

PRACTICUM SHOWCASE CONFERENCE

20 25

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Baela Raza Jamil

Educationist and Public Policy Expert | Chief Executive Officer, Idara-e-Taleem-o-Aagahi (ITA)

Baela Raza Jamil is the CEO of Idara-e-Taleem-o-Aagahi (ITA) – Centre for Education and Consciousness – and the founder of the Pakistan Learning Festival. A prominent public policy activist, Baela has long been at the forefront of education reform and advocacy in Pakistan and beyond.

She served as Technical Advisor to the Federal Ministry of Education from 2001 to 2005, where she was instrumental in designing and implementing the national education sector reform action plan. Her work has consistently championed early childhood care and education (ECCE), girls' education, life skills, gender rights, and child rights, with a strong commitment to advancing these causes through public-private partnerships.

Baela leads ASER Pakistan, the country's flagship citizen-led assessment and accountability initiative. ASER has inspired several other impactful programs, including Teaching at the Right Level (TaRL) and Chalo Parho Barho (CPB), both aimed at improving foundational learning for children. She is also a leading voice in the Pakistan Foundational Learning Movement, supported by both federal and provincial governments.

She actively advocates for educational transformation, adolescent and youth empowerment, and efforts to end gender-based violence and early or forced child marriage. Since 2000, she has led whole-school improvement efforts and played a pivotal role in ECCE and second-chance education programs for adolescent girls, including Siyani Sahelian (Wise Friends)—a program recognized by HundrED as an educational innovation in 2022–23.

Baela serves as a co-opted member of both the Prime Minister's National Advisory Committee on Education and the Chief Minister's Education Advisory Committee in Punjab. Internationally, she is a Global Champion for the Learning Generation Initiative, an Advisor to the Yidan Prize Foundation, a

Director at PAL Network, and a member of the IBE Council at UNESCO. She also contributes to the Punjab Social Protection Authority, Sanjan Nagar Trust, and ILM Association.

Her career spans work across the USA, UK, Hong Kong, South Asia, and Pakistan. She is the winner of the World Education Medals, the Asia Education Medalist 2024 under T4, recognizing exceptional contributions to education across Africa, Asia, and Latin America. Baela is also an author of children's books.

Through her initiatives, Baela Raza Jamil has positively impacted millions of children, educators, and communities across Pakistan's education landscape.

PANEL DISCUSSION

Educational Challenges for Minority Communities: The Role of Sociocultural Stressors on Students' Academic Performance

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM



Dr. Mirza Naseer Ahmad
*Deputy Director,
Nazarat Taleem Schools*



Dr. Tayyaba Tamim
*Dean, School of Education,
LUMS*



Mary James Gill
*Executive Director,
Center for Law & Justice*

Leadership Practices and Teacher Turnover: Examining the Relationship with Teacher Motivation and Self-Efficacy in a High-Cost Private School

11:40 AM – 12:40 PM



Madiha Rizwan
*Principal & CPD Head,
Learning Hub*



Dr. Sajid Ali
*Professor & Director of
Research, Aga Khan University,
Institute for Educational
Development*



Attiya Fatima Noon
*Regional Director,
The City School*

**Reimagining Professional Education:
Raising Standards, Empowering Educators**

12:50 PM – 2:20 PM



Tina Hameed

*Director Teaching & Learning Center,
Aitchison College*



Taimur K Bandey

*Head of School, Trinity School (IB, Cambridge
and American High School), Lahore*



Sannia Hussain

Adjunct Faculty, School of Education, LUMS



Dr. Faisal Bari

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