Distorted history?: Shahid Amin’s concise history of Pakistan

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KARACHI: history writing is never easy as one has to control his / bias it and make people understand what reality is, said Shahid Amin, former ambassador and diplomat, the launch of the fifth book ‘The Concise History of Pakistan.’

The book launch was held at the Institute of Management on Saturday, attended by scholars and renowned personalities. Talking about the subject of his book, Amin said he decided to write about Pakistan’s history, as it is extremely distorted and there is just a part of her curriculum.

“I critically examine all facts and sources so you can explain the great legacy Muslim political struggle of Muslims before Partition and to remove misconceptions about Pakistan, “said Amin. He believes the book will create a great impact on the mentality of youth, as the book reveals new facts about the history of Pakistan.

Welcoming the author and his book, Dr. Talat Wizarat, a scholar of International Relations, said that Amin has interpreted the facts in a way that leads us the truth and reality. “The best part about the book is that he tries to fill the gap between our teachings of history,” she said, adding that it depends on one’s own mentality which lens we use to understand reality.

Calling Amin one of the best diplomats of Pakistan, Institute of Business Administration of social sciences department chairman Dr. Huma Baqa admired amen to be objective in his book. “A book for me was more of a reality check and he selected smart most interesting part to share, such as the pre-Partition and most visible of the military in Pakistan,” she said.

Syed Tariq Fatemi, Special Assistant to the Prime Minister for Foreign Affairs, said Amin of the story accurately in his book. He added that when it comes to the history of the sub-continent, few Pakistanis have written about it and mostly Indian or Western scientists have tried their luck.

about time Partition, Fatemi said that when Pakistan came into being, India was of the view that Pakistan will not survive for long.

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“But we should thank the leaders of that era, which kept Pakistan strong,” Fatemi said, adding that Pakistan is now on track and moving faster toward prosperity.

Speaking at Express Tribune, Amin said his new book will help also Pakistanis overseas in learning the dynamics of their country, as I have little knowledge Pakistan’s history.