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Title: Everyday life of AfPak

Abstract:

The primary purpose of this grant request is to research the creation, engagement, and reception of United States’ current policy in Pakistan known as AfPak. The central aim of this project is to evaluate emerging practices, problems and prospects of United States AfPak policy. The central question is to determine if this policy is an appropriate response for conditions on the ground in Pakistan, particularly as it relates to the South Asian region. Ethnographic research in Lahore among those displaced by AfPak policy and practices will facilitate research analysis on the everyday life aspects of this project. The intent is to understand not just the official United States, Pakistani and South Asian rhetoric surrounding the AfPak policy but also its everyday reality. The end product will be two scholarly peer-reviewed articles that examine new development, in United States’ engagement in Pakistan and its impact on everyday life.

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Time Frame: 5 Months