional standards are maintained. This includes streamlining licensure processes, improving the accreditation system, and providing robust support for continued professional development.

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2. Promoting Sustainable Practices

As stewards of the built environment, we have a duty to champion sustainability. I will advocate for policies and initiatives that prioritize eco-friendly designs, resilient urban planning, and the integration of cutting-edge technologies to address climate challenges.

3. Enhancing Member Support and Engagement

PCATP exists to serve its members. I aim to establish clear channels of communication, provide greater access to resources, and create platforms where members can share knowledge, collaborate, and contribute to the council's decision-making processes.

4. Empowering Emerging Professionals

Our young architects and planners are the future of our profession. I will work to build stronger ties between academia and the industry, mentor emerging talent, and create opportunities for them to gain exposure to national and international best practices.

5. Collaboration and Advocacy

By strengthening partnerships with governmental bodies, private stakeholders, and international organizations, I intend to position PCATP as a proactive force in shaping policies that impact the architectural and planning domains in Pakistan.

As Vice Chairperson, I pledge to work closely with the Chairperson, council members, and all stakeholders to realize our shared vision for a progressive, innovative, and inclusive PCATP. Together,

we can ensure that our profession continues to thrive and contribute meaningfully to the development of our nation.

I humbly seek your support and vote, and I assure you of my unwavering commitment to serving the council and its members with integrity, transparency, and dedication.

Thank you for your trust and consideration.

Sincerely,

Asia Jabeen

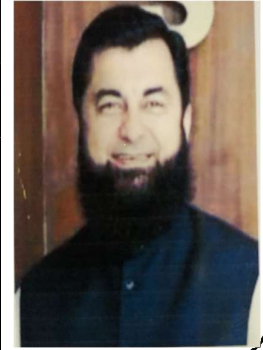
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CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF: VICE CHAIRMAN (ARCHITECTURE)

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT****NAME:** Majid Khan**PROFESSION:** ARCHITECT**MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION:** Lifetime Member PCATP/ Associate Member IAP

The role of the Council of Architects is crucial in setting the direction for our profession, ensuring that we uphold the highest standards of ethics, innovation, and responsibility. As an architect deeply committed to the advancement of our field, I am honored to present my manifesto as a candidate for Vice Chairman Architecture of the PCATP Election of 2025/27.

I envision a future where architecture is a force for positive change in society, where our profession leads the way in sustainability, inclusivity, and technological innovation. With your support, we can build a stronger, more unified community of architects and create a meaningful impact on the world around us.

The fundamental role of the council is to protect and uphold the integrity of our profession. As Vice Chairman, I will focus on:

1. Reinforcing the importance of ethics in architectural practice, promoting transparency, accountability, and integrity in every aspect of our work.
2. Advocating for the highest standards in education, professional development, and the built environment to ensure the continued respect and trust of the public.
3. Ensuring that only licensed architects are permitted to practice, protecting the reputation and value of the profession and safeguarding public safety.
4. Architecture must be a reflection of the diverse communities we serve.
5. Encouraging diversity in the architectural profession by creating opportunities for individuals from different backgrounds to enter and succeed in the field, particularly underrepresented groups such as women, minorities, and people with disabilities.

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6. Promoting universal design principles that ensure buildings and public spaces are accessible to all, regardless of age, ability, or background.
7. Working to eliminate barriers that limit access to architectural education and practice, ensuring that every architect has the opportunity to thrive, regardless of their socioeconomic status or cultural background.
8. Working to increase the visibility and influence of the Council in policy-making and public discourse, ensuring to have a voice in discussions on urban planning, environmental regulation, and public safety.
9. Promoting the value of architecture to the public and the government, highlighting the role architects play in improving quality of life, driving economic growth, and contributing to cultural and social development.
10. Fostering relationships with international architecture organizations to share knowledge, ideas, and best practices that can help us tackle global challenges such as urbanization, climate change, and social inequality.
11. Encouraging collaboration among architects through networking events, conferences, and design competitions, ensuring that we share knowledge, inspire one another, and push the boundaries of creativity.
12. Strengthening mentorship programs to guide young architects as they enter the profession, ensuring they have the tools, resources, and guidance they need to succeed.
13. The future of architecture depends on the strength and vision of the education that shapes it. As we face unprecedented global challenges, we need architects who are not only skilled designers but also responsible leaders, critical thinkers, and problem solvers.
14. We will transform architectural education into a force for positive change. Our students will graduate ready to design a world that is sustainable, equitable, and forward-thinking.

A strong, supportive community makes our profession stronger. I will work to create an environment where architects support each other and collaborate for shared success.

Conclusion:

As Vice Chairman of the PCATP, I am committed to advancing the profession of architecture by promoting sustainability, inclusivity, technological innovation, and advocacy. Together, we will build a profession that leads with integrity, innovation, social responsibility, sustainability, inclusivity, creativity, technology, and global collaboration,

Let's work together to shape a future where architecture continues to inspire, serve, and improve the lives of people around the world and shape the architects who will shape our future.

Vote for a stronger, more sustainable, and inclusive architectural community.

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF: VICE CHAIRMAN (ARCHITECTURE)

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT****NAME** Shazia Abro**PROFESSION:** Academician / Architect**MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION:** Pakistan Council of Architecture and Town Planning, (PCATP)
Institute of Architects Pakistan, Karachi Chapter (IAP-KC)**Subject:** Commitment to Advancing Our Profession

Dear Colleagues,

Thank you for your valuable feedback and unwavering support for my candidacy. Your encouragement inspires and strengthens my resolve to work for the betterment of our profession.

As a candidate for Vice Chairman (Architecture), I am deeply committed to fostering progress in our field. A key priority is the implementation of the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) program, which has the potential to elevate professional standards and provide lifelong learning opportunities for architects. Despite being finalized in 2020, its lack of execution remains a pressing concern, and I am determined to see it realized for the benefit of all.

Additionally, I aim to ensure a transparent, merit-based accreditation process for Bachelor of Architecture (B. Arch) programs, free from political interference, to uphold the highest academic and professional standards.

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I am particularly focused on addressing the challenges faced by practicing architects, especially young professionals. Many struggle with limited opportunities, inadequate guidance, and navigating complex industry demands. By establishing robust support systems, mentorship programs, and career development initiatives, I hope to empower them to succeed and contribute meaningfully to our profession.


If elected, I pledge to serve with dedication, integrity, and an unwavering commitment to fostering positive change. Together, we can advance our profession and secure a brighter future for architects.

Thank you for your continued trust and support.

Best regards,

Ar. Shazia Abro

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF: VICE-CHAIRMAN TOWN PLANNING

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NAME **IMTIAZ AHMED VOHRA**

PROFESSION **Town Planning**

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION **PCATP Reg. No. P-0042**

Dear Members of the PCATP,

It is with great humility and a sense of responsibility that I announce my candidacy for the position of Vice-Chairman, Town Planning, in our esteemed council. I have been fortunate to dedicate my career to city/urban and regional planning, and I now seek your support to serve our profession at a national level.

Vision for the Future

Our cities and towns are at a critical juncture, facing rapid urbanization, environmental challenges, and socioeconomic disparities. As town planners, we are uniquely positioned to address these challenges through innovative and sustainable solutions. My vision is to elevate the role of town planners in shaping resilient, inclusive, and sustainable communities.

Key Objectives

If entrusted with this position, I will prioritize:

- Strengthening Professional Standards: Advocate for continuous professional development programs and align our practices with international standards.
- Promoting Sustainable Urban Development: Support policies and projects that emphasize environmental stewardship, climate resilience, and smart urban growth.
- Capacity Building: Facilitate workshops, training, and collaborations with academic institutions to enhance the skills and expertise of our members.

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- **Empowering Town Planners:** Advocate for greater representation of town planners in decision-making processes at all levels of government.
- **Collaboration and Networking:** Build partnerships with global and regional organizations to bring new ideas and resources to PCATP members.


My Commitment

As Vice-Chairman, I will be a proactive, accessible, and inclusive leader. I am committed to listening to the voices of our diverse membership and working collectively to advance the field of town planning in Pakistan.

Together, we can create a future where our profession is recognized as a cornerstone of national development. I humbly ask for your support and your vote in this election.

Let us shape a better tomorrow—together.

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF: VICE-CHAIRPERSON TOWN PLANNING

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NAME: **DR. GHULAM SARWAR SANDHU**

PROFESSION: **TOWN PLANNING**

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION: **PCATP Reg. No. P-00220**

I, **Dr. Ghulam Sarwar Sandhu** during my Bachelor Degree in City and Regional Planning at UET Lahore struggled for the rights of the Town Planners and the achievements include:

- Creation of Jobs for Town Planners in
- Local Governments
- Cantonment Board
- Katchi Abadi Cell, Punjab
- Metropolitan Corporation, Lahore
- Extension of CRP Buildings at UET
- Expansion of CRP Department Library
- Admission of Town Planners in Public Health Department UET

My contributions to Town Planning Profession, as Vice Chairman, PCATP include:

- Registration of Town Planning Firms with PCATP
- Taken up the issues of Town Planning Professionals with the concerned organizations like LDA, FDA, KDA, PDA, QDA, GDA, Local Governments

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- Accreditation Renewal of CRP Departments at UET Lahore & Jamshoro University
- Creation of Housing Societies Directorate in CDA and Jobs for more than 18 Town Planners
- Got created six positions for Town Planners for internship
- Promoted active participation of Town Planners in National / international
- Conferences/ Workshops, Seminars, etc.
- Accreditation of CRP departments at UET, Lahore – Urban & Regional Planning UET Peshawar – City and Regional UET, Jamshoro & Lahore College for Women University (LCWU)
- Meetings with Chief Secretary – Secretary Local Government – DGs Development Authorities and Chief Planning Commission regarding Town planning and Town planners
- Efficient and effective correspondence with all respective forums including Federal & Provincial governments, Development Authorities – Heads of Local governments and private sector.
- Establishment of separate council for Town planners – completed all approvals like AGM approval – EGM approval – PCATP Executive Committee approval – Consensus on draft Act of Town planning council
- Nominations of Qualified Town planners in professional committees
- Fight against registration of non-town planning firms with PCATP as Town planning firms
- Facilitate the registration of Town planners and town planning firms
- Correspondence with Public Service Commissions for safeguarding the Town planning qualification for town planning positions

Agenda for the period 2025-2027 if elected Vice Chairman PCATP:

- Issuance of Notification for Establishment of Separate Council of Town Planners.
- Lobbying/Networking with National/Provincial Political leaderships for the promotion of Town Planning Profession and town planning professionals
- Creation of New Jobs for Town Planners in Public & Private Sector
- Technical Allowance for Town Planners in Public Sector similar to that of Civil Engineers
- Establishment of new Town planning institutions
- Enactment of National Town planning Act
- Integration of Urban Planning in National Housing Policy

I positively anticipate the active support of Town Planning community in the upcoming PCATP elections.

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:**MEMBER (ARCHITECTURE)**

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT**NAME **Irfan Ahmed**

PROFESSION Architect

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION
Pakistan council of Architects and Town planners (PCATP) and IAP (KC)

Dear all,

I **IRFAN AHMED MEMON (JULIE)** would like to introduce myself and submit my candidacy for the position of MEMBER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (Architecture) 2025.

I attended Mehran University of Engineering and Technology, Jamshoro, Sindh, graduated with Honours in Architecture. I further obtained my Masters in Architecture from the Mehran UET, Jamshoro.

I have been working for over 24 years as Assistant Professor, in the department of architecture, MUET, Jamshoro.

I strongly believe in teamwork which is much more productive than individualism. I have always tried to create or to be part of an Architecture community. I have had this honour for to managing to set up network and link to the university and as well as young graduate architects and the PCATP.

This growing discontent is a cause for concern for senior and junior alike. I would like to help bridge this gap as effectively as possible.

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“When we vote, our values are put into action, and our voices are heard. Your voice is a reminder that you matter because you do, and you deserve to be heard.”

Dear Fellow Architects,

I am honoured to present myself as a candidate for the **Member of the Executive Committee** position in the upcoming **PCATP elections**. Through this letter, I humbly seek your support and urge you to **exercise your right to vote on merit**, ensuring the advancement of our profession in both **practice** and **academia**.

My Vision for PCATP

If elected, I am committed to creating an environment where all architects can thrive. My proposed initiatives include:

- **Job Portal Activation:** Redesigning and activating the **PCATP website** and social media platforms to effectively connect employers with young architects seeking job opportunities.
- **Engagement Forums:** Organizing forums where **students, young professionals, and senior architects** can share experiences, propose new ideas, and address grievances collaboratively.
- **Strengthening Professional Standards:** Collaborating with **authorities and government agencies** to establish the writ of the profession, ensuring the **approval and implementation of laws** to eliminate quacks and protect qualified architects.

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- **Academia Collaboration:** Encouraging successful practicing architects to actively engage with academia, bridging the gap between **education and practice**.
- **Market Alignment:** Reevaluating the number of **architectural seats** to align with current market demands, including opportunities abroad, to reduce frustration among young graduates.
- **Sustainable Development:** Tackling issues like diminishing **job opportunities**, promoting **ethical practices**, addressing the **climate impact** on the built environment, and fostering creative solutions for the future of architecture.

My Contributions So Far

To reinforce my ability to achieve these objectives, I share some of my past contributions to our fraternity: Since graduating **22 years ago**, I have actively worked to strengthen our profession through impactful roles. As a **Member of the Executive Committee of IAP-LC**, I revitalized the organization by initiating **mega project visits** and **industry outreach programs**. From **2022–2024**, I served as **Convener, coordinator, and marketing team member for IAPEX**, where our team successfully organized the **largest building materials exhibitions** in the event's history and in Pakistan.

I have always worked to bridge the gap between **youth and seniors**, addressing challenges faced by **fresh graduates** and advocating for the rights of graduates from **non-accredited universities**. Representing our fraternity before authorities such as **LDA, DHA Lahore**, and taxation agencies, I played a key role in reducing DHA registration requirements from **10 years to 5 years** and contributed to the reduction of **sales tax on consultancy services** from **16% to 5%** as part of the **IAP Taxation Committee**.

At the end of the day, it's not about what you have or even what you've accomplished. It's about what you've done with those accomplishments. It's about who you've lifted, who you've made better, and what you've given back.

Looking forward to your support.

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT**

NAME Dr. Muhammad Zeshan Ashraf

PROFESSION Architect/ Academician

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION PCATP (A02749)

Personal Statement**Advocate quality-based selection and design competitions in public procurement:**

By introducing more design competitions for young architects at city level and intercity level would force individuals to push boundaries of their creativity, urging them to think beyond the possible. I believe When a number of architects focus on a single problem, the process contributes to design excellence and variety. Many competitions offer opportunities for young architects that are not always available through other selection methods. Several significant architects have launched their careers because their designs were selected as the winning schemes. Competitions also bring positive attention to a project and help promote and contribute to corporate/institutional identity.

Allotment of technical/Practicing allowance for faculty and Govt. officials:

By introducing technical/practicing allowance for govt. officials unable to practice in field would be a way of rewarding them

Arranging job affairs:

Meeting numerous recruiters in one place opens many doors to getting hired and more efficiently choosing a suitable place to begin your career with. While other professionals do conduct their job affairs and career weeks very rigorously there is however a lack of that enthusiasm in architecture world. Therefore, a properly arranged and competitive event of the sorts would help graduates choose firms that align with their taste and polish their skills better.

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Guidance and counselling sessions of young architects:

I would suggest proper counselling sessions and organizing events where young architects sit with experts and experienced professionals in the field and get their queries answered. Such sessions would enhance their learning and spark their interest in the field for better. Such a counselling program empowers graduates towards the right career path with comprehensive solutions and techniques.

Forming ways to tackle climate change as an architect:

While we won't be able to fully reverse the impacts of climate change, we can guide our design teams and clients on climate-adaptive strategies. Whether you're updating an existing building or constructing a new one, we should begin providing resources available to help create sustainable structures that will last for future generations. One way to tackle this is to form resilience and adaptation education courses that are made mandatory for firms to study and go through. A step towards tackling climate change at this situation could go a long way. We therefore not only have a moral and ethical obligation to our clients, but to the environment as well. Any actions carried out knowingly in conflict with this obligation should be regarded with much higher seriousness, but this begins with a clearer understanding and recognition of how often this occurs.

Bridging the gap between academic and field:

There's often a disconnect between what architects learn in schools and what we are required to do in the workforce. The reason being the people need skills than just knowledge. The education system has remained the same for the past many years it is now time to move to a time where this gap is the thinnest.

Forming an online library for architecture students and practicing architects:

Digital libraries give access to multiple contents with a potentially infinite number of resources and selections at hand. Digital libraries improve the interactions between the readers and administrators in real time which gives room for the reader to have access to more information about a book and also you do not have to be physically present to ask any questions. Helping establish an online library dedicated to architecture would be very beneficial. Last but not least, to use my expertise, experience and passion to help make Pakistan an even better country.

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:**MEMBER ARCHITECTURE**

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT**

NAME Hina Marvi

PROFESSION Architect

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION Pakistan council of Architects and Town planners (PCATP) and IAP

Manifesto for Ar. Hina Marvi**Candidate for Executive Committee Member, PCATP**

Ar. Hina Marvi, a dedicated academic, professional, and sustainability advocate, is committed to uniting the architectural community through collaboration and inclusive solutions that connect academia, industry, and professionals. With over 16 years of experience in architecture, she serves as an Assistant Professor at SABSU, Jamshoro. Hina's work integrates social and environmental sustainability, focusing on creating resilient and inclusive spaces.

She has held key leadership roles, including Executive Board Director at SIL Ltd, Senate Member at SABSU, and Executive Committee Member at IAP-KC, showcasing her ability to lead change. As an advocate for Sindh's architects, she aims to secure equitable opportunities and address regional challenges while bridging gaps between academic training and professional practice.

Her goals for PCATP include uniting architects and academia (specifically in secondary cities), supporting education, creating opportunities through partnerships, promoting sustainability, and ensuring representation for Sindh. She envisions bringing architects and planners together to advance the profession at local and national levels while pushing for updated curricula, training programs, and workshops to match industry trends.

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Hina understands the challenges local architects face and is committed to securing better opportunities and fair policies for architects in Sindh and across Pakistan. With a proven track record of impactful research and leadership, she can be a strong voice for Sindh's architects, addressing their unique challenges and ensuring fair representation. Her vision includes raising partnerships between academia, industry, and government to open doors for young architects. **Let's work together for a better future. Vote for Ar. Hina Marvi—a strong voice for unity, equity, progress, and sustainability.**

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:

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CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT

NAME Salman
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I am currently the Director of Architecture and Urban Planning in Pakistan for Surbana Jurong, a multi-national firm that is known for its creative approach towards the evolution of urban centres and infrastructure. With over 15 years of working experience, I have been able to work on nationally and internationally reputed projects, driving forward creative and sustainable architectural and urban planning solutions.

Apart from my professional works, I have helped several institutions in developing their academic courses such as School of Art, Architecture and Design (SADA), NUST, Islamabad and University of South Asia, Lahore. At NUST, I was one of the founding faculty members and was able to develop: the curriculum, classes, lectures, and architect students of the future. This amalgamation of practice and engagement in academia is descriptive of my table passion of making a difference in the architectural profession.

Over the years in my profession, I have repeatedly fought for:

Enhancing Professional Standards: It is a priority to bring new technologies and best international practices to the sphere of architectural and urban in Pakistan

Capacity Building: An important aspect includes training young architects, and students in other spheres to prepare a new generation of thinkers and planners.

Sustainability in Design: An approach that deals with urbanization and environmental issues within the context of planning and architecture.

Strengthening Institutional Governance: It is about introducing transparency, accountability, and inclusiveness for professional councils and organizations such as PCATP.

My international consultancy, academic leadership and practical work in the architectural profession give me a comparative advantage to add value to the Executive Committee of the PCATP. I want to protect the interests of our members, encourage synergy, and make sure that our council is one of the key players in the development of architecture and town planning in Pakistan.

With your support, I am committed to uphold our profession with honesty and commitment. Together we can build on a vision where the architecture and planning inspires people and changes lives.

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:**MEMBER ARCHITECTURE**

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT**

NAME Mahjabeen Bugti

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Introduction:

I Mahjabeen Bugti completed my B. Arch from Dawood College of Engineering and Technology, Karachi in 1999. I was registered as an Architect with the council in 2009. Since then working in Qadri Associates in Quetta as Design Consultant. At the same time serving as Assistant Professor English Literature in Education Department, Government of Balochistan for last 15 year.

Election Manifesto

To create a positive contribution in the built environment of Balochistan through through awareness and conscious efforts made by Architects, Town Planners and Architecture Educationists working in Balochsitan, to make council help us achieve above stated goal.

If elected, will persue respectable environment between professionals of the community.

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:**MEMBER ARCHITECTURE**

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT**

NAME Ar. TAHIR SAEED

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MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION FACULTY MEMBER UET PESHAWAR

I am a graduate architect with a bachelor's degree from UET Peshawar in 2009, M Arch from Pakistan and Ph D scholar in the field of environmental planning. I have been an academician and practicing architect since my graduation.

Manifesto:

I will strive, with all honesty and fairness, to make the Architecture fraternity of Pakistan more inclusive and cohesive, and to achieve the following objectives during my tenure:

1. Development of research and analysis wing in PCATP for future decision making and challenges, and stakeholders' consultative session for future amendment.
2. To enhance the standing and image of PCATP within the Architectural fraternity as a representative body for all architects, through pro-active dialogue, empathic engagement and inclusive, progress-oriented legislation.
3. Development of SOPs for architectural internships and professional development, Linking practice, research and academia.

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT**NAME Mir Wali ShahPROFESSION ArchitectMEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners. (PCATP)

To Strengthen the Profession and Empower the Architects through following agenda items:

1. To Recognize and Empower the Architects/Architecture Profession in Public and Private Sectors.
2. To Upgrade and Empower Architectural firm/Consultants/Associates.
3. To Eliminate the Designs issues with Development societies, PEC consultants and organization's
4. To Cover the targets of Jobs for Architects in all relevant sectors and organizations
5. To Strengthen the Architecture Schools/Institutions with revised mechanism
6. To facilitate the Members and Organizations through ONLINE Accreditation/Registration System
7. To Establish Regional Offices of PCATP in all Major Cities to solve the issues with GOVT/ORG.
8. To Convert the PCATP from Ordinance to ACT and to Establish a Separate Council of Architects and Architecture with SDG, s to link with International World and recognition.
9. To Strengthen the Links between Academia, filed and industry and Involvement of Young Architects
10. Exchange Program for Faculty and practicing Architects with Institutions and firms
11. To Complete the Ongoing Pending Tasks that is are approved from EC (2023-25)
12. To Facilitate the Young Graduates in Practice, institutions, Market, firms and Jobs in new sectors and recognitions with structure of Jobs and packages and Workload.
13. To provide new opportunities for Fresh and Mid-Career Architects
14. To Link PCATP with Different Organizations for the benefits of ARCHITECTS as per ongoing issues that facing Architects and firms and To Strengthen PCATP Office with new System
15. To Work on Health, Education, Business, Professional travelling for ARCHITECTS and MS/PHD and B. Arch Exchanges and Scholarship Programs
16. Issues of Registration with DHA/CDA/PDA/BT/FT/PEC etc. and Design Competition.
17. Any other as per the Members information.

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:**MEMBER ARCHITECTURE**

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT**

NAME Faryal Sikandar

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Assistant Professor Ar. Faryal Sikandar**ELECTION STATEMENT FOR PCATP ELECTIONS 2025**

I, Ar. Faryal Sikandar, completed my Masters in Architecture from NED University Karachi, having research in ----- . I am currently teaching at the Department of Architecture at Dawood University of Engineering and technology, Karachi. Moreover, I have actively participated in a number of workshops, symposiums and teachers training programs resulting in gaining first-hand experience of architectural landscape in our country.

I am honored and privileged to present myself as a candidate for the upcoming PCATP Elections 2025. As professionals dedicated to advancing the field of architecture and promoting ethical practices, it is crucial that we come together to address the pressing challenges we face and shape a progressive future for our profession.

My Vision for the Future of the PCATP:

1. **Strengthening Professional Standards:** I am committed to ensuring that PCATP continues to uphold and improve the standards of architectural practice across the country. By fostering an environment of excellence, we can elevate the reputation of architects and ensure that the public and clients benefit from the highest quality of services.

2.

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3. **Advocacy for Architects:** I believe that the role of PCATP should extend beyond regulation and registration. I will work towards making PCATP a more proactive voice in advocating for the interests of architects, especially in the areas of policy, professional rights, and the fair compensation for our services.
4. **Continuous Education and Professional Development:** The architectural profession is constantly evolving, with new technologies and methodologies emerging every day. To keep pace with these changes, I will prioritize the enhancement of CPD (Continuing Professional Development) programs, encouraging lifelong learning and ensuring that our members remain at the forefront of industry advancements.
5. **Collaboration and Networking:** Stronger collaboration between architects, engineers, planners, and other stakeholders is essential for successful project outcomes. I will work to build stronger networks within PCATP, fostering open dialogue, shared resources, and the exchange of knowledge.
6. **Inclusivity and Diversity:** A diverse and inclusive profession is stronger and more resilient. I will work to create a more inclusive environment within PCATP, ensuring that architects from all backgrounds, ethnicities, and experiences have equal opportunities to succeed and thrive.

I believe that as a collective, PCATP has the power to lead the profession toward positive change and growth. By improving the support systems for architects, ensuring greater access to resources, and fostering an inclusive, sustainable, and forward-thinking environment, we can set the stage for a prosperous future for both professionals and the communities we serve.

I am dedicated to listening to your concerns, representing your interests, and taking tangible actions that will have a lasting impact on the profession. Together, we can take PCATP to new heights, making it an even stronger, more influential body in the architectural landscape.

I humbly ask for your support in these elections. Let's shape the future of architecture together.

Assistant Professor Ar. Faryal Sikandar
Candidate for PCATP Elections 2025

I completed my Master's in Architecture from NED University, Karachi, with a focus on _____. Currently, I am teaching at the Department of Architecture at Dawood University of Engineering & Technology and have actively participated in workshops, symposiums, and teacher-training programs. These experiences have given me firsthand insights into Pakistan's architectural landscape.

I am honored to stand as a candidate in the PCATP Elections 2025. We are a community of professionals committed to elevating the field of architecture and upholding ethical standards. Together, we can address emerging challenges and steer our profession toward a dynamic future.

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My Vision for PCATP

1. **Strengthen Professional Standards**

Uphold and enhance architectural practice nationwide, ensuring excellence and reinforcing public confidence in our work.

2. **Advocate for Architects**

Champion fair compensation, better policies, and broader recognition for architects, while expanding PCATP's role beyond basic registration and regulation.

3. **Promote Ongoing Development**

Advance Continuing Professional Development (CPD) programs to keep us ahead of evolving technologies and industry best practices.

4. **Foster Collaboration**

Build strong networks with engineers, planners, and other stakeholders to encourage open dialogue, shared resources, and knowledge exchange.

5. **Encourage Inclusivity**

Ensure architects from all backgrounds have equal opportunities, nurturing a profession that thrives on diversity.

A stronger PCATP means stronger architects, better resources, and vibrant, forward-thinking communities. I promise to listen to your concerns, represent your interests, and work toward impactful solutions. I humbly request your support in these elections— together, let's shape the future of architecture in Pakistan.

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:**MEMBER ARCHITECTURE**

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT**

NAME Muhammad Naveed Saad

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PAKISTAN COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTS AND TOWN PLANNERS (PCATP)

As a practicing architect and dedicated member of the Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners (PCATP), I am excited to announce my candidacy for the Executive Committee as a Federal Member.

With 12 years of experience, my passion for architecture and urban planning drives my commitment to serving our community. I have been involved in various projects prioritizing sustainability, accessibility, and social responsibility. My expertise in Bylaws and Regulatory Compliance has allowed me to provide valuable insights and guidance to our profession, ensuring that our members are well-versed in the laws and regulations governing our field.

As a member of PCATP, I have engaged with fellow professionals, stayed updated on industry trends, and participated in initiatives promoting excellence in architecture and town planning. I am eager to take on a more significant role in shaping the future of our profession and contributing to the growth and development of our community.

If elected, I promise to work tirelessly to:

- Promote Sustainable Practices: Advocate for environmentally responsible design and construction methods.
- Foster Collaboration: Encourage interdisciplinary collaboration among architects, town planners, and stakeholders.

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- Support Professional Development: Develop and promote continuing education programs.
- Decentralize Power: Delegate authority to ensure collaborative decision-making.
- Reform Licensing System: Review and strengthen the licensing system.

I believe my experience, passion, and commitment make me an ideal candidate. I look forward to serving our community and contributing to the advancement of architecture and town planning in Pakistan.

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PAKISTAN COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTS AND TOWN PLANNERS (PCATP) IAP

Since the early days of PCATP, a lot of issues related to Architecture industry have been neglected in the tenures of previous management committees. Though some positive steps have been taken in recent past but a lot of work still needs to be done to ensure the protection of rights of architect and the inclusion of architecture profession in the main stream construction industry and getting their due and proper recognition from the Provincial and Federal government departments.

My outmost priority will be to support the architects from less developed area especially from Sindh, Baluchistan, KPK including the southern districts of KPK and former FATA region where a lot of architects who recently graduated are jobless. My aim is to sensitize the Provincial and Divisional Level key Government decision makes about the role of these young architects in promoting and sustaining safe, economical, well planned and eco-friendly urban growth which is the requirement of every city keeping in mind the current population and housing growth trends.

My aim will be to support our Architects from Gilgit Baltistan and Azad Jammu Kashmir to have their own councils at region level as they make a major part of the architecture fraternity of Pakistan that is why they should have their own council where they can highlight and resolve their issues at regional level.

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I would also advocate the separation of Architects and Town planners in the form of town planners having their own council as architects being in majority shadow the required improvements and specialized needs of town planners to safeguard, promote and protect their profession. By having a separate Town Planning council, our esteemed town planners will have a platform where they will be able to focus on the issues faced by the town planning industry in Pakistan.

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT**NAME Syeda Ushba Urooj RizviPROFESSION ArchitectMEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION Pakistan council of Architects and Town planners (PCATP)**Manifesto for the nomination of Member Executive Committee (Arch) 2025-27**

Dear PCATP Members,

I am **Ar. Syeda Ushba Urooj Rizvi** (PCATP Registration No. **A-05226**), an alumna of the **Center of Excellence in Art & Design (CEAD), MUET Jamshoro, Sindh** (now SABSU), graduating in **2015**. Over the past **nine** years, I have gained diverse professional experiences in **Local, National, and International** markets. Beginning my career at **Interform Design Group, Quetta**, I have contributed to organizations like the **Local Government and Rural Development Department, Balochistan, Rural Development Academy, Balochistan, Studio3 Design and Architect Consultants, IAP Quetta Chapter, BAE-IAP, PCATP**, and freelancing platforms such as **Fiverr**. These roles have shaped my Architectural expertise and broadened my perspective on the profession's challenges and opportunities.

Today, I humbly seek your support as a candidate for the Member Executive Committee (Arch) from Balochistan. My vision is rooted in growth, inclusion, and empowerment within our Architectural community. Below are the key pillars of my agenda:

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1. Championing Young Architects, Especially Females:

Young Architects are vital to our profession, yet their voices often go unheard. I pledge to create platforms for their concerns and promote initiatives that support their growth. Female architects, in particular, face unique challenges, and I am committed to fostering an environment that empowers their leadership and professional development.

2. Bridging Academia and Practice:

The shift from academics to practice is challenging for many. I will advocate for mentorship programs, workshops, and resource-sharing initiatives to equip students and graduates with the tools to excel in the field.

3. Empowering Local Architects in Balochistan:

Architectural practice in Balochistan faces unique market challenges. My focus will be on capacity building, skill enhancement, business development strategies, and fostering opportunities that enable local Architects to succeed in competitive environments.

4. Enhancing Roles in the Public Sector:

Architects in the Government sector often work under vague job roles with limited support. I aim to establish clear service frameworks and advocate for professional development to improve their contributions and career growth.

5. Addressing Legal and Professional Barriers:

Legal challenges hinder Architects from reaching their full potential. I will work closely with PCATP to resolve these issues and uphold the integrity of our profession.

6. Rebuilding Trust with PCATP:

A stronger connection between PCATP and Architects in Balochistan is crucial. I will ensure transparent communication, advocacy, and actionable outcomes to bridge the trust gap.

Together, we can create an inclusive and empowered architectural community, ready to meet present challenges and build a better future.

Yours sincerely,

Ar. Syeda Ushba Urooj Rizvi

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT**NAME **Mohsin Razzaq**

PROFESSION Architect

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As a professional architect with over seven years of experience with national, multi-national Organization. I faced below mention issues and I strongly understand these issues that our community faces. These are not only my issues; these common challenges faced every architect in Pakistan. Despite their importance, these topics weren't given systematic consideration. It gives me great pleasure to announce my candidacy for the next PCATP election as Member of the Executive Committee PCATP. Driven by the need to improve the Architectural profession in Pakistan, I am committed to solving the problems our society faces and establishing opportunities of improvement.

1. We can strengthen our role as important contributors to national development by strengthening the professional and legal framework created by PCATP Act. I try to Enhancing role of Architects as Specified by the PCATP Act.
2. To prepare young architects for national and international prospects, I try to implementing focused training programs. These programs will concentrate on Advance design tools, sustainable practices, Site Supervision Skills and Project Management skills, preparing our employees to reach worldwide industry standards.
3. Young architects represent the future of our industry. I will try continuously to generate job opportunities in Government Sector and Private Sector for young architects.
4. I will advocate for the creation of architect specific jobs/role in several government departments. It includes representation for our profession in public policy and promoting awareness about the role of architects in national development.
5. I will advocate for representation of Architects in Project Management Unit (PMU) and construction projects, with a focus on positions such as Resident Architects to ensure active engagement throughout the entire duration of the project.

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6. Quacks destroys our profession's credibility. I will prioritize efforts to stop these illegal acts. Working with authorities to enforce PCATP rules and stop illegal practitioners. Creating awareness campaigns to educate the public about the need of choosing licensed architects.
7. I try my best regarding service structure and technical allowances for architects in the government.
8. The problem of multi-licensing across several authorities creates unnecessary additional complexity for architects. I aim to eliminate multi-licensing by campaigning for the complete application of PCATP's writ across all regulatory agencies. Campaign for PCATP to be recognized as regulatory body for architect license and regulation.
9. I will work to have PCATP recognized by the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) and make sure we're included in the EPADS system in order to facilitate the participation of architects in public projects. This would guarantee openness and equitable opportunities in public procurement by allowing architects registered with PCATP to compete for government tenders.
By addressing these major challenges, I hope to establish an environment for professionals that values integrity, innovation, and diversity.
Together, we can build a stronger and more inclusive future for architects in Pakistan. I humbly Request your support and trust to lead this vision forward.

Regards:

Ar.Mohsin Razzaq

Lead Architect

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Candidate for the Executive Committee (Architecture)

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M.A (Economics), UOB**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT**NAME **Abdul Waheed**

PROFESSION Town Planning

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION
PAKISTAN COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTS AND TOWN PLANNERS (PCATP)

I, **Plnr. Abdul Waheed**, am one of the first town planners in the city of Quetta who brought the discipline to the city as well as the province where urban planning was not heard as a significant field of work. I possess bachelors in City and Regional Planning in addition to two master degrees in other disciplines. The qualification possessed by the undersigned include bachelor degree in City and Regional Planning from University of Engineering and Technology Lahore, Master degree in Public Administration from University of Balochistan and another Master degree in Economics from University of Balochistan as well.

Besides this I had/ have membership of various professional planning bodies including Member International Society of City & Regional Planners, ISoCARP Netherlands, and life time member of Pakistan Council of Architects & Town Planners, member Pakistan Society of Geographic Information Systems and member Pakistan Institute of City & Regional Planners.

I have been working as an urban planning, an urban economist and policy maker for more than two decades and have tremendous experience in the said fields. My focus of work has been Balochistan because the province has been neglected in almost every matter including urban planning, despite having the largest area by size and massive potential to be developed in a planned and sustainable way.

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I have worked for the profession and taken up the issues/problems faced by old and young town planners of Balochistan at local and national level. I have endeavored to create awareness about the profession in the province and provide young Balochi urban planners with opportunities to work as planner through my firm called **Waheed Associates**. Through the platform of my firm, I have worked on various projects including preparation of City Bylaws for Naseerabad Township, Socio-Economic Survey of Dera Murad Jamali, planning of Fruit & Vegetable Market complex Phase-II (23 Acres) at Hazar Gunji Quetta, Planning of Anaj Mundi Complex at Dera Murad Jamali and planning of Bus Adda at Dera Allah Yar.

Moreover, I have contributed to develop various architectural projects all over Balochistan including Designing of Institute of Management Sciences, Education Department and Computer Science Department at University of Balochistan, designing of Junior School at Garrison Academy Quetta, Planning & Layout of Central Jamia Mosque at Kandhar, planning & designing of Tableegi Markez (Farooqia Masjid) Eastern By Pass Quetta, and planning & designing of Taleem Foundation School at Killa Saif Ullah, Jhal Magsi, Muslim Bagh & Sui.

The purpose of establishing an urban planning firm in Quetta was and still is to promote the profession in the province and to increase awareness regarding the significance and dire need of the urban planning in the entire province where people are unaware of the building and planning bylaws, unaware of the opportunities that come with proper planning and designing. I have played a key role to protect rights and privileges of town planners and town planning profession and I will continue to do so especially in my own province.

I hope in case of my election as **Executive Member PCATP**, PCATP would contribute for the welfare of the welfare of town planning profession and town planners at all levels which includes increasing employment opportunities for urban planners in Balochistan, development and accreditation of town planning department in different universities in the province, renewal of registration of town planners with PCATP, training opportunities for town planners, adjustment of town planners where nonprofessionals are working on the posts designated for town planners and bringing town planning at the same level of importance and prominence as other disciplines.

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:**MEMBER TOWN PLANNING**

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CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENTNAME **MUHAMMAD SALEEM BALUCH**PROFESSION **TOWN PLANNING**MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION **PCATP Reg. No. P-00430**

I feel honored to offer my dedicated services for promotion of Town Planning profession in Pakistan. If elected I would strive for the following Results.

Goal: Setting up a well-recognized and effectively regulated town, urban and regional planning systems with leading role of PCATP registered Town Planners in the country.

Outcomes	Outputs
1. Establishment of Council of Urban & Regional Planners in Pakistan.	1.1. Work to complete the process of establishing Council of Urban & Regional Planners in Pakistan and developing systems for the Council. 1.2. Lobbying, Advocacy & Networking with stakeholders for effective role of our new Council of Planners. 1.3. Strengthen linkages of Planners' Council with other regulatory bodies in Pakistan and abroad. 1.4. Preparation of Provincial level City and Regional Planning Acts and National Urban Planning Policy.
2. Well trained TPs being developed to enter in TP profession in Pakistan	2.1. Universities offering CRP/TP Education are formally linked with govt. agencies and private TP-Firms for job/training of CRP graduates. 2.2. PPP supported applied urban planning research initiatives strengthened. 2.3. TPs capacity boosted/enhanced to meet challenges of urban planning in Pakistan Provision.

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Outcomes

3. Significant and remarkable jobs/employment creation/promotion of TPs in public and private sectors.

4. TP related legal and institutional framework developed and strengthened

Outputs

- 3.1. Technical allowance/benefits for TPs as equivalence of engineers.
- 3.2. Spatial/Master/Land use Plans Implementation Units established in each local government.
- 3.3. Efforts to create minimum four Section/Units of TPs in lowest level LG/agency: a) development control, b) new area planning, c) regeneration/old area planning, & d) plan implementation & monitoring.
- 3.4. Efforts to create jobs of TPs relevant to TP education.
- 3.5. Increase of town planning firms from 25 to more than 50 thereby each firm to have at least 3 town planners.

- 4.1. Improvements in rules, regulations, and by-laws related to TP functions.
- 4.2. Incorporation of Professional TPs in relevant advisory boards, committees, forums, projects, and programmes.
- 4.3. Special focus on promoting town planning in disaster prone areas and setting up TP systems.
- 4.4. Series of events to raise voice of the TPs at various forums.

This plan/agenda is based on my over 28-years multi-dimensional highly-acknowledged intensive, mostly innovative and unique work experiences with numerous national/international organizations focused on land/city/regional planning. Key expertise include master/land use planning, policy advocacy, organizational capacity assessment, and development of SOPs/Rules/Regulations, team management, participatory development planning, monitoring and evaluation. I have B.Sc. & M.Sc. in CRP from UET Lahore with countrywide extensive traveling and five highly regarded international and over 30 national training courses.

Regards

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CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:**MEMBER TOWN PLANNING**

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT**

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Despite residing in country's most urbanized region, the town planners of Sindh have been significantly overlooked. In developed countries such as the United Kingdom, the United States, Canada, Germany, Japan, Australia, Singapore, and South Korea, town planners play a crucial role in fostering sustainable development. Unfortunately, in Pakistan, town planners have not received the same level of recognition in the both public and private sectors. This lack of acknowledgment is one of the primary reasons our cities and towns are failing to provide a good quality of life. **TOWN PLANNING BY TOWN PLANNERS ONLY** can facilitate the achievement of sustainable development in Pakistan.

As a practicing town planner, I recognize the vast potential of our profession. However, this potential remains underutilized due to the lack of governmental support and minimal contributions from statutory bodies in Pakistan.

To address the core issues faced by the town planning community, I am motivated to propose the following:

- **Job Criteria for Town Planners:**
Define specific criteria for public sector town planning positions to ensure they are exclusively filled by professionals in the field. Other disciplines, such as Architecture, Civil Engineering, Geography, and Management Sciences, should not encroach upon these roles.
- **Framework for International Opportunities:**
Establish a clear framework to promote job opportunities for town planners within international donor agencies (e.g., World Bank, UNDP, UN Agencies, AKDN, EU Banks, Asian Development Bank, GIZ, JICA) and local/international NGOs and CBOs.
- **Legal Advocacy for Job Restoration:**
Advocate for the restoration of town planning jobs by submitting legal petitions against the Local Government of Sindh and SPSC

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- **Updated Criteria for Public Sector Jobs:**
Revise the eligibility criteria for town planning jobs in provincial public service commissions and the FPSC to ensure relevancy and fairness.
- **Private Sector Opportunities:**
Define specific criteria for town planning roles in the private sector to create equitable job opportunities.
- **Licensing for Town Planners:**
Mandate licensing for town planners in all Cantonment Boards, DHAs, and other regulatory authorities.
- **Professional Development:**
Conduct regular training programs, workshops, and refresher courses to keep town planners updated on advancements in the field.
- **Examination Standards:**
Define subject-specific courses for competitive exams conducted by FPSC, provincial commissions, and testing services such as IBA and NTS.
- **Eligibility for Postgraduate Studies:**
Redefine eligibility criteria for master's degrees in engineering and related disciplines to ensure town planning professionals have access to advanced education.
- **Technical Allowances:**
Introduce technical allowances for town planners in the public sector.
- **Pay Scales:**
Establish market standardized pay scales for town planners in both the public and private sectors.
- **Welfare Schemes:**
Develop welfare schemes for town planners, including housing loans, health insurance, and hardship allowances.
- **Support from HEC and Universities:**
Advocate for fair allocations of resources from HEC and universities offering town planning programs to strengthen the discipline.

I humbly seek your support and encouragement to secure our rightful place in the development process, not only for Sindh but for the entire country. Let us work together for a **Prosperous Sindh, Prosperous Pakistan**.

Yours sincerely,
Sajjad Ali

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I am Dr. Fahad Ahmed Shaikh, a very ambitious young, and energetic person. I have completed my Ph.D. in City and Regional Planning. I have received numerous accolades for academic excellence. First position in my undergraduate studies. After completing my bachelor's, I work for a different organization and get practical experience. Now working as an Assistant Professor in the Department of City and Regional Planning, at Mehran University of Engineering and Technology, Jamshoro. I perceive that life for me has been a process of conscious evolution. An integral part of this growth is the value system imbibed in me by my parents, teachers, my Mentor, and an intrigued liking for City & Regional Planning. This played a vital role in my decision-making for the future. Not alone but together, we can do so much. I want to make sure that every planner is given the same chance to work in the field by continuing to spread the voice of town planners across the nation on all current and future platforms. To achieve the well-being of Town Planners I have some objectives in my mind are;

- I will try to resolve the accreditation issues of the City and Regional Planning department with PCATP.
- To resolve the issues of Town Planners' registration /renewal matters with PCATP.
- To raise the voice for jobs for young Town Planners and create job vacancies/ opportunities where possible.
- To reduce discrepancies between provinces in planning organizations.
- Safeguarding the future of Town planners and implementing the mechanism for the growth of the Town Planning profession.

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:**MEMBER TOWN PLANNING**

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**CANDIDATES PERSONAL STATEMENT**NAME Tayyab MussadiqPROFESSION Town PlanningMEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION PAKISTAN COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTS AND TOWN PLANNERS (PCATP)

As a professional Urban Planner, I am honored to announce my candidacy for the position of Executive Member Town Planning for Khyber Pakhtunkhwa in the PCATP Elections 2025. With a strong academic foundation and extensive professional experience, I am committed to advocating for the visibility, growth, and recognition of the town planning profession in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and beyond. My academic credentials include BS in Urban and Regional Planning (University of Peshawar, 2015) and MS in Urban Infrastructure Planning and Management (University of Engineering and Technology, Peshawar).

Professional Expertise:

I have been serving as the Assistant Manager (Spatial Planning) in the Planning and Development Department of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa since 2022. In this role, I have gained extensive experience in urban planning across Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Punjab, and Balochistan. My responsibilities have included the preparation of Land Use Plans for all 36 districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, as well as successfully delivering master plans for towns in Balochistan and strategic planning initiatives. This diverse experience has allowed me to contribute significantly to the development of comprehensive urban planning strategies in various regions.

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:**Member of the Executive Committee (Town Planning)**

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NAME	FIAZ FAROOQ
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Dear Respected Members of PCATP,

It is with great enthusiasm and a sense of responsibility that I present myself as a candidate for the member of executive committee (Town Planning) in the upcoming election of PCATP, representing the voice and aspirations of young town planners within our profession.

Contributions:

- Foundation of Young Town Planners Association (YTPA) to address the issues of young town planners.
- Facilitated young town planners especially of UET, LCWU, UMT in achieving their goals. Never showed biased behaviour for women, other institutions, other provinces.
- Arranged internship opportunities for under graduates students.
- Ensured the hiring of fresh graduates in various private organizations.
- Defended the town planning profession in Lahore High Court in 2019.
- Reverted back the rejection of various candidates for the posts of MOPs/TOPs/DOPs in 2020.
- Conducted various sessions, prepared & provided material for preparation of Tests & interviews of Government Jobs.
- Performed a pivotal role in selection of core body of town planning for 03 terms in PCATP elections.
- Taken up various issues including working of non planners on town planning posts, technical allowance, registrations of town planning firms with PCATP.
- Ensured the early PCATP registrations of graduates of UET, LCWU & UMT.

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- Continued mentornship sessions/gatherings within the planning community that pairs young planners with experienced.

During all of this, the respect of seniors and care for juniors was never compromised.

Agenda:

- Creation of Internship Oppurtunities for under graduates of UET, LCWU & UMT.
- Creation of new jobs in public and private sector & ensurance of recruitment of town planning graduates especially of fresh graduates and women.
- Setting the minimum wage/salry of town planner having PCATP registration while working in any organization.
- Technical Allowance for town planners on the anology of engineers.
- Removal of non town planners working on town planning seats and assignment of town planning work to town planners
- Separate Council for Town Planners
- Nomination of key focal persons in every public and private institution of town planning.
- Accredation of universities offering degrees in City & Region Planning, Town Planning, Urban & Regional Planning.
- Scholarship for needy students of town planning.
- Arrangenment of social gatherings for town planning community.
- Women empowerment and discouragement of biasness.

“Those who can thrive without power are the ones who become legends when they have it.”

If elected, I will dedicate myself to advocating for the needs and aspirations of young town planners.

“The future belongs to young leaders who are not afraid to challenge the status quo”

Sincerely,

Fiaz Farooq

Representative of Young Town Planners

Candidate for Member of Executive Committee (Town Planning) in PCATP Election 2025.

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF:**MEMBER TOWN PLANNING**

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PROFESSIONAL
ORGANIZATION**Respected Members of PCATP,**

I am honored to present myself as a candidate for the Executive Committee of the Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners (PCATP) for the term 2025-2027. As an experienced town planner deeply committed to professional growth, I aim to address the challenges faced by town planners across Pakistan and work collaboratively to shape a stronger future for our profession.

Background

I hold a Bachelor's degree in City & Regional Planning and a Master's in Project Management. Currently, I am associated with Asia's largest private-sector real estate developer, where I led large-scale housing projects with a focus on physical and infrastructure planning and mentored a number of Town Planners. Additionally, I have worked as an independent planning consultant. This experience has provided me with invaluable insights into the challenges our profession faces and the areas that require attention.

Vision & Objectives

If elected, I will focus on key initiatives that promote professional recognition, equitable opportunities, and sustainable growth for town planners across Pakistan. My objectives are:

1. Representation of AJK & GB Town Planners and Creation of a Job Structure Framework

One of my key priorities is to ensure town planners in Azad Jammu & Kashmir (AJK) and Gilgit-Baltistan (GB) are fully represented within PCATP. These regions currently lack a formal structure for town planning positions, limiting professional development and recognition. I will advocate for the establishment of a job structure framework for town planners in these

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regions, ensuring they receive the same standards, resources, and career opportunities as their counterparts in other provinces.

1. Collaboration with the Vice Chairman (TP) for Key Issues

- **Technical Allowance for Town Planners:**
- **Occupancy of Town Planning Jobs by Non-Professionals:**
- **National Level Planning Legislation/Separate Town Planning Council:**

I will work with the Vice Chairman (TP) to secure a formal technical allowance for town planners, ensuring fair compensation for our specialized work, advocacy for policies that ensure only qualified town planners for TP jobs, maintaining professional standards and grand dialogue on separate council matter.

2. Internship Opportunities for Town Planning Students:

To support the next generation of professionals, I will push for the creation of summer internship programs that allow town planning students to gain real-world experience in urban planning projects.

3. Uplifting Town Planners in the Private Sector:

The private sector plays a significant role in shaping urban development, yet town planners in this sector often lack recognition and professional support. I will advocate for more professional development opportunities, better working conditions, and a stronger voice for private-sector town planners.

Why Me?

With my experience in large-scale urban planning projects, consultancy work, and mentorship, I am well-equipped to represent the interests of town planners across Pakistan. My dedication to creating a more inclusive, equitable, and professional environment for our field will allow us to address these challenges effectively.

Thank you for considering my candidacy. I look forward to the opportunity to serve and contribute to the advancement of our profession.

Sincerely,

[Qasim Irfan]

Candidate for Member Executive Committee, PCATP (2025-2027)