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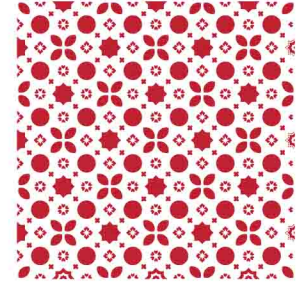
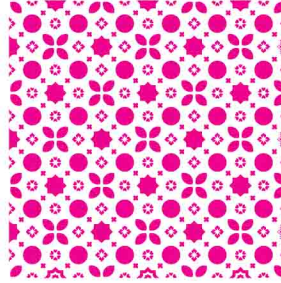
LECTURE HALL A

LECTURE HALL B

10:30 am

OPENING:

Dr Miftah Ismail, Chairman, ThinkFest Karachi; Farrukh Iqbal, Executive Director, IBA Karachi; Yaqoob Bangash, Founder ThinkFest, and Faiza Mushtaq, Co-Director, ThinkFest Karachi



11 am-12 pm

KEYNOTE: Where Now? Hanif Kureishi

12:10-13:10

Beyond Extremism: Lessons from Studies of al-Qaeda

Flagg Miller (UC Davis, USA), Azeem Ibrahim (US Army College, USA) with Imtiaz Gul (Centre for Research & Security Studies, Islamabad)

Contemporary Urban Challenges:

Marvi Mazhar (Pakistan Chowk Community Center, Karachi), Fizzah Sajjad (Center for Economic Research in Pakistan, Lahore), Ali Arqam (Newline), with Nida Kirmani (LUMS, Lahore)

Railways and the Raj

Christian Wolmar (Historian, UK), with F. S. Aijazuddin (Historian, Lahore)

13:20-14:20

The Multifaceted Fehmida Riaz: A Tribute

Aamer Hussein (Writer and Critic, UK), Palvashay Sethi (IBA, Karachi), Syed Noman ul Haq (Habib University, Karachi), with Muneeza Shamsie (Writer and Critic, Karachi)

Gurudwaras and Mandirs: Lives & Afterlives of Pakistan's 'Other'

Nadhra Khan (LUMS, Lahore), Asma Ibrahim (State Bank of Pakistan) Abdul Haq Chang and Aliya Iqbal Naqvi (IBA, Karachi)

Competing Visions: Iqbal, Ambedkar and Pakistan

Anupama Rao (Columbia, USA) with Syed Jaffar Ahmed (Karachi University)

14:30-15:30

Pakistan's Economy: Yet Another New Start?

Farrukh Iqbal (IBA, Karachi), Maheen Rahman (Alfalah GHP), Nasim Beg (Arif Habib Consultancy), Nadeem ul Haq (Former Vice Chancellor, PIDE) with Khurram Hussain (Dawn)

The South African Gandhi & the Making of Modern India

Goolam Vahed (Kwazulu-Natal, South Africa) with Anupama Rao (Columbia, USA)

Paradise of Milk: History of Opium

Lucy Inglis (Historian, UK) with Ali Gibran Siddiqui (IBA, Karachi)

15:40-16:40

Making Sense of Pakistan

Ishrat Husain (Federal Minister), Nadeem Farooq Paracha (Dawn), Najam Sethi (Aap News) with Maria Memon (ARY News)

Islam and Liberalism

Joseph Massad (Columbia, USA) with S. Akbar Zaidi (Columbia, USA & IBA, Karachi)

Women's Activism in Pakistan: New Directions

Ayesha Khan (Collective for Social Science Research), Sara Malkani (Advocate, Sindh High Court), with Faiza Mushtaq (IBA, Karachi)

16:50-17:50

Afghanistan: Elusive Peace, Pervading Neighbours

Kristian Harpviken (Oslo Peace Institute, Norway), Ishtiaq Ahmed (Sargodha University), Amb. Ashraf Jahangir Qazi (Foreign Service of Pakistan) with Zahid Hussain (Dawn)

Neoliberalism's Demons:

Adam Kotsko (North Central College, USA) with Asma Abbas (Bard College, USA)

Snakes, Jinns, and Saints: Unusual Intimacies in Medieval Ruins of Delhi

Anand Taneja (Vanderbilt, USA) with Ali Usman Qasmi (LUMS, Lahore)

18:00-19:00

Pakistan's News Media: The Threats Within and Without

Fahd Husain (Express), Owais Tohid, (Public TV) Asma Shirazi (Aaj News) Mazhar Abbas (Geo) with Zarrar Khuhro (Dawn)

The Deal of the Century: The Final Stage of the Oslo Accords on the Middle East

Joseph Massad (Columbia, USA) with Huma Baqai (IBA, Karachi)

Is There Progressive Politics in Pakistan?

Jibran Nasir (Political Activist, Karachi), Abira Ashfaq (Human Rights Activist, Karachi), Moneeza Ahmed (Feminist, Karachi) with Rahma Mian (Habib University, Karachi)