

The resilience and background of Pakistan's Prominent Industrialists:  
Exploring social and political networks in building power and wealth (1970-  
2007)

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## **Abstract**

This study aims to analyze big industrial groups in Pakistan that have remained seated in power through financial and social privilege. Elite power in a developing country context has been explored and theorized over multiple avenues of economic and social research. While many external factors contribute to economic success, this research focuses specifically on an ethnographic approach through a historical and sociological lens in an attempt to understand how and why some groups in Pakistan have remained unscathed and intact despite political turbulences, outside the larger realm of economic and state environments. Zooming in instead on personal histories, individual connections and their own accounts of what happened.