

ADVANCED TRAINING IN SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH AND PROBLEM SOLVING METHODS

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Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI)

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Training Day 1

Session 1

10:00am-10:15am

Ambassador Shafqat Kakakhel, Chairman of Board of Governors, Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI): Welcome Address

Ms Rita Bowry, Senior Programme Specialist, IDRC: Distinguished Remarks

10:15am-10:30am: Dr. Vaqar Ahmed, Deputy Executive Director, SDPI: Introduction to the Training Programme

10:30am: Working Tea/Refreshments

10:35am-1:00pm:

Dr. Abid Q. Suleri, Executive Director, SDPI: Political Economy Analysis for Social Science Research

Fellows Session: Gender perspectives in South Asian political economy (Position paper and presentation by Saeeda Khan, Aneesa Rahman, Amir Mustafa)

Lunch 1:00pm – 02:00pm

Session 2

02:00pm-04:00pm:

Dr. Muhammad Islam, Professor, IQRA University: Problem Solving Approaches in Social Science Research

Fellows Session: Afghanistan in SAARC: Emerging Opportunities in Regional Integration (Position paper and presentation by Nishantha Mallawaarachchi, Bishal Kumar Bhandari, Gullali Jomezai)

Training Day 2

Session 1

10:00am-10:30am: Recap from Day 1

10:30am-11:30am: Brig. Muhammad Yasin, Advisor, SDPI: Idea Generation & Evaluation-I

11:30am-11:45am: Tea/Refreshment

11:45am-01:00pm: Brig. Muhammad Yasin, Advisor, SDPI: Idea Generation & Evaluation-II

Fellows Session: Sharing of Natural Resources: Case of South Asian Waters (Position paper and presentation by Muhammad Asif, Kausila Timsina)

Lunch

01:00pm-02:00pm

Session 2

02:00pm-02:30pm: Mr. Ahmed Salim, Advisor, SDPI: Research Character in Qualitative Analysis

02:30pm-3:30pm: Mome Saleem, Research Coordinator, SDPI: Research Ethics in Conflict Prone Areas

Fellows Session: State of Social Accountability in South Asia (Position paper and presentation by Muhammed Usman, Arumina Chakraborty, Malik Faisal Moonzajer)

03:30pm-03:45pm: Tea/Refreshment

03:45pm-05:00pm: Dr. Vaqar Ahmed, Deputy Executive Director, SDPI: Social Media and Academic Research

Fellows Session: Conflicts in South Asia – LDCs Perspective (Position paper and presentation by Ranjini Basu, Fayyaz Yaseen, Barkha Sharda)

05:00pm-05:15pm: Ms. Rita Bowry, Senior Programme Specialist, IDRC: Closing and Distribution of Certificates