

## **MEET THE NEW PRESIDENT**

**Engr. Riaz Ahmad Khan**, the newly elected President of the Congress was born in Pasroor, District Sialkot in the year 1944. He was primarily schooled at Pasroor and Murrey College Sialkot till his graduation from the University of Engineering and Technology, Lahore, in the year 1966. During his stay at the University, he won top merit positions and was awarded Gold Medal for his overall best performance in the Hydraulics Group of Discipline. He pursued his Post Graduate Study/Training in Japan and Utah State University, USA.

After graduation, he started his professional career in the year 1966 and participated as a young engineer in the construction of Indus Basin Replacement works particularly the new Marala Barrage on River Chenab. He joined Punjab Irrigation & Power Department in the year 1969 as Assistant Executive Engineer and held various key positions till his elevation to the position of Secretary to Government of the Punjab, Irrigation & Power Department, in the year 1994. As a Water Sector Expert, he has developed a deep insight into the issues of the Sector in the planning and implementation of interventions covering major infrastructure projects. During his Professional Career, he has been holding various other key positions such as Member, Planning & Development Board, Government of Punjab, Chief Engineering Advisor / Chairman, Federal Flood Commission, Government of Pakistan, Special Secretary, Ministry of Water & Power. Currently, he is rendering Advisory services to the Ministry of Water & Power on Water Resources. He is a widely travelled person and participated in numerous International Conferences and Workshops held on Water Sector themes. He has been an active participant in various Engineering grids such as Pakistan Engineering Council, Institution of Engineers Pakistan, PANCOLD and PANCID, the Pakistan Chapter of ICOLD and ICID.