

Sharjeel Ahmad

NATIONALITY: Pakistani
DATE OF BIRTH: 04-03-1969
CURRENT EMPLOYER South Asia Partnership Pakistan (SAP-PK)

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

Over the years, Mr. Sharjeel Ahmad has worked on different positions and has extensive experience of work with grass roots organizations of Pakistan and South Asia. After doing his Masters in Public Administration he attended different training courses and did profound jobs for entire SAP-network working in six South Asian countries of the region, including Pakistan.

He helped SAP-Pakistan in setting up its Capacity Building Division and designed many long and short term training programs aiming at empowering Pakistani civil society organizations and networks. He has facilitated and supervised different campaigns and projects for peace building and strengthening democratic governance in Pakistan. He has extensive experience of work with political parties, parliamentarians, local government's elected representatives and numerous civil society networks working both in Pakistan and in South Asia. His work at grass roots level helped many organizations develop and implement participatory projects supporting community livelihood and initiating inclusive processes for peaceful solutions of their immediate problems.

He has worked as National Coordinator PACFREL (Pakistan Coalition for Free, Fair and Democratic Elections) and larger civil society coalition working as a watch dog on matters related to governance, democratic institutions and democratic reforms. He has led many campaigns at national level e.g. Citizens Campaign for Free, Fair and Democratic Elections (CCFFE), Tenants' campaign for reforming Sindh Tenancy Act and has also given leadership to a South Asian network working as a watch dog on monitoring illegal movement of small arms in South Asia (SASA-Net Pakistan) as general secretary. He has also served as core member of a regional (South Asian) network South Asia Peace Alliance (SAPA).

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS:

Year 1991	Masters in Public Administration (MPA)	University of the Punjab
Year 1998	International Human Rights Training Program	Canadian Human Rights Federation (CHRF) Montreal, Canada
Year 1999	Economic Growth and Poverty Reduction	World Bank in collaboration with SAARC and National Planning Commission of Nepal, Khatmandu
Year 2002	Certificate in Development Management	ima, University of Sussex, Brighton, United Kingdom

LANGUAGES: Urdu, Punjabi, English

COUNTRIES: Pakistan

EMPLOYMENT RECORD:

1993 TO DATE	South Asia Partnership Pakistan (SAP-PK), Pakistan PROGRAM MANAGER
1992 – 1993	National Rural Support Program (NRSP) District Officer

SELECTED RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

1993 TO DATE

South Asia Partnership Pakistan (SAP-PK)

- Designed and implemented following training programs as Manager Capacity Building Division of SAP-PK.
 - Yearlong Resource Development Program (RDP) 1993-2003
 - Women in Politics (WIP) 1996
 - Yearlong Supporting Democratic Electoral Process 1997-1999
 - Yearlong Supporting Democratic Process for Women 2000-2003
 - Small Capacity Building Inputs (SCBIs) 1995-2003
 - Activists Development Program (ADP) 2009 onwards

- Designed and implemented Supporting Democratic and Electoral Processes for Women in Pakistan from 1999-2001 in thirty districts of the country.
- Served South Asia Small Arms Network (SASA-NET) Pakistan as General Secretary from 2007 onwards.
- Represented SAP-PK as core member in various core committee meetings of South Asia Peace Alliance (SAPA) a regional network from 2008 onwards.
- As National Coordinator PACFREL (Pakistan Coalition for Free, Fair and Democratic Elections) launched elections monitoring campaign during 2008 General Elections.
- Supervised the implementation of a project “Strengthening Democratic Governance in Pakistan” (SDGP) in forty districts of the country as Program Manager. (2006-2011)
- Facilitated OXFAM GB’s “We Can” campaign and also supervised different initiatives aiming at eliminating violence against Women in Pakistan.
- Helped rural civil society organizations in establishing Coordinating Councils that later emerged as four provincial level networks from 1994-2011.
- Supported community level initiatives in becoming replicable models of sustainable development (1994-1998).
- Designed and provided technical support to numerous mid level organizations for their further development and scaling up human capital (2008 onwards).
- Represented SAP-PK in joint sessions of Lahore based Joint Action Committee (JAC) on issues requiring collective action.
- Evaluated SDC’s (Swiss Agency for Development Cooperation) land mark project KIDP (Kalam Integrated Development Project) in 2005 as National Evaluator.