

Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar for Environmental Sciences Degree Program at Bahria University Karachi Campus

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Bahria University is a federally chartered public sector university established by the Pakistan Navy in 2000. Over the years, it has evolved into one of Pakistan's premier higher education institutions. With its principal seat located in Islamabad, the University maintains vibrant campuses in Karachi, and Lahore offering a diverse and inclusive academic environment across all major regions of the country. The Bahria University Karachi Campus (BUKC) was founded with a clear purpose to foster economic, societal and intellectual prosperity for the people of Karachi and Pakistan as a whole. The campus hosts multiple academic schools including the Bahria School of Maritime and Applied Sciences (BSMAS). Under the BSMAS, the Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences was established in 2008 and has since been contributing to education and research in these vital fields. The Karachi Campus currently has a total enrollment of approximately 8,000 students, reflecting its dynamic and growing academic community.

The National Agriculture Education Accreditation Council (NAEAC) conducted an awareness seminar for the Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences, Bahria University Karachi Campus to provide guidance on the accreditation procedures and standards for the undergraduate degree programs. The session began with a comprehensive departmental presentation by Dr. Muhammad Irfan, Focal Person, who highlighted the department's academic structure, faculty profiles, research initiatives and notable achievements. The event was attended by the Director Administration, Director Academics, Principal of the Bahria School of Maritime and Applied Sciences (BSMAS), a representative from the QEC as well as faculty members and students of the Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences.

Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC delivered a detailed presentation on "Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education." He elaborated on the objectives, evaluation procedures and the significance of the accreditation process, emphasizing the key standards employed by NAEAC to assess academic programs. Dr. Ghaffar also shared valuable insights from previous accreditation reports, illustrating the positive impact of quality assurance practices on academic improvement and institutional reputation over the years. The session proved to be both interactive and informative for faculty members and students alike. Following the presentations, the NAEAC team interacted with faculty and students, discussing program objectives, curriculum alignment, laboratory and field facilities, and student engagement activities.

The visit concluded with an exit meeting attended by the Director General, Director Administration, Director Academics and Principal, BSMAS, Bahria University Karachi Campus. During the meeting, the NAEAC team shared constructive feedback and recommendations aimed at further enhancing the department's academic and research excellence. The team commended the department's dedication to maintaining academic rigor and its ongoing efforts to advance environmental science education in Pakistan. The Director General expressed gratitude to the guest speaker and reaffirmed the University's commitment to fulfilling NAEAC's accreditation requirements, ensuring the continued quality of education and strengthening the market value of its graduates.

