

## Pre-accreditation/Zero visit at Ghazi University- Dera Ghazi Khan

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The Ghazi University, Dera Ghazi Khan (D.G.Khan) is the gateway to education in the Southern Punjab. The establishment of Ghazi University D.G. Khan is an important milestone in the history of higher education of Pakistan. The university is situated at the center of city near Pull Daat and College Chowk. It was established by Government of Punjab by promulgation of constitutional enactment in 2012 but became functional as a full-fledged university since 11-06-2014. The university has granted affiliation to 25 Colleges within the periphery of D.G. Khan Division where more than 9000 students have got admission. There are four faculties including Faculty of Agricultural Sciences. Ten departments are functional under this faculty.

Five Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener and Prof. (Retd.) Dr. Tanvir Ali, Institute of Agricultural Extension, Education & Rural Development, UAF, Dr. Niaz Ahmed, Department of Soil Science, BZU, Multan, Prof. Dr. Saeed Akhtar, Institute of Food Science & Nutrition, BZU, Multan, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ashfaq, Department of Plant Pathology, MNS- University of Agriculture, Multan and Prof. (Retd.) Dr. Hafeez Ahmad Sadaqat, Department of Plant Breeding & Genetics, UAF as members conducted Pre-Accreditation/Zero visit of Agricultural Extension, Environmental Science, Food Science & Technology, Plant Pathology and Seed Science & Technology at Ghazi University, Dera Ghazi Khan.

Dr. Faisal Hussain, Director, Quality Enhancement Cell (QEC), Ghazi University, D.G. Khan and Chairmen of all respective departments received and welcomed the guests. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Kamran, Vice Chancellor, Ghazi University, D.G.Khan chaired the inaugural session. After the recitation of Holy Quran, he formally welcomed all evaluators and highlighted the major accomplishments and future plan of the university. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC presented a brief overview of NAEAC activities and achievements made so far. During the inaugural session, Dr. Sagheer Atta, Director ORIC, Dr. Faisal Hussain, Director QEC, Prof. Dr. Ijaz Rasool Noorka, Chairman, Department of PBG, Dr. Nisar Hussain, Chairman, Department Agricultural Extension, Dr. Safdar Bashir, Chairman, Department of Environmental Sciences, Dr. Tahira Batool Qaisrani, Chairperson, Department of Food Science & Technology and Dr. Ali Baksh, Chairperson, Department of Seed Science & Technology, Ghazi University, D.G.Khan and other faculty members were present.

Later on, AICs moved to relevant departments where detailed presentations and discussions were held. Each HoD briefed respective AIC in detail about working 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, glasshouse, faculty offices, experimental research area and held meeting with students of the department to get an insight of teaching/working environment in the departments. After lunch, two major activities (curriculum review and meeting with individual faculty) were carried out. Each course file was checked for its contents like lecture breakdown, assignments and results. AICs held individual faculty meeting to know the working environment and job satisfaction level.

In the concluding session of the visit the program evaluators shared their observations with Prof. Dr. Muhammad Kamran, VC, Ghazi University, D.G.Khan and other officials including HoDs, Director ORIC, Director QEC, and other faculty members. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Kamran thanked NAEAC team for their day-long deliberations and inspection visit. In order to raise the threshold for education and increase the value of the graduates produced, he promised that the recommendations given by the AICs would be put into action.

