We are grieved to report the sad demise of a loving colleague and an eminent scientist, Dr. Shafiq Ahmad Khan, in Lahore on 4th June, 2013.

Dr. Shafiq A. Khan was born on 15th May 1935 in Hoshiarpur, British India. He migrated to Pakistan along with his family in 1947. He studied at University of the Punjab and got BSc with Honors in 1957. In 1958 he got his MSc from Queen’s University, Belfast, UK and his PhD from Queen’s University, Belfast, UK in 1964.

Dr. Shafiq A. Khan contributed generously towards the advancement of science and technology in Pakistan’s premier institutions, i.e., Pakistan Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (PCSIR) and Pakistan Council for Science and Technology (PCST). He is revered in the scientific world as a genuine researcher. He also served as Chairman of PCST, Islamabad, 1992–1995; as Secretary, PCSIR, Karachi, 1987–1989; Earlier he served at PCSIR Lahore – as Chief Scientific Officer & Head, Applied Chemistry Division, 1979–1987; Principal Scientific Officer, 1973–1979; Senior Scientific Officer, 1964–1973; Research Chemist, 1961–1964; and Research Assistant, 1958–1961. In 1971, Dr. Shafiq A. Khan was Visiting Research Professor in German Academy Exchange Service (DAAD), Heidelberg University, West Germany.

Dr. Shafiq A. Khan remained committed to the Pakistan Association for History & Philosophy of Science and the Pakistan Academy of Sciences, Islamabad. Till his demise from this world, he remained a driving force behind the publication of Pakistan Journal of History & Philosophy of Science from Lahore.

Dr. Shafiq A. Khan’s humble attitude towards his colleagues earned him laurels. Above all, he was an ever helpful friend to all, and a loving father, grandfather, a husband and a son. As a true son of the soil, he will be remembered for long by all of us.

May his noble soul rest in eternal peace.

Ameen.

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