



In Memoriam:

Architect Zaigham Shafiq Jaffery (1945-2023)

It is with profound sadness that the Institute of Architects Pakistan (IAP) announces the passing of one of its esteemed fellows, Architect Zaigham Shafiq Jaffery. A luminary in the field of architecture, Ar. Jaffery's untimely departure leaves a void in the architectural community, as he dedicated his life to advancing the profession in Pakistan and beyond.



Ar. Zaigham S. Jaffery, a distinguished member of IAP, served the institute in various capacities, leaving an indelible mark on the organization. He held the position of Honorary Treasurer and was a valuable member of the IAP National Council. His commitment to excellence was exemplified as the convener of the IAP Design Excellence Awards in 2005, contributing significantly to the recognition and celebration of outstanding architectural achievements.

In addition to his impactful role within IAP, Ar. Zaigham S. Jaffery made significant contributions to architectural education and professional development. He served as an Executive Committee Member for nine years and as a Member of the Board of Governors at the Indus Valley School of Art & Architecture in Karachi from 2007 to 2009.

A trailblazer in the global architectural community, Ar. Zaigham S. Jaffery achieved the remarkable distinction of being the first Pakistani appointed as Adviser to the 17-Asian Nation Professional organization, the Architects Regional Council, Asia (ARCASIA) from 2005 to 2010. He went on to assume the prestigious position of Chairman of ARCASIA from 2001 to 2002, elected by the Presidents of ARCASIA's 17-Member National Institutes.

Ar. Zaigham S. Jaffery's enduring legacy extends beyond his administrative roles. He authored the ARCASIA Architectural Excellence Awards, serving as its First Convener and later as a Juror and Permanent Adviser from 1990 to 2010. This Biennial Award, a testament to his vision and leadership, continues to inspire architects across the continent.

In Pakistan, he played a pivotal role as the Chairman of the Pakistan Council of Architects & Town Planners (PCATP), the country's statutory professional

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Registration Council. Elected for two terms by his peers, he contributed significantly to the development and regulation of the architectural profession in Pakistan.

Ar. Zaigham S. Jaffery's influence extended globally, as he served as a juror for numerous National and International Architectural Competitions. His role as a juror for the UIA CINTUS Architectural Competitions in Madrid, Spain, under the International Union of Architects (UIA), showcased his commitment to recognizing and promoting architectural excellence on the world stage.

His dedication to the global architectural community was further evident in his role as a juror for the Kenneth Brown Asia Pacific Award for Architecture and Culture in 1998, administered by the Architecture Faculty at the University of Hawaii, USA. He also served as a Technical Reviewer and Nominator for the Aga Khan Award for Architecture in Switzerland.

As the former Director, Design Bureau at the Karachi Development Authority (KDA) and EDO, MPGO for the City District Govt. Karachi (CDGK), Ar. Zaigham S. Jaffery left an enduring legacy through his exemplary work. His architectural prowess was evident in the meticulous design and completion of numerous public housing and building projects, shaping the cityscape of Karachi.

Among his notable achievements are the Overseas Pakistanis Bungalows in Gulistan-e-Jauher, the KDA Kehkashan Bungalows in Clifton, the Korangi Civic Center, and the 110 Unit KDA Apartments at Haidery, Nazimababd. Jaffery's architectural vision extended beyond the city limits, as he successfully executed various projects for KDA and the Government of Sindh in the interior regions.

A true labor of love was his role as the architect behind the 116-acre terraced gardens encircling the Mausoleum of the Father of the Nation, Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah, in Karachi. His unwavering commitment to this project, from its inception, reflected a voluntary association inspired by the ideals championed by M.A. Jinnah, the Quaid.

Ar. Zaigham S. Jaffery leaves behind a lasting legacy of excellence, dedication, and service to the architectural profession. The Institute of Architects Pakistan mourns the loss of a visionary leader, a mentor, and a friend. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends, and the entire architectural community during this difficult time. May his soul rest in eternal peace.

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