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Current position	Assistant Chief (Policy Review & Coordination Section)

A. Introduction

1. Could you mention about your responsibilities at current work place?

- Preparation of reports on monthly review/analysis of monetary developments, material for the working paper of Fiscal and Monetary Policies Coordination Board meetings chaired by Finance Minister, monetary portion of Annual/Five-Year Plan's chapter on Fiscal, Monetary and Capital Market Development, analysis reports on the developments regarding Islamic banking, material relating to monetary developments for Year Book of the Ministry, material relating to monetary developments for APCC meetings, briefs/comments on the summaries for Federal Cabinet, Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) of the Cabinet and Council of Common Interests (CCI) on issues relating to monetary policy; and other miscellaneous assignments.

2. Could you describe the implementation situation of acquired knowledge from Japan at your work place?

As my degree from Japan was in Economics and I am dealing here with economy related matter, so the acquired knowledge is helping me a lot in making review and analysis reports of the economy.

3. Could you explain how your study field in Japan fits with the current development issues in Pakistan?

My thesis was regarding the role of manufacturing sector growth on economic development and perusing the government policy of export led growth I am able to use my acquired knowledge in its implementation.

Please summarize your introduction **within 10 lines** in maximum.

My name is Kazmi Shehla Anjum Ajaz, and recently I have complete Master's degree in Economics from the International University of Japan. I am recently working as Assistant Chief in the Policy Review and Coordination Section of Ministry of Planning, Development & Special Initiatives which deals with policy review and analysis of priority economic policies of the government. I am hopeful to be useful for my country in helping towards the path of development by utilizing the knowledge I have recently aquired from Japan.

B. Summary of Master Thesis

Field of Study in Japan : Economics

University Name in Japan : International University of Japan

Title of thesis : Impact of Manufacturing Sector Development on Economic Growth: A Comparison of Developed and Developing Countries (1995-2019)

Please summarize your Thesis within 20 lines in maximum.

The Manufacturing sector is empirically tested as the key driving force of economic development throughout the world. In this study, “manufacturing as a growth engine” hypothesis is reconsidered in a panel of 127 developed and developing countries from 1995 to 2019. A falling trend in GDP per capita growth responsiveness of manufacturing sector share of GDP with rising economic growth is revealed from the quantile regression analysis. This was substantiated by the System GMM approach employed on the same data including an interaction term between manufacturing sector share and GDP per capita. It is also conjectured from the fixed effects estimation that corruption, political instability and terrorism tend to incapacitate the growth engine characteristic of the manufacturing sector.

C. Future Plan

How are you planning to utilize your acquired knowledge from Japan at your current job?

Please summarize your plan within 10 lines in maximum.

My field of study in Japan was Economics and I belong to “Economists and Planner Group” of the Government of Pakistan. Therefore, I am sure that I’ll be able to utilize my acquired knowledge at my workplace. Government is following the strategy of export led growth now a days which primarily bases on manufacturing sector growth to produce the exporting surplus. Furthermore, I refined my thesis along with 2 professors included exports in the analysis and got published my thesis with the name “Manufacturing, Exports and Sustainable Growth – Evidence from Developing Countries”. Therefore, I am quite sure that I’ll be able to utilize the acquired knowledge from Japan at my current workplace.

D. Photo

Please send **your best two** pictures on your academic and daily life in Japan (JPG format)

