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Message

from the

Vice Chancellor



Dear Readers, Colleagues, and Students

It is with great enthusiasm that I inaugurate this latest issue of Mosaic Journal, a beacon of intellectual curiosity, interdisciplinary collaboration, and academic rigor at the University of Peshawar. Mosaic exemplifies the harmonious blend of diverse perspectives from the arts and humanities to the sciences and social sciences—that drives innovation and enriches our collective pursuit of knowledge for the betterment of society.

In this issue, you will find a vibrant array of scholarly contributions that tackle pressing contemporary challenges and timeless questions alike. Featured articles delve into the frontiers of quantum computing applications in healthcare, the socio-economic impacts of renewable energy transitions in developing regions, and nuanced examinations of postcolonial literature in the digital age. Readers will also encounter empirical studies on mental health resilience among youth in urban settings, ethical frameworks for gene editing technologies, and creative works exploring identity and belonging through multimedia narratives. Each piece is underpinned by meticulous research, original insights, and a commitment to fostering dialogue across boundaries.

My heartfelt gratitude goes to the dedicated editors, contributing authors, diligent peer reviewers, and support staff whose expertise and passion have shaped this edition into a true mosaic of excellence. Your efforts align seamlessly with our university's core mission: to produce transformative knowledge, cultivate critical inquiry, and promote civic engagement that extends far beyond our campus.

To our global community of readers—faculty, students, partners, alumni, and beyond—I invite you to immerse yourselves in these pages, reflect on the ideas presented, and contribute to the conversations they inspire. Share your thoughts through submissions, feedback, or discussions, and help Mosaic illuminate paths toward a more informed, equitable, and innovative future.

With warmest regards,
Prof. Dr. Johar Ali, Vice-Chancellor,
University of Peshawar

Message

from the
Dean



Dear Readers

It gives me immense pleasure and honor to write my view point on Mosaic. It is a matter of fact that the Department of International Relations has proved as an Excellent Department in the Faculty of Social Sciences in both Curricular and Extracurricular activities. The journal Mosaic is a students oriented and a lot of explorations and resolutions of various International issues can be observed in it.

As a Dean, I believe besides the academic teaching learning, the creative exploration and writing skills of the students. The Mosaic journal is providing such a platform to flourish the inner capabilities of the students and come up with meaningful creative writings in the shape of articles published in Mosaic Journal.

The Mosaic is addressing Global, National and Regional Thrilling issues. The Scholars of the International Relations are highlighting these issues like Pak-Afghan, Pak-China, Pak-Iran, Pak-Arab, Pak-India, Pak-US Relations and so forth. Wars among different nations and diplomatic relations are debated in a scholastic way like Russia-Ukraine, Israel-Palestine and India-Pakistan.

I am pleased to admit and witness the students understanding, and intellectual ability to comprehend the contemporary world. The Mosaic is the outcome of the dedication, hard work, and continues efforts of the students and guidance of the faculty.

I am proud of the students and faculty of the Department of International Relations for such an amazing effort, a day will come that the Mosaic will touch the essence and apex of the Excellence in the world of Research on Global level. It proves that the students are having abilities and potentialities to achieve any goal in their life.

Best Wishes and Regards
Prof. Dr. Anwar Alam
Faculty of Social Sciences
University of Peshawar

Message

from the

Chair Person



Dear Readers

It gives me great pleasure to present the Mosaic Edition 2025–26, marking the fourth consecutive launch of this student-led academic initiative. Mosaic has grown into a meaningful platform that reflects the intellectual spirit, academic engagement, and creative energy of the Department of International Relations. Each edition not only documents the scholarly contributions of our students but also demonstrates their evolving capacity for research, critical thinking, and academic writing.

I am pleased to see how Mosaic has become an integral part of our departmental culture, offering students the opportunity to express their ideas, refine their skills, and actively participate in academic dialogue beyond the classroom. The consistent quality and continuity of this publication stand as evidence of the dedication, discipline, and collaborative effort invested by the students who lead and contribute to it.

I commend the Editorial Team, the Newsletter Wing, and all organizers for their hard work and commitment in bringing this edition to completion. Their teamwork and enthusiasm have ensured that Mosaic continues to progress each year with greater maturity and academic strength.

I extend my best wishes to the entire team and hope that Mosaic will continue to inspire our students and further enrich the academic landscape of the department in the years ahead.

Best wishes,
Minhas Majeed Khan Marwat, Ph.D
Chairperson
Department of International Relations
University of Peshawar

Message

from the

Editorial Head



Dear Readers

Mosaic embodies an academic vision committed to cultivating inquiry, reflection, and intellectual growth among students of the Department of International Relations. It serves as a meaningful scholarly forum where emerging researchers critically engage with contemporary debates, refine their analytical skills, and contribute to broader academic conversations within the discipline. By encouraging rigorous writing, methodological clarity, and informed perspectives, Mosaic strengthens student' academic trajectory and enriches the department's research culture.

I extend my sincere appreciation to the entire Mosaic team, The Editor (Rahyma Noor Awan) Deputy Editors, Newsletter Head (Hafsa Ali Khan), Graphic Designer (Maryam Afridi), Content Editors and Organizers, whose professionalism and academic dedication have ensured the quality and continuity of this publication. Their coordinated efforts reflect both discipline and a shared commitment to advancing student scholarship.

Mosaic stands as a collective academic endeavor that nurtures intellectual discipline, promotes research-led learning, and provides students with a credible platform to articulate their ideas with scholarly precision. I look forward to witnessing its continued growth and the expanding contributions of our talented students.

Best regards and pleasant readings,
Dr. Saima Gul
Editorial Head, the Mosaic
Lecturer, Department of International Relations
University of Peshawar

Message

from the

Newsletter Head



Dear Readers,

It is my pleasure to present the latest edition of our Newsletter. As a key component of Mosaic's dual-platform publication, the newsletter serves as a concise record of the department's academic activities, capturing seminars, events, achievements, and creative initiatives throughout the year. This publication reflects the collective effort, creativity, and commitment of the entire Mosaic team, and I extend my sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed to its development.

I would like to thank our Content Editors Mian Abdurrouf and Arif Hayat for their thoughtful and engaging contributions. Abdurrouf's remarkable dedication and insightful contributions added exceptional value to this edition. I also extend special appreciation to our Deputy Editor, Muhammad Yamaan Khan, for his meticulous proofreading and refinement of the reports. .

I am grateful to our Graphic Designer, Maryam Afridi, whose creativity and precision greatly enhanced the visual appeal of this edition. I would also like to acknowledge Rashidullah, our Creative Head, for his valuable support.

Finally, I extend my warm thanks to our Organizers: Qasim Khan, Junaid Alam, Jasim Moeen, Syeda Amara, Abdul Salam, Umama Malick, and Kulsoom Hana Shahfor ensuring the smooth and timely execution of this edition. Special mention goes to Qasim Khan for his unwavering hard work and his consistently active participation throughout the process., Umama Malick for her dedicated coordination, and to Abdul Salam for his dependable assistance throughout the process.

This collective dedication has made it possible for us to produce a newsletter that reflects both quality and teamwork.

Warm Regards,
Hafsa Ali Khan
Newsletter Head
Department of International Relations
University of Peshawar

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SEMINARS AND EVENTS

MOSAIC LAUNCH

May 23rd, 2025

Friday, May 23rd, 2025, a day to be remembered for the grand launch of the 2024-2025 Mosaic Journal and Newsletter at the V.C Guest House's lawn, University of Peshawar. This marvelous event was made possible by the tireless efforts and unwavering dedication of the Mosaic Team under the supervision of Dr. Saima Gul, who is the Editor-in-Chief of the Mosaic and a faculty member at the Department of International Relations.



Special acknowledgment is extended to our distinguished guests: Mr. Ayub Zakori, CEO of Zakori Group of Companies; Dr. Minhas Majeed, Chairperson at the Department of International Relations; Dr. Saima Gul; Dr. Khurshid, lecturer at the Department of International Relations; Mr. Zia-Ur-Rehman, BS Coordinator at the Department of International Relations; and other esteemed faculty members whose presence added great value to the occasion.

The event was hosted by Marjan Fayaaz and Saram Ishaq and began with Safiullah Sudais reciting a few verses of the Holy Quran. It continued with an ice breaking session led by Safiullah Sudais and Alishba Syed, involving both students and guests.

Following these opening activities, The Editor-in-Chief of The Mosaic, Dr. Saima Gul praised the students for their hard work in documenting the institution's events over the past year, applauding the Mosaic Team for their dedication and enthusiasm, and recognizing the Editorial Board's clear vision, which has helped bring this journal to life.

Building on this, Dr. Minhas Majeed, the esteemed Chairperson, addressed the audience, commending the team for their exemplary organization of the event. She admired the Mosaic Team for successfully executing the legacy of the Mosaic Journal.



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Then the lights were dimmed, and the audience was requested by the host to illuminate the venue with flashlights on their phones. Amid this breathtaking display, Dr. Minhas Majeed, Dr. Saima Gul and Mr. Ayub Zakori lifted the curtain together to officially unveil the 2024-2025 Edition of The Mosaic Journal and Newsletter to which the audience responded with enthusiastic applause.

After this, Mr. Ayub Zakori shared his insights, highlighting the significance of hard work, creativity, and the courage to take risks. He spoke candidly about the many hurdles he faced in his journey and how perseverance helped him overcome them. Drawing from his personal experiences, he encouraged students to dream big and stay committed to their goals. Reflecting on his past decisions, he remarked how he sometimes finds himself astonished at the bold risks he once took, risks that ultimately shaped his success. His words left a lasting impact on the audience, inspiring them to embrace challenges with resilience and determination.



Ms. Nabeeha Fajar, the Head of the Newsletter, then delivered her speech and was profoundly moved by the devotion and efforts of her team in bringing the project to a successful completion. She emphasized the challenges faced during the process, stating, "It was the hard work, sleepless nights, and exhausting hours that made this journal a reality." Her words resonated deeply, reflecting the passion and perseverance of the entire Mosaic Team.

The event proceeded with the distribution of certificates to the Journal's authors, followed by the presentation of shields and certificates to the Mosaic Team. Thereafter, the new Mosaic Team was formally announced to the attendees, welcomed with a resounding round of applause and quiet expressions of admiration that rippled through the audience as the newly appointed cabinet was introduced.



At the end, sincere gratitude was extended to the generous sponsors; Mr. Ayub Zakori, CEO of Zakori Group of Companies; Mr. Kamran Elahi and Mr. Nouman Mujahid, Director Youth Affairs, for their valuable contribution in facilitating the event. The memorable evening concluded gracefully with a dinner service, marking the end of a night that celebrated creativity, collaboration, and the unwavering spirit of the Mosaic Team.

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IRSA OATH TAKING CEREMONY

Febraury 7th, 2025

International Relations Students Association (IRSA) is an organization of International Relations Department which works for the overall grooming and development of students. Each year, a new cabinet comprising department students is appointed. On February 7th, 2025 the oath-taking ceremony of the newly appointed cabinet was held. The event started with the exquisite recitation of the Holy Quran, setting a reverent tone for the proceedings. This was followed by the playing of national anthem.



Opening remarks were delivered by the IRSA Coordinator Dr. Khurshid in which he appreciated the efforts of the outgoing cabinet and extended good wishes to the new cabinet for their future endeavors. The efforts of the previous cabinet were reviewed and positively acknowledged and they were rewarded with shields and certificates. This was followed by the oath-taking of the freshly appointed cabinet.



The ceremony was graced by the presence of honorable and distinguished guests who delivered inspiring speeches. The Chairperson of the Department of International Relations and the Vice Chancellor of the University of Peshawar each addressed the gathering. Their speeches emphasized the importance of leadership, team work and active student participation in fostering a vibrant academic environment. They also commended the efforts of the outgoing cabinet and encouraged continued excellence and positive impacts.

The ceremony concluded successfully, reinforcing the spirit of collaboration and leadership within the Department of International Relations and underscored IRSA's commitment to student development.

WORKSHOP ON CRITICAL THINKING AND WRITING SKILLS

February 17th- 20th , 2025

The Department of International Relations, University of Peshawar, in collaboration with Dosti Welfare Organization, organized a four-day workshop on Critical Thinking and Writing Skills as part of the 4th Dosti Peshawar Literary Festival (DPLF 2025). Held from February 17th to 20th, 2025, at Dr. Naib Hall, the workshop welcomed 35 to 40 students from various departments and universities. Sessions were conducted daily from 11:45 A.M to 01:15 P.M by Mr. Nadeem Khan, a renowned writer at The News and visiting lecturer at IMSciences, Peshawar.



On the first day, Mr. Nadeem Khan introduced himself and engaged students in an interactive discussion on their existing knowledge of critical thinking. He explained the concept and its importance, focusing on key traits like clarity, accuracy, relevance, and logic, supported by multimedia presentations and examples.

The second day centered on barriers to critical thinking, including biases, assumptions, and emotions. Moreover, Mr. Nadeem introduced practical tools like Socratic Questioning and Argument Mapping, illustrated with examples from articles, news, and movies, enhanced by multimedia resources.



On the third day, the session focused on logical fallacies commonly found in media, public discourse, and academia. Special attention was given to the misuse of authority in arguments. Students analyzed news articles and political speeches, identifying fallacies and rhetorical manipulation. The idea that "clear thinking leads to clear writing" was emphasized.

The final day highlighted academic writing. Mr. Nadeem discussed essential features such as clarity, precision, balance, and objectivity. He also recommended valuable books and resources for improving writing skills.



The workshop concluded with the presentation of a Certificate of Appreciation and shield to Mr. Nadeem Khan by Dr. Saima Gul, Lecturer at the Department of International Relations. A group photo was taken with Mr. Nadeem Khan and participants, celebrating the successful completion of the workshop.

IR READERS CLUB

February 27th, 2025 and April 23rd, 2025

The IR Reader's Club, an academic initiative of the Department of International Relations, University of Peshawar, successfully conducted its first two sessions held at Naib hall, under the supervision of Sir Shoukat Ayub and Sir Muhammad Afzaal engaging students in meaningful literary discussions that intersect with global political themes.



The first session, held on February 27th, 2025, centered on the short story "The American Embassy" by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. The session began with Tilawat-e-Quran by Safiullah Khan Sudais, followed by opening remarks from Dr. Khursheed Ahmed, who appreciated the initiative and assured full support. The session was moderated by Shezal Misbah. Safiullah presented a detailed summary of the story. Wasim connected the narrative to global double standards, particularly in human rights and asylum policies.

Malak Rizwan, Rahyma Noor, and Safiullah Khan shared their reflections on the emotional and political depth of the story. The session concluded with closing remarks by Sir Muhammad Afzaal, who encouraged students to enhance their interpretive and analytical capabilities.



The second session, conducted on April 23th, 2025, featured the essay "Shooting an Elephant" by George Orwell, known for its critique of imperialism and moral conflict.

Once again, the session opened with Tilawat by Safiullah Khan Sudais and was moderated by Shezal Misbah. Safiullah presented a concise and impactful summary, followed by Wasim, who discussed the moral dilemmas faced by individuals under imperial systems. Seyyed Muneeb Shah contributed thoughtful insights on Orwell's internal conflict, and Shezal Misbah highlighted the relevance of the essay to modern political dynamics. Sir Zia-ur-Rahman delivered the closing remarks, commending student participation and encouraging the selection of texts that promote critical thinking and build a distinctive academic culture within the department.

Both sessions demonstrated the potential of literature as a tool for understanding International Relations, encouraging active student participation and dialogue.

CLIMATE AWARENESS SESSION

March 7th, 2025

The Department of International Relations at the University of Peshawar organized a Climate Awareness Session at Dr. Naib Hall, with the primary objective of educating students on the urgent need for environmental sustainability and encouraging practical steps towards climate protection. The session brought together approximately 40 students from the department, demonstrating strong interest and engagement in the subject matter.

The event commenced with the recitation of the Holy Quran by Safiullah Khan Sudais. The session was hosted by Iman Chaudhary, who ensured a smooth and focused flow of the proceedings.



Esteemed speakers included Dr. Khurshid Ahmad, and Professor Dr. Hussain Shaheed Soherwordi, both of whom addressed key aspects of climate change.

Professor Soherwordi delivered a comprehensive talk, emphasizing critical issues such as deforestation, the importance of reforestation, and sustainable water conservation practices. His insights were grounded in current environmental challenges and provided actionable recommendations for individual and collective efforts.

A particularly engaging part of the session was the interactive Question and Answer segment, during which students were asked climate-related questions. Those who answered correctly were presented with plants as symbolic rewards, reinforcing the message of environmental responsibility.



Towards the conclusion of the event, a pledge activity was conducted where students signed a commitment chart, vowing to take practical measures for climate protection in their personal and academic lives. This symbolic gesture highlighted the participatory and action-oriented spirit of the session.

The Climate Awareness Session proved to be an insightful and inspiring initiative, promoting environmental consciousness among the youth.

It successfully bridged theoretical understanding with practical action, reinforcing the role of academia in addressing global climate challenges.

CELEBRATING WOMEN’S RESILIENCE

March 10th, 2025

On March 10th, 2025, the Department of International Relations had the privilege of hosting a profound and engaging session titled "Celebrating Women's Resilience" at Naib Hall, Department of International Relations. The event was organized by the International Relations Students Association (IRSA) under the supervision of Dr. Saima Gul, Lecturer at the Department of International Relations.

Heartfelt appreciation is extended to our esteemed chief guest, Ms. Rukhsanda Naz, KP Ombudsperson for Protection Against Harassment of Women, Dr. Minhas Majeed, Chairperson of the Department of International Relations, and the honorable faculty members whose presence enriched the occasion.

The session commenced with opening remarks by Dr. Minhas Majeed, who emphasized the importance of celebrating women's resilience as a vital step in acknowledging their invaluable contributions to society. She highlighted the significance of gender equality and women's empowerment, encouraging ongoing dialogue and collective action to support and uplift women in all areas of life.

Our honorable chief guest, Ms. Rukhsanda Naz, delivered an insightful and inspiring address, shedding light on the extraordinary strength and perseverance demonstrated by women across various sectors. Stressing the role of resilience in overcoming social, economic, and cultural obstacles, she commended the courage of women who continue to challenge norms and make meaningful contributions to their communities and professions. She also praised the Department of International Relations for organizing a timely and impactful event that fosters awareness and inspires collective efforts toward gender equality and women's empowerment.

Additionally, our female students took center stage by asking thought-provoking questions and initiating meaningful conversations. This interaction underscored the need to create spaces where women's voices are heard and valued, encouraging everyone to support the continued progress toward gender equality and empowerment. The session concluded on a powerful and reflective note, reinforcing the collective commitment to fostering a more inclusive, equitable, and empowering environment for all.



OPEN MIC SESSION

March 6th, 13th and 20th, 2025

The Department of International Relations organized a series of open mic sessions to enhance student's confidence and public speaking skills. These sessions provided a platform for participants to express themselves freely on a diverse range of topics of their own choice.

The primary objective was to create a supportive and encouraging environment where students could overcome stage fright, articulate their thoughts effectively, and develop stronger communication abilities. A total of 40 students from four sections of the 2nd and 4th semester participated, sharing their views on various national and international affairs.



Students who delivered outstanding performances were awarded prizes. This recognition served as motivation to further polish their presentation skills.

The open mic sessions proved to be a success, effectively achieving their goal of empowering students, building confidence, and refine public speaking skills. The Department of International Relations remains committed to providing students with opportunities that foster personal and professional growth.

DIPLOMATIC DEBATES

March 18th, 2025

On the 18th of March the Diplomatic Debate Society of the Department of International Relations successfully launched the Diplomatic Debate Competition, an initiative that brought together students to engage in high level discourse on global affairs. The event was made possible by the extraordinary efforts of the society's organizers Umair Khan, Malika Alam, Waqas Ahmad, and Huma Rafiq. The motion of the debate was, "Is the UN capable of maintaining peace and security globally?" Participants were divided into two teams: the affirmative, comprising Alishba Syed, Shezal Misbah, Ikhlas Ahmed, and Albina Hashmi; and the opposition, including Vasiya Azam, Burhan Wazir, Yamaan Khan, and Zohaib Durrani. The competition was judged by esteemed faculty members of the department: Mr. Zia-ur-Rehman, Dr. Khurshid Ahmed, and Dr. Saima Gul.



The debate commenced with opening statements from both teams. The affirmative side emphasized the effectiveness and successes of the United Nations in maintaining peace and fostering global cooperation, while the opposition focused on the UN's failures, particularly its inability to prevent conflicts and stop human rights violations in various parts of the world.

This was followed by the rebuttal session, where both sides actively challenged each other's claims, debunked arguments, and pointed out inconsistencies and factual inaccuracies. The momentum intensified during the question and answer segment, as participants posed tough, critical questions that further heated the atmosphere and tested each team's depth of knowledge and composure.

Both teams concluded with strong closing statements, delivering their positions with clarity and conviction. As the debate ended, the room was filled with anticipation. The judges faced a tough decision, reflecting the balance and intensity shown by both sides.

After deliberation, Dr. Khurshid Ahmed announced the affirmative team as winners, sparking thunderous applause in the hall. Soon after, Dr. Minhas, Chairperson of the department praised both teams and offered special encouragement to the opposition, earning another warm response from the audience.

The event was marked by intellectual depth, sharp rebuttals, and competitive spirit. It was not just a contest but a celebration of diplomacy, ideas, and the courage to speak with purpose.

DIPLOMATIC DEBATES

March 18th, 2025



DIPLOMATIC DEBATES

October 7th, 2025

The Diplomatic Debate Forum of the Department of International Relations organized a debate on the topic "Liberal Democracy Has Failed the Global South" on October 7th, 2025.

The event was held at the Naib Hall of the Department of International Relations, University of Peshawar. The judges of the debate were the esteemed faculty members including Dr. Saima Gul, Ms. Mahvish Zeb, and Ms. Fouzia.

Two teams participated in the debate, presenting well-researched arguments. The proposition team, consisting of Junaid Alam, Syed Muneeb Shah, and Hira, argued that liberal democracy is a system primarily designed for western societies and is not well-suited to the socio-political realities of the global south.

They asserted that democracy, as imposed on Southern states, has often institutionalized poverty and deepened ethnic, religious, and sectarian differences. The team supported their argument with examples emphasizing that there is little evidence of a strong correlation between democracy and economic growth in the Global South.

The opposing team, comprising Mian Abdurrouf, Malaika Alam, and Uzma Ali, argued that liberal democracy has not inherently failed but has been hindered by factors such as foreign interference, weak institutions, and elite capture of political power. They maintained that the shortcomings are a result of flawed implementation rather than the system itself. The debate proceeded with rebuttals, cross-examinations, arguments, and counter-arguments, during which both teams demonstrated strong analytical and rhetorical skills.

After evaluation, the panel of judges declared the proposition team as the winner of the debate. In recognition of their efforts, certificates for best performances were awarded to Mian Abdurrouf and Syed Muneeb Shah by Dr. Saima Gul, who also appreciated all participants for their efforts.



DIPLOMATIC DEBATES

October 7th, 2025



SPORTS GALA

May 7th - 8th, 2025

The International Relations Student Association (IRSA) organized a two-day Sports Gala on the 7th and 8th of May, 2025. The event aimed to promote physical fitness, teamwork, and sportsmanship among students, providing a platform for healthy competition and active participation. Featuring a variety of sports activities and competitions, the Sports Gala served as an excellent opportunity to showcase athletic talent.

Students actively participated in a range of sports, including Cricket, Badminton, Table Tennis, Race, and Ludo. These diverse activities catered to different interests and skill levels, encouraging widespread involvement. The cricket matches drew significant attention, highlighting teamwork and strategic play, while the badminton and table tennis competitions showcased agility and precision. The races tested speed and endurance, and the inclusion of ludo added a recreational and social dimension to the event. Overall, the variety of sports contributed to an inclusive and engaging atmosphere throughout the two days.



We extend our sincere gratitude to the honorable faculty members for their presence and continuous support during the Sports Gala. Their active participation and guidance were instrumental in creating a positive and motivating environment for all attendees. Their ongoing commitment to extracurricular initiatives is deeply appreciated and was a key factor in the overall success of the event.

The Sports Gala concluded with a formal closing ceremony held at Naib Hall, Department of International Relations, University of Peshawar. The ceremony was graced by the presence of Dr. Minhas Majeed, Chairperson, Department of International Relations; Dr. Khurshid, IRSA Coordinator and Lecturer, Department of International Relations; along with other esteemed faculty members. The ceremony provided an opportunity to reflect on the successful execution of the Sports Gala and to acknowledge the collective efforts of all participants and organizers.

Awards and certificates were presented to outstanding performers in recognition of their dedication and achievements throughout the gala. In addition, certificates of appreciation were awarded to the organizing committee in acknowledgment of their commitment and effective event management. The distribution was warmly received and served as a fitting conclusion to a spirited and memorable event.



THALASSEMIA AWARENESS SESSION

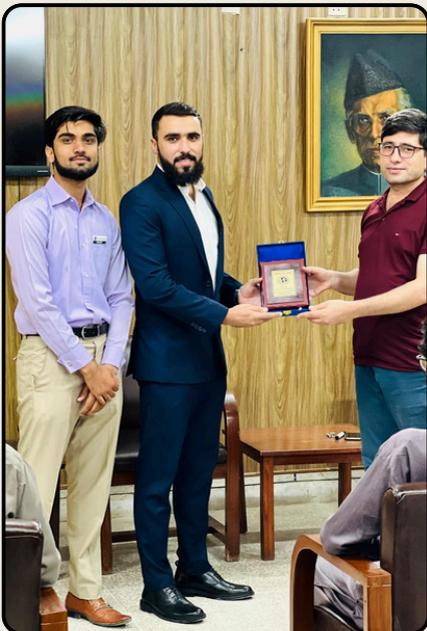
May 14th, 2025

The Department of International Relations together with the International Relations Students Association (IRSA), organized an awareness session on thalassemia on May 14th, 2025 at Naib Hall of the Department of International Relations, University of Peshawar. The session aimed to educate students about thalassemia, covering its causes, symptoms, and prevention. Sir Waqar, a respected expert in public health advocacy, served as the guest speaker. Over 40 students and faculty members participated.



Sir Waqar delivered a presentation explaining the basics of thalassemia, including its types and genetic origins. The speaker also emphasized the importance of early screening and premarital testing to prevent the transmission of the disorder and outlined the available treatments. The ongoing challenges faced by patients and common myths about the disease were discussed. The speaker also highlighted the practical steps individuals and communities can take to raise awareness, support affected families and stressed the need for regular blood donation to help patients requiring frequent transfusions.

Participants actively engaged in the session. During the Q&A segment, the participants asked different questions about treatment affordability, government support programs, and the role of youth in raising awareness. The Department of International Relations and IRSA extended their sincere appreciation to Sir Waqar for sharing his time, knowledge, and commitment to community education.



YOUM-E-TASHAKUR

May 16th, 2025

The Department of International Relations proudly organized an event on May 16th, 2025, to commemorate Youm-e-Tashakkur-the "Day of Gratitude." The students and faculty came together to honor the successful completion of Operation Bunyan-ul-Marsous and the victory of Pakistan against India. The observance paid tribute to the valiant armed forces and the resilient people of Pakistan.



The event commenced with a beautiful recitation of the Holy Quran, followed by the national anthem, which fostered a profound sense of pride and unity among the attendees.

A series of distinguished speakers including Dr. Minhas Majeed, Dr. Adnan Sarwar, and Dr. Saima Gul shared their thoughtful insights on the significance of Youm-e-Tashakkur. They highlighted the sacrifices made by the armed forces of Pakistan in defending the nation, ultimately leading to the defeat of the adversary.

The program also featured the playing of national songs, which further elevated the patriotic spirit among the students.

Overall, the event successfully created an atmosphere of gratitude, remembrance, and national solidarity, reflecting the deep admiration and respect of the Department of International Relations for the national heroes and the spirit of Youm-e-Tashakkur.



FAREWELL WEEK AND FAREWELL PARTY

May 24th, 2025

The Department of International Relations, University of Peshawar, organized a vibrant Farewell Week followed by a Grand Farewell Party to honor its graduating students. The week was filled with a series of engaging activities, culminating in the grand celebration. Farewell Week was designed to commemorate the student's time at the department and to create lasting memories.

Throughout the week, a variety of themed days were observed. These included Character Day, Kaliwal Day, Pink and Blue Day, Black Day with a Hat, and Scribble Day. Junior students actively participated in these events, demonstrating enthusiasm and extending heartfelt wishes to the graduating seniors for their future endeavors.



The Farewell Week concluded with a Grand Farewell Party, a joyous occasion where students, faculty, and staff gathered to bid an emotional farewell to the graduating batch. The event provided a reflective space to cherish their academic journey, shared experiences, and future aspirations.

The Farewell Week and Grand Farewell Party successfully created a memorable send-off for the graduating students, leaving them with cherished moments and a sense of pride associated with their time at the Department of International Relations.



TEDx UOP

September 3rd, 2025

The first-ever licensed TEDx event of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, hosted by the Department of International Relations, University of Peshawar, was held on September 3rd, 2025, at the Sahib Zada Abdul Qayyum Hall. The event, themed "The Cosmic What If", brought together thought-provoking speakers and engaged a diverse audience in exploring innovative ideas and perspectives. The Chief Guest was Professor Dr. Johar Ali, Vice Chancellor of the University of Peshawar.



The event began with a reverent recitation from the Holy Quran, after which thought-provoking talks and discussions were delivered on diverse topics. The speakers included Dr. Saima Gul from the Department of International Relations, who addressed the impact of social media on Pashtun youth, and Dr. Dervaish, who reflected on the generation gap. Shayan Azmat shared insights on communication, Muhammad Yamaan Khan explored the theme of consumerism, and Shezal Misbah spoke about dreams and fears. Farishta Noor discussed illusions and limits, Advocate Umar Khan highlighted the importance of justice, Safiullah Khan Sudais delved into artificial intelligence, and Hammad Khan shed light on culture and geography.



A panel discussion involving the Vice Chancellor and the Chairperson of the Department of International Relations emphasized the importance of such events for youth in the university and the province. A cultural highlight included performances by renowned singer Zarsanga and Faisal Salman Marwat, moderated by the General Secretary of IRSA, Ihtisham-Ul-Hassan and Chairperson of the Department of IR, Dr. Minhas Majid Khan Marwat. Certificates of appreciation were distributed among the organizers, acknowledging their efforts in making the event a success.

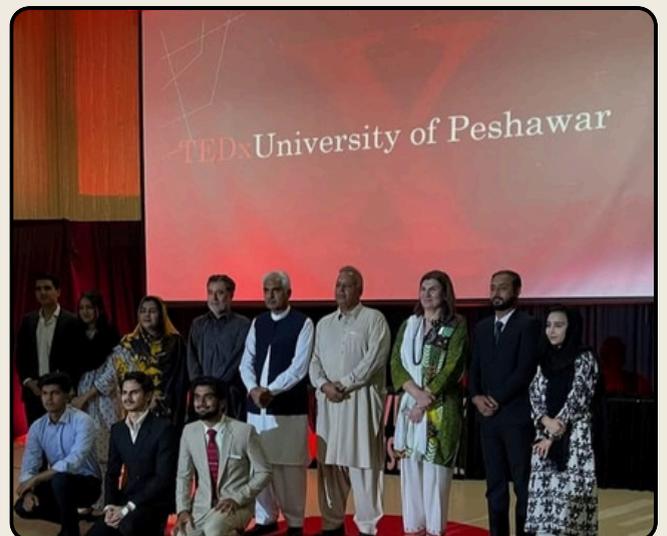
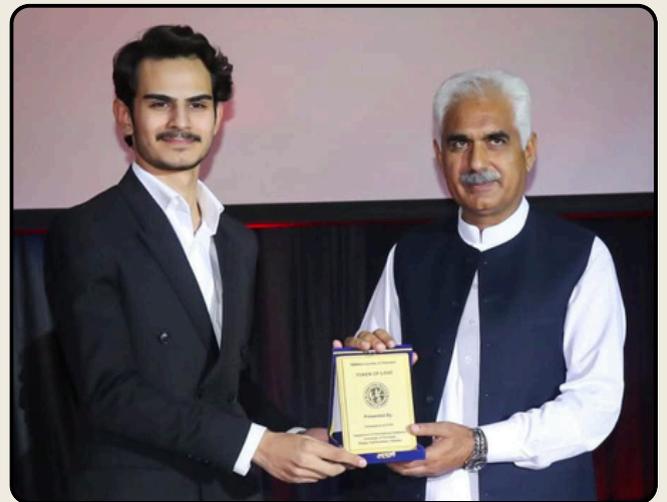
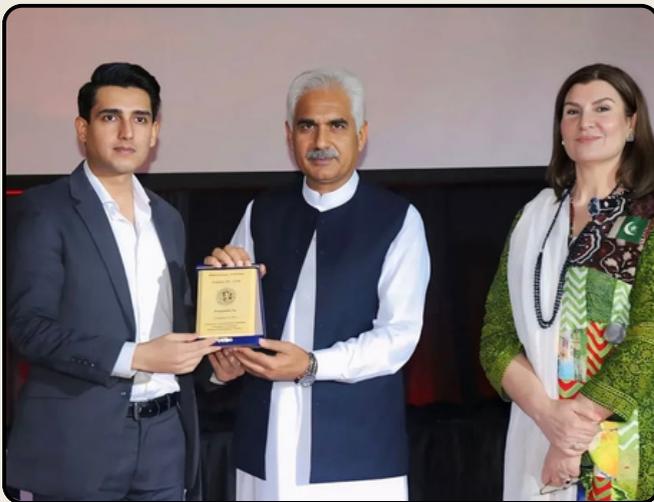


TEDx UOP

September 3rd, 2025

The TED University of Peshawar showcased the university's commitment to fostering a space for ideas, dialogue, and creativity, marking a significant step in promoting intellectual engagement among students and the broader community. The event also highlighted the Department of International Relations' role in facilitating meaningful academic and cultural exchanges.

The successful execution of the event underscores the University of Peshawar's dedication to nurturing a vibrant ecosystem of learning and exchange, contributing positively to academic and societal development in the region.



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

September 18th, 2025

The International Day of Peace was commemorated on September 18th, 2025, at Dr. Naib Hall, Department of International Relations, University of Peshawar. The event was organized by The Mosaic in collaboration with Dosti Welfare Organization. Students from all semesters of the Department of International Relations actively participated in the program.

The event was hosted by Ms. Umama and Ms. Kulsoom, who warmly welcomed the audience and maintained an engaging atmosphere throughout. Proceedings began with the recitation of the Holy Quran by Mr. Qasim Khan, followed by a welcome address delivered by Dr. Saima Gul, Editor-in-Chief of The Mosaic. In her remarks, Dr. Gul highlighted the significance of such initiatives in promoting peace and harmony, and she praised The Mosaic team for their efforts.

The program featured speeches by students of the 7th semester.

Mr. Abdurrouf spoke on "Dialogue, Diversity, and the Dream of Peace." He emphasized that while peace is a simple concept, achieving it often requires sustained effort. He explained how dialogue serves as a bridge to peace, whereas its absence leads to conflict and war.

Mr. Junaid Alam delivered a talk on "Act Now for a Peaceful World." He stressed that peace is not solely the responsibility of leaders and diplomats but also of every individual, particularly the youth, who must play an active role in fostering peace.

Following the speeches, an art exhibition titled "Peace Through Art" was held. Students from across semesters displayed their creative artworks, each reflecting unique themes and messages of peace. Participants presented the ideas behind their pieces to the audience. The panel of judges included Dr. Saima Gul, Dr. Asghar, and Ma'am Mahvish Zeb. The top three positions were awarded certificates and shields:

1st Position: Ms. Malaika Alam

2nd Position: Ms. Anfaal and Ms. Anoosh

3rd Position: Ms. Iman Khattak

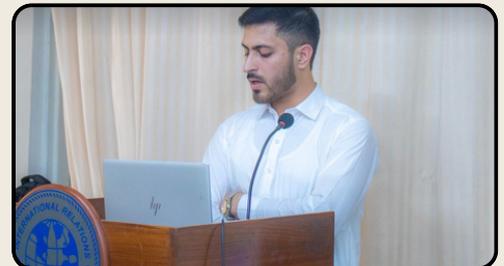


After the exhibition, Mr. Khalilullah, a representative of Dosti Welfare Organization, addressed the audience. His remarks focused on the mission of Dosti and its volunteer initiatives.

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Certificates of participation were then distributed among all contributors as tokens of appreciation. Additionally, Ms. Rahyma, Editor of The Mosaic, presented a shield to Dr. Saima Gul for her leadership, while The Mosaic Journal was formally presented to Mr. Khalilullah by Dr. Asghar and Dr. Saima Gul.



The event concluded with a group photo session held in front of the Department of International Relations. The photo featured the Chairperson of the Department, the editorial team of The Mosaic, representatives of Dosti Welfare Organization, cabinet members, and participating student capturing the spirit of unity and collaboration that the event sought to promote.



LINKEDIN AND PERSONAL BRANDING SESSION

October 14th, 2025

On 14th October 2025, a session on LinkedIn and Personal Branding was held at Naib Hall in the Department of International Relations, University of Peshawar. This event was organized by AKTI in collaboration with IRSA, and hosted by Muhammad Uzair. The session provided valuable insights into how personal branding aims to educate others, leads to self-development and professional networking.

Guest speakers Mr. Tayyab Ayaz (founder of Relitic Media) and Mr. Fazal Rehman (founder of Dynamic Media) led the session, with engaging the audience in a discussion on personal branding. Mr. Tayyab highlighted how the world has shifted from traditional CVs to online platform LinkedIn, which allow individuals to showcase their unique capabilities. He discussed the importance of both degree as well as skills in personal branding, which opens the doors of opportunity faster. Moreover, practical tips were provided on optimizing the LinkedIn profiles, such as crafting banner, bios, profile photos, and maintaining consistent posting.



Mr. Fazal Rehman shared his views on the future of the digital world and how digital platforms make the skills highly valuable. He further explained the growth areas, including courses in AI, robotics, cyber security, and graphic deigning. The event was supported by a pictorial presentation, and an interactive Q&A segment. The session concluded with remarks from Dr. Saima Gul and certificate distribution among the participants.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON BUILDING RESILIENT FUTURE

October 16th - 19th , 2025

The First International Conference on Building Resilient Future: Climate Adaptation, Historical Change, and Global Cooperation was proudly conducted from the 16th to the 19th of October 2025 at the captivating Baragali Campus of the University of Peshawar, nestled among the scenic mountains of Galiyat. The conference served as a major intellectual gathering, organized collaboratively by the Department of International Relations, the China Study Centre, and the Department of History at the University of Peshawar, along with the active academic support of The Natives and Dosti Welfare.

The conference commenced with spiritual grace as the Holy Quran was recited by Safiullah Khan Sudais, creating a respectful and solemn atmosphere. The ceremony was efficiently conducted by stage secretary Mr. Furad Ali. The welcome address was delivered by Mr. Zia-ur-Rehman, Coordinator of the Department of International Relations, who warmly acknowledged the distinguished panelists, organizers, and students. Dr. Noor Sanauddin, Director of the China Study Centre, delivered inspiring opening remarks by highlighting the devastating social and economic implications of climate inaction. This was followed by a comprehensive conference overview by the esteemed historian and Conference Coordinator, Dr. Altaf Qadir, who appreciated the collaborative effort behind the event's planning.



The second day featured stimulating academic sessions held inside the Greta Thunberg Hall a symbolic gesture honoring the global youth climate movement. The first session was enriched with research presentations spanning geopolitics, sustainability, and technological rivalry. Presenters highlighted the global urgency of climate cooperation, the emergence of China as a leading climate governance actor, and the complex interplay of artificial intelligence and climate strategies involving major world powers. A thoughtful question and answer session followed, during which students and scholars actively participated. The session formally concluded with certificate distribution by Dr. Noor Sanauddin.



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After a short tea break, another engaging session was conducted under the moderation of Safiullah Khan Sudais and chaired by Dr. Waqar Ali Shah. The discussions during this session shifted attention toward ground realities, including the potential expansion of CPEC into Afghanistan, the role of media propaganda in shaping public climate narratives, and empowering women particularly teachers as frontline change agents in climate education.

Following the lunch and prayer break, the final session of the day resumed with important insights into global data governance, marine ecology, and regional security concerns. Presenters discussed how digital sovereignty disputes between global technological giants indirectly influence sustainability outcomes. Sustainability ambitions under China's Belt and Road Initiative were also explored. The coastal belt of Baluchistan was portrayed as an underutilized environmental and economic asset with immense potential for blue economy development if protected and managed through climate-adaptive strategies. Security scholars also analyzed how persistent instability in Afghanistan continues to pose threats to CPEC infrastructure and ecological sustainability. After certificates were awarded to all presenters, the day concluded with a refreshing educational excursion to Nathiagali, allowing participants to experience the beauty of the natural environment which they were academically discussing.

Day three brought even deeper conversations on Pakistan's environmental and climate-adaptive struggles. The presentations focused on monitoring tourism-induced environmental pressures in Abbottabad, severe deforestation due to state neglect in Tirah Valley, and the hardships faced by women during climate disasters — illustrating how climate change disproportionately burdens vulnerable groups. Research exploring heritage crafts in Swabi offered a hopeful vision of linking tradition with sustainable rural growth. Scholars further examined China's ambitious carbon neutrality targets and what Pakistan can learn to improve its own environmental policies. As always, certificates were distributed and participants appreciated the intellectual contributions.



Later in the day, a major roundtable session elevated the discourse into policy space. The panel included renowned academic voices like Prof. Husnul Amin, Dr. Syed Waqar Ali Shah, Dr. Maliha Zeba Khan, and others. The discussion tackled pragmatic policy reforms, institutional cooperation for climate adaptation, and the academic responsibility to guide national climate actions. After an engaging lunch break, participants embarked on a nature excursion through the famous Ayubia Pipeline Track, reinforcing

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personal appreciation for preserving natural landscapes. The day ended on a cheerful cultural note, featuring musical performances by the well-known Jwandun Band fostering unity, joy, and social bonding among all guests.

The final day of the conference began serenely with a recitation of the Holy Quran. Reflective remarks by Dr. Noor Sanauddin highlighted key learnings from the conference's extensive deliberations.

Prof. Zia-ur-Rehman shared thoughtful policy recommendations to establish long-term academic structures for climate cooperation. The Vice Chancellor of the University of Peshawar, Prof. Dr. Johar Ali, addressed the gathering with deep appreciation for the organizers and emphasized continuing such events that align academic contribution with national sustainability goals. A heart-touching documentary of the four-day journey, prepared by DOSTI organization, was screened in the hall. In his remarks, Dr. Syed Waqar Ali Shah expressed gratitude to the leading organizers for transforming the vision of a climate dialogue platform into reality. Shields and certificates were distributed among presenters, organizers, performers, volunteers, collaborating partners, and participating students. The event closed with the final remarks of Prof. Dr. Husnul Amin, followed by a memorable group photo that marked not only the end of the conference but also the beginning of future collaborations and shared commitment toward climate resilience.

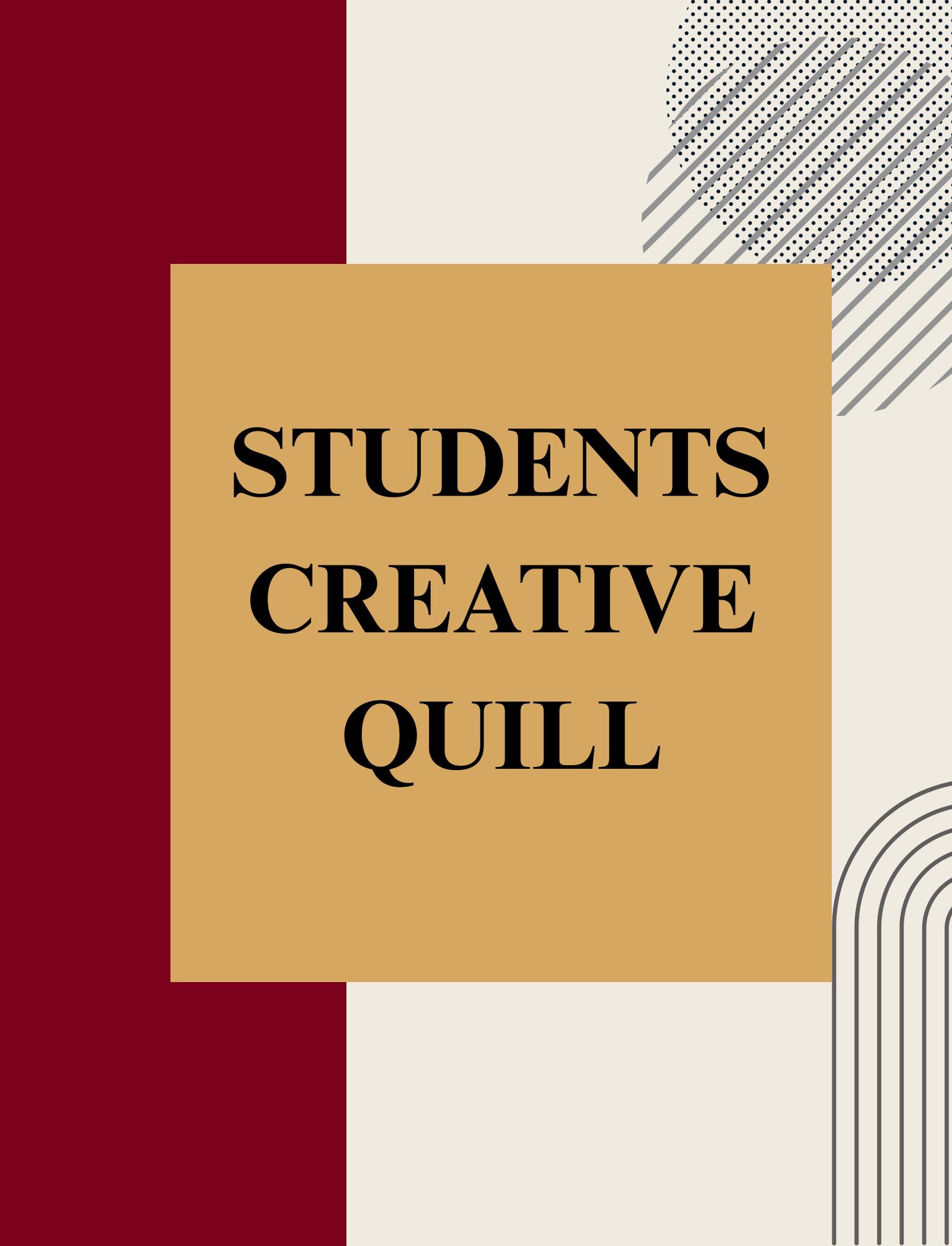
Overall, the First International Conference on Building Resilient Future was a resounding success intellectually empowering, culturally enriching, and socially meaningful. It united academics, youth, and policymakers in rethinking the challenges of climate change with a mindset of cooperation rather than conflict.



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ECHOES OF BROKEN REIGN



Did the atmosphere change,
Long after you decided to break your reign?
For your life, and the happiness you deserve,
I hope you fill the void with laughter life can conserve.

Ponder, think about the pain you hold —
Does it feel like heaven, or a factory of cold?
You see the expectations, thinking of the game to be fair?
So, don't you leave yourself in the midst of deep despair.

The ache that you think blessed you with life,
Didn't put you in the ocean just to strive?
Dear Love! For you, I changed.
More than what you feel, can be “gained”

You feel life has blessed me with things ever precious?
It's exactly what makes it vicious, and oh so ambiguous.
Oh, the delicate soul, and the victim of love's sweet pain!
World would make nothing of you, but a ruthless shove in vain.

Bakht Khan Babar
Semester: 3rd (Morning)
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WHERE HAVE THE SINNERS GONE



Every corner shines with piety's glow,
Every face wears the mask of the unclouded,
Yet I wonder, I whisper, I ask in despair,
Have the sinners all nonexistent, gone from the world?

Where are the hearts that stagger in night,
The hands that shudder, the souls that lapse?
Do they no longer walk among us,
Or do they hide beneath robes of prayer?

I see no flaw in the faces around me,
No shadow of guilt, no scar of regret.
But I know the truth that silence hide,
No mortal breath has ever been sinless yet.

Perhaps the sinners learned a new art,
To cloak their wounds in Attires of light,
To polish their words with sanctified tones,
And conceal their secrets deep out of sight.

Tell me, O world of saints and sages,
What is this stage where all act so pure?
If sin has died, then humanity too,
For flaw and virtue together endure.

Better the heart that confesses its weakness,
Than the tongue that proclaims a spotless name.
For piety worn as a mask of pride
Is a greater sin than sin without shame.

WHERE HAVE THE SINNERS GONE

Rashid Ullah

Semester: 7th (Evening)

Department of International Relations

University of Peshawar



THE ONE WHO STAYED



There was a soul, so soft, so rare,
Who gave his heart beyond repair.
He loved in silence, pure and deep,
While others woke, he chose to weep.

He stood for all when none would care,
A faithful heart, unjust, unfair.
They saw his light but turned away,
And left him lost in shades of gray.

The dreams he held began to fade,
The songs he sang, no echo made.
His joy grew thin, his spirit tired,
His once-bright world slowly expired.

But time, though cruel, begins to mend,
It teaches hearts to love again.
For pain may carve, but it refines,
And broken souls still learn to shine.

Now when he smiles, it's calm, it's real,
A scarred heart taught itself to heal.
He walks alone, yet not afraid
For love was lost, but hope remained.

Ali Khalid

Semester: 5th

Department of International Relations

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A HEART AT PEACE



For you, I lay aside my pride,
No anger, no attitude inside.
My heart beats with love and kindness true,
Warmth that comes from loving you.

With pure intentions, I think of you,
A single thought, forever true.
No ego, no anger, just love's pure light,
Guiding me through day and night.

In your eyes, my heart finds peace,
A love so strong, my soul release.
Every moment with you is divine,
Forever with you, my heart will shine.

With every breath, I'll love you more,
Through laughter and tears, forevermore.
You're the melody that fills my heart,
The missing piece that sets us apart.

Forever and always, you'll be mine,
In your love, my heart will entwine.
Together our love will forever grow,
Beside you, is where I'll stay and glow.

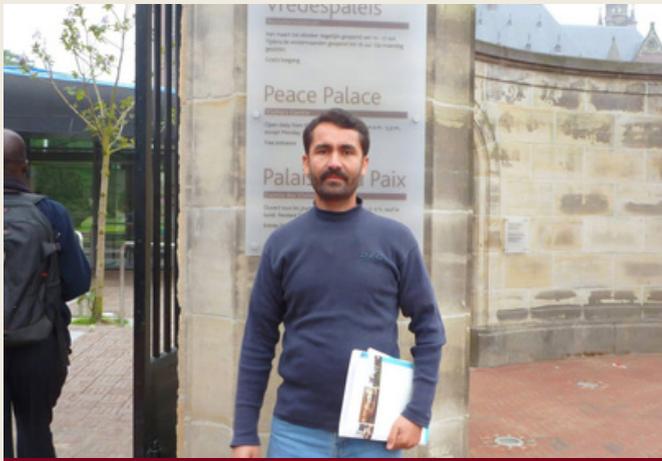
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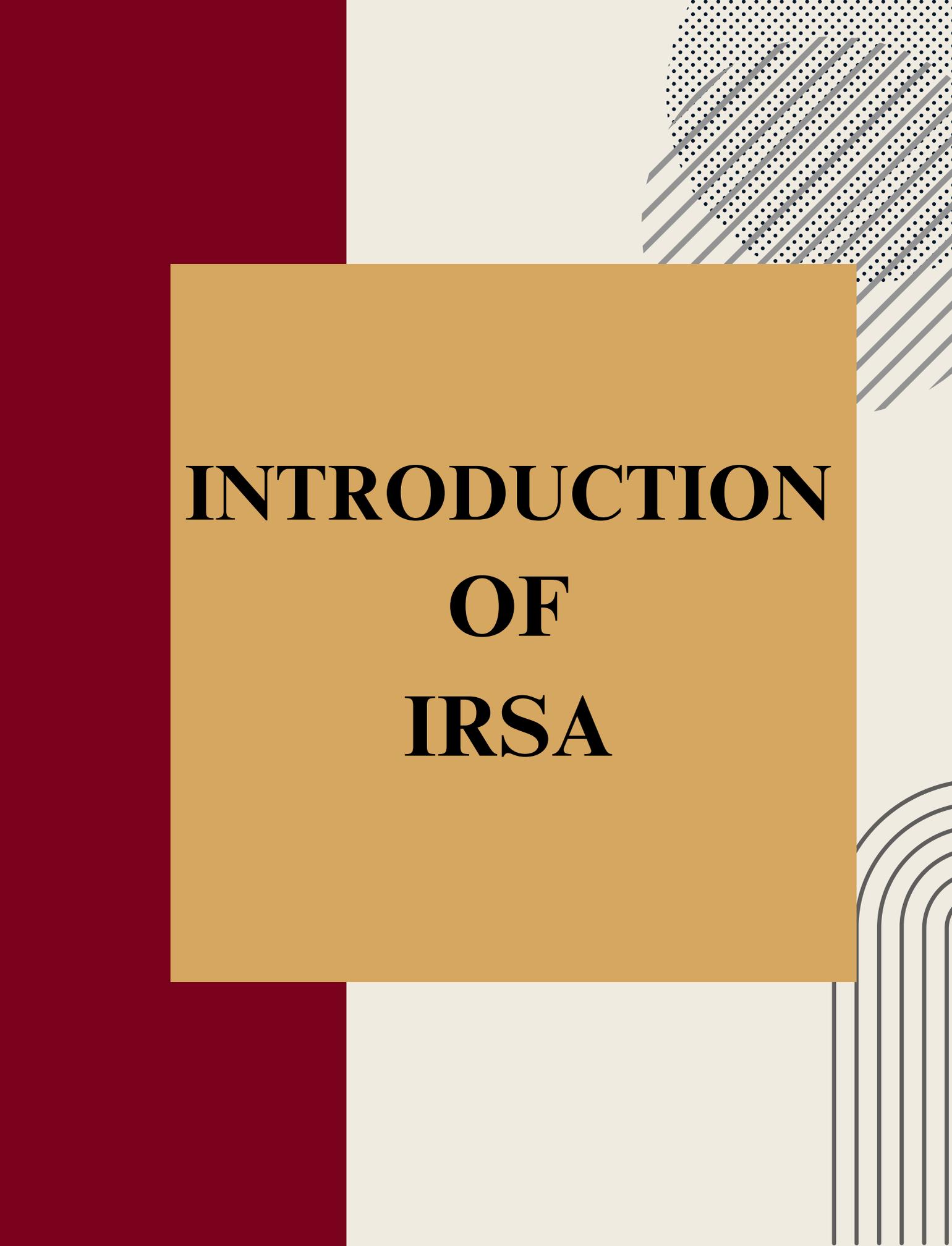
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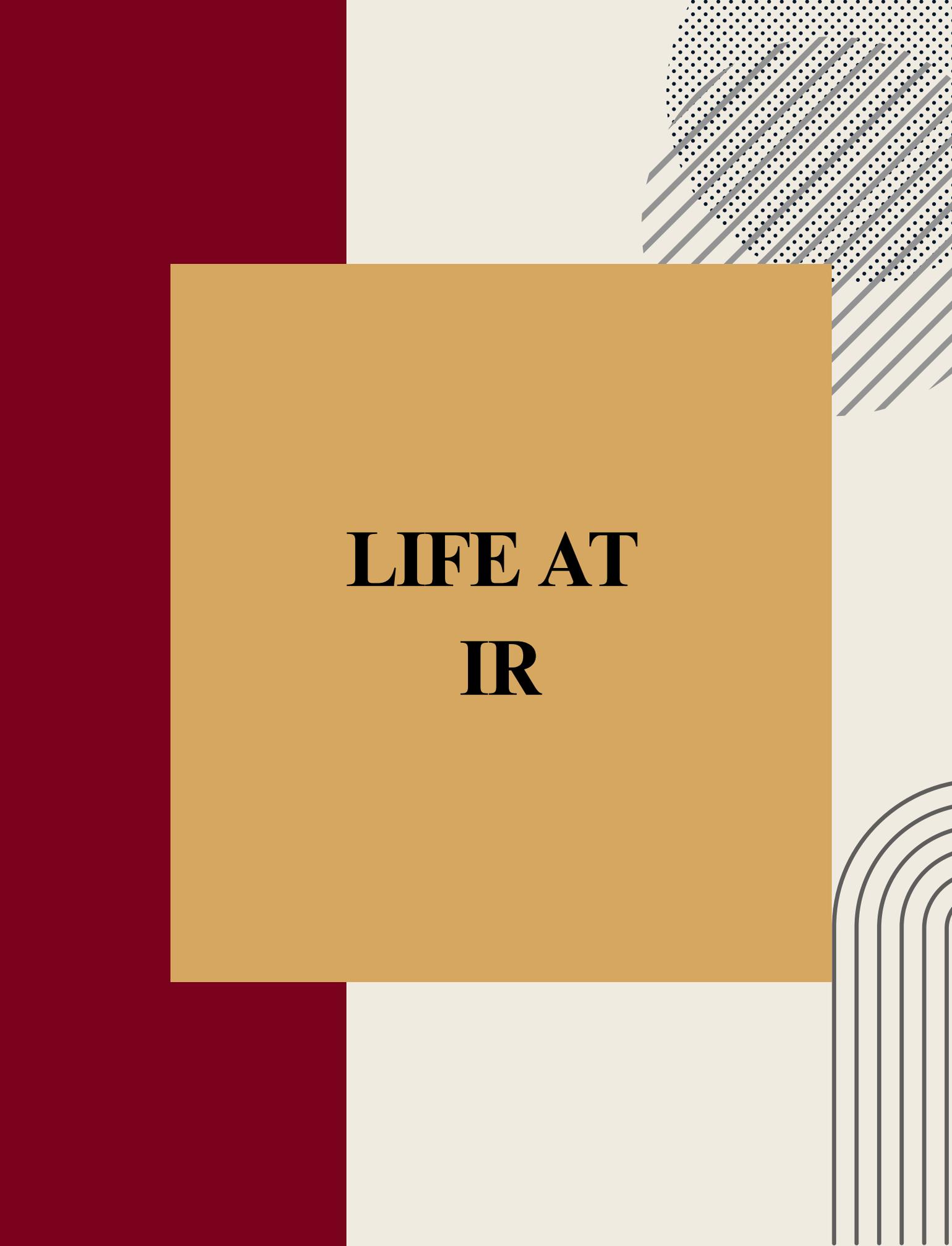
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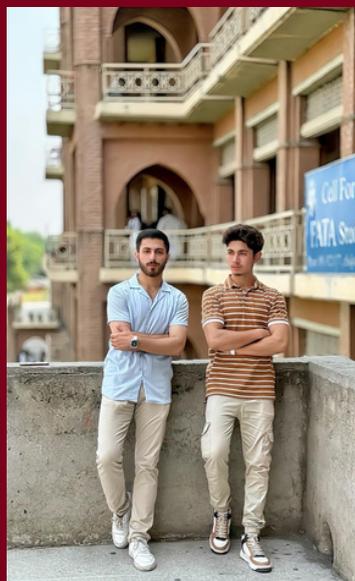
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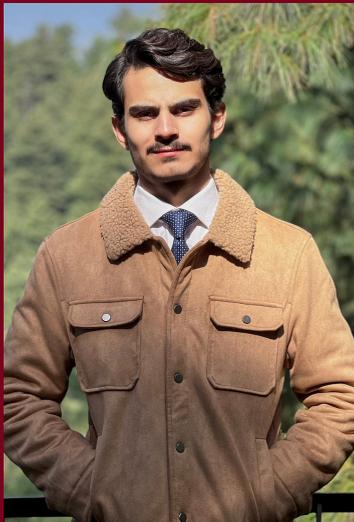
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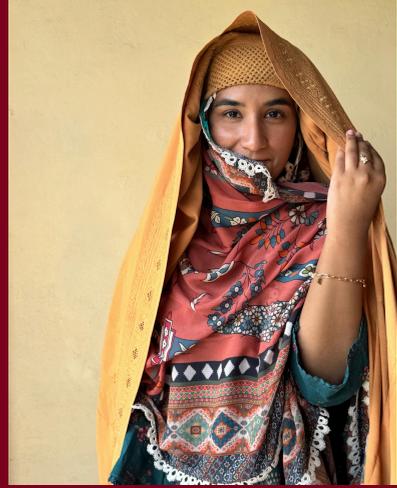
















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