

Shehri-Citizens for a Better Environment (Shehri-CBE)

Shehri-Citizens for a Better Environment was formed in 1988 (based in Karachi City), as a non-political, non-commercial, non-governmental organization (under the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860) by a group of concerned citizens to provide the citizens with a platform to effectively voice their concerns in determining their future and taking action in arresting the deterioration in their living environment and propose reform with a view to improve the same. Shehri-Citizens for a Better Environment is now fighting at the forefront of various issues of public concern related the environment. The organization is actively engaged in areas of work like public advocacy and public interest litigation, land use management, right to information, good governance, community policing, police reforms, urban mobility, climate change and last but not the least institutional reforms.

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Workshop

Youth Civic Education: The Public Policy Arena (Introduction to Pakistan's Context)

Organized by

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Programme

Time	Contents
11:00 - 11:30 am	Registration of participants
11:30 -11:45 am	Welcome Address/Introduction <i>Hawwa Fazal, Member, Shehri-CBE</i>
11:40 - 12:00 pm	Session Introduction <i>Farhan Anwar, Urban Planner, Assistant Professor of Practice, Habib University</i>
12:00 - 12:30 pm	Tea Break
12:30 - 1:30 pm	Panel Discussion <i>Moderators</i> <i>Farhan Anwar, Urban Planner, Assistant Professor of Practice, Habib University</i> <i>Dr.Muhammad Aatir Khan, Assistant Professor, Habib University</i>
1:30 - 2:30 pm	Moderated Discussion - Question & Answers
Lunch/Refreshments	

Panelists

Dr. Noman Ahmed, Professor & Dean, Department of Architecture & Management Sciences, NED Engineering University, Karachi

Muhammad Shaharyar Khan Mahar, Former MPA, Sindh Assembly

Syed Salahuddin Ahmed, Managing Director & CEO, Karachi Water & Sewerage Corporation (KW&SC)

Dr. Farooq Sattar, Former MNA

Kamal Siddiqui, Senior Journalist/Director AAJ News

Zia-ur-Rehman, Journalist and Researcher

The Public Policy Arena – Introduction to Pakistan’s Context

A ‘Panel Discussion’ is being organized, in collaboration with *Shehri-Citizens for a Better Environment*, sponsored by the *Friedrich Naumann Foundation*, as part of the *Public Policy 1 Course* looking into the public policy arena as it relates with Pakistan. The objective of the session is to orient the students to the national public policy arena within a historical context. The discussion will be placed within the parameters defining public policy that may include the changing forms of governance – democratic and non-democratic, our experimentations with varying economic models, from the decade of development driven by private enterprises to state control and nationalization of economy. Critical underpinnings to agenda setting and decision making in public policy such as ideological and religious beliefs will be highlighted. Other than the power play at an internal scale, important externalities having a profound influence on public policy will also be referred to – the afghan war, our leanings in foreign relations, shifting alliances and the construct of a security state. Discussion on influencing factors to public policy agenda setting and decision making, will be supplemented with deliberations on the complex arena of public policy implementation – role of service providers and administrative agencies and authorities. Very importantly, challenges to making the public policy arena pluralistic and participatory and avoiding elite control will be discussed.