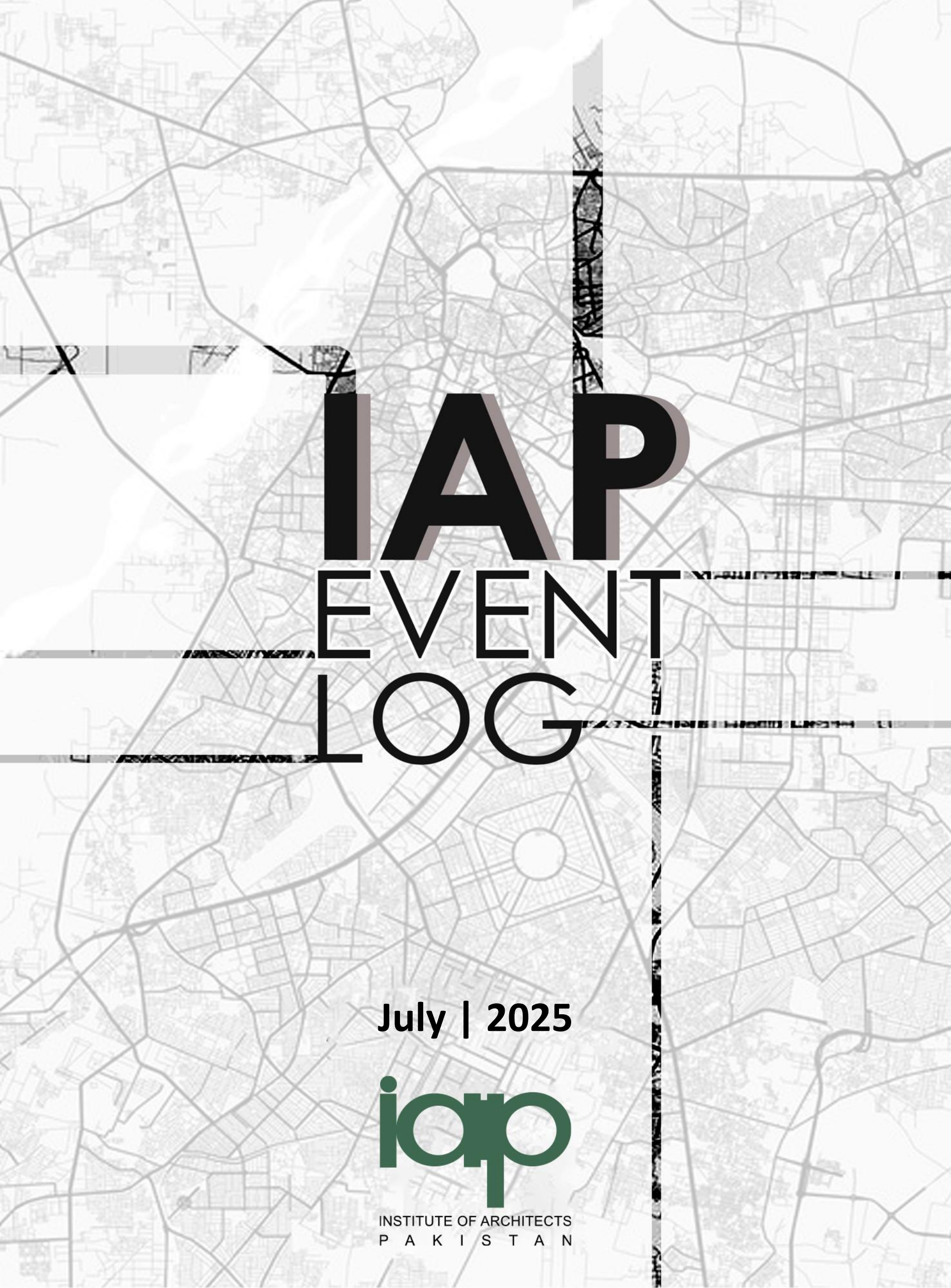




IAP EVENT LOG

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3rd July

Inaugural Ceremony of the IAP Multan Chapter

IAP-MC

The Inaugural Ceremony of the IAP Multan Chapter was held on July 3, 2025 in Multan witnessing significant participation from IAP members across South Punjab, resulting in a fully attended event.

This landmark occasion was graced by the presence of IAP President Ar. Fawad Suhail Abbasi & PCATP Chairman Ar. Ejaz Ahmed Qadri who were the Guests of Honour.

Honourable Members of IAP National Council included Hon. Treasurer IAP Ar. Umar Khan Kakkar, NC Member Ar. Toobia Yousaf and Chairman IAP-LC Ar. Faisal Riaz, PCATP Vice Chairperson Ar. Shazia Abro & Executive committee members Ar. Hassan Jamil & Ar. Mohsin Razzaq Mughal also attended with IAP Members from RIC and LC.



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Senior Architects & IAP Fellows, President EAROPH International Ar. Jahangir Khan Sherpao, Ar. Tahira Sadia Fazli, Ar. Abdul Qadir & Ar. Azhar Sualehi also attended the event.

Representatives from the building industry, faculty and students from architecture institutes were part of the ceremony in large numbers.

IAP President and PCATP Chairman congratulated the Chairman IAP-MC Ar. Nazar Abbas Kazmi & his EC on this milestone event and gave their best wishes to the Multan Chapter, acknowledging the long-standing efforts of members from South Punjab that led to this well-deserved achievement.

They showed confidence in the chapter to perform consistently in line with IAP's aims and objectives and work diligently for the welfare of architects in the South Punjab region.

The event ended with distribution of mementos and certificates to the NC, EC, OC and senior architects from South Punjab.



7th July

Green Initiatives, Policy & SDG (Sustainable Development Goals)

IAP

Islamabad has been in focus due to deforestation and haphazard additions without a formal Masterplan review. IAP has launched an awareness drive thorough its members who share the same concerns and want to address the issues of the capital city. To kick start these efforts the very first meeting on the Green Initiative was held today at the IAP Secretariat led by President IAP, Ar. Fawad Suhail Abbasi.

It was attended by Chairperson BAE-IAP Ar. Bisma Sami Askari, Past Chairman IAP-RIC and Past Vice President IAP Ar. Kabeer Malik, Past Chairman IAP-RIC & Fellow Member IAP Ar. Azmat Zaidi, Members of IAP-RIC Ar. Kamran Khan Wazir, Ar. Naveed Baloch, Ar. Sinan Ahmed, Ar. Mustafa Abid Paracha, Ar. Mohammad Ali Khokhar and Ar. Haadiya Abbas.

This initiative is being put together as a collective effort of IAP Members for the betterment of Islamabad and to address grave concerns of its residents and how as a community they can be mitigated properly and orderly.

Major points about the deforestation, awareness about parks and public spaces, protection of reserve land, filing formal complaints and initiating meetings with the government bodies and much more was discussed and put on the table.

The discussion was followed by an emergency online meeting of the Lahore Conservation Society in regard to the Yellow Train Project. President IAP Ar. Fawad Suhail Abbasi expressed his full support to their efforts and concerns and has already been corresponding with the relevant government authorities through the IAP National Council. Legends as Ar. Kamil Khan Mumtaz, Ar. Yasmin Lari, Ar. Fauzia Qureshi, Ar. Imrana Tiwana spoke on the occasion and led the large group of a concerned civil society members that attended the meeting.

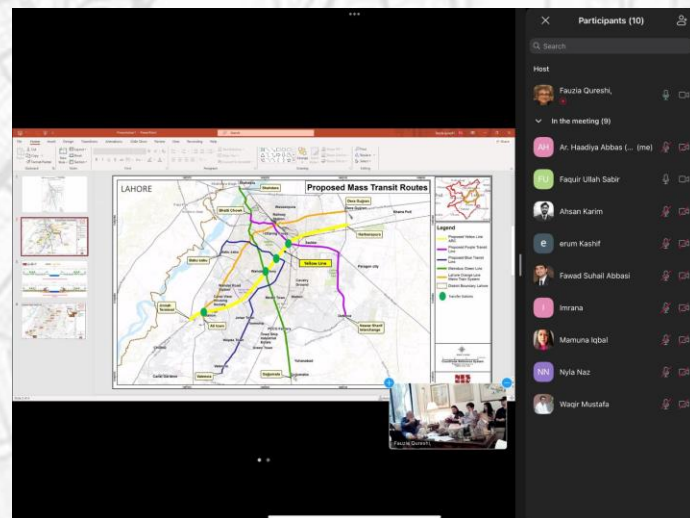
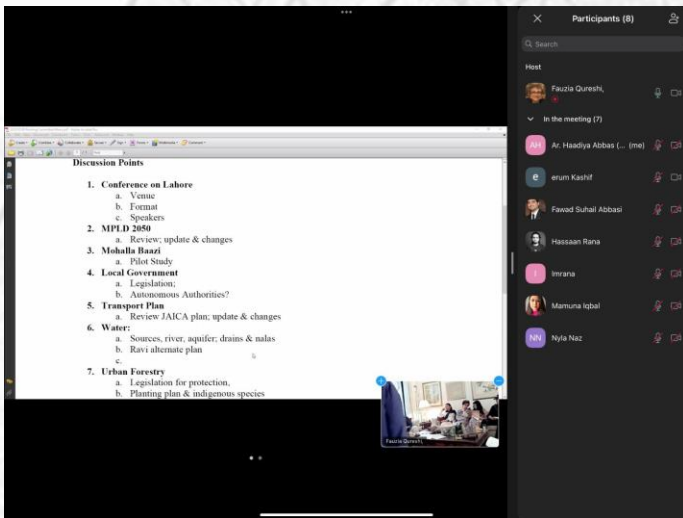
This was the start of one of the first meetings of this initiative and will continue into a chain of events that will help us further our cause of helping keep our cities from further ruin.

These initiatives are part of IAP's national outreach program on policy & SDG(Sustainable Development Goals).

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8th July

MoU Signing Ceremony between (IAP) and WWF-Pakistan

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The Institute of Architects Pakistan (IAP) and WWF-Pakistan formalized a groundbreaking collaboration through the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) aimed at promoting sustainable architecture, climate-resilient urban planning, and environmentally responsible development in Pakistan.

The ceremony, held at the IAP Lahore Chapter Secretariat, was attended by key representatives from both organizations, including:

Ar. Fawad Suhail Abbasi, President, IAP

Ar. Maira Khan, Vice President, IAP & Focal Person for the collaboration

Mr. Hammad Naqi Khan, Director General, WWF-Pakistan

Dr. Masood Arshad, Senior Director Programmes, WWF-Pakistan

WWF and IAP secretariat officials, council members, and environmental experts.

The MoU sets forth a five-year partnership (2025–2030) to jointly address climate challenges through:

- Water conservation strategies (e.g., stormwater management, rainwater harvesting)
- Sustainable building design and green construction practices
- Capacity building for architects, communities, and developers
- Research and innovation in climate-resilient architecture
- Advocacy for nature-based solutions and environmental policy reform
- Promotion of biodiversity, ecosystem protection, and renewable energy integration in the built environment

Speaking at the event, Ar. Maira Khan, the IAP focal person, emphasized:.

The MoU signing reflects the shared commitment of both organizations to build climate-conscious cities and promote interdisciplinary collaboration between architecture and environmental science.

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12th-13th July

Generative AI for Architects and Interior Designers By IAP-PC

IAP-PC

The Institute of Architects Pakistan (IAP) – Peshawar Chapter, in collaboration with CECOS University and EAROPH Pakistan, successfully organized a two-day workshop titled "Generative AI for Architects and Interior Designers" on 12th and 13th July 2025 at the CECOS University Peshawar.

The workshop sessions were led by Ar. Sobiya Munawar, an experienced architect and AI enthusiast, who delivered insightful and engaging presentations. She demonstrated practical uses of AI-based design tools, techniques for enhancing creativity through automation, and the evolving role of technology in architectural workflows.

Participants appreciated the initiative and expressed their interest in more such educational and skill enhancement events in the future.



12th-13th July

Generative AI for Architects and Interior Designers By IAP-PC

IAP-PC



14th July

President IAP Exclusive Interview with W Tv

IAP

Ar. Fawad Suhail Abbasi, President of the Institute of Architects Pakistan (IAP), has issued a grave warning about Islamabad's environmental crisis, revealing that the capital has suffered a staggering 600% loss of tree cover over the past 15 years. In an exclusive interview with WE News, Mr. Abbasi condemned uncontrolled deforestation and chaotic urban expansion, linking these practices to climate disasters across Pakistan.

President IAP Ar. Fawad Suhail Abbasi emphasized that Islamabad, a planned city designed by a renowned Greek planner, was originally intended for systematic Masterplan revisions every 25 years. However, rampant expansion in Zones 4 and 5 has violated the master plan through indiscriminate tree felling and changes made to benefit a few. He also highlighted nationwide threats, including Lahore's Yellow Line Train project along the canal, where tree removal could be avoided with sustainable alternatives.

In response, the IAP has launched a Green Initiative starting in Islamabad with a team of dedicated young and senior architects, collaborating with the Capital Development Authority (CDA), Ministry of Climate Change, and civic bodies. The initiative aims to halt deforestation, re-evaluate urban planning, and prioritize tree plantation.

Mr. Abbasi stressed that city expansion must involve architects, urbanists, town planners, economists, environmental experts, and especially the citizens of the city criticizing closed-door decisions like new Blue Area's building spree without adequate parking or green spaces and a supposed expansion towards and inside F-9 Park which is illegal and a future disaster for the capital city.

The President IAP directly connected deforestation to climate emergencies, citing recent floods in Swat, Kashmir, and Texas (USA), as well as Islamabad's unprecedented hailstorms. He contrasted Pakistan's practices with global standards: developed nations prioritize green zones, transplant trees, and plant 10–12 new trees for every one felled. In contrast, Islamabad's newer sectors (e.g., E-11) and others have near-zero green spaces, with satellite images confirming "vanishing" mountain forests.

President IAP further criticized unsustainable construction, noting that glass-dominated high-rises (exceeding the global 30% glass-to-building ratio) exacerbate heat, while fast-tracked projects like Islamabad's underpasses inflate costs by 100% and require perpetual repairs.

The IAP urgently calls for:

1. An immediate ban on deforestation,
2. Scientific urban planning with stakeholder input,
3. Large-scale tree plantation drive

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19th July

IAP-RIC and EAROPH International Host Generative AI Workshop

IAP-RIC

IAP-RIC and EAROPH International Host Generative AI Workshop Saturday, 19th July 2025 | Islamabad

The Institute of Architects Pakistan – Rawalpindi Islamabad Chapter (IAP-RIC), in collaboration with EAROPH International, successfully organized a Generative AI Workshop on Saturday, 19th July 2025 in Islamabad. The workshop attracted 26 professionals, including architects and designers, all eager to explore the dynamic intersection of Artificial Intelligence and architectural practice.

The session was conducted by Ar. Sobiya Munawar, who led participants through a comprehensive introduction to Generative AI—covering its core principles, practical applications in design development, and its potential to revolutionize architectural workflows. Through live demonstrations and real-world case studies, she illustrated how AI tools can support concept generation, optimize space planning, and enhance creativity in architectural projects.

Participants engaged actively throughout the session, asking questions, sharing insights, and experimenting hands-on with AI-powered design platforms. The workshop emphasized not just the technical potential of Generative AI, but also its implications for ethics, authorship, and the future of the profession.



19th July

IAP-RIC and EAROPH International Host Generative AI Workshop

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24th July

President IAP visit to EAROPH AND MIP Event in Malaysia

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President IAP, Ar. Fawad Suhail Abbasi was invited by EAROPH International as a special guest of Secretary General EAROPH International & President MIP (Malaysian Institute of Planners) TPr. Mazrina Khalid for a collaborative session with EAROPH Malaysia.

President EAROPH International Ar. Jahangir Khan Sherpao's also made a courtesy visit to Director General Dept. of Town and Country Planning, Malaysia on 24 July 2025.

An informative presentation on the vision of Pan Malaysia was made to the delegation.



30th July

Annual General Body Meeting 2025 IAP-RIC

IAP-RIC

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of the Institute of Architects, Pakistan - Rawalpindi-Islamabad Chapter (IAP-RIC) took place on Wednesday, July 30, 2025, at the IAP Secretariat in Islamabad. The meeting achieved the required quorum.

Chaired by Ar. Abdullah Khan, Chairman of IAP-RIC, the AGM commenced with a recitation from the Holy Quran, followed by the National Anthem. The first agenda item was the confirmation of the Minutes from the previous AGM held on July 21, 2024. This was followed by a report on the activities of IAP-RIC over the past year, presented by Honorary Secretary, Ar. Sannah Ejaz.

Honorary Treasurer Ar. Ukkasha Numan presented the accounts for the year 2024-2025, along with a proposed budget for the upcoming year. The subsequent item on the agenda was the announcement of the results for the Annual Elections of IAP-Rawalpindi-Islamabad Chapter for the year 2025-26.

This year, five positions were vacated upon the completion of the two-year tenure by Ar. Abdullah Khan, Ar. Ukkasha Numan, Ar. Rana Atif Rehman, Ar. Syed Qasim Abbas and Ar. Uzma Kabir, who had been co-opted in 2024.

To fill the five vacant seats, the office of Honorary Secretary IAP-RIC received eight nominations:

1. Ar. Feroz Shah Bangash
2. Ar. Hifsa Abid
3. Ar. Mustafa Abid
4. Ar. Muhammad Naveed Saad
5. Ar. Rao Umair Afzaal
6. Ar. Sinan Ahmed
7. Ar. Umer Iqbal
8. Ar. Zakia Takreem

A total of eight candidates submitted their papers for the five vacant positions. After scrutiny, three nominations were rejected, leaving five candidates unopposed for the five vacant positions:

1. Ar. Feroz Shah Bangash
2. Ar. Mustafa Abid
3. Ar. Muhammad Naveed Saad
4. Ar. Rao Umair Afzaal
5. Ar. Sinan Ahmed

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Annual General Body Meeting 2025 IAP-RIC

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The AGM for the year 2024-2025 was then adjourned. Immediately following the AGM, the first Executive Committee meeting for the year 2025-2026 was held at the IAP Secretariat in Islamabad, during which the following office bearers were elected:

- Chairperson: Ar. Rweeda Himayat
- Vice Chairperson: Ar. Nimra Qazi
- Honorary Secretary: Ar. Sannah Ejaz
- Honorary Treasurer: Ar. Mustafa Abid Paracha

The Executive Committee for the year 2025-2026 now includes:

- Ar. Rweeda Himayat, Chairperson
- Ar. Nimra Qazi, Vice Chairperson
- Ar. Sannah Ejaz, Honorary Secretary
- Ar. Mustafa Abid Paracha, Honorary Treasurer
- Ar. Bushra Khan, Member
- Ar. Hamid Mehmood, Member
- Ar. Feroz Shah Bangash, Member
- Ar. Muhammad Naveed Saad, Member
- Ar. Sinan Ahmed, Member
- Ar. Rao Umair Afzaal, Member



31st July

3-day workshop on Revit Architecture organized by IAP QC

IAP-QC

The IAP Quetta Chapter, in collaboration with NUST Balochistan, successfully organized a 3-day workshop on Revit Architecture, Structure, MEP, and Primavera 6 from 31st July to 2nd August 2025.

Here are a few glimpses of our IAPQC members actively participating in the sessions.

