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August 7, 2021

Islamic International Institute of Sciences (IIIS), a private institute affiliated with Govt. College University, Faisalabad was established in 2018 at Multan. Following 2025 vision of Higher Education in Pakistan, several DAI's initiated HND degree program. In 2019 NAEAC was mandated to include HND in the purview of NAEAC as its close relationship with agriculture and food production/consumption.





A Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was conducted on August 7, 2021 in IIIS, Multan. Dr. Shaukat Hussain, Director, IIIS welcomed Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC. The awareness seminar was started with the recitation of few verses from the Holy Quran. Dr. Aqsa Afzal, Principal IIIS, gave overview of the institute and shared salient accomplishments of the institute. Dr. Rajwana delivered a comprehensive talk on importance and need of quality assurance and accreditation. Many institutions are offering agriculture-related degree programs 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 was formed by HEC in 2005 which started its functioning in 2008 for accreditation of agriculture degree programs. Chairperson NAEAC described in detail the process of accreditation and its role in standardizing the agriculture education across the country. He also highlighted the four major and three minor criteria considered in the accreditation process.





Good number of students and faculty members of the department of Human Nutrition & Dietetics attended the seminar. Dr. Shaukat Hussain thanked the guest speaker and assured that the institute will fulfill the accreditation requirements to maintain the quality of education and increase the market value of graduates produced.

17th Board Meeting of National Agriculture Education Accreditation Council (NAEAC)

August 23, 2021



17th Board Meeting of National Agriculture Education Accreditation Council (NAEAC) was held on August 23, 2021 in Lecture Hall, Higher Education Commission (HEC), Islamabad and convened by Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC. After recitation from the Holy Quran chairperson appreciated the honourable members for sparing precious time and warmly welcomed all new members especially Prof. Dr. Fauzia Yousaf, Vice Chairperson NAEAC. Later chair appreciated the efforts and services rendered by Ex-Vice Chairperson late Prof. Dr. Nadeem Abbassi for the growth and progress of NAEAC and requested the honourable members to offer Fatiha. Afterwards Chairperson NAEAC presented the accomplishments of the council during last financial year with future vision to upgrade and revitalize its working. He accentuated major challenges of financial sustainability of council and presented a plan for improving council financial health. Up-gradation of evaluation tool kit is another milestone that has been taken up together with enhancement of evaluator pool especially for the new programs and hand holding of emerging HEIs to improve standard of education being dispensed. He announced that the council is going to issue first ever Professional Agriculturist Registration Card and Agricultural Graduate Registration System is also in progress. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Council Secretary presented the regular agenda items in a phased manner. Council members appreciated efforts made by Secretariat and approved the minutes of 16th meeting, accreditation rating of different programs of various institutions awarded in year 2019-20 and granted approval for annual work plan and budget of 2021-22. The new subjects including Dairy Sciences, Nutritional Sciences, Nutrition & Dietetics, and Wildlife Management were also approved to be accredited by NAEAC. It was also decided that a comprehensive investment plan for council funds would be made and presented in next meeting. NAEAC also planned to adopt environment friendly paperless

digital accreditation process which will reduce the time of reporting and improve quality of accreditation system. For this purpose Accreditation Automation System (AAS) is being developed and will be ready for implementation at the end of this year. During meeting new transfigured website was inaugurated and launched which is dynamic and user friendly.



In the concluding remarks chair reiterated the support provided by council members and appreciated the online participants as well





Accreditation Visit - University of Swat (UoSwat)

September 20, 2021



University of Swat, a public sector university, was established in 2010. The main campus of the university is situated in Charbagh, 13 km away from the main city Mingora, Swat District, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan. This university was established for providing higher education to the people of Swat Valley specifically and the entire province generally. University of Swat has 02 subcampuses, Shangla and Women Campus, 6 faculties, 35 degree programs including forestry, 132 academic staff and more than 6,000 enrolled students.

An Accreditation Inspection Committee (AIC) comprising of Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC as a convener and Dr. Mamoona Wali Muhammad, Director Forest Education, Pakistan Forest Institute, Peshawar as member conducted accreditation visit of Forestry degree program at UoSwat.



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Jamal Khan, Vice Chancellor (VC) greeted the NAEAC team. VC presented the salient accomplishments of the university with mission and vision. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC presented a brief overview of NAEAC activities and shared the value and consequence of accreditation with all present academic, administration and other relevant personnels.

In a while, AIC visited the forestry department where detailed presentation and discussions were held. Dr. Fazli Rabbi, HoD of forestry department briefed the AIC in detail about the department working and achievements in terms of students graduation, faculty positions and research projects. AIC also visited departmental

labs, classrooms, library, faculty offices, experimental research area and held individual meeting with faculty members to know the level of satisfaction and students of the department to get an insight pertaining to teaching environment in the department.

In the exit meeting, committee members shared their remarks with the Vice Chancellor and other officials. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Jamal Khan thanked NAEAC team for their day-long discussions and inspection visit. He assured that the recommendations of AIC would be implemented for the raise of education standard and augment the market value of the graduates produced from this university.

Accreditation Visit of Karakoram International University, Gilgit

September 22-23, 2021

Karakoram International University was inaugurated in 2002 in Gilgit by General Pervez Musharraf, the then President of Islamic Republic of Pakistan. In July 2011 its Skardu campus was inaugurated by the then Chief Minister Gilgit Baltistan Syed Mehdi Shah. This campus was later upgraded to an independent University of Baltistan in 2017. At present, the university has four faculties: Faculty of Life Sciences, Faculty of Natural Sciences & Engineering, Faculty of Humanities and Faculty of Social Sciences. Under these faculties, various undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate degree programs are offered and quality graduates are produced.



Three Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC as a convener and Prof. Dr. Masood Sadiq Butt, Dean, Faculty of Food, Nutrition & Home Sciences, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, Dr. Mamoona Wali Muhammad, Director Forest Education, Pakistan Forest Institute, Peshawar and Prof. Dr. Aman Ullah Malik, Director Institute of Horticultural Sciences, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad as members conducted accreditation visit.

Prof. Dr. Atta Ullah Shah, Vice Chancellor, KIU welcomed NAEAC team. He presented the salient achievements of the university including mission and vision. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC presented a brief overview of NAEAC activities and informed the faculty about the significance of accreditation.

Later on AICs visited the relevant departments (Agriculture & Food Technology, Forestry, Human Nutrition & Dietetics and Horticulture) where detailed presentations and discussions were held. Each HoD briefed relevant AIC in detail regarding the department working and attainments in terms of students 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 pertaining to teaching environment in the departments.



In the concluding session, the program evaluators shared their observations with the Vice Chancellor and other officials. Prof. Dr. Atta Ullah Shah thanked NAEAC team for their daylong deliberations and inspection visit. He assured that the recommendations made by AICs would be implemented for the uplift of education standard and increase the market value of the graduates produced.





Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar of Karakoram International University, Gilgit

September 23, 2021

A Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was started with the recitation of few verses from the Holy Quran. Dr. Farida Begum, HoD, Department of Environmental Science presented an overview of the university with especial emphasis on Environmental Science achievements. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar highlighted the importance and need of quality assurance and accreditation. As many institutions are offering agriculture-related degree programs, hence it is crucial to certify the quality of education and research facilities provided to the students by these institutions. He defined in depth the process of accreditation and NAEAC role in standardizing the agriculture education across the country. He also discussed in length seven (four major and three minor) criteria considered in the accreditation process.



Students and faculty members of the department of Environmental Science attended the seminar. Dr. Farida Begum expressed gratitude to the guest speaker and assured that the institute will fulfill the accreditation requirements to maintain the quality of education.



Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar at Comsats University Islamabad Sahiwal Campus

September 28, 2021

COMSATS University Islamabad, Sahiwal campus was formally inaugurated on September 23, 2006. The campus is purpose built and spread over 36 acres. The campus is offering 15 degree programs with total 214 faculty members including 66 PhD and 2972 students are currently enrolled.



Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was organized on September 28, 2021 at Sahiwal campus at COMSATS. On arrival at the campus Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC was warmly welcomed by Dr. Muhammad Ibrahim, HoD of Food Science & Nutrition and Dr. Muhammad Raza, Incharge Academics, Comsats University Sahiwal Campus. The Seminar formally started with the recitation of few verses of Holy Quran. Two talented female students acted as stage secretary and very pleasantly steered the seminar. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar delivered a talk on significance and need of quality assurance and accreditation. As many institutions are offering agriculture-related degree programs where large number of students are studying hence, it is necessary to make sure that the quality of education and research facilities dispensed to the students by these institutions is up to the mark. To carry out accreditation of agriculture degree programs NAEAC is functioning since 2008. He narrated



in detail the accreditation process and its role in systematizing the agriculture education across the country. He sheds light on the four major and three minor criteria on the basis of which accreditation process is carried out.



Students and faculty members of the department of Food Science & Nutrition attended the seminar. Dr. Muhammad Ibrahim thanked the guest speaker and guaranteed that the institute will fulfill the accreditation requirements of NAEAC to sustain the quality of education on priority basis.







Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar at Superior University, Lahore

September 29, 2021

Superior University was established in 2004 with the aim to focus on innovation and excellence in students personal & professional lives. HND was added in academic program in 2017. Currently, there are 13 Faculties including Faculty of Allied Health Sciences. More than 90 undergraduate and 34 graduate degree programs are offered by Superior University, Lahore.



Agriculture and nutrition share a common entry point "food". Food is a key outcome of agriculture actions and a key input into good nutrition. Agriculture provides sufficient food for the health and strength of the nation. The field of Human Nutrition & Dietetics is closely related with food consumption, health services, healthy environment and adequate child caring practices.



A Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was organized on September 29, 2021 at Superior University, Lahore. Dr. Sidra Hasnain, HoD of Human Nutrition & Dietetics, Superior University Lahore received Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC. The awareness seminar started with the recitation of few verses from the Holy Quran. Dr. Sidra gave a brief overview of the institute and shared significant accomplishments. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar delivered a talk on importance and requirements of quality assurance and accreditation. It is necessary to ensure the quality of education and research facilities provided to the students by the institutions. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar elaborated in depth the procedure of accreditation and its role in standardizing the

agriculture education across the country. He also highlighted the four major and three minor criteria considered in the accreditation process.

Students and faculty members of the department of Human Nutrition & Dietetics attended the seminar. Dr. Sidra Hasnain thanked the guest speaker and assured that the institute will fulfill the accreditation requirements to maintain the quality of education.





