

Documentary on 22nd AGM and Conference of PSDE

Since 1984, PIDE hosts the Annual General Meeting & Conference of the Pakistan Society of Development Economists. PSDE is the only Pakistani association of economists that provides a forum for serious economic discourse. At PSDE we work with ideas to create a domestically owned research agenda based on global knowledge and standards.

The theme of the 22nd AGM & Conference was “Governance and Institutions”. As we are aware, over the last 60 years of post colonial development, Pakistan and other developing countries have followed many prescriptions that promised development. These countries went through phases of planning and control, nationalizations and socialism, industrialization strategies, the Washington consensus and other prescriptions. Billions of dollars in loans and aid have been consumed and yet poverty remains endemic. For the last two decades researchers have been tirelessly investigating this issue. From this research we have learned that weak missing, or perverse institutions lie at the heart of underdevelopment. PIDE, realizing the importance of this issue, decided to make it the subject of this conference. The documentary summarizes the broad ideas presented at the 22nd AGM.

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Day/Date: Thursday, July 12, 2007

Time: 11:00 AM

Venue: PIDE-Conference Room