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Bioesketeh

Asif Aslam graduated from Dow Medical College in 1984 and decided to pursue a career in public health. He joined the Department of Community Health Sciences at Aga Khan University where he was responsible for undergraduate teaching and development of urban primary health care modules in the *katchi abadis* of Karachi. In 1989 he obtained his Masters in Public Health from Harvard School of Public Health. Dr Aslam joined UNICEF, Pakistan in 1994 as Health and Nutrition Specialist and continues his professional work in this organization to date.

In addition to his professional work, he is a well-known writer and critic under the pen name of Asif Farrukhi. He is the author of several collections of short fiction and a volume of literary criticism in Urdu. He is the founder-editor of the literary book-series *Duniyazad* which showcases writings from Pakistan as well as from other languages in translation. He has published English translations of many Urdu literary works and has also edited anthologies of writings from Pakistan into English.