



# High Commission of Pakistan Singapore



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### H.E. Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal

#### HIGH COMMISSIONER OF PAKISTAN SINGAPORE

When I stand on the stage with the Pakistan Flag flying by my side and our National Anthem playing, the pride I feel is indescribable!

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## Foreign Secretary Sohail Mahmood's virtual meeting on Pakistan Citizens' Portal (PCP) 10th January 2022

Foreign Secretary Sohail Mahmood held a virtual meeting with Pakistan Ambassadors and Consuls General across the globe, as well as DCP's Camp Offices in Karachi, Lahore, Peshawar and Quetta. The meeting focused on matters pertaining to the Prime Minister's Performance Delivery Unit (PMDU) and reviewed the systemic issues with respect to redressal of complaints initiated at Pakistan Citizen's Portal (PCP).



## Mr. Abdul Lateef Siddiqui called on Secretary Board of Investment (BoI), Ms. Fareena Mazhar 11th January 2022

Mr. Abdul Lateef Siddiqui, newly appointed Honorary Investment Counselor in Singapore called on Secretary Board of Investment, Ms. Fareena Mazhar. Ms. Mazhar congratulated Mr. Lateef on his appointment as HIC & discussed avenues of mutual investment cooperation between Pakistan & Singapore. Secretary BOI also acknowledged Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal, High Commissioner of Pakistan to Singapore for the recommendation of a suitable candidate for HIC from Singapore. The HIC thanked Secretary BOI for the meeting & assured her of his full support in encouraging Singaporean investors to invest in Pakistan.





**A group of Pakistani law students called on the High Commissioner  
15th January 2022**

A group of Pakistani LLM students at the Singapore Management University/Singapore Judicial College, called on the High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal.

**Pakistan High Commission shared the joy of Chinese New Year with the representatives of Singaporean Government and public  
25th January 2022**



**2nd round of Bilateral Political Consultations between Pakistan & Singapore was successfully conducted virtually  
27th January 2022**

2nd round of Bilateral Political Consultations between Pakistan and Singapore was successfully conducted virtually. The two sides had a constructive & meaningful interaction & agreed to sustain the momentum of collaboration in diverse areas.



**High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal hosted a Zoom meeting with Pakistani diaspora in Singapore, to respond to their questions/concerns and listen to their suggestions  
28th January 2022**



**High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal handed over a condolence message & a cheque of One Million Sri Lankan Rupees to the Sri Lankan High Commissioner**

**6th February 2022**

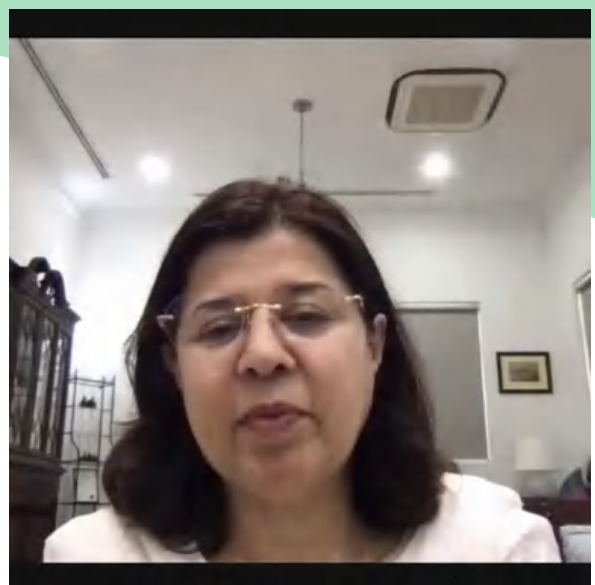
The High Commissioner handed over a condolence message & a cheque of One Million Sri Lankan Rupees to the Sri Lankan High Commissioner, on behalf of the Pakistani diaspora in Singapore for the family of Late Mr. Priyantha Kumara.



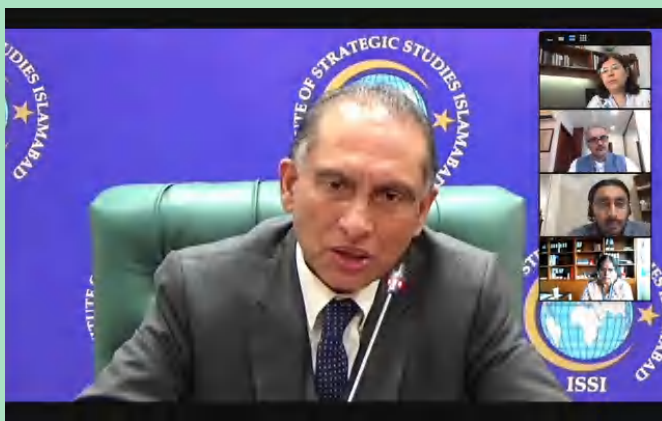
**Pakistan High Commission co-hosted a webinar on 'Meezan Roshan Digital Account' & 'Meezan Roshan Apna Ghar'**

**10th February 2022**

High Commission of Pakistan, Singapore in collaboration with Meezan Bank Ltd. hosted a webinar on Roshan Digital Accounts (RDA) scheme.

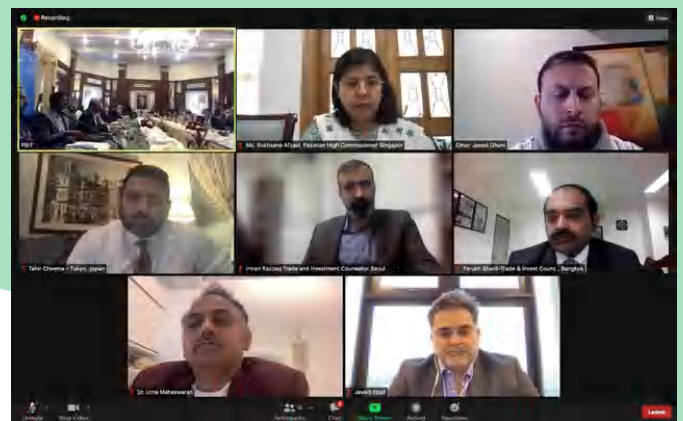


Pakistan High Commission co-hosted a webinar on "Pakistan's Capital Market Development" with the Institute of South Asian Studies (ISAS), National University of Singapore (NUS). Dr. Shamshad Akhtar, former Governor State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) was the guest speaker  
18th February 2022



Pakistan High Commission facilitated online meeting between the Institute of Strategic Studies (ISS) and the Institute of South Asian Studies (ISAS), Singapore, for research collaboration  
21st February 2022

High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal participated in the Stakeholders Conference on "Lahore Technopolis", together with Surbana Jurong, Singapore's largest infrastructure design & consultancy company. The Conference was hosted by (PBoIT)  
21st February 2022



High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal hosted a Zoom meeting with Pakistani diaspora in Singapore  
23rd February 2022

## Pakistan High Commission facilitated online meeting between Board of Investment (BoI) and Enterprise Singapore (ESG)

28th February 2022

The High Commission of Pakistan facilitated an online meeting between the Board of Investment (BoI) and Enterprise Singapore (ESG), to brief Singaporean stakeholders on immense investment opportunities in Pakistan to increase the Republic's investment footprint in the country.



Message of Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal on International Women's Day 8th March 2022

## Collaboration between National University of Singapore (NUS) and Pakistani Universities 11th March 2022

Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal called on Mr. Reuben Y. Wong, Associate Vice President (Global Relations), National University of Singapore (NUS) to explore possible collaboration between NUS and Pakistani Universities. Dr. Shahzad Nasim, Executive Chairman, Meinhardt Group very kindly facilitated the meeting.



**High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal at the 20th Anniversary dinner of Singapore Business Federation (SBF) 22nd March 2022**



**Flag Hoisting ceremony at Pakistan House Singapore on 82nd National Day of Pakistan 23rd March 2022**



**High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal participated as a panelist in the American Chamber (AMCham's) "Women in Diplomacy Fireside Chat Series" 24th March 2022**

**High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal hosted a Zoom meeting with Pakistani diaspora in Singapore 30th March 2022**



**High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal met with the top management of the Etonhouse International School Systems Singapore to seek collaboration in education sector 7th April 2022**



High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal chaired a meeting with Singapore Business Federation (SBF) and fruit importers to discuss the import of Pakistani mangoes which were retailed on a large scale on the island last year  
12th April 2022



High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal received Associate Prof. Bilveer Singh, Deputy Head, Department of Political Science, the National University of Singapore in her office. Mr. Singh has authored several landmark books on the politics of South and South East Asia  
12th April 2022



Pakistan High Commission Singapore shared the Eid-ul-Fitr festivities with Singaporean leadership and the public. This was the 3rd consecutive year that High Commission distributed Pakistan's packaged food on Eid-ul-Fitr  
26th April 2022





**Glimpses of Eid Milan/Open House at Pakistan House, Singapore  
2nd May 2022**



**High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal attending gala dinner with President H. E. Madam Halimah Yacob and diplomatic corps. The gala dinner was hosted by Singapore Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Federation of Singapore Indian Organisations  
14th May 2022**



**High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal attended the opening ceremony of Girl Guides Singapore International Camp "She Can 2022". President H.E. Madam Halimah Yacob was the Chief Guest at the event. A 22-member delegation of Pakistani Girl Guides virtually participated in the ceremony  
1st June 2022**



**High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal hosted Pakistani startups at Pakistan House. They are making valuable contribution to startup ecosystem and are keen to connect with Pakistani entrepreneurs  
28th June 2022**



**High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal hosted a Zoom meeting with Pakistani diaspora in Singapore  
29th June 2022**



High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal hosted Women Junior Netball Team from Pakistan at Pakistan House. The team beat Singapore in the first two matches played on 28-29 June  
30th June 2022



Pakistani mangoes retailing at Fair Price in Singapore  
2nd July 2022



Pakistan High Commission Singapore in collaboration with Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP) presented the best Chaunsa Mango to Singaporean dignitaries and friends  
25th July 2022

Foreign Minister of Pakistan Mr. Bilawal Bhutto Zardari met his Singaporean counterpart, H.E. Dr. Vivian Balakrishnan, on the sidelines of the 29th ASEAN Regional Forum Ministerial Meeting in Phnom Penh, Cambodia  
4th August 2022



Pakistani mangoes being presented to the Singaporean dignitaries on the occasion of 75th Independence Day of Pakistan  
10th August 2022



High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal met with National University Hospital (NUH) team for forging collaboration in healthcare sector between Pakistan and Singapore  
12th August 2022



High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal hoisting flag on the occasion of 75th Independence Day of Pakistan  
14th August 2022



**High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal called on the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, H.E. Mr. Albert Chua  
15th August 2022**



**High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal had a meeting with Mr. Bernard Lee, Senior Partner, Audit Alliance LLP to discuss the scope of collaboration between Chartered Accounts Institutes of Pakistan and Singapore  
17th August 2022**



**High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal met Mr. Abid Kabir Cheema, Head of Business Development, and Mr. Luis Ferendez-Reyes, Chief Data Officer (CDO) of Capital Smart City to discuss the Smart Liveable Cities collaboration between Pakistan and Singapore  
18th August 2022**

## Flood Relief Activities

Over 30 million people in Pakistan were affected by torrential rains and flash floods in Pakistan in August 2022, leaving 6.4 million in need of immediate support. The High Commission approached Pakistani diaspora, civil society organizations, Red Cross and other Global Relief agencies for urgent emergency relief for people in need. Singapore Government donated SGD 50, 000 for flood relief  
2nd September 2022



Inter-Religious Organization Singapore held special interfaith prayers for Pakistan with the participation of 10 different faiths. H. E. Dr. Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim, MOS for Home Affairs & MOS for National Development was the Guest of Honor. High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal participated in the prayers which were followed by financial pledges to mitigate the sufferings of flood victims in Pakistan  
6th September 2022



High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal visited Gurdwara Khalsa Dharmak Sabha Singapore on the invitation of Mr. Satwant Singh, President of the Gurdwara and Secretary of Mercy Relief. She made an appeal for relief assistance for flood victims in Pakistan  
24th September 2022



Ms. Cecilia Tan, VP (AP, ME & Africa), Procter & Gamble(P&G), Singapore called on High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal and offered to donate water purifiers and hygiene items for flood relief. P&G (Pakistan) has already donated sachets for provision of 6.5 million litres of clean water and products worth PKR 2.5 million to flood victims  
25th September 2022



Pakistani diaspora in Singapore contributed funds and procured dry rations for flood victims in Pakistan  
25th September 2022



A team of "Mercy Relief" Singapore visited Pakistan to provide relief assistance  
14th October 2022



High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal presented cheques by MKAC to kidney patients and their families. Mr. Salleh Merican, Chairman Salleh Merican Foundation presented a cheque for S\$22,222/- to CEO, Rahmatu-Lil-Alamin Foundation (RLAF) as donation for flood victims in Pakistan. The amount was disbursed through the Red Cross  
14th October 2022

High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal attended the handing over ceremony of a cheque amounting to S\$432,852 by Rahmatu-Lil-Alamin Foundation to the Singapore Red Cross for Pakistan flood relief. The CEO of MUIS, Mr. Kadir Maideen Mohamed hosted the ceremony at MUIS HQ  
18th October 2022



Pakistan High Commission procured one million tablets of Panadol worth US\$11,000 from Incepta Pharmaceuticals through the Pakistani diaspora in Singapore and delivered to National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) Karachi  
 25th November 2022



A delegation of the Pakistani NGO "Youth Development Forum" called on High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal  
 8th September 2022

High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal hosted a dinner at Pakistan House for the Archery Team of Karachi University that visited Singapore to participate in Archery Championship  
 12th September 2022



High Commission of Pakistan organized a webinar with the collaboration of SBF, Enterprise Singapore, LCCI, PFVA & TDAP on "Food Security via Pakistan in the Post COVID era – Focusing on Food Import Sectors from Pakistan to Singapore"  
 14th September 2022





An MOU was signed between Daraz Pakistan and Alibaba Cloud for the provision of Alibaba Cloud services in Pakistan. It will lead to further investment in IT infrastructure & employment generation in Pakistan. The ceremony was hosted by the High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal at Pakistan House, with the CEO of Daraz. Com, Mr Bjarke Mikkelsen and CEO of Ali Clouds Mr. Derek Wang signing the MoU  
16th September 2022

Pakistani students at National University of Singapore set up a cultural stall in collaboration with Pakistan High Commission, Singapore  
16th September 2022



Mr. Andy Ng CEO & Mr. Donny Chong Product & Marketing Director of Nexus Guard, a Singaporean Cyber Security Co. called on the High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal to discuss AI-based solutions to counter cyber threats  
21st September 2022



High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal addressing the webinar “Rebuilding Pakistan through Roshan Digital Account” co-organized by the Faysal Bank in collaboration with the Pakistan High Commission  
22nd September 2022





High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal attended Family Fun Day organized by Singapore Pakistani Association (SPA), graced by H. E. Dr. Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim, MOS for National Development and MOS for Home Affairs  
24th September 2022



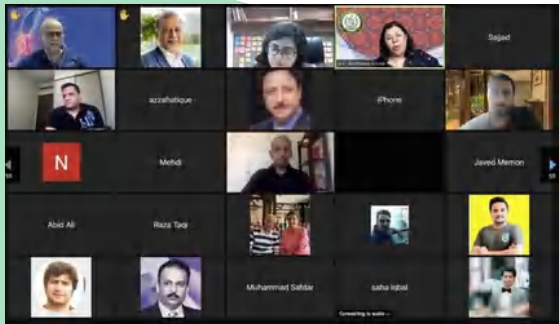
A Delegation of Sufi Group of Companies visited Head Office of Sheng Siong Supermarket to explore export of their products. CEO Mr. Hamza Tariq Sufi had great interaction with Sheng Siong and Singapore Business Federation (SBF)  
10th October 2022

High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal hosted Mr. Hamza Tariq Sufi and the delegation of Simply Sufi at Pakistan House together with major retailers in Singapore  
10th October 2022



Sufi Group of Companies had productive meetings with SBF, Hao Mart, Shen Siong, Mustafa Center, Jaguar Collection, and Cogent Integrated Supply Chain during its stay in Singapore .  
13th October 2022

High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal hosted a Zoom meeting with Pakistani diaspora in Singapore  
19th October 2022



Grateful to Singapore Food Agency for receiving the High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal's call, to discuss import of food items from Pakistan  
27th October 2022



2022 SAC Annual Meeting & Global Fashion Summit: Singapore Edition  
"Turbocharging decarbonization partnerships to build supply chain resilience in Pakistan"  
2nd November 2022



The annual Singapore Fintech Festival (SFF) was launched with an opening address by DPM H.E. Mr. Lawrence Wong. Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed joined the High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal at the opening ceremony. 27 leading Pakistani Fintechs and five banks attended SFF  
2nd November 2022



Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed, Chairman, Defence Committee of the Senate of Pakistan, delivered a talk on "Pakistan and the Changing Asian Scenario" at the ISAS-PHC joint lecture  
3rd November 2022





High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal received the delegation of readymade garments participating in the 2022 SAC Annual Meeting & Global Fashion Summit in Singapore. The group showcased Pakistan's efforts to put its textile sector on the path of sustainability by adopting environment-friendly approaches  
4th November 2022

High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal hosted a networking session at Pakistan House for Pakistani companies participating in the annual Singapore Fintech Festival (SFF) 2022. Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed also attended the festival as well as the networking session together with 27 leading Pakistani fintechs and 5 banks. SFF being one of the largest fintech events in the world provides an ideal platform for Pakistani entrepreneurs to connect with startup ecosystems of the world  
4th November 2022



Pakistan won third place in the 21st Ambassadors' Sailing Cup against 52 participating countries  
5th November 2022





Pakistan High Commission coordinated a zoom meeting between Dr. Mukhtar Ahmad, Chairman Higher Education Commission (HEC) and Dr. Henry Heng, CEO, Nanyang Polytechnic Institute (NPI) Singapore to discuss avenues for technical training cooperation  
8th November 2022

Terafort Limited of Pakistan was announced Winner in Innovation Category at "Google App Summit 2022". Held in Google Singapore, 40+ Apps & Games Companies from Pakistan & Vietnam participated in the event  
10th November 2022



Federal Minister of Commerce Syed Naveed Qamar participated in the 17th Asia-Pacific Conference of German Business (APK) in Singapore. He was jointly invited by Minister Incharge of Trade of Singapore, H.E. Mr. S. Iswaran, German Vice-Chancellor Mr. Robert Habeck, and Chairman, Asia-Pacific Committee of German Business CEO, Siemens, Mr. Roland Busch.  
13th November 2022



Federal Minister of Commerce participated in the Oxford-style Debate on Sustainability at the 17th Asia-Pacific Conference of German Business (APK) in Singapore. He highlighted the devastation caused by last year's unprecedented floods in Pakistan highlighting the critical importance of climate financing  
 13th November 2022



Federal Minister of Commerce visited Singapore Food Agency and met CEO, Mr. Lim Kok Thai to explore the export of processed food and meat and poultry to Singapore  
 14th November 2022

Federal Minister of Commerce had a meeting with the Minister Incharge of Trade of Singapore, H.E. Mr. S. Iswaran  
 14th November 2022



High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal hosted a dinner in the honor of the Federal Minister of Commerce Syed Naveed Qamar at Pakistan House to which, prominent members of the Pakistani Diaspora were invited  
14th November 2022



High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal attended a Zoom meeting with stakeholders in sustainable textile sector of Pakistan  
20th November 2022



High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal delivered a keynote address at the ISAS workshop on Pakistan's contributions to UN Peacekeeping. The workshop was jointly organized by the Institute of South Asian Studies, Consortium of South Asian Think Tanks, and Konrad Adenauer Stiftung. Dr. Talat Shabbir from ISSI, Brig. Navid from IPRI & Dr. Salma from QAU were among the panelists  
28th November 2022



High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal hosted the Higher Education Commission's delegation at Pakistan House. The delegation, led by Chairman Dr. Mukhtar Ahmad participated in a conference organized by the British Council. The delegation comprising VCs of 10 leading universities of Pakistan had meetings at the Ministry of Education and Nanyang Polytechnic International (NYPI) Singapore  
2nd December 2022



Pakistan High Commission co-organized a webinar with ISAS Singapore on 'Pakistan's Geopolitical Challenges' 6th December 2022



Foreign Minister of Pakistan Mr. Bilawal Bhutto Zardari called on the President of Singapore H.E. Halimah Yacob. In the meeting, enhanced engagement and mutually beneficial cooperation were discussed. FM shared Pakistan's desire to intensify cooperation with ASEAN  
9th December 2022

Foreign Minister of Pakistan Mr. Bilawal Bhutto Zardari visited Singapore on 9th December 2022. He met with his counterpart H.E. Dr. Vivian Balakrishnan. They reviewed the entire gamut of bilateral relations, agreed to enhance bilateral engagements and cooperation and expressed support for ASEAN-led processes in the Asia Pacific  
9th December 2022



**Foreign Minister of Pakistan Mr. Bilawal Bhutto Zardari gave an interview to "The Straits Times"  
9th December 2022**

There is great potential for Singapore and Pakistan to work together, particularly in trade, and entrepreneurs from both sides should continue to create opportunities to collaborate. Pakistan places great importance on its relations with Singapore bilaterally, as well as in the context of Asean, said its Foreign Minister Bilawal Bhutto Zardari on Wednesday, as he made the case for his country's emerging market. [Great potential for S'pore and Pakistan to work together: Pakistan Foreign Minister | The Straits Times](#)



**Foreign Minister of Pakistan Mr. Bilawal Bhutto Zardari gave an interview to "Channel News Asia (CNA)"  
12th- 13th December 2022**



- (221) 'We're tired of conflict': Pakistan's FM explains neutral stance on Ukraine war - YouTube
- (221) Pakistan criticises 'biased' US religious freedom violation list - YouTube
- (221) Pakistani Foreign Minister Bilawal Bhutto Zardari on military influence in political decision-making - YouTube
- (221) Pakistani Foreign Minister Bilawal Bhutto Zardari eyes ASEAN engagement as part of economic push - YouTube



**"Roshan Digital Account" Webinar with Pakistani Community in Singapore organized jointly by MCB Bank and High Commission of Pakistan in Singapore  
12th December 2022**

**High Commissioner Ms. Rukhsana Afzaal received a delegation from FBR led by Mr. Ali Raza Hanjra, Project Director, CAREC-RIBS (Integrated Transit Trade Management System) at the High Commission  
14th December 2022**

