



*A tribute to the 6 Members of Youth Parliament Pakistan
martyred in the cause of public service and democracy*

Memorial Booklet



Dedication

This Memorial Booklet is dedicated to 6 trained and capable future leaders of Pakistan who were martyred in the cause of public service and democracy. This is also dedicated to the parents and families of these 6 martyred members of Youth Parliament Pakistan whose irreparable loss and void can never be expressed in words

Youth Parliament Pakistan Secretariat & Steering Committee

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And Death shall have no Dominion

And death shall have no dominion.
Dead men naked they shall be one
With the man in the wind and the west moon;
When their bones are picked clean and the clean bones gone,
They shall have stars at elbow and foot;
Though they go mad they shall be sane,
Though they sink through the sea they shall rise again;
Though lovers be lost love shall not;
And death shall have no dominion.

And death shall have no dominion.
Under the windings of the sea
They lying long shall not die windily;
Twisting on racks when sinews give way,
Strapped to a wheel, yet they shall not break;
Faith in their hands shall snap in two,
And the unicorn evils run them through;
Split all ends up they shan't crack;
And death shall have no dominion.

And death shall have no dominion.
No more may gulls cry at their ears
Or waves break loud on the seashores;
Where blew a flower may a flower no more
Lift its head to the blows of the rain;
Though they be mad and dead as nails,
Heads of the characters hammer through daisies;
Break in the sun till the sun breaks down,
And death shall have no dominion.



Foreword

July 28, 2012 marks the second anniversary of the ever-painful plane crash in which we lost our best and brightest 6 members of the Youth Parliament Pakistan. On July 28, 2010, six members of Youth Parliament Pakistan lost their lives alongside other passengers in an Airblue flight crash. The 6 members of Youth Parliament on board the flight were travelling from Karachi to join the Youth Parliament session in Islamabad.

The awful tragedy resulted in the loss of 6 trained and capable future leaders of Pakistan. We as the Youth Parliament Secretariat and the Youth Parliament members suffered a shock and pain that can never subside. Yet the irreparable loss and void experienced by the parents and families of the martyred members through the untimely death of their loved ones can never be expressed in words.

In order to pay a befitting tribute to the 6 deceased members of the Youth Parliament who were martyred in the cause of public service and democracy, PILDAT, as the Youth Parliament Secretariat, has prepared this Memorial Booklet.

The Memorial Booklet pays tribute to the 6 martyred members of Youth Parliament Pakistan through putting together their profiles and parliamentary work during their tenure as members and office bearers of the Youth Parliament Pakistan.

The PILDAT management and team, its board of directors, board of advisors and the Youth Parliament Steering Committee continue to mourn the untimely and tragic death of the Youth Parliament members. We are joined in this mourning by the alumni of Youth Parliament from across Pakistan as well as the various supporters of the Youth Parliament project. Our prayers and go to the families of our members in their irreparable loss.

Youth Parliament Secretariat & Steering Committee
Islamabad
July 2012



یہ ماہ و سال گزر جائیں گے بہت سے مگر
ہمیں ہمیشہ لگے گا کہ تم گئے ہو ابھی

یہ شعر سید یحییٰ احمد نے اپنے بیٹے سید ارسلان احمد کی شہادت کا ایک سال گزرنے
کے بعد لکھا اور اسے تمام شہدائے یوتھ پارلیمنٹ کی نظر کیا۔



Introduction

PILDAT as the secretariat of Youth Parliament Pakistan, alongside the entire nation, suffered a huge tragedy through the sad demise of 6 Members of Youth Parliament Pakistan in the crash of Airblue flight on July 28, 2010 in which 156 people lost their lives. The 6 members of Youth Parliament on board the flight were travelling from Karachi to join the Youth Parliament session in Islamabad.

In order to pay a befitting tribute to the 6 deceased members of the Youth Parliament who were martyred in the cause of public service and democracy, PILDAT, as the Youth Parliament Secretariat, has prepared this Memorial Booklet.

The 6 martyred Members of Youth Parliament Pakistan included **Mr. Hassan Javed Khan** (YP39-SINDH02; Blue Party) Youth Prime Minister; **Syeda Rabab Zehra Naqvi** (YP41-SINDH04; Blue Party) Youth Information Minister; **Mr. Prem Chand** (YP38-SINDH01; Blue Party) Youth Minister for Culture, Sports and Youth Affairs; **Mr. Bilal Nasir Jamaee** (YP44-SINDH07; Green Party) Youth Shadow Minister for Information; **Mr. Owais Bin Laiq** (YP45-SINDH08; Green Party) Former Youth Shadow Minister for Information; Member Youth Parliament Standing Committee on Information and **Syed Arsalan Ahmad** (YP42-SINDH05; Blue Party) Member Youth Parliament Standing Committee on Information.

PILDAT called upon speedy transparent investigation of the Airblue plane crash. On April 24, 2012 Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) released the investigation report of the crash of Airblue plane in the Margalla hills. The report concluded that: *“Air blue crash has been finalised as a case of Controlled Flight into Terrain (CFIT), in which aircrew failed to display superior judgment and professional skills in a self-created unsafe environment. In their pursuit to land in inclement weather, they committed serious violations of procedures and breaches of flying discipline, which put the aircraft in an unsafe condition over dangerous terrain at low altitude.”*

Deep pain, sorrow, condolence messages, dedications and condolence references followed the tragedy. PILDAT and the Youth Parliament Steering Committee is sharing some of these through this booklet with the parents and families of the martyred members. The memory of martyred members remains.

*Profiles of the
Martyred Members of
Youth Parliament Pakistan*



Mr. Hassan Javed Khan

(YP39-SINDH02; Blue) Youth Prime Minister

Mr. Hassan Javed hailed from Hyderabad, Sindh. He was born on October 30, 1984 and was working for the Royal Bank of Scotland, Karachi as a Team Head for Client Relationships for the Royal Preferred Banking (RPB) Department. He completed his MSc in Investment and Finance with Distinction from Queen Mary, University of London, UK. Mr. Javed secured Gold medals at Hyderabad B.I.S.E Inter-school Squash Tournament consecutively in 1998 & 1999. He believed in an independent and sovereign foreign policy, uniform educational system and strong justice system.

Politically, Hassan Javed Khan was affiliated with Blue Party and during this term, he served as the Youth Prime Minister from May 29, 2010 onwards. He was martyred in the cause of public service and democracy on July 28, 2010.



Syeda Rabab Zehra Naqvi

(YP41-SINDH04; Blue) Youth Information Minister

Syeda Rabab Zehra Naqvi hailed from Karachi and was born on May 11, 1989. Having completed her GCE O Levels from the Mama Parsi School and GCE A Levels from the Karachi Grammar School, she was pursuing a BSc in Economics and Finance as an external student of the London School of Economics and Political Sciences (LSE). During her school years, she held various leadership positions, including memberships in various student councils. She served as an elected office bearer of the Students' Union in her college. Ms Naqvi interned at various institutions, including banks, media firms and NGOs, and planned to follow a career in national politics.

Politically, Syeda Rabab Zehra Naqvi was affiliated with Blue Party and during this term, she served as the Youth Minister for Information from May 29, 2010 onwards. She was martyred in the cause of public service and democracy on July 28, 2010.



Mr. Prem Chand

(YP38-SINDH01; Blue), Youth Minister for Culture, Sports and Youth Affairs

Mr. Prem Chand hailed from Sanghar, Sindh. He was born on April 03, 1984 and was studying for a Masters in Social Work at the University of Sindh. He was a social work student and performed numerous activities in this regard.

Politically, Prem Chand was affiliated with Blue Party and during this term, he served as the Youth Minister for Culture, Sports & Youth Affairs from May 29, 2010 onwards. He was martyred in the cause of public service and democracy on July 28, 2010.

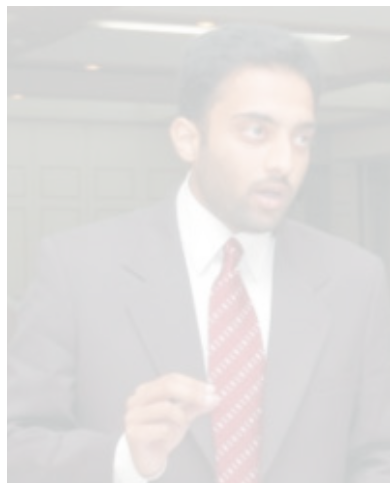


Mr. Bilal Naseer Jamaee

(YP44-SINDH07; Green) Youth Shadow Minister for Information

Mr. Bilal Naseer Jamaee was born on June 14, 1987 in Karachi. He was a 2nd Year student for Mass Communication at the University of Karachi and served as the General Secretary of 'Bazm-e-Adab'. He participated in numerous Debating Competitions and had written a number of stories for children's magazines. Mr. Jamaee worked for two years at Elite Publishers as Asst. Manager. Mr. Bilal Jamaee was part of the Youth Parliament Study Visit to UK that took place from July 5-9, 2010.

Politically, Bilal Naseer Jamaee was affiliated with Green Party and during this term, he served as the Youth Shadow Minister for Information from May 29, 2010 onwards. He was martyred in the cause of public service and democracy on July 28, 2010.

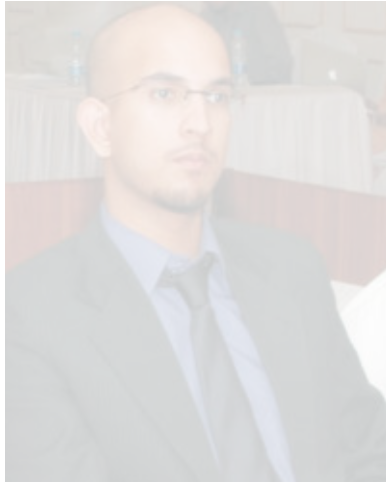


Mr. Owais bin Laiq

(YP45-SINDH08; Green), Member Youth Parliament Standing Committee on Information

Mr. Owais Bin Laiq hailed from Karachi and was born on June 20, 1988. Following the completion of his GCE O and A Levels, he joined the Institute of Business Administration (IBA) for a bachelor degree in business administration. Passionately engaged in the field of media, he was the manager of the Media and Publication Society at the IBA and also won various contests, such as the National Samaa TV Documentary Competition. Mr. Laiq also notably interned at International Business Machine (IBM). Possessing a keen interest in travelling, he visited India, Iran, UAE, South Africa and Zimbabwe.

Politically, Owais Bin Laiq was affiliated with Green Party and during this term, he served as the Shadow Minister for Information from November 8, 2009 to May 29, 2010. He was martyred in the cause of public service and democracy on July 28, 2010.



Syed Arsalan Ahmad

(YP42-SINDH05; Blue), Member Youth Parliament Standing Committee on Information

Syed Arsalan Ahmed hailed from Karachi and was born on February 27, 1988. He completed his Matriculation with A-1 grade and his Intermediate in Pre-Engineering with an A grade. He then went on to complete his Bachelors in Textile Engineering from SFDAC University. Mr. Arsalan has been actively involved in debates both in his college and university life. He won several medals while representing his university in national debating events on several occasions.

Politically, Syed Arsalan Ahmed was affiliated with Blue Party and during this term, he served as a Member of the Youth Parliament Standing Committee on Information. He was martyred in the cause of public service and democracy on July 28, 2010.

*Legislative Business by the
Martyred Members presented in
the Youth Parliament Pakistan*



Mr. Hassan Javed Khan

(YP39-SINDH02; Blue Party)

1. Session 2: February 07, 2010

Mr. Hair ud Din Baloch (YP02-BALUCHISTAN01), **Mr. Hassan Javed Khan** (YP39-SINDH02) and Mr. Agha Shakeel Ahmed (YP47-SINDH10) invite the attention of the Honourable Speaker of the Youth Parliament to consider the present role of Frontier Constabulary in Balochistan and due measures should be taken in this regard.

2. Session 3: April 01, 2010

Ms. Anam Javeed Cheema (YP29-PUNJAB11), **Mr. Hassan Javed Khan** (YP39-SINDH02) and Mr. Shamas ur Rehman Alvi (YP48-SINDH11) invite the attention of the Honourable Youth Prime Minister of the recent arrest of DG FIA. The House highly commends the bold steps taken by the Judiciary against one of the beneficiaries of NRO.

3. Session 3: April 01, 2010

Ms. Maria Fayyaz (YP32-PUNJAB14) and **Mr. Hassan Javed Khan** (YP39-SINDH02) to move the following resolution:

“The House is of the opinion that the water dispute among the provinces of Pakistan should be resolved immediately by dealing it not as a provincial politics based but as a state based national crisis.”

4. Session 3: April 01, 2010

Mr. Hassan Javed Khan (YP39-SINDH02) invites the attention of the Honorable Youth Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and Defence to resume composite dialogue on Sir Creek dispute, Kashmir Issue and violation of Indus Water Basin Treaty by India, in order to strengthen our bilateral ties with India.



Syeda Rabab Zehra Naqvi

(YP41-SINDH04; Blue Party)

1. Session 2: February 06, 2010

Mr. Umer Raza Paracha (YP35-PUNJAB17), **Syeda Rabab Zehra Naqvi** (YP41-SINDH04) and Mr. Kamil Quddus (YP22-PUNJAB04) to move the following resolution:

“This House is of the opinion that Government of Pakistan should take immediate actions to distinguish between different militant groups recognizing them as either friends or enemies, and target its operation accordingly.”

2. Session 3: April 01, 2010

Ms. Anam Javed Cheema (YP29-PUNJAB11), Mr. Muneeb Afzal (YP09-ICT02) and **Syeda Rabab Zehra Naqvi** (YP41-SINDH04) invite the attention of the Honourable Youth Prime Minister towards the MOU signed between Pakistan and Iran on providing electricity to Pakistan. The Government of Pakistan should consider buying electricity from Iran on priority basis, as it is the need of the hour.

3. Session 3: April 03, 2010

Syeda Rabab Zehra Naqvi (YP41-SINDH04) and Mr. Owais Bin Laiq (YP45-SINDH08) to move the following resolution:

“This House is of the opinion that the Government of Pakistan should take practical steps to encourage SMEs in the country since they generate employment and are a source of economic growth in any developing country.”



Mr. Prem Chand

(YP38-SINDH01; Blue Party)

1. Session 3: April 01, 2010

Mr. Prem Chand (YP38-SINDH01), Mr. Hassan Tasneem Ahmed (YP26-PUNJAB08) and Mr. Hannan Ali Abbasi (YP15-NWFP04) to move the following resolution:

“This House is of the opinion that Government of Pakistan should take steps in the promotion of Irrigation system (Drip & sprinkler irrigation) to small land holders & facilitate them as it can be helpful for saving water in present crisis & it can also be helpful for reducing expenditures.”

2. Session 3: April 03, 2010

Mr. Prem Chand (YP38-SINDH01), Mr. Hassan Tasneem Ahmed (YP26-PUNJAB08) and Mr. Zulqurnaian Haider (YP20-PUNJAB02) to move the following resolution:

“This House is of the opinion that effective measures for social welfare security be devised and revisions offered in the existing setup to further the cause of poverty alleviation.”

3. Session 3: April 04, 2010

Mr. Prem Chand (YP38-SINDH01) and Ms. Asbah Rehman (YP30-PUNJAB12) to present a report on Drip Irrigation System.



Mr. Bilal Nasir Jamaee

(YP44-SINDH07; Green Party)

1. Session 1: November 06, 2010

Mr. Bilal Naseer Jamaee (YP44-SINDH07) and Syed Manzoor Shah (YP04-BALUCHISTAN03) to move the following resolution:

“This House is of the opinion that elections should take place for Student Unions both at Government and Private Institutions all over Pakistan as the Government of Pakistan has announced the revival of the Students Unions from March 2008.”

2. Session 2: February 06, 2010

Mr. Bilal Naseer Jamaee (YP44-SINDH07) and Mr. Khizer Pervaiz (YP40-SINDH03) to move the following resolution:


“This House is of the opinion that present Government of Pakistan has issued extensive licenses of unauthorized weapons and should review its policy as it will not serve the underlying purpose of maintaining law and order, in the long run.”

3. Session 2: February 07, 2010

Mr. Bilal Naseer Jamaee (YP44-SINDH07) invites the attention of the Honourable Speaker of the Youth Parliament to the ban on pillion riding in Karachi for the last seventeen months in the name of curbing street crimes. We are of the opinion this ban be lowered as it effects thousands of people and it is not serving the purpose of lowering street crime.

4. Session 3: April 03, 2010

Mr. Bilal Naseer Jamaee (YP44-SINDH07), Mr Imtiaz Ali Khuro (YP46-SINDH09), Syed Arsalan Ahmed



(YP42-SINDH05) and Mr. Aurangzeb Khan Zalmay (YP16-NWFP05) call the attention of the Honourable Youth Minister of Education that students are being exploited by the poor policies and the corruption of board of intermediate and secondary education Karachi.

5. Session 3: April 03, 2010

Mr. Bilal Naseer Jamaee (YP44-SINDH07), Ms. Gul Andaam Orakzai (YP1-ICT03) and Mr. Shamas ur Rehman (YP48-SINDH11) to move the following resolution:

“This House is of the opinion that the commission for consumer rights is ineffective in coping with the issues of Inflation and Poverty. The commission should be reconstituted with special focus on the awareness of consumers as pertaining to their rights.”

6. Session 4: May 20 2010

Ms. Asbah Rahman (YP30-PUNJAB12) and **Mr. Bilal Naseer Jamaee** (YP44-SINDH07) to move the following resolution:

“This House is of the opinion that for the sake of better Governance through maintaining status quo within the institutes, the induction of serving and retired army officers should not exceed over 35% in any Government or Semi-Governmental institution.”

7. Session 4: May 20 2010

Ms. Asbah Rahman (YP30-PUNJAB12) and **Mr. Bilal Naseer Jamaee** (YP44-SINDH07) to move the following resolution:

“This House is of the opinion that the practice of accepting ‘Benami’ transaction in law courts be terminated immediately as it creates opportunities for corruption.”



Mr. Owais Bin Laiq

(YP45-SINDH08; Green Party)

1. Session 2: February 06, 2010

Mr. Owais Bin Laiq (YP45-SINDH08), Mr. Hammal Muneer Jan (YP03-BALUCHISTAN02), Ms. Gul Andaam Orakzai (YP10-ICT03) and Mr. Bilal Qasmi (YP24-PUNJAB06) invite the attention of the Honourable Prime Minister of the Youth Parliament on the recent bomb blast in Karachi and the loss of precious lives.

2. Session 3: April 03, 2010

Syeda Rabab Zehra Naqvi (YP41-SINDH04) and **Mr. Owais Bin Laiq** (YP45-SINDH08) to move the following resolution:

“This House is of the opinion that the Government of Pakistan should take practical steps to encourage SMEs in the country since they generate employment and are a source of economic growth in any developing country.”

3. Session 4: May 20, 2010

Ms. Asbah Rahman (YP30-PUNJAB12) and **Mr. Owais Bin Laiq** (YP45-SINDH08) to move the following resolution:

“This House is of the opinion that there should be a single Anti-corruption agency at the federal level and one each at the provincial level. The present structure of bifurcation of cases into high and low profile and responsibility divided between agencies has been ineffective.”



Syed Arsalan Ahmad

(YP42-SINDH05; Blue Party)

Session 3: April 04, 2010

Mr. Bilal Jamaee (YP44-SINDH07), Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khuro (YP46-SINDH09), **Syed Arsalan Ahmed** (YP42-SINDH05) and Mr. Aurangzeb Khan Zalmay (YP16-NWFP05) call the attention of the Hounourable Youth Minister of Education that students are being exploited by the poor policies and the corruption of board of intermediate and secondary education Karachi.

*Pictures of the Martyred
Members of Youth
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Tribute to 6 Martyred Members
by Youth Parliament Pakistan



This House is of the opinion that the Youth Parliament Pakistan should pay a befitting tribute to its fallen heroes by placing a plaque at the site of terrible tragedy. Following is the text that should be placed at the plaque:

**In the loving memory of
6 Youth Parliamentarians
who were martyred in the cause of public
service and democracy on
July 28, 2010**

Mr. Hassan Javed Khan

Youth Prime Minister

Syeda Rabab Zehra Naqvi

Youth Information Minister

Mr. Bilal Naseer Jamaee

Youth Shadow Minister for Information

Mr. Prem Chand

Youth Minister for Culture, Sports and Youth Affairs

Mr. Owais bin Laiq

Member Youth Parliament Standing Committee on Information

Syed Arsalan Ahmad

Member Youth Parliament Standing Committee on Information

Pakistan has lost 6 future Leaders!

From: Youth Parliament Pakistan

Islamabad, August 01, 2010

Condolence Messages



Condolence Messages

“We express huge shock and sorrow at this national tragedy. The loss of 6 Youth Parliament Members, full of promise, potential and vigour, is too huge to be expressed in words. We stand together with Youth Parliament members and the families of our fallen heroes, the martyrs of democracy, in this time of grief.”

Senator S. M. Zafar, Chairman Youth Parliament Steering Committee; **Mr. Faisal Karim Kundi**, MNA; Patron Youth Parliament and **Mr. Wazir Ahmad Jogezi**, Member Youth Parliament Steering Committee/Speaker Youth Parliament Pakistan

“Death, be not proud:

*Death, be not proud, though some have called thee;
Mighty and dreadful, for thou are not so;
For those whom thou think'st thou dost overthrow;
Die not, poor Death, nor yet canst thou kill me;
From rest and sleep, which but thy pictures be;
Much pleasure; then from thee much more must flow;
And soonest our best men with thee do go;
Rest of their bones, and soul's delivery;
Thou'art slave to fate, chance, kings, and desperate men;
And dost with poison, war, and sickness dwell;
And poppy'or charms can make us sleep as well;
And better than thy stroke; why swell'st thou then?;
One short sleep past, we wake eternally;
And death shall be no more;
Death, thou shalt die.-- John Donne”*

Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan, MNA; Member Youth Parliament Steering Committee

“This is devastating. I'm at a complete loss for words. My heart and prayers go out to the parents, family and friends left behind to mourn the loss of their bright stars.”

Dr. Donya Aziz, MNA; Member Youth Parliament Steering Committee

“Alas! indeed such a huge loss of precious lives. Absolutely aggrieved and devastated by this unfortunate tragedy. Sharing the grief with all those who lost their loved ones. May Allah SWT grants sabar to all.”

Ms. Anusha Rahman Khan, MNA; Member Youth Parliament Steering Committee



“This is most shocking and utterly painful. I stand together in the grief of parents and families and members and secretariat of Youth Parliament and PILDAT in this time of national tragedy.”

Mr. Mujib-ur-Rehman Shami, Editor-in-Chief Daily Pakistan; Member PILDAT Board of Advisors

“I condole with PILDAT, with Youth Parliament and the families of the 6 lost lives.”

Mr. Jameel Bajwa, Member PILDAT Board of Directors

“It is a huge loss for the entire country. This is a shocking national tragedy. I share the grief of PILDAT and Youth Parliament.”

Senator Saleem Saifullah, Chairman, Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit Baltistan

“It was deeply shocking and saddening for me to learn that amongst those who perished in the air crash on 28th July were 6 fine young Pakistanis who were members of the Youth Parliament. I recalled the inter-action with them at Margalla Hotel in Islamabad a few weeks ago. They came across as energetic, vibrant, intelligent women and men genuinely concerned about the present and the future of our country and keen to contribute to its betterment. Do convey my sincere and heart-felt condolences to the families of all 6 members who have lost their lives in the cause of public service and their belief in democracy, as they were travelling to Islamabad for that very purpose. All of us have lost 6 priceless treasures. May Allah rest their souls in eternal peace and give strength to all members of their families to bear these tragedies with fortitude. Ameen.”

Mr. Javed Jabbar, former Senator and Federal Minister for Information and Media Development


“It was heart-breaking to hear the news about the airline and the passing away of 152 individuals, including the 6 MYPs.”

Mr. Basil Nabi Malik, Youth Prime Minister, 2007 Batch

“I am very sorry to learn about the tragedy. May Allah grant their dear and near ones patience and fortitude to bear the loss.”

Lt. Gen (Retd.) Asad Durrani, Former Director General ISI & MI

“It is indeed a saddening reality to know about the unfortunate demise of so many people in today's plane crash including six members of the Youth Parliament. Let us all pray for all the departed souls in our individual capacity and



especially for the Members of Youth Parliament. May their soul rest in eternal peace and may Allah give them elevated place in heaven.”

Mr. Ommar Hayat Abbasi, Member, Youth Parliament 2007 Batch

“I personally express my deepest condolences for your loss. My thoughts are with you all and especially with the families of the deceased.”

Ms. Sue Snowden, British High Commission Islamabad

“My heart felt condolences on the tragic death of the members of youth parliamentarians.”

Mr. Ishaq Khan Khakwani, former MNA and Minister of State

“Very sad to know the members were also part of it. In fact TV images of them the whole day kept traumatising us. It is a very torturous situation for the country right now; crash, terror suicide bombings and floods. God help us and rest the souls of the departed in Peace.”

Mr. Imtiaz Gul, Analyst

“I was deeply saddened to hear about the unfortunate plane crash yesterday which caused loss of precious lives including six of your brilliant MYPs. Please accept and extend my heartfelt condolences to the families of departed MYPs. I know you all must be going through a difficult time as this is something most unfortunate that has happened in the history of PILDAT. May Allah give you as an institution and the bereaved families the courage to recover from this irreversible loss. All my sympathy is with you in this time of shock and mourning.”

Mr. Babar Iqbal Baig, Institute for War & Peace Reporting (IWPR)


“My deepest sympathies for the loss of such promising young leaders.”

Dr. Ken Coghill, Co-Director, Parliamentary Studies Unit, Australia

“It is very shocking and painful to learn about the sad and untimely death of 6 Members of Youth Parliament including the Youth Parliament. Our hearts go out to you in your time of grief. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.”

Mr. Iftikhar Ahmad, Anchor Person, Geo TV

“Please accept sincerest condolences from me and the Gallup Pakistan colleagues on the extremely tragic incident in which we lost young and talented members of the Youth Parliament, 'Inna liAllah hi wa inna aliyhay Rajioun.' Kindly



convey our condolences to their families as well. While the entire accident brought sadness and grief the tragedy of this young talent enhanced the feeling of loss suffered not only by their families but the Nation at large. May Allah have His mercy on an all of us.”

Dr. Ijaz Shafi Gilani, Chairman Gallup, Pakistan; Member PILDAT Board of Advisors

*“We were all very shocked and extremely sad to hear about the awful air-crash yesterday and the tragedy of the 152 people who lost their lives. Our hearts go out to their loved ones and friends. It will have been devastating for you in PILDAT with the loss of the six dedicated Members of the Youth Parliament. We share your grief for of course we had been so pleased to welcome **Bilal Jamaee** to Westminster on 7 July as part of the PILDAT party. I should be most grateful if you would send deep condolences from all members of CPA UK Parliamentarians and staff, to the families of the lost Youth Parliamentarians, to their colleagues in the Youth Parliament and to PILDAT staff who will have worked so closely with them.”*

Mr. Andrew Tuggey, Secretary Commonwealth Parliamentary Association UK Branch

“Please accept my sincere personal condolences for the tragic loss of members of the Youth Parliament. My thoughts are with you and their families at this difficult time.”

Ms. Caroline Clennell-Jaine, Head of Pakistan Communications & Outreach Team, South Asia Group, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, UK

“Our hearts go out to all the families. Cannot fathom the depth of their sorrow.”

Ms. Qurat-ul-Ain Marri, Member Youth Parliament 2007 Batch

“I would like to convey my deepest condolences to you and PILDAT on the tragic loss of life in the air crash. It was with great sadness to learn that those among them were 6 Youth Parliamentarians - young ambitious future leaders. My thoughts are prayers are with their families.”

Ms. Yasmin Qureshi, Member of Parliament, House of Commons, UK

“It is extremely painful to hear of the crash and the loss of 6 Members of Youth Parliament. I stand together with PILDAT and the Youth Parliament in this time of deepest sorrow.”

Ms. Khadija Malik Hassan, Member Youth Parliament 2007 Batch

“Our immense grief and our prayers are with you and those who have left us. They will be remembered as the leaders



that they were.”

Ms. Amna Jatoi, British High Commission, Islamabad

“It was a very sad incident and to me, a national tragedy. Please convey my heartiest condolence to the families of departed souls. May Allah bless these souls in eternal peace and grant their families, the strength, to bear this irreparable loss.”

Syed Hassan Abbas, British High Commission, Islamabad

“I want to extend my heartfelt condolence for the sad demise of the six young members of the Youth Parliament. May God rest their souls in peace and enable their families, friends and colleagues of Youth Parliament bear this irreparable loss. The unlucky flight and we flew together from Karachi (I was in PK 300) at 7:30 am and shared same airspace in Islamabad and were denied landing too due to bad weather. Our pilot was prudent he diverted the flight to Lahore and we heard the news of sad crash there. Though we were lucky, I still recall all passengers boarding the unlucky flight next to our boarding gate. I also recall the faces of the three members of the Youth Parliament who were sitting on the same row of chairs. In grief with you.”

Mr. Zafarullah Khan, Centre for Civic Education, Pakistan

“This is truly awful news. I am absolutely devastated for them.”


Mr. Kabir Sabar, former Member Youth Parliament Steering Committee; RBS Global Bank

“It is a sad moment for the entire nation for the loss of so many lives in yesterday's Air blue plane crash. I'm extremely grieved to learn about the sad demise of six youth parliamentarians. May Allah bless their souls. While I offer my condolences I feel that no words can repair the loss of their families and friends. I pray to Allah to grant them patience and allay the anguish of their bereavement and leave them with loving memories of their loved ones. Please convey my condolences to their families and the team of PILDAT as I can understand how closely everyone must have been working with those young parliamentarians.”

Ms. Ayla Majid, KMR Financial Accountants

“I still cannot believe what happened yesterday. For some reason, it feels like a personal loss even though I didn't meet or know any of the MYPs. They deserve a fitting tribute.”

Ms. Aatika Nagrah, Member Youth Parliament 2007 Batch



“I just heard of the crash and am so sorry for the loss. Our prayers are with you and the families of the victims. We hope that the work of the Youth Parliament and PILDAT will continue with as much if not more vigour. It is very unfortunate that young and brilliant people perished, but their work is truly admirable.”

Ms. Mariam Chauhan, McGill University, Canada

“I was distressed to learn this morning of the death of 6 Youth Parliament members who were aboard the air flight which crashed today outside of Islamabad. This is a sad day for the country but for PILDAT particularly. You must have known them well. My condolences to you, PILDAT and the families of these young people whose lives ended too soon.”

Ms. Mavis Mains, Senior Development Officer Pakistan and Central Asia Program Canadian International Development Agency, Ottawa

“With great sadness I have learned about the tragic death of six members of Pakistan's Youth Parliament in the plane crash of this morning in Islamabad. I would like to express my heartfelt sorrows and extend my deep condolences to you, PILDAT team and family and friends of the deceased. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this very difficult time.”

Mr. Barmak Pazhwak, Senior Program Officer (Afghanistan & Pakistan), United States Institute of Peace

“It came to me as a complete shock to hear about the plane crash and death of the 6 members of the Youth Parliament. I wish to express my deep sorrow to the aggrieved families, the members of the Youth Parliament and the steering committee on this great loss. I pray that may their souls rest in peace and Allah give their families and friends the strength to pass through such difficult time.”

Ms. Kashmala Khan Durrani, Member Youth Parliament 2008-2009 Batch


“I am so very sorry to hear about the Young Parliamentarians. Please pass my very best wishes to their families.”

Ms. Ailsa Latham, Second Secretary Political, British High Commission, Islamabad

“Please accept our sincere condolences for the tragic loss of Youth Parliament members. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and their families.”

Ms. Khadijha Khan, British High Commission, Islamabad

“It was a shock this morning to read about the death of the six youth parliamentarians among the 159 passengers of



the unfortunate plane. I never really knew these people who passed away but have been reading about them in the newsletters that I find in my inbox during each session. Please accept my condolence and pass them on to other members of the Youth Parliament and their families. I will pray for their departed souls.”

Ms. Maria Ishaq, Member Youth Parliament 2008-2009 Batch

“It is with great sadness that we learned of the tragic loss of life in the air crash in the Margalla Hills, and particularly the deaths of the 6 young Members of the Youth Parliament. Our thoughts are with their families and friends at this terrible time of pain and sorrow. Kindly convey to them and to the Youth Parliament our heartfelt condolences for their loss. We think often of the good times we spent in Pakistan, and especially of the friends and colleagues we left behind. Let's hope that fate will be kinder to Pakistan than it has been in the last two years.”

Ms. Margaret Stuart and **Mr. Jorge Sequeira** (UNESCO Regional Director for Education in Latin America and the Caribbean)

“It is with great sadness that I convey the East-West Center's concern and condolences over the tragic loss of life of the young parliamentarians today. Please know that our prayers are with the families and friends of the young leaders.”

Ms. Karen Knudsen, Director, Office of External Affairs, East-West Center, Hawaii

“The entire CIDA management and team are deeply shocked and saddened by the tragic loss of lives of the six Youth Parliament members who were on board the unfortunate aircraft that crashed in Islamabad's Margalla Hills on Wednesday July 28. It is not only a great loss for PILDAT's work with Pakistani youth but also for the country at large which has been deprived of six dynamic future political leaders. Our hearts and prayers go out to the family and friends of the six Youth Parliamentarians. We hope that the PILDAT management and team will be able to find the strength to cope with this tragedy. May their souls rest in eternal peace.”

Ms. Marta Samper, Counsellor and Head of Aid, Canadian High Commission, Islamabad

“I write you only to share my extreme shock and sympathies re yesterday's plane crash. My condolences with the entire PILDAT team and the Youth Parliament! One simply cannot believe it. I hope you and your team recover soon from what undoubtedly is a personal loss for you -and move forward with a new spirit to accomplish your mission.”

Mr. Moeed Yusuf, USIP

“I am sorry to hear about the death of 6 Members of Youth Parliament. May Allah rest their souls in peace and grant



patience to their loved ones.”

Mr. Nohman Ishtiak, Director, Abacus Consulting

“Condolences on the untimely death of Members of Youth Parliament from Sindh. It is indeed a great loss not only for the Youth Parliament Pakistan but for our country as well. May Allah rest their souls in peace.”

Mr. Farrukh Jadoon, Leader of the Opposition, Youth Parliament 2008-2009 Batch

“I feel sorry about the young leaders. No words to express the tragedy.”

Mr. Faizan Mubarak, Geo TV

“I am really sorry for tragedy today. This is very disturbing. This is our loss indeed.”

Mr. Abdullah Zaidi, Member Youth Parliament 2008-2009 Batch

“This time is very difficult for you and everyone in PILDAT and Youth Parliament. I do not know what to say. It is indeed a huge loss. May their souls rest in peace.”

Ms. Ambreen Sabir, former Team Member, Youth Parliament Secretariat

“I am sorry to hear about the plane crash involving young Members of Youth Parliament. The loss is beyond words.”

Mr. Yawar Abbas, Member Youth Parliament 2007 Batch

“I am shocked and at a loss for words. My thoughts and prayers with you all.”

Ms. Irsa Malik, former Team Member Youth Parliament Secretariat

“We in the FES heard the shocking news as of a personal tragedy; we always felt emotional and professional attachment with the Youth Parliament, and with its young members who were there for a cause. May the departed souls rest in peace; may their relations find courage to bear the loss of their dearest; may the YP members take on the immense grief of missing their colleagues with valor; may PILDAT and its team put up with the setback and carry on their contribution for Pakistani youth; In Solidarity.”

From the FES team: **Anja, Qadir, Rashid, Razzaq, Sadia, Salmat, Shoukat, Tariq**

“I am very sorry to hear about the loss of 6 Youth Parliament members. If there is anything I can do or be of any



assistance, please let me know.”

Ms. Afreina Noor

“I am really saddened to know about the 6 MYPs in the plane crash. May Allah bless their souls.”

Mr. Umair Farrukh Raja, Member Youth Parliament Pakistan, 2008-2009 Batch

“In the tragic incident of plane crash today, we the Youth Parliament, stand together with PILDAT in grief.”

Engr. Muhammad Aurangzeb, Hyderabad

“Sincere condolences from me and all the staff to all the families, friends and colleagues of the Youth Parliament. Very Sad!”

Mr. Greg Schulze, Country Program Director, The American Centre for International Labour Solidarity, Pakistan

“The plane crash is a shocking and painful tragedy in which 6 MYPs also passed away. We the Youth Parliament members, are with you in this sad hour.”

Mr. Ahmad Noor, Member Youth Parliament Pakistan, 2008-2009 Batch

“Heartfelt Condolences on the tragic death of the members of Youth Parliament.”

Mr. Saad Paracha, The Asian Development Bank, Islamabad

“Our heartfelt condolences on the demise of 6 Youth Parliament members. May their souls rest in peace.”

Mr. Asher Azeem, Member Youth Parliament, 2007 Batch

“I and my entire family have been deeply grieved over the death of 6 precious people including the Youth Prime Minister in Airblue flight crash. Like the entire nation, we are devastated over this incident. Please accept and convey our condolences to the bereaved families of the deceased members of Youth Parliament Pakistan.”

Mr. Mohammad Haroon, Member PILDAT Board of Directors

“It is with great sadness that we at the Parliamentary Centre have learned about the recent crash of Airblue flight ED 202 that had several members of Pakistan's Youth Parliament on board. We would like to offer our sincere condolences for the untimely and tragic death of these bright young people that took part in such a noble and



important initiative for the future of Pakistan.”

Ms. Amelita A. Armit, President and CEO, Parliamentary Centre, Canada

*“On behalf of my colleague, Keith Burnet, and myself I wanted to express our deepest sympathies for the untimely loss of **Bilal Jamaee** and the other five members of the Youth Parliament after the tragic Air Blue accident. It was a pleasure to have met **Bilal**, who also very kindly wrote me a thank you email after his visit. He was clearly curious and eager to learn as much as he could in order to make a difference to his country's institutions. Our heartfelt condolences are with **Bilal's** family and yourselves.”*

Ms. Rosheen Kabraji, Asia Programme Coordinator, Chatham House, UK

“I am so very sorry to hear about the tragic loss of the members of the Youth Parliament. This must be such a devastating blow. I am sure you must have picked the very best from across the country and must have invested time, effort and passion into training them. The institutional bond with this group by itself must have been a special relationship, which knowing you, I am sure you would have cultivated so well. I am sorry for your loss. May God bless the young souls.”

Dr. Sania Nishtar; SI, FRCP, Ph.D, Founder and President, Heartfile; Member PILDAT Board of Directors



About Youth Parliament Pakistan

Youth Parliament Pakistan (www.youthparliament.pk) is a **PILDAT** (www.pildat.org) initiative. It is patterned after the National Assembly of Pakistan and its selected members, 60 in total, engage in Parliamentary business including debate on important national issues, legislation, and overseeing and scrutinising key national policies from the youth's perspective.

Youth Parliament Steering Committee comprises veteran and young members of Pakistan's Parliament including **Senator S. M. Zafar** as chairman, while the other members include **Mr. Wazir Ahmad Jogezi**, former Deputy Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan, **Mr. Faisal Karim Kundi**, MNA, Deputy Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan, Patron Youth Parliament Pakistan; **Dr. Donya Aziz**, President Young Parliamentarians Forum, **Mr. Khurram Dastgir Khan**, MNA, Chairman National Assembly Standing Committee on Commerce, **Ms. Anusha Rahman Khan**, MNA, Secretary Young Parliamentarians Forum and **Mr. Nadeem Afzal Gondal**, MNA, Chairman Public Accounts Committee.

The 6 martyred members of Youth Parliament belonged to the 3rd batch of Youth Parliament Pakistan: 2009-2010.

PILDAT formed the first-ever Youth Parliament Pakistan in the year 2007. After the successful completion of the three Youth Parliament terms in 2007, 2008 and 2009, the fourth batch of Youth Parliament Pakistan 2012 is in office.



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