

Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar for Food Science and Technology Degree Program at The Government Sadiq College Women University, Bahawalpur

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The Government Sadiq College Women University (GSCWU) is located in the Bahawalpur, Punjab, Pakistan. GSCWU was established in 1944 as intermediate college, upgraded into a degree college in 1957 and later granted the status of university in 2012. The university is honored in the name “Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi (V)”. Currently, the University has 4 faculties and 16 departments. Among these, the Department of Food Science and Technology (FST), established in 2022, stands as a developing department committed to academic and research excellence. The department offers BS Food Science & Technology program designed to prepare skilled graduates in food science, nutrition, and food processing. The curriculum integrates theoretical knowledge, laboratory training, and industry exposure to meet the demands of the modern food sector and ensure food security through innovation and research. The FST department currently has 261 enrolled students.

The Department of Food Science and Technology, GSCWU organized an Awareness Seminar on Quality Assurance and Accreditation in collaboration with the National Agriculture Education Accreditation Council (NAEAC). The seminar aimed to enhance understanding among faculty members and students about the accreditation process, quality standards and the importance of maintaining educational excellence in higher education institutions. The event was graced by the Worthy Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Shazia Anjum, as the Chief Guest. Dr. Saima Anjum, Registrar GSCWU extended a warm welcome to all guests and participants. In her address, she emphasized the progress of university, departmental achievements, and future goals for strengthening academic programs and institutional quality.

Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC delivered a detailed presentation on “Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education”. He elaborated the objectives, evaluation procedures and significance of the accreditation process, highlighting major standards used by NAEAC to evaluate academic programs. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar also shared insights from accreditation reports, showcasing the impact of quality assurance on academic improvement and institutional reputation over the past years. The session was interactive and informative both for faculty and students. Participants asked about evaluation criteria, self-assessment processes and ways to strengthen quality culture within academic departments.

At the end Prof. Dr. Shazia Anjum, Vice Chancellor, appreciated Dr. Abdul Ghaffar’s detailed presentation and the efforts of the Department of Food Science and Technology for organizing this important academic event. She assured that the administration will fulfill the accreditation requirements of NAEAC to maintain the high quality of education. At the end, souvenirs were presented to the NAEAC Secretariat staff.

