

So, I have been invited to Lahore for 4 different talks/events in a two-day period. On January 12th, I am to give an Urdu lecture for Madrasa students and graduates, and local Islamic Studies faculty and PhD students in Lahore on forging connections between the Western Humanities and ulama (Muslim traditionalist) knowledge traditions (Location TBD). Then on January 13th, I am slated for two panels at the Lahore Afkar-e-taza ThinkFest (Literature Festival); I haven't been told what I will speak about but presume at least one of the them will be about my new book *Perilous Intimacies: Debating Hindu-Muslim Friendship after Empire* (2023). Then on Sunday the 14th, there is a book publication launch of the complete Urdu translation of my first book *Defending Muhammad in Modernity* (2020) at the Idara-yi Fikr-i Jadid in Lahore (which is publishing the translation as well). These 3 venues will allow me to engage and access a wide variety of Pakistani audiences and scholars.