

Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar for Environmental Science (ES) degree Program at Mehran University of Engineering & Technology- Jamshoro

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Sindh University Engineering College was established in 1963 as a constituent college of University of Sindh in Jamshoro about 15 km. from Hyderabad on the right bank of river Indus. The college was first declared as an additional campus of the University of Sindh headed by a Pro-Vice-Chancellor in July 1976 and later upgraded to the level of a fully-fledged independent University on 1st March, 1977 through an ordinance issued by the Government of Sindh. The ordinance was later converted into an Act of the Provincial Assembly of Sindh Province. Initially, the Additional Campus as well the Mehran University was established in the City of Nawabshah. However, in 1979, the Act of the University was amended and the seat of the University was retained at Jamshoro, while a constituent college was maintained at Nawabshah which has also become an independent university in 1996. The number of students admitted to the First Year classes of all the disciplines under regular scheme at Jamshoro is 1053 out of which 1000 candidates are admitted from Sindh Province, including Karachi Division, according to a precisely calculated ratio of population and other considerations. Thirty four applicants are admitted from other parts of Pakistan while 19 seats are reserved for the foreigners. Whereas under Self Finance Scheme and Special Scheme 548 and 86 candidates are admitted from Sindh province respectively.

A Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was conducted for BS Environmental Science degree program on April 25, 2024. Prof. Dr. Kamran Ansari, Director, U.S. Pakistan Center for Advanced Studies in Water, Mehran University of Engineering & Technology, Jamshoro, along with other faculty members of the ES department received the guest, Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC.

Prior to seminar a meeting was held in the Conference Room with Director and faculty members of ES department. After the recitation of Holy Quran and introduction, Prof. Dr. Kamran Ansari briefed about the university and an overview of the ES department. After this meeting, all delegates moved to Hall/Theatre where ES students and faculty were present. The guest speaker Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC delivered his talk on "Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education". The main objective of this talk was to explain the overall process of accreditation and its significance in maintaining the quality of education. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar introduced the NAEAC, explained the evaluation criteria of accreditation process which comprised of 8 criteria and 73 subcriteria in detail. He also highlighted the impact of accreditation on quality improvement employing the accreditation data of last 14 years. After presentation questions raised by the participants were discussed in length to their satisfaction.

The seminar was attended by Director, faculty members and ES department students of Mehran University of Engineering & Technology, Jamshoro. Prof. Dr. Kamran Ansari, Director, U.S. Pakistan Center for Advanced Studies in Water, Mehran University of Engineering & Technology, Jamshoro thanked the honorable guests and assured to fulfill the accreditation requirements of NAEAC in compliance with quality standards.

