

## ***Prof. Dr Zulfqar Khan***

### **Academic Background**

- **O & A Levels** - Grammar School, UK.
- For **Bachelors** -*London School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, & University of Punjab.*
- **Post-graduation** in *Social Science Research Methods, The Nottingham Trent University, UK.*
- **MA** (*International Politics and Security Studies*), **University of Bradford, UK.**
- **Ph.D.** (*International Politics and Security Studies*), **title of Thesis: The Development of Overt Nuclear Weapon States in South Asia: An investigation of the divergent factors that operated in India and Pakistan from independence through to 1998, University of Bradford, UK.**  
(Research completed in 1999 & Degree awarded in 2000.)

### **Professional/Research Experience**

Earlier served in the Ministry of Defence as a Senior Research Analyst.

- Total research/teaching experience: 1985 to present-day (2026).
- Also completed a number of national/international professional/research & analysis/report writing courses.

### **Post-Doctorate Research Experience**

- From 2000 to January 2013 - Senior Research Analyst Ministry of Defence.
- From 2001-2013 as a Senior Research Fellow, *Islamabad Policy Research Institute.*
- Regularly visited different defence institutions as a Visiting Professor/Guest Speaker.
- Former Visiting Faculty, Department of Defence & Strategic Studies (DSS), Quaid-i-Azam University, and the Department of Strategic & Nuclear Studies (SNS), National Defence University. Taught PhD/MPhil students.
- Taught in different government/defence academies/institutions.
- From 01 February 2013 to 25 August 2020 served as a **Professor/Head** of Department of Strategic Studies (Ex-SNS), National Defence University.
- Deputed to **raise** the Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC), as a Prof/Director on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2020.

- **Appointed** Head of Department of Strategic Studies (Ex-SNS), National Defence University, in April 2022.
- Served as a Dean Faculty of Contemporary Studies (FCS), NDU, from May April 2022 to Aug 2024.
- Professor/Director NIISS, QAU, from April 2025 to date.

**Member of the Editorial /advisory Board:**

- **Editorial/Advisory Board - *The Institute of Strategic Studies***, Islamabad.
- **Editorial/Advisory Board - *Islamabad Policy Research Institute***
- **Editorial/Advisory Board - *Strategic Vision Institute***, Islamabad.
- **Editorial/Advisory Board – *NDU JOURNAL***
- ***Headed HEC Team for Universities Institutional Performance Evaluation.***
- ***Member of Board of Governors - Strategic Vision Institute (SVI), Islamabad.***
- ***Nominated by HEC to the Board of Governors, Area Study Centre for Middle East, University of Balochistan, Quetta.***
- ***From 2011 to date – Mentor in War College, NDU.***
- ***Member of Board of International Relations, MUST (Mirpur University of Science & Technology), DSS, QAU.***
- ***Member of the NDU Senate.***

**Reviews research papers of different national/international journals.**

**Honours/Awards received**

- ***Certificate of Excellence - Best Researcher of the Year 2013-14, NDU.***
- ***Higher Education Commission, Government of Pakistan, Best Research Paper Award 2013-2014.***
- ***Certificate of Excellence - Best Researcher of the Year 2016-17, NDU.***
- ***Best Researcher of the Year 2018, NDU.***
- ***Received five Letters of Appreciation from the President NDU.***

## **Publications**

### **Books**

1. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, *Nuclear Pakistan: Strategic Dimensions* (Oxford University Press, 2011).
2. Dr Zulfqar Khan and Zafar Khan, *India's Evolving Deterrent Force Posturing in South Asia: Temptation for Pre-emptive Strikes, Power Projection, and Escalation Dominance* (Singapore: Palgrave Macmillan, 2021).

### **Monograph**

1. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'Pakistan-India Nuclear Rivalry: Perceptions, Misperceptions, and Mutual Deterrence', IPRI PAPER (January 2005).
2. Dr Zulfqar Khan & Zafar Khan (Eds.) Special Issue entitled: Nuclear & South Asian Security,' Policy Perspectives

### **Journal Articles** (Published)

1. Ghulam Shabeer Narejo, Zulfqar Khan and Ahmad Khan, "Pakistan's Ambiguous Nuclear Doctrine Prima Facie Aimed at War Avoidance And India's Quest for Compellence," *Strategic Thought: A Journal of International Affairs*, Vol. VI, 2024.
2. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, "Military Strategies of India and Pakistan: A Perspective," *Strategic Thought: A Journal of International Affairs*, Vol. III, 2021.
3. Dr. Zulfqar Khan and Dr. Ahmad Khan, "Regionalism and Space Activities: China-Pakistan Economic Corridor and Space Power in south Asia," *Astropolitics: International Journal of Space politics & Policy* Vol.19, Issue 1-2 2021.
4. Dr Zulfqar Khan and Nasir Mehmood, "Transforming Strategic Cultural Equation Between India and Pakistan," *Journal of Security & Strategic Analyses*, Vol. VI, No. 2 (winter 2020).
5. Dr Zulfqar Khan and Muhammad Javed Islam, "Trajectories of RSS Ideological domination in the Indian Policy Making: Implications for South Asia," *Margalla Papers: A Journal of International Affairs*, Vol. XXIV, Issue 1, 2020. **X category**
6. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, "Escalating Crises between India-Pakistan and Deterrence Stability" A Perspective,' *Strategic Thought: A Journal of International Affairs*, Issues 1, 2020.

7. Kashif Khalil and Dr. Zulfqar Khan, "Emerging Security Alliances in Eurasian Region," *NDU Journal*, Vol. XXXIV, 2020.
8. Ahmed Hassan and Dr. Zulfqar Khan, "Post Operation Swift Retort," *NDU Journal*, Vol. XXXV, 2021.
9. Dr. Zulfqar Khan and Ahmad Khan, 'Space Security Trilemma in South Asia,' *Astropolitics: The International Journal of Space Politics & Policy*, Vol.17, No. 1, 2019. **Impact factor**
10. Dr. Zulfqar Khan and Mansur Umar Khan, 'Washington's New Cold War against Russia,' *Margalla Papers: A Journal of International Affairs*, Vol. XXIII, Issue no. 1, 2019. **X category**
11. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'New Technologies and Nuclear Deterrence: India-Pakistan's Nuclear Predicament,' *Strategic Thought*, Vol. 1 (Spring 2019).
12. Dr. Zulfqar Khan and Muhammad Jawad Aziz, 'The Impact of Conflicting Middle Eastern Strategic Cultures on the Geopolitics of the Region,' *NDU Journal*, Vol. XXXII, 2018. **Y category**
13. Dr. Zulfqar Khan & Rubina Waseem, 'Nuclear Suppliers group (NSG) membership: A Case of Non-NPT Nuclear Weapon States,' *Margalla Papers: A Journal of International Affairs*, Vol. XXII, 2018. **X category**
14. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'India-Pakistan, Limited War and Lopsided Deterrence: A Perspective,' *The Korean Journal of Defense Analysis*, Vol 30, No. 1 (March 2018). **Impact factor**
15. Dr. Zulfqar Khan & Rubina Waseem, 'Multilateral Export Control Regimes: State of Affairs and Prospects,' *POLICY PERSPECTIVES*, Vol. 14, No. 2, 2017. **Y category**
16. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'Synergizing Foreign and Security Policy of Pakistan,' *Margalla Papers: A Journal of International Affairs*, Vol. XXI, 2017. **X category**
17. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'Strategic Conundrum of US-China & Pakistan-India: A Perspective' *Margalla Papers: A Journal of International Affairs*, Vol. XX, 2016. **X category**
18. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'Geostrategic Transformation: Pakistan's Options of Deterrence & Strategic Posturing,' *IPRI Journal*, Vo. XVII, NO. 1(Winter 2017). **X category**
19. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'Pakistan-United States Entente Cordiale and the Regional Security: 1981-1989,' *Pakistan Horizon*, Vol. 69, No. 4 (October 2016). **X category**
20. Dr. Zulfqar Khan and Ahmad Khan, 'Pakistan's Strategic Culture Matrix: A Perspective,' *Green Book* (2015).

21. Dr. Zulfqar Khan and Ahmad Khan, 'The Strategic impasse over India's Doctrinal Restructuring,' *The Washington Quarterly*, Vo. 39, No. 1 (spring 2016). **Impact factor**
22. Dr. Zulfqar Khan & Fouzia Amin, 'Evolving Sino-US Strategic Competition in Asia-Pacific: An Analysis,' *Pakistan Horizon*, Vol 68, No. 3-4(July-October 2015). **X category**
23. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'Pakistan's Evolving Strategic Outlook: Strategy & Nuclear Deterrence,' *The Korean Journal of Defense Analysis*, Vol 28, No. 1 (March 2016). **Impact factor**
24. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'Pakistan: Indispensability of Nuclear Security,' *Journal of Security & Strategic Analyses*, Islamabad, Vol 1, No. 1 (Winter 2015). **Y category**
25. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'India-Pakistan: Emerging Trends in Strategic Dynamics,' *The Korean Journal of International Studies*, Vol. 13, No. 3(December2016). **Impact factor**
26. Dr. Zulfqar Khan & Rubina Waseem 'South Asian Strategic Paradox: India-Pakistan Nuclear Flux,' *Strategic Studies*. Vol. 35, No. 2 (summer 2015). **Y category**
27. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'Countering the Hegemon: Pakistan's Strategic Response,' *IPRI Journal*, Vol. XV, No. 1(Winter 2015). **X category**
28. Dr. Zulfqar Khan and Ahmad Khan, 'Chinese Capabilities as a Global Space Power,' *Astropolitics: The International Journal of Space Politics & Policy*, Vol. 13, Issue 2-3(2015-published by Taylor & Francis Group). **Impact factor**
29. Dr. Zulfqar Khan & Fouzia Amin, 'The US 'Pivot' and 'Rebalancing' Policy: Implications for Asia-Pacific Region,' *Policy Perspectives*, Vol. 12, No. 2(2015). **Y category**
30. Dr. Zulfqar Khan & Dr. Shaheen Akhtar, 'Understanding Nuclear Aspirations & Behaviour of North Korea and Iran,' *Strategic Analysis* 38. No. 5 (2014). **Impact factor**
31. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'Safety and Security of Pakistan's Strategic Assets: A Critical Appraisal,' *Pakistan Horizon* 67, No. 3 (July2014). **X category**
32. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'From Divergence to Convergence: Pakistan-United States Foreign & Strategic Relations - 1977-1989,' *IPRI Journal* XIV, No. 2 (summer 2014).**X category**
33. Dr. Zulfqar Khan &Dr. Rizwana Abbasi, 'Nuclear Terrorism and Pakistan: Reassessing State's Behavior,' *Pakistan Horizon* (January 2015). **X category**
34. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'South Asian Security Structure: New Technologies & Nuclear Deterrence,' *Strategic Studies*, Vol. 33, No 3 & 4. (Autumn & Winter 2013).**Y category**
35. Dr. Zulfqar Khan &Dr. Rizwana Abbasi, 'Regional-centric Deterrence: Reassessing Efficacy for South Asia,' *The Korean Journal of Defense Analysis* 25, No. 4 (December 2013).

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39. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'Pakistan's Security: Strategic & Nuclear Perceptions,' in *Contemporary Geopolitics: Afghanistan & Pakistan*, eds. Muhammad Saleem Mazhar, Umbreen Javaid & Naheed S Goraya (Lahore: University of the Punjab, 2013) Special peer-reviewed publication of University of the Punjab. ***Book chapter***
40. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'Iran's Foreign Policy towards the United States: Retrospective Perspective – 1988-1993', *Journal of Contemporary Studies* 1, No. 2 (Winter 2012). ***Y category***
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45. Dr. Zulfqar Khan, 'Pakistan-India Military standoff: A Nuclear Dimension', *IPRI Journal* III, No. 1 (Winter 2003). ***X category***
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