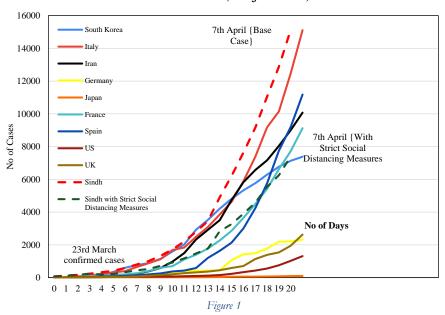
POVERTY & UNEMPLOYMENT IN SINDH: SOME DATA

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COVID-19 Sindh Cases (Projections)



Source: World Health Organization (WHO)

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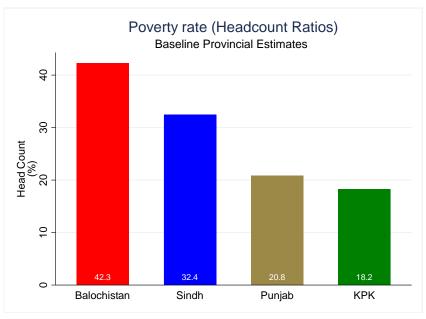


Figure 2

Source: Author's own estimations based on HIES, 2015-16

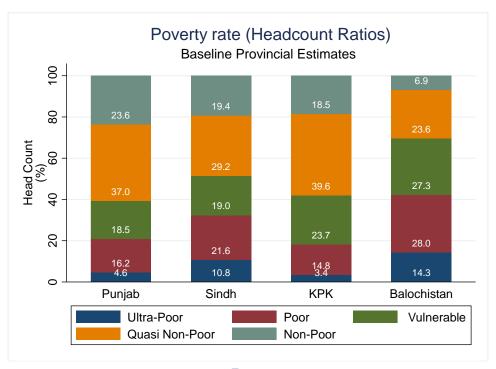


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Note: Poverty band are defined using per capita household income as defined by Planning Commission in National Poverty Report 2015-16. Ultra-poor (<75% of Poverty Line) Poor (>75% and <100% of Poverty Line); Vulnerable (>100% and <125% of Poverty Line); Quasi Non-Poor (>125% and <200% of Poverty Line) and Non-Poor (>200% of Poverty Line).

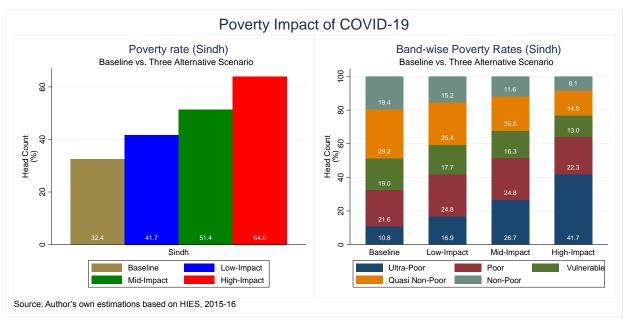


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Source: Author's own estimations based on HIES, 2015-16²

Note: Poverty band are defined using per capita household income as defined by Planning Commission in National Poverty Report 2015-16. Three alternative scenarios are: High impact [0 to 1.5 % GDP growth – massive economic recession]; Medium impact [from 1.5 to 2.5 % GDP growth – almost half of the projected GDP growth]; and Low impact [from 2.5 % to 3.5 GDP growth – mild recession in the economy). For each scenario, we have estimated poverty rate with the following five criteria's: Ultra-poor (<75% of Poverty Line) Poor (> 75% and < 100% of Poverty Line); Vulnerable (> 100% and < 125% of Poverty Line); Quasi Non-Poor (> 125% and < 200% of Poverty Line) and Non-Poor (> 200% of Poverty Line).

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² I followed the same methodology used in PIDE COVID-19 Bulletin No.1: COVID-19 in Pakistan: Caring for Poor and Vulnerable. However, I have restricted myself to Sindh province only.

Unemployment Rate

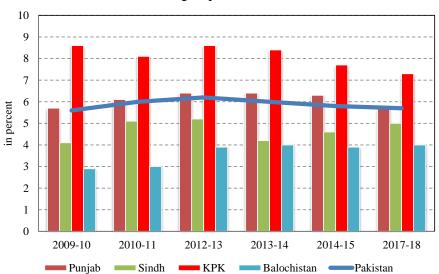


Figure 5
Source: Labor Force Survey (various rounds).

Unemployment in Million (Sindh)

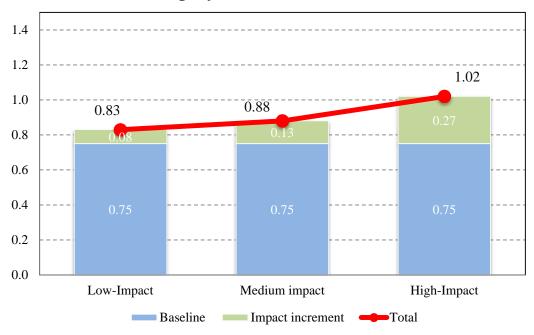


Figure 6

Source: Author's estimations based on Labor Force Survey, 2017-18.

Note: Baseline unemployment for Sindh is 3.24 million while the green part presents the additional unemployment for all categories due to COVID-19. Red Circles above each bar represents the total numbers unemployed, in millions.