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Social Dimensions of Food Security (Food Insecurity: Military Nexus)

Hunger poses more of a security threat than a humanitarian threat to Pakistan. The increase in the number of people going hungry breeds conflicts between haves and have-nots as witnessed in the 2007-08 food crisis. Such social conflicts raise a question about civil rights and the affected individuals' desperate retaliation. Food insecurity is not just a cause but also the result of war and civil unrest. This is one of the strongest factors weakening the state at the moment. The panel is designed to address economic and social indicators that impact food security, discuss activities that can improve food distribution as well as food absorption capacities.

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