

7<sup>TH</sup> HUMBLE SUBMISSION

Each chapter is a different scenario but in continuity of the '*Judges & Generals in Pakistan*' Vol I - IV and travelling through '*The Living History of Pakistan*' Vol I & II making this book the 7<sup>th</sup> Volume of Pakistan's contemporary history.

Khurram Hussain, media officer of a top DAILY in Pakistan, gave a beautiful narration on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2016 that:

*"There is a growing tendency, not just in Pakistan but around the world, to concoct reality and fool oneself into thinking that something happened when in fact it didn't.*

*Fake universities selling bogus credentials or fake surveying agencies that sell survey reports which say whatever you want them to say are some examples. Fake human rights organisations are nothing more than a website but give you a clean chit for your deeds on demand. None of it is real, but what difference does that make?*

*Too much consumption of such manufactured reality has a bad effect on the mind: it makes it increasingly difficult to distinguish fact from fiction. But who cares?*

*Wars that are lost on the battlefield can be won on the TV screen."*

So, these books, including this '*The Living History of Pakistan Vol-III*' are compilation of facts from the contemporary history, may be irritating for many because the truth is often bitter; explaining diverse state of affairs. This volume is treating with years till around 2013 of KARACHI metropolis of Pakistan only.

No fiction or fabrication as Khurram Hussain pointed out above. This book may be taken as reference based on authentic news, editorials, opinions and criticisms on issues connected with Karachi – and with sources.

No misleading intelligence story, no distracting investigative report, no concocted interview and no feed from the 'concerned ones' - yet every page seems innovative; no fiction in this book but simple narration of facts. As I quote in the beginning of each volume:

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*'It is the collection of tragedies and misgivings which are deliberately buried in suspicious darkness of political compromises and narration of lust, corruption, egoism, insensitivity and selfishness of ruling few whose families are settled abroad. They only go to Pakistan to [mis]govern when their turn ripens up.*

*I've simply excavated those facts; collated and placed the same together for those who want to keep a track of their past.'*

You read your newspaper daily and regularly; many of you go through it thoroughly but you do not keep record of even important events. This book contains nothing but the true events and analysis on certain topics, of course, which have cogent references to your history, your representatives, your leadership, your ideal guides and not the least, your nation - your country, the Pakistan.

WHY FOCUSED KARACHI ONLY:

Karachi is the largest city of 20 million inhabitants, major seaport and the main financial hub of Pakistan, as well as the capital of Sindh province. Karachi produces more than 60pc of Pakistan's revenue. It is one of the world's largest cities in terms of population and also the 10th largest urban agglomeration in the world - but hijacked by politically sponsored ethnic and sectarian death squads since two decades.

Violence in Karachi between 1986 and 1996 claimed at least 10,000 lives. The large numbers of kidnapping and bombings in Sindh -- the virtual breakdown of law and order -- necessitated the imposition of army rule in 1999. The three nuclei of Karachi's political power -- the majority Urdu-speaking Muttahida Qaumi Movement [MQM]; the Pakistan People's Party [PPP]; and the sizable *Pashtun* migrant minority, many of whom support the *Awami* Nationalist Party [ANP] -- all suffered casualties; they were equally well - armed. MQM was known for violent tactics in the 1980-90's, but the party increasingly avoided hostility for which it was initially known.

Karachi has been the city of persistent and chronic violence characterized by frequent kidnapping, extortion, bombings, violent demonstrations and shootings. A suicide attack of 18<sup>th</sup> October 2007 on former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto had killed 153 and injured approximately 375 people in Karachi. In the aftermath of her assassination on 27<sup>th</sup> December 2007, [though occurred in Rawalpindi] rioting in Karachi led to multiple deaths and injuries, as well as widespread property damage.

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Over the following years, Karachi has been wracked by political violence. Since the summer of 2009, there have been thousands of targeted killings in Karachi as a result of ethno-political rivalries. Away from Karachi, the security situation was also hazardous, especially for those engaged in overland travel. The Government of Pakistan had to recommend that travellers should limit their movements, if possible.

For years, power in Karachi has been held by *Mohajirs*, the Urdu - speaking descendants of the immigrants from India. The ethnic group wielded political power in the city through its party, the MQM. Then the city experienced a sharp demographic shift as ethnic *Pashtuns*, *Punjabis*, *Balochis* and what not – better be called '*economic migrants*' came and settled in Karachi. Much of the violence stems from a series of running clashes between rival gangs of the long - dominant MQM and groups of relatively new arrivals challenging their dominance.

Violence remained a major problem in Karachi in one form the other. The latest addition was turf war between Shiite and Sunni Muslim groups. Then MQM and the *Mohajir* community itself divided into factions – always seen dagger drawn at each other.

Once in May 2008, clashing groups of lawyers burnt buildings and vehicles in several areas of Karachi city, resulting in at least 11 fatalities. Americans and other westerners were main target of hostility and occasional anti-Western mob violence. The US Consulate General in particular remained the target of several major terrorist attacks during those years, including a deadly March 2006 suicide attack.

### HARD FACTS ABOUT THE PPP:

*Recall Pakistan's past:* In 1970 general elections, Z A Bhutto got 6148923 votes [18.6%] and won 81 seats out of 312 National Assembly's total seats. Sh Mujeeb ur Rehman got 12937162 votes [39.2%] and won 160 seats. Bhutto, in collusion with Gen Yahya Khan, refused to allow Sh Mujeeb to form the government and raised the slogan '*Udhar Tum Idhar Hum*'.

Pakistani politicians, with very few exceptions, are trying hard to create another similar Dhaka like situation in Karachi since 2008 at least; all grounds like miserable streets' cleanliness, shortage of drinking water, lawlessness all around, gang wars, '*bhatta & land*' mafias, sectarian extremism, politically backed syndicated corruption, lethargic judicial hierarchy, intellec-

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tually dishonest bureaucracy coupled with unemployment and nepotism are abundantly available here in this city.

In 1971, Pakistan went divided – but still we hear the slogan *Bhutto zinda hai* [Bhutto is alive].

Thank God that *Namrood, Firaun & Abu Jehal* were not in Peoples Party otherwise they would have been alive today.

NOW SEE THE PML[N]:

The Sharif Family Saga [circulated on Twitter from @SSEHBAI1 and placed here *verbatim*]

A VERY DETAILED PROBE BY NAB OF SHARIF FAMILY

Courtesy: Shaheen Sehbai

The entire details of money laundering and money trail during the 1990s, which was also used to buy off the Avenfield House apartments, has been confessed by Ishaq Dar, Saeed Ahmed [later deputy governor SBP], Haroon Pasha and Kamal Qureshi of Ittefaq / Sharif Group and a Money Exchange operated named Zaigham, in April 2000 in the interim Hudabiya Paper Mills Reference [*got prepared by Inam R Sehri for which he suffered a lot later*].

Later in Sept 2001, a supplementary Reference by the name of Hudabiya Paper Volume two was filed with irrefutable evidence showing receipts of transactions and statements of money changers, implicating the Sharif family in money laundering.

Ishaq Dar's statement in this money laundering case is an 'irrevocable statement' as it has been recorded under section 164 CrPC [*and is still available with the media and on file*].

In his statement, Ishaq Dar accused Nawaz and Shahbaz Sharif of money laundering in the Hudaibiya Paper Mills case. At one point in the 43-page statement, Dar said that on the instructions of Mian Nawaz Sharif and Shahbaz Sharif:

*"I opened two foreign currency accounts in the name of Sikandara Masood Qazi and Talat Masood Qazi with the foreign currency funds provided by the Sharif family in the Bank of America by signing as Sikandara Masood Qazi and Talat Masood Qazi".*

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Qazis are a Pakistani family settled in London, with whom Ishaq Dar was lodged up as a paying guest while he was doing his Chartered Accountancy. He somehow managed to get hold of copies of their passports which he used for opening fake accounts. *Dar himself used to sign all cheques on behalf of the Qazis. This is all confessed by Dar while he was lodged at Chamba House* (NABs temporary HQs in Lahore) from Jan to April 2000.

Haroon, Kamal Qureshi, Dar, Naeem and a Lahore money changer - Zaigham were all produced before the court at Circuit House Lahore in April 2000 after the completion of their 90 days detention, when the Hudabiya Reference was filed. Dar advised to the others in the court that they should fully cooperate with NAB as the game is over.

Some of the Qazis have shifted to the US [*or Sharifs made proper arrangements for them to settle in the US*] after the NAB Reference was filed as they felt insecure in Britain.

Dar said that all instructions to the bank in the name of these two persons were signed by him under the orders of "*original depositors*", namely Mian Nawaz Sharif and Mian Shahbaz Sharif. Dar further stated:

*"The foreign currency accounts of Nuzhat Gohar and Kashif Masood Qazi were opened in Bank of America by Naeem Mehmood (Dar's office assistant) under my instructions (based on instructions of Sharifs) by signing the same as Nuzhat Gohar and Kashif Masood Qazi."*

Dar stated that besides these foreign currency accounts, a previously opened foreign currency account of Saeed Ahmed, (present Deputy Governor state bank and a former director of First Hajvari Modaraba Co and close friend of Dar from his student days) and of Mussa Ghani, the nephew of Dar's wife, were also used to deposit huge foreign currency funds provided by "the Sharif family" to offer them as collateral to obtain different direct and indirect credit lines.

Dar disclosed that the Bank of America, Citibank, Atlas Investment Bank, Al Barka Bank and Al Towfeeq Investment Bank were used under the instructions of the Sharif family.

Interestingly enough, Ishaq Dar also implicated himself by confessing in court that he along with Haroon Pasha and Kamal Qureshi of Sharif group and Naeem Mehmood (Dar's office boy) had opened fake foreign currency accounts in different international banks.

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Dar states that an amount of \$3.725 million in Emirates Bank, \$ 8.539 million in Al Faysal Bank and \$2.622 million were later transferred in the accounts of the Hudaibya Paper Mills.

The Qazi family upon coming into knowledge that millions of dollars were lying in their accounts in various banks lodged a complaint to the police in London in 1998.

Dar updated the PM of the situation and as a result the entire 7 member Qazi family was invited over to Lahore as State guests by the prime minister, and pacified.

Where are those files? The last time I saw they were at the office of Maj Farooq Adam, the Prosecutor General of NAB during the initial years. No further probe is required. Only a verdict needs to be awarded!

By the way, one of the co-accused later read out both volumes of the Reference to the Sharifs at Saroor Palace [Jeddah]. They were not satisfied with the amount of wealth they had and raised eyebrows at each other in suspicion.

ALSO GLANCE AT THE MQM:

Scripts from Altaf Hussain's speech: In 15<sup>th</sup> February 2001's tele-address, Altaf Hussain reiterated that:

*".....his elder brother Nasir Hussain and his nephew Arif Hussain were also assassinated along with over 15000 MQM workers but to date no investigation has been carried out to identify those responsible for these atrocities.*

*During Nawaz Sharif's premiership, the then kingpin Moeen Haider blamed the MQM workers for the assassination of Hakeem Saeed and named MQM workers Zulfiquar Haider and Amir Ullah. Amir Ullah was sentenced to death by a special court.*

*The courts failed to provide justice to the people of Pakistan. Under the doctrine of necessity, the courts even legitimised the abrogation of the Constitution instead of punishing those responsible for the unconstitutional act.*

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*....that MQM had filed a petition consisting of 22 volumes in 1994 against the atrocities committed by the Establishment upon MQM workers but to date no action has been taken on this petition.*

*..... The court sentenced Nawaz Sharif but he was allowed to leave the country with all his wealth, relations, and family members without the court's knowledge.*

*The system is so biased that ZA Bhutto was hanged on the charge that he gave instructions for the murder of one person, whereas, on Nawaz Sharif's and Shahbaz Sharif's instructions thousands of arrested people including MQM workers were extra-judicially murdered, but no action has been taken.*

*.....She [Benazir Bhutto] should have recalled the day of 13<sup>th</sup> September 1977 when, following Bhutto's release on bail, Gen Zia met with the leaders of major political parties, except the PPP, and had announced his decision to hold elections on October 17."*

The history witnessed that the promise of general elections to be held on 17<sup>th</sup> October 1977 was never fulfilled. Instead, those elections were deferred for indefinite period.

But it also remains a fact that the later speeches of Altaf Hussain mostly preached armed strikes, traffic jams, city closures, shuttering downs and arsons etc – ending up in anti-Pakistan slogans [in mid 2016] allegedly travelling through the 'bori-band & elimination' routes.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2013; concluding the debate on the provincial budget during the Sindh Assembly session and addressing MQM lawmakers in the house, Chief Minister Qaim Ali Shah pointed out that:

*"Karachi loses Rs:15 billion every day that it remains shut. Karachi is a city for everyone and if any party has reservations then it should talk to the government instead of giving frequent strike calls.*

*The [MQM] party complained about insufficient funds for Karachi, yet it continues to announce shutter downs. I want you to know that the residents of Karachi, the business community and the rest of the country are suffering because of this."*

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Referring to one of the MQM members' speech on the arrest of 100 workers of their party, CM Shah denied that any party workers were arrested. *"We have arrested some notorious criminals but we don't know if the MQM owns them. All criminals – whether they belong to the PPP, MQM or PML[N] – should have no room in any party."*

### INDISPENSIBLE ISI:

In the third week of April 2011, America levelled another serious allegation on Pakistan stating that *'the ISI is a terrorist organization like Hamas and Hizbullah'*. It was a serious assertion and had caused a stir in the Army and the government echelons. The US authorities knew that ISI had kept relationship with Afghanistan's Haqqani Network and HY Gulbadin Group but it was an agreed strategy then, mutually worked out between the CIA and ISI to achieve certain common goals.

However, on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2012, over the same soils, the federal court in New York was officially told that: *"In the view of the United States, the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) is entitled to immunity because it is part of a foreign state within the meaning of the FSIA (Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act)."* This was an implicit acceptance of the ISI's indispensability by the US elite in the Afghan endgame.

It was a great win for Pak-Army and its ISI.

Rogue Politics: The fact remained that Pakistan's annual development figure had come down to 2.6% during the PPP's 2008-12 rule and for the last year [2013] it further came down to 2% only. During the same corresponding period India, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka had achieved an annual development rate of nearly 8%.

Pakistan's politicians had provided the historians to conclude that during 1971 war, formation of Bangladesh was fine and perhaps justified - based on humanity reasons because Pakistan was not capable enough to keep them along.

Who was responsible for that economic catastrophe of Pakistan through PPP's five years consecutive rule?

On 30<sup>th</sup> March 2010, President Supreme Court Bar Association [SCBA] Qazi Anwar openly called the parliamentarians as "smugglers", which



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made the legislators protest strongly against these remarks in the National Assembly and urged the House to move a joint privilege motion.

Raising the issue on a point of order, PML[Q] legislator Waqas Akram Sh contended that the SCBA president had declared all the parliamentarians as "thieves and smugglers" without any evidence and thus insulted the parliament - a supreme body; but the lawyer community held the observation as correct.

*Mentally Bankrupt Political Elite:* The whole world laughed on Pakistan that what was the logic behind the act when Chief Minister Punjab, Mian Shahbaz Sharif, awarded Rs:0.5 million to each member of Pakistan's Cricket Team to 'purposefully loose' the semi-final game against India at Mohali on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2011.

Was it paid out from the government exchequer or from Sharif Family's business account?

Not only this, the CM Sindh Qaim Ali Shah and the then PM Gilani had paid Rs:0.5 and Rs:One million for each player respectively as if it were the looted money by their fore-fathers.

*Which Democracy?* Since long the intelligentsia in Pakistan is agitating the Western press [*because no one hears them in Pakistan*] that poor Pakistani populace is being pushed into the Stone Age in the name of democracy – but of no avail. See an opinion appeared in 'the guardian' far back on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2010:

*".....Pakistan's leaders knew best from this [British Colonial] inherited vice-regal system that made no provision for popular awareness or involvement; consequently, still entangled in age-old feudal and tribal systems.*

*Feudalism is one of the key factors responsible for the failure of the democratic politics in Pakistan. .... how land reforms introduced in 1953 played a key role in creating a democratic India. On the contrary no such reforms were ever introduced in Pakistan.... even no investment or schooling is allowed in its rural areas.*

*..... in Pakistan, uneducated, unqualified and incapable candidates, from the feudal class are elected merely on the basis of their birth in a particular family, caste or place.*

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*This, in turn, has marred Pakistani politics with an orgy of corruption, incompetence, spiralling economic decline and chaos.*

*.....the present theory of 'reconciliation' initiated by imperialism is the most blatant and dangerous form of class collaboration [since 2008 it is seen amongst PPP's Zardaris & PML[N]'s Sharifs.*

*Today [in Pakistan], democracy is the name of tyranny and suppression; a rogue version of justice with no rule of law [having intellectually corrupt judges].*

*With no moves expected in the right direction any time soon, democracy is, if not already dead, dying in Pakistan."*

The apathy remains that Pakistan still stands at the same slippery ground where the global historians had seen it in 2008 – not a single inch forward; what a misfortune and a matter of utter shame.

Now a script from // defence.pk:

*"In this city there is no such thing as government's writ and literally everybody is only here to suck out the last penny they can from the ship of gold that is Karachi.*

*In this city we don't have a local government that can provide us with solutions to our problems; instead we have a mafia for all basic necessities – like Water Mafia, Transport Mafia, Land Mafia, Construction Mafia, Parking Mafia, Police Mafia, Political Mafia, Extortion Mafia, Kidnapping Mafia, Judicial Mafia in the courts etc among various others.*

*If the situation continued like such, Karachi would disappear into the mist sooner or later."*

Inam R Sehri  
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"....he who doesn't understand history is doomed to repeat it. And when it's repeated, the stakes are doubled."