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Abid Hayat Khokhar



Introduction: Abid Hayat Khokhar, Lecturer in English, Community College Majma'ah of the King Saud University, Saudi Arabia is basically Lecturer in English in the Government College, Department of Education, Pakistan running in the domain of the Punjab University, Lahore. He is well versed in English—language as well as literature. He bears good command over managing classes, preparing teaching material and executing his lessons to the students with various stylistic techniques employing drawing, calligraphy, handy material and language in literature and literature in language.

Life History: In 1961, born in Pind Dadan Khan, one of the sub-division of the District Jhelum, Abid Hayat opened his eye in the terrains of his native homelands having all the geological tastes – the Salt Range in the north and the River Jhelum in the south, green fertile lands grown all around in the eastern part and desolate, barren sandy areas in the west. ICI, DCCL and Gharibwal Cement Industry in vicinity imprinted the industrial culture on the mind of young Abid Hayat Khokhar side by side with urban culture of Pind Dadan Khan and rural culture impregnated with variegated shades of nature and objects of nature around him not remote from the access of this kid. Hence, he was brought up in an environment that had different shades of human society sufficient enough for balanced brought of a man extrovertly.

He spent a couple of years in the Colony of DCCL in the pre-school age amidst the mountains of the salt range. Higher in vicinity, the child used to envisage the surroundings of the locality with river before his eyes at the distance of seven kilometers, the nature made him accustomed to enquire into external eye with real discernment produced taste in feeling and understanding the life and society in concrete ways. His elder brother and father's guidance made it more practical in imagination. So, from the very beginning, the chap turned into a pragmatic and imaginative being.



Abid in 1964 among the hills of the Salt Range, Dandot (left front)

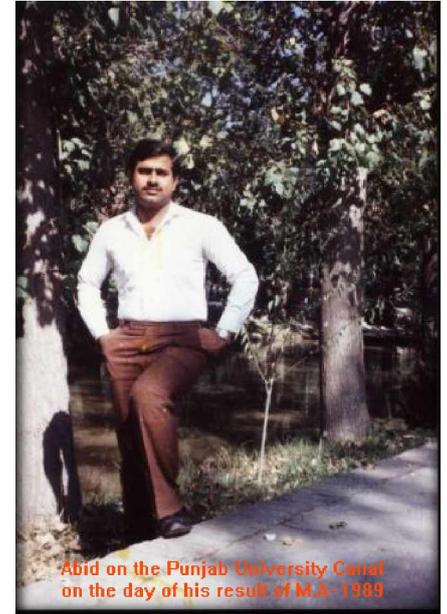
He got his early education from Islamia Primary School and Government High School, Pind Dadan Khan from 1965 to 1977 and this academic phase was sandwiched by Public Academy Secondary School Rawalpindi (1973-75) and C.B. Technical School, Tariqabad, Rawalpindi (1975-76). This intermitting phase brought about tremendous change in the apprehensions of the individual and he found nice treatment of first grade intuitions of Rawalpindi -- a metropolis. Here he tried to find correlation of urban and rural societies and tried to homogenize them in



Abid as student of Middle Standard Examination in 1975—Public Academy Secondary School, Rwp

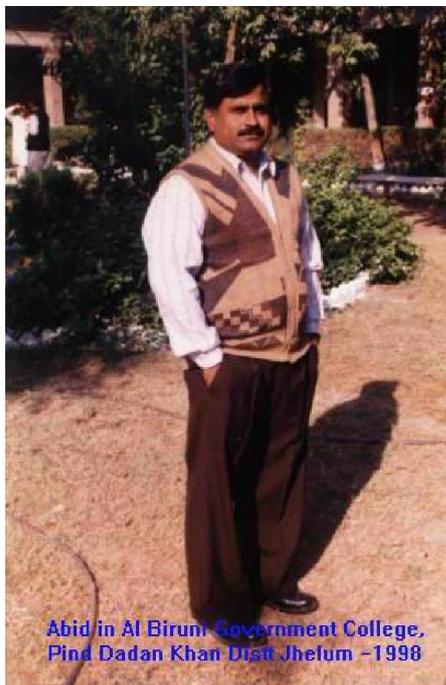
his mental growth. He improved his artistic qualities over here and got polished his innate trends in drawing, arts, crafts, calligraphy. That's why he got through Secondary School Certificate Examination of the Sargodha Board in 1977 with distinction. He got 700/900 and stood first in his school as well as the whole district. His name is still inscribed on the Role of Honours of the School for the year 1977.

Having finished schooling, the lad entered into college life with full zeal and fervor. He got admission in F.Sc. (Pre-Medical) group in Government College Satellite Town and won many merit scholarships too. During his studies in college, his taste for language and literature went on improving because of the book on biology: An Inquiry into Biological Science. It is a book on biology but the material set in it is more poetic as well as literary in style. In this phase, the guy took interest in extracurricular activities like debates, speeches, compositions for college magazine and began to inclined towards literature and literary circles. Hafiz Muhammad Yaqub, Prof. Liaquat Ali had cast great influence of their scholship on his mind. If the former had been religious and well versed in language, the later was embodiment of English Literature and progressive movements. Here again he got a mean between extremes. The personality of Dost Muhammad Saghir, an urdu poet, left an indelible mark on the mid of the young guy with deep, practical and imaginative approach towards poetry and literature. When he passed F.Sc by securing first division, he turned into a literary person instead of a science ridden entity. The he joined arts subjects with English Language/Literature, Economics and Political Science. After passing through Degree of Bachelor of Arts (B.A) in 1984 from the University of the Punjab, he got admission into Bachlor of Education Classes and did B.Ed in 1987 and secured Degree of Master in English Literature from the University of the Punjab, Lahore.



Abid on the Punjab University Canal on the day of his result of M.A. 1989

It is interesting to state that he had been teaching in Sir Syed Public School, Tipu Road, Rawalpindi on part time but regular basis. Here he went on experiencing first grade real academic, social, and tutorial activities side by side with his studentship. Hence, when he plucked masters, he had been trained already in teaching sector.



Abid in Al Biruni Government College, Pind Dadan Khan Distt Jhelum -1998

After passing B.Ed examination, Abid Hayat Khokhar joined Department of Education as SST in 1989 and after the announcement of the result of M.A English; he was promoted to Subject Specialist in Higher Secondary School. From 27-4-1993 to 20-08-1997, he worked as Subject Specialist in English and also rendered the services of Controller Examinations of the institution during this period. During this stay in HSS, he felt the scope and working in Higher Secondary School is little academic and sacrificing his seniority, he reappeared in Public Service Commission and got selected as Lecturer in English. Thereafter he went on serving as lecturer in English in Government College, Pind Dadan Khan effective from 21-08-1977. During his stay here in the college, he rendered many services other than tuition work.

In addition to teaching work, he executed different portfolios in the College. He had been editor of the College Magazine (English Section), Office In charge, Member Discipline Committee, Deputy Controller Examinations, Acting Head of English Department etc., etc.

Socially, he had been playing vital role in Bazme Ghalib -- a local literary society. He had been writing urdu lyrics in the regular magazine Awraq e Preshaan which was a notified magazine. On community service level, he had been Chairman, SMC, Tamerr-e-Millat School, Pind Dadan Khan from 1993-1998. Teaching and instructing with vision and super-vision had been a craze to him. He also established a private institution with collaboration with Haji Abdul Rasheed with the name of "Pearl Public School, Pind Dadan Khan. He is live Director Academics of this institution. An additional and important aspect of this man is that he passed out successfully National Cadet Corps in 19979 as cadet.

On 16th September, 2002, this lecturer left Pakistan for Saudi Arabia on deputation with the Ministry of Education. Though he lost all the social and community involvement, yet he began enjoying new experience of teaching English to Saudi Students. In 2005, he was selected by the King Saud University for Community College, Al Majma'ah and is working there as lecturer in English to date.

His Teaching Philosophy: He believes that real education begins with happiness and ends in wisdom. If there is no element of joy in teaching learning activity, all the methodologies and approaches end in dross. Moreover he thinks that a teacher must be well aware of all the educational and instructional approaches especially IT in the present age. In language teaching, he believes that the best teacher is a person who helps build pictures, images and live movies in the brains of the students by employing different approaches and methodologies. He prefers direct and communicative method for the students who are especially foreign to some language. Whatsoever the approach, methodology there may be, it is the individual talent of the teacher/instructor who renders it more viable into a practical execution of lesson with his artful talent. Arts, crafts, calligraphy, drawing, computer handling and oratory are the ingredients of a teacher that help him execute his presentations dynamically.



Academic Career: Academic career of Abid Hayat Khokhar is delineated as below:

<u>Level</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Subjects</u>
<u>M.A</u> (English Literature)	1989	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classical, Romantic and Modern Poetry • Renaissance and Modern Drama • History of English Literature • Criticism • Prose • Practical Criticism • Essay Writing
<u>B.A</u>	1984	English Language & Literature, Economics, Political Science and Persian.
<u>F.Sc</u>	1981	English, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, and Urdu.
<u>S.S.C</u>	1977	English, Urdu, Physics, Chemistry, Geometrical and Technical Drawing, Mathematics

Professional Qualification:

Level

Subjects

Postgraduate Diploma
in Teaching of English as
Foreign Language (TEFL)
in 1994

- Teaching of Grammar
- Teaching Phonology
- Sociolinguistics
- Psycholinguistics
- Classroom Management

B.Ed. in 1987

- Teaching of English as language & Literature
- Student Psychology
- Philosophy of Education
- Classroom Management
- Administration, Management and Leadership.

N.C.C in 1980

Passed out National Cadet Corps (as Cadet in 1979)

Publications:

Abid Hayat Khokhar has not written any book or published any paper but he possesses good command over composition both in prose and poetry, and his cognitive drive went on rendering the following achievements there in Pakistan.

1. Regular writer and Chief Editor of English Section of Joo-e-Bar from 1997-2002
2. Regular publication of Verse in Auraaq-e-Preshaan (Monthly Magazine having national Press Declaration) 1994-2002
3. Occasional writer of different essays, short stories and analysis for different Dailies - National, regional and local newspapers
4. Critical report writing of literary circles for national newspapers of Pakistan.

Courses/Seminars/Workshops:

Abid Hayat Khokhar has attended several courses, seminars, workshops. Few of them are below:

1. Seminar on "Scope of Teaching of English as Foreign Language" organized by University Grants Commission chaired by Minister for Education, Pakistan in 1988.
2. Workshop on Iodine Deficiency Disorder Control (IDDC) conducted by WHO in Murree in April 1988.
3. Seven Days Workshop on Teaching of English as Foreign Language (TEFL) organized by AIOU and UGC, Islamabad in June/July 1994.
4. One Month Refresher Course organized by Directorate Staff Development, Wahdat Road, Lahore in May 1991.
5. Two Days workshop on HIV control conducted by UNESCO in Gordon College, Rawalpindi in 1998.
6. Training Workshops for Presiding Officers for Elections 1993 , 1997 and 2000 organized by Election Commission of Pakistan

Service Experience:

Abid Hayat Khokhar possesses the following

service experience detailed below:

1. **Lecturer** in Community College of the King Saud University (Saudi Arabia) from 9-09-2005 to date.
2. **English Teacher** in Al Sha'ara Intermediate and Secondary School, from 16-09-2002 to 21-08-2005 on deputation with Ministry of Education, Saudi Arabia from Government College of Ministry of Education of Pakistan.
3. **Lecturer** in English , Government College, Pind Dadan Khan from 21-09-97 to 16-09-2002.
4. **Subject Specialist** in English in GHSS of the Department of Education of the Government of the Punjab, Pakistan from 27-04-93 to 20-07-97.
5. **Study Centre Coordinator / Tutor** (Evening Shift) of Open University, Islamabad from 1993 to 2002.

Activities:

Abid Hayat Khokhar played vital role in social, extra-curricular, co-curricular activities and community services as detailed below:

1. Chairman, Tameer-e-Millat School, Pind Dadan Khan for five years(1993-1998).
2. General Secretary, Ghalib Literary Society (Bazm-e-Ghalib), Pind Dadan Khan, (1994-1999)
3. General Secretary, Vice President, Press and Information Officer of Sir Syed Public School Teachers' Association, Tipu Road, Rawalpind for different five electoral sessions.
4. General Secretary, Vice President, Press and Information Officer of Sir Syed Public School Teachers' Association, Tipu Road, Rawalpind for different five electoral sessions(1984-1989) .
5. Member Discipline & Admission Committee, Government College, Pind Dadan Khan, District Jhelum (Pakistan) for four years (1997-2002).
6. Deputy Controller Examination, Government College, Pind Dadan Khan, District Jhelum for four years (1997-2002).
7. Editor, Joo-e-Bar (English Section) for five years (1997-2002).
8. Acting Head of English Department, Office In-charge in Government College, Pind Dadan Khan, District Jhelum for four years (1997-2002).
9. Live Director (Academics) of Pearl Public Secondary School, Pind Dadan Khan effective from April 2000.