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Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar at Sindh Madressatul Islam University, Karachi

January 04, 2022

Sindh Madressatul Islam University (SMIU) is a chartered public university, duly recognized by the Higher Education Commission (HEC) of Pakistan. It is one of the oldest institutions in South Asia. The Founder of Pakistan, Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah, studied at this institution for about four and a half years from 1887-1892. Its campus is located in the commercial hub of Karachi, near I.I. Chundrigar Road (old McLeod Road) in vicinity of Habib Bank Plaza and MCB Tower. It is spread over more than eight acres of land and comprises some of the most beautiful colonial era buildings designed by architect James Strachan in 1880s. The Sindh Madressatul Islam (SMI) was established in 1885 by the legend Khan Bahadur Hassanally Effendi. The university library has more than fifteen thousand books, some of which are rare ones. The university having 10 departments including department of Environmental Sciences.

On January 04, 2022, a Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was conducted at SMIU, Karachi. Prof. Dr. Mujeebuddin Sahrai Memon, Vice Chancellor, SMIU, Karachi chaired the session. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairman NAEAC was the guest speaker. The proceedings of the seminar started by playing a recorded National Anthem, followed by recitation of Holy Quran and an overview of the university presented by Prof. Dr. Asif Ali, Dean, SMIU, Karachi. Dr. Imran Ali, Chairperson, Department of Environmental Sciences, SMIU, Karachi presented the accomplishments of the department of Environmental Sciences in detail.



Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana speaking on the occasion emphasized, "Quality education and research guarantees bright future for the youth since knowledge economy is the new mantra of success in the world today to achieve progress and development goals. Competent and dedicated teachers play a pivotal role in the intellectual development and promotion of academic potential of the students."

"Environmental issues pose a serious threat in Pakistan. Well-equipped laboratories, scholarships, market and industry-oriented education and research, in addition to fashioning a culture of training workshops and conferences will go a long way in improving the quality of education" Dr. Rajwana added. He also briefed the seminar participants about the working and performance of NAEAC. Students and faculty members of the department of Environmental Sciences attended the seminar.

Prof. Dr. Mujeebuddin Sahrai Memon, Vice Chancellor, SMIU, Karachi uttered gratitude to the guest speaker and accentuated that our hopes for a sustainable future of Pakistan are linked with the young students. He further added that consistent efforts to improve quality of higher education is inevitable to meet the emerging challenges of knowledge economy.





Accreditation Visit of Food Science & Technology at Jinnah University for Women, Karachi

January 06, 2022

Jinnah University for Women (JUW) started its journey in 1985 as Post Graduate College for girls. Later on, in 1998 the college was upgraded as Jinnah University for Women under the umbrella of Anjuman-e-Islamia Trust founded by Al-Haj Moulvi Reyazuddin Ahmed (T.I). The university was established with the vision "To educate mother, to educate the nation". The university comprises of 05 faculties and 34 departments including department of Food Science & Technology. The university has 252 regular teaching faculty with 30 Ph.Ds.

An Accreditation Inspection Committee (AIC) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener and Prof. (Retd). Dr. Saghir Ahmed Sheikh, Institute of Food Science and Technology, Sindh Agriculture University, Tandojam as member was constituted to conduct accreditation visit of Food Science & Technology (FST) at Jinnah University for Women, Karachi.

Ms. Anum Liaquat, Chairperson, department of FST, Jinnah University for Women, Karachi received the guests and Prof. Dr. Naeem Farooqui, Vice Chancellor, JUW, Karachi formally welcomed AIC team and presented a brief overview of university. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson, NAEAC shared the previous AIC visit recommendations of the department beside a brief account on importance and significance of accreditation.



Afterward, AIC visited the FST department where detailed presentation and discussion was held. Ms. Anum Liaquat, Chairperson, Department of FST briefed respective AIC in detail about working of the department and achievements in terms of student graduation, faculty positions and research projects. AIC also visited respective departmental infrastructure and held individual meetings with each faculty member and students of the departments to get an insight of teaching/working environment in the department.

In the concluding session, the program evaluator shared their observations with the Prof. Dr. Naeem Farooqui, Vice Chancellor and other officials. Vice Chancellor, JUW thanked NAEAC team for their day-long deliberations and inspection visit and assured that the recommendations made by AIC would be implemented to raise the standard of education and to improve the skills of the graduates.



Accreditation Visit of Agriculture Degree Programs at Muhammad Nawaz Shareef University of Agriculture (MNSUA), Multan

January 11-14, 2022

MNS-University of Agriculture (MNSUA), Multan is HEC recognized higher education institution that started its academic activities in 2012. The university is located at old Shujabad Road, Multan, neighboring several different wings and formations of Punjab Agriculture Department. The main campus comprises 180 acres of land, where upon initially an Academic Block, Administration Block, Girls and Boys hostels, Guest House and some staff residences were constructed. For carrying out agricultural & allied research activities, the university has established agricultural farms at the main campus. Besides Jalalpur Pirwala 500 acres of land is also allotted to the university. Currently, university has 04 faculties and more than 10 departments.

There were total seven programs (Agronomy, Entomology, Plant Breeding & Genetics, Soil Science, Food Science & Technology (FST), Horticulture and Seed Science & Technology) to be accredited. Keeping in view the logistic arrangement four programs viz-a-viz Agronomy, Entomology, PBG and Soil Science were accredited in first two days (Jan 11-12, 2022) and left were FST, Horticulture and Seed Science & Technology were visited from Jan 13-14, 2022.



Seven Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener and Prof. Dr. Nazim Hussain, Department of Agronomy, Bahauddin Zakariya University (BZU), Multan, Prof. Dr. Azra Yasmeen, Department of Agronomy, BZU, Multan, Prof. (Retd). Dr. Muhammad Aslam, Department of Entomology, BZU, Multan, Prof. Dr. Sarfraz Ali Shad, Department of Entomology, BZU, Multan, Prof. (Retd). Dr. Hafeez Ahmad Sadaqat, Department of PBG, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, Prof. Dr. Ijaz Rasool Noorka, Department of PBG, Ghazi University, Dera Ghazi Khan, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Abid Kharal, Department of Soil Science, BZU, Multan, Dr. Ghulam Hassan Abbasi, Department of Soli & Environmental Science, The Islamia University, Bahawalpur, Dr. Tauseef Sultan, Institute of Food Science and Nutrition, BZU, Multan, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akbar Anjum, Department of Horticulture, BZU, Multan and Dr. Shaghef Ejaz, Department of Horticulture, BZU, Multan as members to conduct accreditation visit of relevant departments at MNSUA, Multan.

Prof. Dr. Shafqat Saaed, Dean, Faculty of Agriculture & Environmental Science, MNSUA, Multan, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Hammad Nadeem Tahir, Director QEC, MNSUAM received the guests and Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (T.I.), Vice Chancellor, MNS University of Agriculture, Multan welcomed NAEAC and AIC team and started the session with recitation of Holy Quran. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson, NAEAC shared the previous AIC visit recommendations of the relevant departments beside a brief account on importance and significance of accreditation.





Later on, AICs visited the relevant departments where detailed presentations and discussions were held. Each HoD briefed respective AIC in detail about the department working and achievements in terms of student enrolled, faculty strength, teaching load under execution and number of research projects. AICs also visited respective departmental labs, classrooms, library, glasshouse, faculty offices, experimental research area and held individual meetings with each faculty member to know the level of satisfaction and students of the departments to get an insight of teaching/working environment in the departments.

In the concluding sessions held on 12 January and 14 January 2022, the program evaluators shared their observations with the Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (T.I.), Vice Chancellor and other officials. Vice Chancellor, MNSUAM thanked NAEAC team for their deliberations and inspection visit and he assured that the recommendations made by AICs would be implemented for the uplift of education standard and augment the market value of the graduates produced.



Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar at University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences- (UVAS) Lahore

January 27, 2022

The University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences (UVAS), Lahore is positioned among top ten Universities of Pakistan. Originally established as a school in 1882 and transformed into a College at the end of nineteenth century. Realizing the importance of livestock and poultry sectors in the economy of the Pakistan and growing need of human resource and research work in veterinary & animal sciences and allied fields, this historic institution was upgraded as university in 2002. Presently, UVAS comprises of 23 departments in five faculties, four institutes and two constituent colleges along with seven affiliated institutes at Attock, Rawalpindi, Shiekhupura, Okara, Lahore, Narowal and Sahiwal. This institution has a marvelous history of 140 years of excellence.

A Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was conducted at UVAS, Lahore. Prof. Dr. Naseem Ahmed, Vice Chancellor, UVAS, Lahore chaired the session. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC was the guest speaker. The proceedings started with the recitation of Holy Quran. A video of 4.5 minutes was played describing briefly the achievements of UVAS in last two decades. The current major achievements include the establishment of biosafety level 3 lab at UVAS where corona test referred by Punjab Health Department are carried out (> 600,000).



Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC delivered a talk on awareness regarding quality assurance and accreditation. He explained in details the accreditation process/system and how NAEAC use seven major criteria with 90 substandards to award a rating (W, X, Y and Z) to a degree program. Question answer session was held to clarify the entire accreditation system.



The seminar was attended by VC, Director QEC, Dean Faculty of Sciences and HoDs of relevant departments and other faculty members. Eleven faculty members participated on-line from Pattoki campus. Chairperson, Dairy Technology also participated in person. After seminar, Secretary visited the infrastructure of Environmental Sciences & Human Nutrition & Dietetics departments. The labs of respective department were equipped with modern equipment, the departments of Fisheries & Aquaculture, Poultry Science and Dairy Techonology are at Pattoki Campus.



In exit meeting Prof. Dr. Naseem Ahmed, Vice Chancellor, UVAS, Lahore uttered gratitude to the guest speaker and accentuated that our hopes for a sustainable future of Pakistan are linked with the young students. He instructed the HoDs to complete required documents within few weeks and submit to NAEAC for further process.





Zero/Pre-Accreditation Visit of Agronomy, Entomology, Soil Science and Forestry-The University of Agriculture, Dera Ismail Khan

February 16, 2022

The University of Agriculture (UAD), Dera Ismail Khan is a newly established university, chartered by the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Provincial Assembly on March 2018 and recognized by HEC Pakistan. The university started its academic activities in Fall-2019. The Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has allocated Rs.1000 million for the development work of the university. The university contains 10 faculties including Faculty of Agriculture and more than 30 departments.

Four Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener, Prof. Dr. Nazim Hussain, Department of Agronomy, Bahauddin Zakariya University (BZU), Multan, Prof. Dr. Sarfraz Ali Shad, Department of Entomology, BZU, Multan, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zubair, Department of Forestry & Range Management, BZU, Multan and Dr. Niaz Ahmed, Department of Soil Science, BZU, Multan as members conducted Zero/Pre-Accreditation visit of the Agronomy, Entomology, Soil Science and Forestry department of UAD.



Mr. Fakhar ud Din, Registrar, UAD received the guests. Prof. Dr. Masroor Ellahi Babar (Tamgh-e-Imtiaz), Vice Chancellor, UAD formally welcomed NAEAC and AIC team. Prof. Dr. Masroor Ellahi Babar chaired the inaugural session, the proceeding started with the recitation of Holy Quran. The VC presented the salient achievements and difficulties faced by the university. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson, NAEAC skipped the overview of NAEAC due to shortage of time.

Afterwards, AICs visited the respective departments where detailed presentation and discussion were held. HoDs of each department briefed AIC in detail about the department working and achievements in terms of student's enrolled, faculty composition and research projects executed in last 2-3 years. AICs also visited the departmental labs, classrooms, library, glasshouse, faculty offices, experimental research area and held individual meetings with echo faculty member to know the level of satisfaction. Subject experts also held individual meetings with students to get an insight teaching/working environment in the departments. In the exit meeting, program evaluators shared their observations with the Vice Chancellor and other officials. Prof. Dr. Masroor Ellahi Babar (Tamgh-e-Imtiaz), Vice Chancellor thanked NAEAC team and assured that the recommendations made by AICs would be implemented to raise the standard of education and to improve the skills of the graduates produced.



Accreditation visit of Horticulture and Zero/Pre-Accreditation Visit of Poultry Science, Animal Sciences and Wildlife Management- Gomal University, Dera Ismail Khan

February 17-18, 2022

The Gomal University is a public university in Dera Ismail Khan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan. It was established in 1974. It is the second oldest university of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and occupies one of the largest campuses in the province. It was founded by the Prime Minister of Pakistan, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto who laid the establishment of Gomal University in D. I. Khan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. The Gomal University comprises of 3 Campuses, 7 Faculties, 10 Constituent Colleges, 20 Departments and 50+ affiliated colleges.

Four Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener, Prof. (Retd.) Dr. Noor-ul-Amin, Department of Horticulture, The University of Agriculture, Peshawar (UAP), Dr. Muhammad Sajid, Department of Horticulture, UAP, Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary, NAEAC, Dr. Nasir Mukhtar, Department of Poultry Sciences, PMAS Arid Agriculture University, Rawalpindi and Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zubair, Department of Forestry & Range Management, Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan as members conducted Accreditation visit of Horticulture and Zero/Pre-Accreditation visit of the Poultry Science, Animal Sciences and Wildlife Management department of Gomal University, Dera Ismail Khan.



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Saleem Jilani, Dean/Chairman, Department of Horticulture, Dr. Faiqah Ramzan, HoD/Assistant to Dean, Faculty of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Gomal University, Dera Ismail Khan (D.I.Khan) and Dr. Shakeeb Ullah, Coordinator, Gomal University, D.I.Khan received the guests. Prof. Dr. Iftikhar Ahmad (Tamgh-e-Imtiaz), Vice Chancellor, Gomal University, Dera Ismail Khan formally welcomed NAEAC and AIC team. Prof. Dr. Iftikhar Ahmad chaired the inaugural session, proceeding started with the recitation of Holy Quran and presented the salient achievements of the university. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson, NAEAC presented a brief overview of NAEAC functions and activities including the highlights of actionable recommendations of previous visit.

Afterwards, AIC visited the related departments where detailed presentation and discussion were held. HoDs of each department briefed AIC in detail about the department working and achievements in terms of student's graduation, faculty positions and research projects being executed by the faculty. AICs also visited the departmental labs, classrooms, library, faculty offices, experimental research area (Poultry/Animal Sheds) and held individual meetings with each faculty member to know the level of satisfaction. Subject experts also held individual meetings with students to get an insight teaching/working environment in the departments.

In the concluding sessions, subject experts shared their observations with the Vice Chancellor and other officials. Prof. Dr. Iftikhar Ahmad (Tamgh-e-Imtiaz), Vice Chancellor thanked NAEAC team for their two day-long deliberation and assured that the recommendations made by AICs would be implemented to raise the standard of education and to improve the skills of the graduates.





Accreditation visit of Food Science & Technology (FST), Zero/Pre-Accreditation Visit of Agronomy, Entomology and Horticulture and Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar (Environmental Sciences and Human Nutrition & Dietetics at KFUEIT- Rahim Yar Khan

February 21-22, 2022

The establishment of the Khwaja Fareed University of Engineering & Information Technology (KFUEIT), Rahim Yar Khan in 2014 a blessing for Southern Punjab, Northern Sindh and North Eastern Balochistan. KFUEIT, Rahim Yar Khan started its journey with merely 4 rooms, 5 faculty members and admission intake in 4 degree programs. It is named after the famous Sufi poet Khwaja Ghulam Fareed. This is state of the art campus spread over 275 acres equipped with all modern facilities. There are 600 employees including 200 teaching faculty members. KFUEIT has been able to reverse the flight of capital of around 2 billion per annum from local economy of this region. After the admissions of fall 2019, KFUEIT will register its name in leading universities of country by growing to 16 departments, 94 degree programs, over 100 PhD qualified faculty members and crossing milestone of 10,000 students.

Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Umair Arshad, Institute of Home and Food Sciences, Govt. College University, Faisalabad, Prof. Dr. Shakeel Ahmad, Department of Agronomy, Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan, Dr. Muhammad Arshad, Department of Entomology, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad and Dr. Basharat Ali Saleem, Horticulture Officer, Department of Agriculture, Sargodha as members conducted Accreditation visit of Food Science & Technology (FST) and Zero/Pre-Accreditation visit of Agronomy, Entomology and Horticulture departments of KFUEIT Rahim Yar Khan.



Dr. Muhammad Sagir, Registrar, KFUEIT, Rahim Yar Khan, Mr. Shoaib Aziz, Deputy Director QEC, KFUEIT, Rahim Yar Khan, Dr. Adnan Khaliq, Assistant Professor, FST, KFUEIT, Rahim Yar Khan, Dr. Adnan Noor Shah, Coordinator, Agriculture Sciences and all relevant departments chairmen, KFUEIT, Rahim Yar Khan received the guests. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Suleman Tahir, Vice Chancellor, KFUEIT, Rahim Yar Khan welcomed NAEAC and AIC team. Mr. Shoaib Aziz started the session with the recitation of Holy Quran and Prof. Dr. Muhammad Suleman Tahir, Vice Chancellor, KFUEIT, Rahim Yar Khan presented the salient achievements of the university. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson, NAEAC presented a brief overview of NAEAC and informed the faculty about the need & importance of accreditation in addition to highlights the previous actionable recommendations.

Afterwards, AICs visited the related departments where detailed presentations and discussions were held. HoDs of each department briefed AIC in detail about the department working and achievements in terms of student's graduation, faculty positions and research projects. AICs also visited the departmental labs, classrooms, library, glasshouse, faculty offices, experimental research area and held individual meetings with faculty members to know the level of satisfaction. Subject experts also held individual meetings with students to get an insight teaching/working environment in the departments.

A Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was also conducted at KFUEIT, Rahim Yar Khan on February 22, 2022. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC was the guest speaker. The proceedings of the seminar started with the recitation of Holy Quran. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana speaking on the occasion emphasized, "Quality education and research guarantees bright future for the youth since knowledge economy is the new mantra of success in the world today to achieve progress and development goals. Competent and dedicated teachers play a pivotal role in the intellectual development and promotion of academic potential of the students". He also briefed the seminar participants about the working and performance of NAEAC. Students and faculty members of the department of Environmental Sciences and Human Nutrition & Dietetics attended the seminar.

In the exit meeting, program evaluators/experts shared their observations with the Vice Chancellor and other officials. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Suleman Tahir, Vice Chancellor thanked NAEAC team for their two days long deliberation and assured that the recommendations made by AICs would be implemented to raise the standard of education and to improve the skills of the graduates.



Accreditation visit of Food Science & Nutrition and Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar (Human Nutrition & Dietetics) at GCUF- Layyah Campus

February 24, 2022

GC University Layyah Campus was established in 2012 under Public/Private Partnership between GC University Faisalabad and Al-Abbas Bhatti Trust. Initially, 28 disciplines were allowed to start at layyah campus. Distance learning program was started at layyah campus in 2013 with 17 disciplines. Currently, there are 29 disciplines, one 5 year program (DPT), 3 technology programs (Mechanical, Civil and Electrical Engineering), 6 associate degree programs, 8 MSs programs and 11 BS programs. Department of Food Science was started at GCUF Layyah Campus in 2012, Initially B.Sc. (Hons.) in Food Science & Technology discipline was started with the Enrollment of 27 (Male/Female) students.

An Accreditation Inspection Committees (AIC) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener, Prof. (Retd.) Dr. Tahir Zahoor, DG, National Institute of Food Science & Technology, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad as members conducted Accreditation visit of Food Science & Technology (FST) department of Govt. College University Faisalabad (GCUF), Layyah Campus.

Mr. Rai Safdar Abbas Bhatti, Project Director, GCUF, Layyah Campus and Ms. Umama Fatima Iqbal, HoD, Department of Food Science & Technology, GCUF, Layyah welcomed NAEAC and AIC team. Mr. Akhtar Bhatti, Member Board of Management, GCUF Layyah Campus started the session with the recitation of Holy Quran and also presented the salient achievements of the campus. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson, NAEAC presented a brief overview of NAEAC, accreditation process and highlighted the previous actionable recommendations.





Afterwards, AIC visited the FST department where detailed presentation and discussion was held. HoD of Food Science & Technology department briefed AIC in detail the accomplishment in terms of student's graduation, faculty positions and research projects. AIC also visited the departmental labs, classrooms, library, faculty offices, experimental research area. Subject experts also held individual meetings with students to assess students depth of knowledge and guidance provided to students on different aspects. As part of accreditation AIC met individual faculty to know the level of job satisfaction and working environment in the departments.

A Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was also conducted at GCUF, Layyah Campus on February 24, 2022. Prof Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC was the guest speaker. The proceedings of the seminar started with the recitation of Holy Quran. Prof. Dr Ishtiaq Rajwana speaking on the occasion emphasized, "Quality education and research guarantees bright future for the youth since knowledge economy is the new mantra of success in the world today to achieve progress and development goals. Competent and dedicated teachers play a pivotal role in the intellectual development and promotion of academic potential of the students". He also briefed the seminar participants about the working of NAEAC. Students and faculty members of the department of Human Nutrition & Dietetics attended the seminar.

In the exit meeting, program evaluator shared his observations with the Project Director and other officials. Mr. Rai Safdar Abbas Bhatti, Project Director thanked NAEAC team for their day-long deliberation and assured that the recommendations made by AIC would be implemented to raise the standard of education and to improve the skills of the graduates.



Accreditation Visit of Agronomy and Entomology at University of the Punjab, Lahore

March 01-02, 2022

University of the Punjab was formally established by convening the first meeting of its Senate on October 14, 1882. It was first to be established in the sub-continent at Lahore in a muslim majority area. This university has played a leading role in higher education in the country. The university comprises five campuses, 19 Faculties, 10 Constituent Colleges and 137 departments, centers, and institutes. The university also has 658 affiliated colleges. It has 991 full-time/regular and 300 part-time faculty members involved in teaching/research and 49,520 on-campus students. (29,588 Morning, 18,838 Evening and 1,094 Diploma students).



Two Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson, NAEAC as a convener and Prof. Dr. Nazim Hussain, Department of Agronomy, Bahauddin Zakariya University (BZU), Multan, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Razaq, Department of Entomology, BZU, Multan as members were constituted to conduct accreditation visit of Agronomy and Entomology at the University of Punjab, Lahore.

Prof. Dr. M. Saleem Haider, Dean, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, University of the Punjab, Lahore, Dr. Shahbaz Ahmad, Chairman, Department of Entomology, University of the Punjab, Lahore, Dr. Muhammad Bilal Chattha, Chairman, Department of Agronomy, University of the Punjab, Lahore and Dr. Sajid Ali, Assistant Professor, Department of Agronomy, University of the Punjab, Lahore received the guests and Prof. Dr. Niaz Ahmad Akhtar, Vice Chancellor, University of the Punjab, Lahore formally welcomed NAEAC and AIC team. Dr. Shahbaz Ahmad was the stage secretary, he played a beautiful documentary to present a brief overview of the stage and he played a beautiful documentary to present a brief overview of the university. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson, NAEAC shared the previous AIC visit recommendations of the departments beside a brief account on importance and significance of accreditation.



Later on, AICs visited the department of Agronomy and Entomology where detailed presentation and discussions were held. Dr. Shahbaz Ahmad, Chairman, Department of Entomology and Dr. Sajid Ali, Department of Agronomy, University of the Punjab, Lahore 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 and held individual meetings with faculty members and students of the departments to get an insight of teaching/working environment in the department.

In the concluding session, the program evaluators/experts shared their observations with the Prof. Dr. Niaz Ahmad Akhtar, Vice Chancellor and other officials. Vice Chancellor, University of the Punjab, Lahore thanked NAEAC team for their two day-long deliberations and inspection visit and assured that the recommendations made by AICs would be implemented to augment the standard of education and to expand the skills of the graduates.





Accreditation Visit of Agriculture Degree Programs- Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Agricultural College (SZABAC)- Dokri

March 14-15, 2022

Shaheed Z.A.Bhutto Agriculture College is the constituent College of Sindh Agriculture University, Tandojam. It started working in 1991 and so far has produced many graduates in Agriculture. It offers a four year B.Sc. (Hons.) degree in agriculture. The college is situated at Muhrab pur link road. It is at the distance of about 18 Kilometers Northward from Larkana city and 8 kilometers southward from the Dokri. Shaheed Z. A. Bhutto Agricultural College (SZABAC) is the only facility for graduate level education in agriculture in the Northern part of the Sindh province. The students possessing domicile of Sukkur, Jacobabad, Ghotki, Shikharpur, Kamber Shahdadkot, Nausheroferoz and Dadu Districts are entitled to apply for admissions in this college.



Four Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener, Prof. Dr. Nazim Hussain, Department of Agronomy, Bahauddin Zakariya University (BZU), Multan, Dr. Muhammad Nafees, Department of Horticulture, The Islamia University of Bahawalpur, Dr. Waqas Malik, Department of Plant Breeding & Genetics (PBG), BZU, Multan and Dr. Ghulam Hassan Abbasi, Department of Soil & Environmental Science, The Islamia University of Bahawalpur as members constituted to conduct accreditation visit of agriculture degree programs (Agronomy, Horticulture, PBG and Soil Science).

Prof. Dr. Allah Wadhayo Gandahi, Principal, SZABAC, Dokri welcomed NAEAC team and delivered a detailed presentation highlighting the campus milestones and applauded the efforts of NAEAC to ensure the quality of education. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana presented a brief overview of NAEAC activities and informed the faculty about the need & importance of accreditation including the achievements. Then, AICs visited the relevant departments where detailed presentations and discussions were held. Each HoD briefed respective AIC in detail about the department working and achievements in terms of student graduation, faculty positions and research projects. AICs also visited respective departmental labs, classrooms, library, glasshouse, faculty offices, experimental research area and held individual meetings with faculty members to know the level of satisfaction and students of the departments to get an insight of teaching/working environment in the departments.

In the concluding session, the program evaluators shared their observations with the Prof. Dr. Allah Wadhayo Gandahi, Principal, SZABAC, Dokri and other officials. Dr. Gandahi thanked NAEAC team for their two day long deliberations and inspection visit and assured that the recommendations made by AICs would be implemented to raise the standard of education and to improve the skills of the graduates.



Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar at Pir Abdul Qadir Shah Jeelani Institute of Medical Sciences (PAQSJIMS), Gambat Khairpur Mirs

March 15, 2022

PAQSJIMS is a teaching hospital, rated as first the level of a medical center by the Department of Health, Govt. of Sindh. From 1934 to 1980 it was a dispensary having only OPD facilities which in 1980 become Taluka Hospital. By the efforts and devotion of Dr. Rahim Bux Bhatti, Medical Superintendent, in 1997 THQ was declared a MODEL TALUKA HOSPITAL by Michigan State University World Bank. On September 10, 2003 honorable Governor Sindh announced up-gradation Gambat THQ to PIR ABDUL QADIR SHAH JEELANI INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES and gave under administrative control of Sindh Province. In 2005 project was approved to strengthen PAQSJIMS and to start Medical College. PAQSJIMS was finally upgraded to Self Degree Awarding Institute. The act was passed on April 12, 2011. Honorable CM Sindh announced PAQSJIMS as "INDEPENDENT DEGREE AWARDING INSTITUTE". Currently, there are fourteen faculties in the institute.



A Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was conducted at PAQSJIMS, Gambat Khairpur Mirs. Capt. (Retd.) Dr. Rahim Bux Bhatti, Director, PAQSJIMS, Gambat, Khairpur Mirs welcomed Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC. The awareness seminar was started with the recitation of Holy Quran. In the seminar hall, Capt. (Retd.) Dr. Rahim Bux Bhatti, Director, PAQSJIMS, Prof. Dr. Haresh Chand, Principal, Gambat Medical College, Prof. Dr. Abrar Ahmed Shaikh Dean, Academics, Mr. Madad Ali Channa representative of QEC, PAQSJIMS, Dr. Iffat Ara, representative of ORIC, Mr. Rafique Ahmed Tunio Manager HR, Prof. Dr. Anjum Naqvi Controller of Examinations, Prof. Dr. Sikandar Ali Shaikh, Director Admission, Prof. Dr. Abdul Hafeez Dall, Director Student Affairs (Scholarships), Prof. Dr. Allah Bux Ghanghro, HoD and students of Human Nutrition & Dietetics (HND) and other disciplines were present. Prof. Dr. Allah Bux Ghanghro, HoD HND presented an overview of the institute and shared the salient accomplishments of the institute. Dr. Rajwana delivered a speech on importance and need of quality assurance and accreditation. He emphasized that Agriculture and nutrition share a common entry point "food". Food is a key outcome of agriculture activities and a key input into good nutrition for the health and strength of all people. The field of HND is closely connected with food consumption, health services, healthy environment and adequate child caring practices.





He also discussed that many institutions are offering Human Nutrition & Dietetics degree program where large number of students are studying in these institutions. Hence, it is essential to ensure the quality of education and research facilities provided to the students by these institutions. To serve this purpose, NAEAC has been entrusted accreditation of this degree program besides other disciplines under the purview of NAEAC. He described in detail about the external evaluation of degree programs guidelines, quality assurance standards as an essential elements of higher education to promote and safeguard public interest in capacity building, evaluation criteria for academic programs, curriculum design and development, infrastructure and learning resources, student support progression, research and consultancy activities and HND requirements. Dr. Rajwana highlighted the existence of QEC, ORIC and HR departments as well as environment of the institution which are very important in accreditation process.

Capt. (Retd.) Dr. Rahim Bux Bhatti, Director, PAQSJIMS, Gambat, Khairpur Mirs thanked the guest speaker and assured that the institute administration will fulfill the accreditation requirements of NAEAC to maintain the quality of education and increase the market value of their graduates.



Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar at Mirpur University of Science & Technology, Mirpur

March 15, 2022

The Mirpur University of Science and Technology (MUST), Mirpur was established in 2009 by up-grading Mirpur Campus of the University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir (UJK), Muzaffarabad. With the inception of the UJK in 1980, the College of Engineering and Technology, the College of Home Economics and Institute of Islamic Studies were established as its constituent colleges and institute. The university consists of 06 faculties, 03 campuses, 35 departments and 52 affiliated colleges. The university is offering more than 80 BS and MS programs. 1st Session of Human Nutrition and Dietetics (HND) program was started in 2019 and 148 students are currently enrolled in HND.

A Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was conducted at MUST, Mirpur AJK. Prof. Dr. Anwar Khitab, Dean, Faculty of Health & Medical Sciences, Dr. Muhammad Aslam, Chairman, HND, MUST, Dr. Mian M. Zeeshan Javaid, Chairman, Department of Pharmacy, MUST, AJK, received the guests. Prof. Dr. Khizar ul Haq, Registrar, MUST, Dr. Faisal Riaz, Director ORIC, MUST, Mr. Kamran Hameed, Controller of Examinations, MUST were also present in the seminar. Prof. Dr. Anwar Khitab, Dean, Faculty of Health & Medical Sciences chaired the session. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC was the guest speaker. The proceedings started with the recitation of Holy Quran. Dr. Muhammad Aslam gave a comprehensive presentation about MUST and the department of HND.

Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC delivered a talk on the role of accreditation process in quality assurance. Talk mainly comprised on NAEAC history, accomplishments, accreditation process details, standards (07) and substandard (90) used for accreditation process and outcome of accreditation process in terms of rating the programs. During question answer session further clarification was made regarding the time lag between the awareness seminar & zero visit and then accreditation visit. Administration, faculty members and students of HND department attended the seminar.



After the seminar, Prof. Dr. Anwar Khitab, Dean, Faculty of Health & Medical Sciences, MUST, AJK uttered gratitude to the guest speaker and accentuated that our hopes for a sustainable future of Pakistan are linked with the young students. At the end, Council members visited classes, labs, and library in the department of HND and offices of Director QEC, Director ORIC, Director Placement Bureau. The labs and allied facilities were available for students practical work.



Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar at Mirpur University of Science & Technology, Bhimber Campus

March 16, 2022

The Mirpur University of Science and Technology (MUST), Bhimber Campus was established in 2010. Department of BS Poultry Sciences and Animal Sciences were established in 2019 and 1st session of BS Animal Sciences was started in 2020. Currently 33 students are enrolled in BS Animal Sciences.

A Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was conducted at MUST, Bhimber Campus. Engr. Dr. Saadat Hanif Dar, Dean, Faculty of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, MUST, Dr. Abid Hussain, Coordinator, Department of Animal Sciences, MUST Bhimber Campus, received the guests. Dr. Saadat Hanif Dar, Dean, Faculty of Veterinary & Animal Science, MUST, AJK chaired the opening session. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC was the guest speaker. The proceedings started with the recitation of Holy Quran and Naat Sharif. Dr. Abid Hussain, Coordinator, MUST, Bhimber Campus gave a comprehensive presentation about MUST, Bhimber Campus and department of Animal Sciences.

Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC delivered a talk on the role of accreditation process in quality assurance. He explained in detail the process of accreditation besides the NAEAC history, accomplishments, four major and three minor standards. He also emphasized that actual beneficiaries of accreditation are the students and faculty members. During question answer session further clarification



was made regarding the time lag between the awareness seminar & zero visit and then accreditation visit. The seminar was also attended by Dean, Coordinator, Faculty and students of the department of Animal Sciences.



After the seminar, Dr. Saadat Hanif Dar, Dean, Faculty of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, MUST, AJK expressed gratitude to the guest speaker. Prof. Brig (R) Dr. Muhammad Younas Javed (SI), Vice Chancellor, MUST chaired the exit meeting and appreciated the efforts of NAEAC regarding quality education. NAEAC team (Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary, NAEAC and Mr. Malik Arshad, Assistant Director Admin & Finance, NAEAC) also visited the labs, classrooms and other allied facilities in the Faculty of Veterinary and Animal Sciences (FVAS). The Dean, FVAS was trying his best to make the new initiatives as a success story.



Accreditation Visit of Agriculture Degree Programs- SAU Sub-Campus Umerkot

March 16, 2022

Sindh Agriculture University (SAU) Sub-Campus Umerkot is the first constituent sub-campus of SAU, Tandojam. The sub campus initiated its initial functioning in the building of Vocational Training Center (Boys) at Umerkot. Bachelor's degree program is offered in various disciplines of agriculture to impart education to the students coming from all over Sindh. The major beneficiaries are people living in Mirpurkhas, Umerkot, Tharparkar and Sanghar districts as large number of seats are allocated for these districts. The graduates of this campus after receiving degrees shall serve in various fields related to agriculture in public and private sectors.

Three Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener, Prof. Dr. Shakeel Ahmad, Department of Agronomy, Bahauddin Zakariya University (BZU), Multan, Dr. Muhammad Arshad, Department of Entomology, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad and Prof. Dr. Muhammad Abid, Department Soil Science, BZU, Multan as members constituted to conduct accreditation visit of agriculture degree programs (Agronomy, Plant Protection and Soil Science).



Prof. Dr. Jan Muhammad Mari, Campus Director, SAU Sub-Campus, Umerkot welcomed NAEAC team and delivered a detailed presentation highlighting the campus milestones and applauded the efforts of NAEAC to ensure the quality of education. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana presented a brief overview of NAEAC activities and informed the faculty about the need & importance of accreditation including the achievements and shared previous AIC recommendations.





After that, AICs visited the relevant departments where detailed presentations and discussions were held. Each HoD briefed respective AIC in detail about the department working and achievements in terms of student graduation, faculty positions and research projects. AICs also visited respective departmental labs, classrooms, library, glasshouse, faculty offices, experimental research area and held individual meetings with faculty members to know the level of satisfaction and students of the departments to get an insight of teaching/working environment in the departments.



In the concluding session, the program evaluators shared their observations with the Prof. Dr. Jan Muhammad Mari, Campus Director, SAU Sub-Campus, Umerkot and other officials. Dr. Mari thanked NAEAC team for their day-long deliberations and assured that the recommendations made by AICs would be implemented to raise the standard of education and to improve the skills of the graduates.



Accreditation Visit of Agriculture Degree Programs- Sindh Agriculture University (SAU) Tandojam

March 17-18, 2022

After the commissioning of the Sukkur Barrage in 1932, the need for an institution of agricultural education exclusively for Sindh was felt exigent. Thus, an Agriculture College associated with Agriculture Research Institute was established at Sakrand in District Nawabshah in 1939-40, and named as the King George-V Institute of Agriculture. With the advent of Kotri barrage in 1955, the Government of Sindh under a comprehensive plan shifted the college to Tando Jam with added facilities of land, buildings and staff which was later evolved as Agriculture University in 1977. Currently, there are 05 faculties, 03 campuses, 02 institutes and more than 30 departments.

Seven Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener, Prof. Dr. Shakeel Ahmad, Department of Agronomy, Bahauddin Zakariya University (BZU), Multan, Dr. Waqas Malik, Department of PBG, BZU, Multan, Prof. Dr. Nazim Hussain, Department of Agronomy, BZU, Multan, Dr. Shahina Naz, Department of Food Science & Technology, University of Karachi, Dr. Ghufuran, Department of Food Science & Technology, University of Karachi, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akbar Anjum, Department of Horticulture, BZU, Multan, Prof. Dr. Zulfiqar Ali, Institute of Plant Breeding & Biotechnology, MNS University of Agriculture, Multan and Prof. Dr. Muhammad Abid, Department of Soil Science, BZU, Multan as members constituted to conduct accreditation visit of Agriculture Degree Programs (Agronomy, Biotechnology, Crop Physiology, Food Science & Technology, Horticulture, Plant Breeding & Genetics and Soil Science).



Prof. Dr. Qamar Uddin Chachar, Dean, Faculty of Crop Production, SAU, Tandojam, Engineer Riasat Ali Kubar, Director QEC, SAU, Tandojam and other faculty members welcomed NAEAC and AICs team. Dr. Qamar Uddin Chachar presented a brief overview of the university and he further explained that the university has modernized its departments and laboratories in a short period while 191 faculty members of the university have PhD from national and international universities and recognized the efforts of NAEAC to ensure the quality of education. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson, NAEAC shared the previous AICs visit recommendations of the departments beside a brief account on importance and significance of accreditation.





After that, AICs visited the relevant departments where detailed presentations and discussions were held. Each HoD briefed respective AIC in detail about the department working and achievements in terms of student graduation, faculty positions and research projects. AICs also visited respective departmental labs, classrooms, library, glasshouse, faculty offices, experimental research area and held individual meetings with faculty members to know the level of satisfaction and students of the departments to get an insight of teaching/working environment in the departments.

In the concluding session, the program evaluators shared their observations with the Prof. Dr. Qamar Uddin Chachar, Dean, Faculty of Crop Production, SAU, Tandojam and other officials. Dr. Chachar thanked NAEAC team for their two day-long deliberations and inspection visit and assured that the recommendations made by AICs would be implemented to raise the standard of education and to improve the skills of the graduates.

National Agriculture Education Accreditation Council (NAEAC) Board Meeting held at Mural Hall HEC, Islamabad

March 25, 2022

The 18th Board Meeting of National Agriculture Education Accreditation Council (NAEAC) was held on March 25, 2022 in Mural Hall, Higher Education Commission (HEC), H-9 Islamabad. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC, chaired the meeting and welcomed in person and online participants. Chair briefed the members about achievements of NAEAC since 2008. The main activities included accreditation of twenty four disciplines related to agriculture and allied sciences degree programs. The Chairperson highlighted different challenges faced by the council which include financial sustainability of NAEAC, mushroom growth of agriculture & allied sciences HEIs and increase in number of admissions in these HEIs, initiation of new degree programs without having proper faculty and infrastructure besides compromised student teacher ratios, limited practical training/visits, improper functioning of QEC's and ORIC's in some HEIs. He emphasized that accreditation data over a period of 14 years exhibits a positive improvement in rating category (W, X, Y and Z) however a general feeling of deteriorating in quality of graduates produced over the period of time being complained by the recruiting agencies. After the brain storming on major issues faced by the agriculture and allied sciences to produce skilful graduates in different disciplines. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC presented the agenda items to honorable members who approved all agenda items after thorough discussions. Talking on the occasion Engr. Muhammad Raza Chohan, Advisor Academics and Accreditation, Higher Education Commission, Islamabad assured the full support for revising the curriculum of six new emerging subjects before the end of current fiscal year.





Accreditation Visit of Food Science & Technology at University of Central Punjab, Lahore

March 29, 2022

The charter to establish the University of Central Punjab (UCP) was awarded in April 2002, attaining the distinction of becoming the first private sector university in Punjab which acquired the status of a degree awarding institution (DAI). The university comprises of 10 faculties.

An Accreditation Inspection Committee (AIC) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener and Prof. Dr. Anwaar Ahmad, Institute of Food & Nutritional Sciences, PMAS Arid Agriculture University, Rawalpindi as member constituted to conduct accreditation visit of agriculture & allied degree program Food Science & Technology (FST).



Dr. Nissar Ikram, Pro-Rector, UCP, Lahore, Dr. Athar Mansoor, Director ORIC, UCP, Lahore, Ms. Mehr Jabeen Agha, Director QEC, UCP, Lahore, Mr. Raheel Anjum Bhatti, Registrar & Controller of Examination, UCP, Lahore, Dr. Javed Iqbal, Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences, UCP, Lahore and Mr. Rana Salman Talat, Media Manager, UCP, Lahore welcomed NAEAC and AIC team. Mr. Rana Salman Talat, Media Manager, UCP, Lahore presented a brief overview of the university. After an overview of the university a documentary was played regarding different facilities provided by the university to the students. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson, NAEAC presented a brief overview of NAEAC and importance & significance of accreditation. Dr. Raza Hussain, HoD, Department of FST briefed to AIC in detailed presentation about working of the department and achievements in terms of student graduation, faculty positions and research projects.





Afterwards, AIC visited respective departmental infrastructure and held individual meetings with faculty members and students of the departments to get an insight of teaching/working environment in the department.

In the concluding session, the program evaluator and Chairperson, NAEAC shared their observations with Dr. Nissar Ikram, Pro-Rector, UCP, Lahore and other officials. Dr. Nissar Ikram thanked NAEAC team for their deliberations and inspection visit and assured that the recommendations made by AIC would be implemented to raise the standard of education and to improve the skills of the graduates.



Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar at Minhaj University, Lahore

March 30, 2022

Minhaj University Lahore was founded in 1986 by Shaykh-ul-Islam Prof. Dr Muhammad Tahir-ul-Qadri, patron-in-chief of Minhaj ul Quran International. It is located in a significant place, easily approachable from all the main areas of the city. Its campuses are situated at Township & Model Town. Degree awarding status was granted by Govt. of the Punjab vide Act No: XII of 2005. The Higher Education Commission of Pakistan has also recognized Minhaj University, as 'W3' category. It comprises of nine faculties including Allied Health Sciences.



A Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was conducted at Minhaj University, Lahore (MUL). Dr. Uswa Hameed, Acting HoD, Department of Human Nutrition & Dietetics (HND), MUL and Dr. Jawad, HoD, Food Science & Technology (FST), MUL welcomed Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC. Dr. Rajwana held a meeting with Dr. Sajid Mahmood Shahzad, Vice Chancellor, MUL to discuss various aspects of applied research and mutual interest. The awareness seminar was started with the recitation of Holy Quran followed by Naat Sharif. Dr. Khurram Shahzad, Registrar, MUL presented an overview of the institute and shared the salient accomplishments of the university. Awareness seminar was attended by Vice Chancellor, Registrar, Director QEC, Director ORIC, Dean and Acting HoD, Minhaj University Lahore. Dr. Rajwana delivered a speech on importance and need of quality assurance and accreditation. He emphasized "Agriculture and nutrition share a common entry point "food". Food is a key outcome of agriculture activities and a key input into good nutrition for the health and strength of all people. The field of HND is closely connected with food consumption, health services, healthy environment and adequate child caring practices".



Further he pointed out that many institutions are offering Human Nutrition & Dietetics degree program where large number of students are studying in these institutions. Hence, it is essential to ensure the quality of education and research facilities provided to the students by these institutions. NAEAC has been entrusted by HEC to accredit of this degree program besides other disciplines under the purview of NAEAC. He described in detail the process of accreditation and its role in standardizing the agriculture and allied education across the country. He also highlighted the four major and three minor criteria in addition to different steps involved in the accreditation process.



Accreditation certificate was awarded to HoD of Food Science & Technology degree program evaluated last year. Students and faculty members of the department of HND attended the seminar. Dr. Sajid Mahmood Shahzad, Vice Chancellor, MUL thanked the guest speaker and assured that the institute administration will fulfill the accreditation requirements of NAEAC to maintain the quality of education and increase the market value of their graduates.