

# **News story: Her Majesty The Queen recognises Pakistani British Council staff for outstanding service**

The British High Commissioner, Mr Thomas Drew CMG, presented honorary British awards to Nishat Riaz and Shazia Khawar for their exceptional services in the field of education and cultural relations.

On behalf of Her Majesty The Queen, the British High Commissioner, Mr Thomas Drew CMG, has presented honorary British awards to Nishat Riaz and Shazia Khawar in recognition of their services for the British Council in Pakistan.

Both Nishat and Shazia have been appointed Honorary Members of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (MBE). This honour is awarded to individuals for significant achievements or exceptional service to the UK, which stands out as an example to others.

**Speaking at the ceremony in Islamabad, the British High Commissioner, Mr Thomas Drew CMG, said:**

I am delighted to present Honorary MBE awards to Nishat Riaz and Shazia Khawar in recognition of their services to UK-Pakistan cultural relations and education. These awards reflect not only their significant individual effort over a number of years but also that they are excellent role models and leaders inside and outside of the British Council.

**Head of the British Council Pakistan, Rosemary Hilhorst, said:**

I am pleased to congratulate Nishat Riaz and Shazia Khawar on receiving their well deserved honours. The British Council Pakistan team are delighted that their outstanding contributions have been recognised.

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