

Urdu Humanities Conference

14 October 2010

Room 8411 Social Science Building
University of Wisconsin-Madison

Morning Session

8:30 am–12:15 pm

David Lelyveld (Chair)

1. Daniela Bredi (University “Sapienza” of Rome) 8:30–9:00
“History Writing in Urdu: Hashmatullah Khan, Kacho
Sikandar Khan Sikandar, and the History of the Kargil District”
2. David Lelyveld (William Paterson University of New Jersey) 9:05–9:35
“Sir Syed and the Uses of History”
3. Halil Toker (Istanbul University) 9:40–10:10
“Maulana Hussain Azad’s *Darbar-e Akbari*: A Cultural and
Sociological Study”

Coffee Break: 10:10–10:40 am

4. C.M. Naim (Emeritus Professor, University of Chicago) 10:40–11:10
“Disappearing Treasures: Public Libraries
and Urdu Printed Books”
5. Christina Oesterheld (Heidelberg University) 11:15–11:45
“Urdu Humour and Satire: Zatali, Nazir Ahmad
and Yousufi”
6. *Distribution of paper by Anna Oldfield*
(Hamilton College, Clinton, NY) currently studying in Kazakhstan
“‘Confusion in the Universe’: The Narrative Challenge
of Qurratulain Hyder’s *River of Fire*” 12:00

Luncheon Break: 12:00–1:30 pm

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Afternoon Session

1:30 pm–5:00 pm

Elena Bashir (Chair)

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| 7. Alain Desoulières (Inalco/Cerlom, Paris)
“Urdu Fiction and Cinema: Mirza Ruswa, Imtiaz Ali Taj,
Saadat Hasan Manto, and Sahir Ludhianvi | 1:30–2:00 |
| 8. M. Asaduddin (Jamia Millia University, Delhi)
“Reading Premchand in Two Tongues:
The Question of Dual Authorial Presence” | 2:05–2:35 |
| 9. Najeeba Arif (International Islamic University, Islamabad)
“9/11 and Urdu Literature: Images and Illusions” | 2:40–3:10 |

Tea Break: 3:15–3:45 pm

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| 10. Elena Bashir (University of Chicago)
“Urdu and Linguistics” | 3:45–4:25 |
| 11. Riyaz Latif (University of Minnesota, Minneapolis)
“Divergent Realities? Iqbal’s Ruminations and
the Mosque of Cordoba” | 4:30–5:00 |

Gala Banquet (in honor of Professor Muhammad U. Memon)

(by invitation only)

7:00 pm–8:00 pm

Lowell Hall Banquet Hall, 610 Langdon Street

After Banquet

8:00 pm–9:00 pm

Joe Elder (Chair)

12. Najeeba Arif—Testimonial (in Urdu)