

Accreditation and Pre-accreditation/Zero visit at The Islamia University of Bahawalpur

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The Islamia University of Bahawalpur (IUB) is a public sector university in Bahawalpur, Pakistan, which was originally established by His Highness Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi - as the Jamia Abbasia in 1925. Jamia Abbasia was upgraded as Jamia Islamia in 1963. The Jamia Islamia was converted into a Chartered University as “The Islamia University of Bahawalpur” in 1975 by the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab under “The Islamia University of Bahawalpur Act 1975”. The university currently has more than 1,800 faculty members serving full-time and part-time, which includes 550 PhDs. There are 126 teaching departments in 13 faculties offering almost 300 disciplines, providing latest educational facilities for more than 50,000 students at main campus.

Seven Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener, Dr. Unsar Naeem Ullah, Institute of Plant Protection, MNS-University of Agriculture, Multan, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Riaz, Department of Food Safety & Quality Management, BZU, Multan, Prof. Dr. Sobia Chohan, Department of Plant Pathology, BZU, Multan, Prof. Dr. Zahir Ahmad Zahir, Institute of Soil & Environmental Sciences, UAF, Prof (Retd). Dr. Muhammad Younas, Ex-Dean, Faculty of Animal Husbandry, UAF, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Arif Ali, Department of Soil Science, BZU, Multan and Prof. Dr. Saeed Akhtar, Institute of Food Science & Nutrition, BZU, Multan as members conducted accreditation visit of Soil Science, Entomology, Food Science & Plant Pathology and Pre-Accreditation/Zero visit of Animal Sciences, Environmental Science and Human Nutrition & Dietetics degree programs at IUB.

Prof. Dr. Moazzam Jamil, Registrar, IUB received and welcomed the guests. After the recitation of Holy Quran documentary was played and Prof. Dr. Moazzam Jamil, Registrar highlighted the major accomplishments of the university. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC presented a brief overview of NAEAC activities and achievements made so far. In the inaugural session, Registrar, Director QEC, Chairmen/HoDs of the respective departments were present.

Afterward, AICs moved to relevant departments where detailed presentations and discussions were held. Each HoD briefed respective AIC in detail about working and progress of the department and achievements in terms of student graduation, faculty positions and research projects. AICs also visited respective departmental infrastructure including labs, classrooms, library and faculty offices, livestock/dairy/poultry farms besides camel rearing facility.

In the concluding session the program evaluators informally shared their observations with Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, IUB, registrar and other faculty members. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob thanked NAEAC team for their two day-long deliberations and inspection visit. He committed to implement the recommendations made by the AICs in order to increase the bar for admission to higher education and the worth of the graduates produced.

