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Chairperson / Federal Minister  
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**Research Interests:**

Higher Education  
Energy and Power  
High Voltage Systems  
Information Technology  
Space Power Technology  
Leadership

**Education:**

Ph.D (Electrical & Computer Engineering), 1980  
State University of New York at Buffalo, USA

MS (Electrical Engineering), 1975  
Middle East Technical University  
Ankara, Turkey

BE (Electrical Engineering), 1971  
University of Sindh  
Jamshoro, Pakistan

**Advanced Institutes Attended:**

NATO Advanced Study Institute on Space Systems, UK, 1991

NATO Advanced Study Institute on Fast Electrical and Optical  
Diagnostics, Italy, 1983

**Experience:**

Chairperson / Federal Minister (August 2009 - present)  
Higher Education Commission ([www.hec.gov.pk](http://www.hec.gov.pk))  
Government of Pakistan

Senator (2006-2009)  
Parliament of Pakistan  
(Representing PPP led by Ms. Benazir Bhutto)

President and Project Director (1995 – 2009)  
Shaheed Zulfikar Ali Bhutto Institute of Science and Technology  
(SZABIST) ([www.szabist.edu.pk](http://www.szabist.edu.pk))  
(Multi-campus university ranked among the top Business and  
Science & Technology Institutes in Asia by BusinessWeek, Asia  
Inc, Asiaweek and CNN-Time Inc)

Professor & Director of Graduate Studies (1980 – 1995)  
State University of New York at Buffalo, NY, USA

**Publications:**

02 Books  
118 Research Publications  
44 Other Publications  
22 Technical Reports & Documents  
10 Keynote Addresses  
47 Address as Chief Guest  
41 Invited Lectures  
18 Interviews published  
31 TV Interviews  
One Book Chapter  
One Monograph  
One IEEE Standard

**Sponsored Research:**

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)  
US Air Force Office of Scientific Research  
US Office of Naval Research  
US Ballistic Missile Defence Organization  
US Defence Nuclear Agency  
US Strategic Defence Initiatives  
Hughes Aircraft  
Boeing Aerospace Company

**Honors:**

Chairman, IEEE/ACM National Conference on Emerging Technologies, Karachi, Pakistan, Dec 2004

Chairman, Academic Symposium on Universities and the Islamic Ummah, "First General Conference of the Federation of the Universities of the Islamic World" Rabat, Morocco, Feb. 1998.

Chairman, IEEE International Symposium on Electrical Insulation, Baltimore, USA, June 1992

Organized 12 International Conferences

Chaired 9 Sessions in International Conferences

Executive Committee Member of 9 Professional Societies

Over \$ 5 million in Sponsored Research in the USA (1980-95)

**Awards:**

Tamgha-e-Imtiaz, Civil Award by the President of Pakistan, 1999  
Distinguished Leadership Award, 1987  
International Cultural Diploma of Honor, 1998  
IEEE Award for Leadership and Dedicated Services, 1994

**Listings:**

American Men and Women of Science  
Who's Who in Science and Engineering  
Who's Who in the East  
Who's Who in the World