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کانفرنس میں جامعہ پنجاب کی فیکلٹی آف اسلامک اسٹڈیز کے ڈین پروفیسر ڈاکٹر حامد لکھوی نے بطور مہمان خصوصی شرکت کی، جبکہ وائس چانسلر جامعہ سرگودھا پروفیسر ڈاکٹر قیصر عباس مہمان اعزاز تھے۔ دیگر معزز شرکاء میں پروفیسر وائس چانسلر پروفیسر ڈاکٹر مسعود سرور اعوان، اسلامیہ یونیورسٹی بہاولپور کی فیکلٹی آف اسلامک اینڈ عربک اسٹڈیز کی ڈین پروفیسر ڈاکٹر راحیلہ خالد قریشی اور معروف مذہبی اسکالر سید ریاض حسین رضوی شامل تھے۔



اپنے خطاب میں پروفیسر ڈاکٹر قیصر عباس نے کہا کہ سیرت طیبہ ﷺ زندگی کے ہر شعبے کے لیے مکمل ضابطہ حیات فراہم کرتی ہے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ موجودہ دور کے سماجی، ثقافتی اور فکری مسائل کے حل، امن کے قیام اور معاشرتی ہم آہنگی کے فروغ کے لیے سیرت النبی ﷺ سے عملی رہنمائی حاصل کرنا گزیر ہے۔

پروفیسر ڈاکٹر حامد لکھوی نے کہا کہ حضور اکرم ﷺ پوری انسانیت کے لیے دائمی رہنمائی کا سرچشمہ بن کر تشریف لائے۔ انہوں نے واضح کیا کہ علم، برداشت، انصاف اور اخلاقی ذمہ داری آپ ﷺ کی فکری میراث کے بنیادی اصول ہیں، جن پر ایک مضبوط، منصفانہ اور پرامن معاشرہ قائم کیا جاسکتا ہے۔

پروفیسر ڈاکٹر راحیلہ خالد قریشی نے کہا کہ نبی کریم ﷺ حقیقی معنوں میں رحمت للعالمین ہیں اور آپ ﷺ کی رحمت و ہدایت رنگ، نسل، ذات اور مذہبی تفریق سے بالاتر ہو کر پوری انسانیت کے لیے ہے۔

سید ریاض حسین رضوی نے حضور اکرم ﷺ کے پیغام کو آفاقی اور ابدی قرار دیتے ہوئے کہا کہ مسلم اُمہ اپنی کھوئی ہوئی عزت، اتحاد اور فکری قوت اسی وقت بحال کر سکتی ہے جب وہ آپ ﷺ کی تعلیمات کو حقیقی روح کے ساتھ اپنی انفرادی اور اجتماعی زندگی میں اپنائے



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UoS Extends Generous Support to Flood-Affected Families

Under the initiative of Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, the University of Sargodha mobilized its faculty, staff and students to support families affected by floods in Southern Punjab. Through a university-wide fundraising effort, PKR 4.5 million was collected and used to provide food items and essential daily supplies to 760 families in Muzaffargarh, Mochiwali and Khan Garh.



UoS to open International Campus in China

The University of Sargodha took a landmark step in international higher education by signing a Letter of Intent with Hainan Leyin Investment Co. Ltd. to establish an offshore international campus in Sanya, Hainan Province, China.

Located on the southern coast of Hainan Island, Sanya is emerging as a hub for international education, healthcare, innovation and cultural exchange. The proposed campus is expected to promote joint academic programmes, collaborative research, faculty and student mobility, and professional training.

UOS STRENGTHENS PAKISTAN'S VOICE AT CAREC & TIANSHAN REGIONAL FORUMS

The Ninth CAREC Think Tank Development Forum opened in Urumqi, bringing together regional experts and policy leaders to deliberate on strengthening collaboration within the CAREC Think Tank Network (CTTN). Vice Chancellor University of Sargodha (UoS), Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, participated in the forum, representing Pakistan as an active member of the CAREC region.

The University of Sargodha extended its appreciation to the organizers for successfully arranging the forum and initiating a critical dialogue on revitalizing the CTTN. During the discussions, UoS reaffirmed its strong commitment to advancing CAREC's mission and enhancing regional cooperation through research, policy engagement, and strategic collaboration.

Sharing its preliminary recommendations, the University proposed the establishment of a structured annual activity calendar featuring quarterly thematic dialogues—virtual or hybrid—focused on key regional priorities such as climate resilience, green financing, digital transformation, food security, and connectivity. UoS emphasized that regular thematic interactions would enhance knowledge-sharing and deepen policy engagement among member institutions. Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas also highlighted the need for forming specialized working groups dedicated to areas like green economy, trade and transport, human capital development, and digital innovation. Such clusters, it noted, would ensure continuous collaboration and enable focused research on pressing regional issues. Additionally, he stressed the importance of producing joint policy briefs and rapid analytical updates on emerging challenges to increase the visibility, relevance, and impact of the network's collective work.



PAKISTAN DELEGATION PARTICIPATES IN TIANSHAN FORUM FOR CENTRAL ASIA COOPERATION

Federal Minister for Planning, Development & Special Initiatives Prof. Dr. Ahsan Iqbal, Federal Minister for Investment, Mr. Qaiser Ahmad Sheikh and Vice Chancellor University of Sargodha (UoS) Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, participated in the Tianshan Forum for Central Asia Cooperation held in Urumqi, representing Pakistan at this high-level regional platform.

The Tianshan Forum brought together policymakers, academics, investors, and development experts from across the region to deliberate on enhanced connectivity, economic linkages, innovation-led development, and broader regional integration.

Prof. Ahsan Iqbal emphasized the importance of regional collaboration in accelerating trade, investment, digital transformation, and infrastructure development, reaffirming the country's strategic vision of deeper engagement with Central Asia.





UOS PARTNERS WITH TIANJIN XINZHIYOU TECH TO ADVANCE IT & ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

The University of Sargodha has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Tianjin Xinzhiou Tech Co. Ltd., China, to strengthen cooperation in technological innovation, applied research and industry-oriented education.

A key feature of the agreement is the establishment of a joint software house at UoS. The facility is envisioned as a collaborative platform where students, faculty members and technology professionals can work together on research and development projects

in Information Technology and Artificial Intelligence.

The partnership will also introduce advanced training programmes aimed at improving technical knowledge, practical competence and professional readiness. Through exposure to contemporary tools, industrial practices and real-world development environments, UoS students and faculty will be better positioned to respond to the rapidly changing demands of the digital economy.

KEY AREAS OF COOPERATION

- Establishment of a joint software house
- Research and development in IT and AI
- Industry-oriented technical training
- Faculty and student capacity building
- Development of practical digital solutions
- Knowledge exchange and professional mentoring
- Promotion of innovation and entrepreneurship
- Enhanced academic-industry collaboration

UOS TAKES MARITIME TRAINING INITIATIVE FOR PAKISTANI STUDENTS



The University of Sargodha has signed a Letter of Intent with Tianjin Boling Education and Culture Investment Co., Ltd., China, to introduce a Seafarer Training Program designed to provide Pakistani students with international maritime education, professional training and employment opportunities.

The signing ceremony was attended by the Vice Chancellor, Pro Vice Chancellor and senior officials of the University of Sargodha, reflecting the institution's commitment to developing new academic pathways in specialized and internationally relevant fields.

The initiative will be implemented under the China-Pakistan Maritime Silk Road Scholarship. Through this programme, selected UoS students will receive fully funded scholarships and specialized training aligned with the professional requirements of the maritime sector. The programme is also expected to create direct employment pathways in China's maritime industry, enabling graduates to move from training into professional practice.

KEY AREAS OF COOPERATION

- Fully funded scholarships for selected UoS students
- Specialized seafarer and maritime education
- Practical, industry-oriented professional training
- Direct employment pathways in China's maritime sector
- International exposure and cross-cultural learning
- Development of technical, safety and operational skills
- Stronger educational cooperation under the Maritime Silk Road framework



UOS SIGNS LOI TO ESTABLISH INTERNATIONAL CAMPUS AND HOSPITAL IN CHINA

The University of Sargodha has taken an important step toward expanding its international academic presence by signing a Letter of Intent with Hainan Leyin Investment Co. Ltd. for the establishment of an international campus and an international hospital in Sanya, Hainan Province, China.

The initiative is significant for Pakistan's higher education sector, as the University of Sargodha has become the first Pakistani university to formally move toward opening a campus in China. The proposed project reflects the University's growing international outlook and its commitment to developing academic partnerships that connect education, research, healthcare and cultural exchange.

The signing ceremony was attended by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas and senior representatives of Hainan Leyin Investment Co. Ltd. The Chairman of the com

pany welcomed the University delegation and assured institutional support for the development of both the proposed campus and hospital.

Following the signing, the UoS delegation visited the proposed site in Sanya City. The team examined the location, accessibility, surrounding infrastructure and future development potential. The visit enabled the delegation to assess how the site could support academic facilities, healthcare services, research activities and international engagement.

Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Vice Chancellor of University of Sargodha

“The establishment of a University of Sargodha campus in Hainan would mark an important milestone in Pakistan-China educational relations. It reflects the confidence of our international partners in the academic strength and institutional capacity of the University. This initiative will create meaningful opportunities for students, faculty members, researchers and healthcare professionals to learn, collaborate and contribute across borders.”



The Letter of Intent provides an initial framework for continued engagement between the University of Sargodha and Hainan Leyin Investment Co. Ltd. The next phase is expected to involve detailed consultations on academic programmes, infrastructure, governance, healthcare services, legal requirements and implementation arrangements. The process will also require coordination with relevant regulatory and governmental institutions in both countries to ensure that the proposed campus and hospital meet academic, professional and legal standards.



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The signing ceremony was attended by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas and senior representatives of Hainan Leyin

SITE INSPECTION IN SANYA



During the site visit, the University delegation reviewed the proposed land from academic, infrastructural and operational perspectives. Attention was given to accessibility, available facilities, surrounding development and the suitability of the location for long-term institutional growth.

The delegation viewed Sanya as a promising location because of its international environment and growing role in education, innovation, healthcare and cross-cultural

engagement. The inspection represented an important practical step in moving the initiative from institutional intent toward detailed planning.

The initiative builds upon the longstanding friendship between Pakistan and China. While the two countries already cooperate in infrastructure, trade and development, higher education and healthcare provide valuable opportunities for deeper human and institutional connections.





UOS AND NANKAI UNIVERSITY ADVANCE PHARMACEUTICAL RESEARCH PARTNERSHIP

A significant academic dialogue between the University of Sargodha and Nankai University, China, opened new possibilities for cooperation in pharmacy and molecular drug research. The engagement took place during the 2025 Annual Academic Conference of the Tianjin Key Laboratory of Molecular Drug Research, bringing together senior academic leaders and pharmaceutical experts from both institutions.

Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Vice Chancellor University of Sargodha, accompanied by the Pro Vice Chancellor and Dean Faculty of Pharmacy, met with the Dean and faculty members of Nankai University's Faculty of Pharmacy.

The discussion explored practical mechanisms for connecting researchers, students and laboratories through structured academic initiatives under the Belt and Road framework. Both institutions expressed interest in developing joint research facilities, supporting mobility opportunities and undertaking collaborative studies in pharmaceutical sciences. Plans for an international research conference were also discussed to encourage dialogue among scholars, scientists and industry professionals from Pakistan and China.

Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas observed that sustained partnerships with internationally recognized universities can strengthen scientific capability, stimulate innovation and broaden academic exposure. He emphasized that collaborative pharmaceutical research can generate knowledge relevant to emerging healthcare needs.

Nankai University also accepted an invitation to visit the University of Sargodha, creating a pathway for both sides to translate the proposed partnership into workable academic and research programmes.



AREAS OF COOPERATION

- Joint pharmaceutical and molecular drug research
- Establishment of shared research laboratories
- Student exchange and internship programmes
- Faculty and researcher mobility
- Collaborative scientific projects and publications
- International conferences and expert engagement
- Capacity building in advanced pharmaceutical sciences





UOS DELEGATION PARTICIPATES IN INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM AT NANKAI UNIVERSITY, CHINA



A delegation from the University of Sargodha, led by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas and Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Muhammad Usman Minhas, participated in the 3rd International Symposium on Pathogenic Microbial Infection Mechanism, Prevention Strategies, and Drug Innovation and the 2025 Annual Academic Conference of the Tianjin Key Laboratory of Molecular Drug Research, held on December 4, 2025, at Nankai University, China.

The conference brought together researchers, academics, and experts from leading institutions to discuss developments in microbial infection mechanisms, prevention strategies, pharmaceutical sciences, and drug innovation. The participation of the UoS delegation reflected the university's growing focus on international academic engagement and research collaboration.

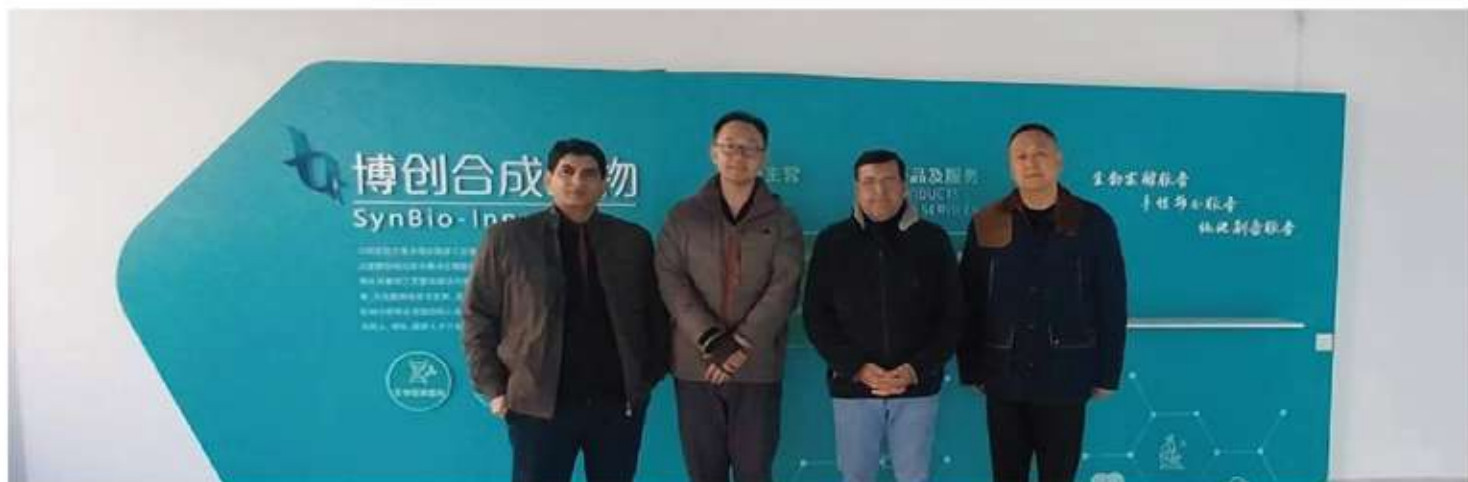
During the symposium, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas delivered a keynote presentation titled "Promoting International Collaborations: Exploring Opportunities for Pak-China Higher Education Institutions." In

his address, he outlined a strategic vision for strengthening academic partnerships between Pakistani and Chinese universities through joint research, faculty exchange, student mobility, and innovation-oriented projects.

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Usman Minhas also delivered a research-focused presentation titled "Pharmaceutical Innovations in the Development of Cross-Linked Polymeric Membrane Composites for Topical Infections." His presentation highlighted research contributions from the UoS Faculty of Pharmacy and discussed innovative approaches in pharmaceutical material development for infection-related healthcare challenges.

The participation provided an opportunity to showcase the University of Sargodha's research capacity at an international platform and engage with Chinese scholars in areas of mutual academic and scientific interest. The visit also supported ongoing efforts to strengthen Pakistan-China cooperation in higher education, pharmaceutical research, and scientific innovation.





UOS EXPLORES RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT COLLABORATION WITH TIANJIN BIO-INNOVATION SYNTHETIC BIOTECH

Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Vice Chancellor of the University of Sargodha, led a high-level delegation to Tianjin Bio-innovation Synthetic Biotech Co. Ltd., a Chinese biotechnology enterprise working in pharmaceutical research, biological product development and advanced industrial applications.

The visit provided the UoS delegation with an opportunity to observe the company's research environment, biotechnology processes and technical facilities. Company representatives briefed the delegation on their current work, future development plans and growing interest in building international partnerships with academic and research institutions.

Discussions focused on the possibility of establishing a research and development collaboration between Tianjin Bio-innovation Synthetic Biotech Co. Ltd. and the University of Sargodha. The proposed partnership may support

joint research, scientific training, academic exchange and practical exposure in areas linked with biotechnology and the biopharmaceutical industry.

The company is currently expanding its international presence and aims to develop into a global industrial demonstration platform for the production of raw materials, specialized equipment and advanced solutions for biopharmaceutical applications. Its work reflects the growing importance of biotechnology in modern healthcare, industrial development and scientific innovation.

For the University of Sargodha, the engagement offered a valuable opportunity to explore how academic expertise can be connected with industry-based research. Such collaboration can help students and researchers understand how laboratory knowledge is translated into real-world processes, products and technologies.

Speaking during the visit, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas invited the company to work with the University of Sargodha in areas that could strengthen research capacity, improve biotechnology-related skills and create meaningful learning opportunities for students, faculty members and young researchers.

The Vice Chancellor also emphasized the importance of hands-on learning in biotechnology education. Exposure to modern laboratories, industrial research systems and professional production environments can enable students to develop not only technical competence but also confidence, creativity and a stronger understanding of scientific responsibility. Potential areas of engagement include biotechnology research, biopharmaceutical development, laboratory training, skills enhancement, faculty and researcher exchange, student internships and the development of industry-informed academic initiatives.





UOS DELEGATION EXPLORES MEDICAL EQUIPMENT COLLABORATION WITH ZIBO HUIJIE MACHINERY

A high level UoS delegation headed by Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Vice Chancellor of the University of Sargodha, visited Zibo Huijie Machinery Co. Ltd. in China to explore opportunities for collaboration in medical technology, scientific equipment and applied research.

During the meeting, the company's Chief Executive Officer expressed willingness to establish a medical equipment manufacturing facility in Pakistan. The proposed initiative carries considerable importance for the country's healthcare and industrial sectors, as local production could improve access to advanced equipment, reduce reliance on imports and support the development of technical expertise within Pakistan.

The company also announced plans to install a Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy machine in Sargodha. The facility is expected to strengthen the region's medical infrastructure by providing access to a specialized treatment technology that is not widely avail-

able in many local healthcare settings. The discussions reflected a shared interest in connecting academic knowledge with industrial capability. Representatives of Zibo Huijie Machinery highlighted the company's research and development capacity, technical experience and commitment to innovation-driven partnerships. They also expressed strong interest in working with Pakistani universities on projects that combine scientific research, practical training and technology development.

Possible areas of cooperation included medical equipment manufacturing, scientific instrumentation, technical skills development, applied research and professional training. These areas are particularly relevant to universities seeking to prepare students and researchers for rapidly changing healthcare and engineering environments.

The proposed joint venture may also create opportunities for faculty members, researchers, engineers and

healthcare professionals to work together on the design, testing and improvement of medical technologies. Such cooperation can help transform research findings into practical solutions that respond directly to the needs of hospitals, laboratories and patients.

Speaking during the visit, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas appreciated the company's willingness to collaborate with Pakistan and emphasized the importance of building partnerships that bring universities and industry closer together.

The visit also highlighted the human value of such cooperation. Beyond machinery and manufacturing, access to better medical technologies can improve diagnosis, treatment and patient care. By encouraging collaboration among universities, industry and healthcare institutions, the proposed partnership may contribute to a more responsive and locally supported healthcare technology ecosystem in Pakistan.





UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND DELEGATION EXPLORES RESEARCH COLLABORATION WITH UOS



A delegation from the University of Queensland, Australia, visited the University of Sargodha to explore new avenues of academic cooperation and review progress on ongoing projects funded by the Australian government.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas welcomed the delegation, which included Dr. Tim Sun, Senior Researcher at the University of Queensland; Dr. Rajindra Adhikari, Project Leader and Professor at the University of Queensland; and Dr. Munawar Raza Kazmi, Country Manager–Pakistan for the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research.



During a meeting with the Vice Chancellor and senior university officials, both sides discussed opportunities for joint research, academic exchange and institutional development. Particular attention was given to strengthening cooperation in research areas linked with agriculture, innovation and sustainable development.



The delegation was also briefed on various projects and programmes being implemented at UoS to enhance research capacity, promote innovation and support evidence-based solutions to emerging challenges. University representatives shared progress on ongoing initiatives and highlighted the role of international partnerships in improving research quality and institutional impact.

Later, the visitors explored different facilities and development projects at the main campus. The visit provided them with an opportunity to observe the University's academic infrastructure, research environment and institutional growth.

The delegation appreciated the initiatives undertaken by the University of Sargodha and acknowledged its commitment to research, innovation and academic excellence. The visitors also expressed gratitude to Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas and his team for their warm hospitality and continued support for international academic collaboration.



UOS OBSERVED THE REPUBLIC DAY OF TURKIYE WITH GREAT ZEAL AND ENTHUSIASM

The University of Sargodha (UoS) observed the Republic Day of Turkiye with a flag hoisting ceremony and seminar to celebrate Turkiye's transformation into a modern democratic republic and to reaffirm the enduring friendship between Pakistan and Turkiye.

The ceremony began with the hoisting of the Turkish national flag by Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan, followed by a special prayer for peace and prosperity in both nations. Addressing the gathering, Prof. Dr. Awan highlighted the historic bond of brotherhood and cooperation between Pakistan and Turkiye, paying tribute to Mustafa Kemal Ataturk for his visionary leadership in shaping modern Turkiye.

He noted that the Republic Day serves as a reminder of how unity, faith, and dedication lead nations toward progress and resilience. The event, organized by the Riaz Shad Co-Curricular Forum, also featured remarks from Dr. Munir Gujjar, who extended warm greetings to the people of Turkiye and expressed optimism about the continued strengthening of bilateral ties.

Moreover, the Institute of Art & Design, University of Sargodha (UoS), also organized an art exhibition to commemorate the Republic Day of Turkiye, celebrating Pak-Turkish friendship and cultural collaboration. The exhibition featured creative artworks by students of Fine Arts and Textile Design, portraying themes of shared heritage, unity, and



modern cooperation between Pakistan and Turkiye.

Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan inaugurated the exhibition and praised the Institute for encouraging cultural understanding through creative education. He emphasized that artistic exchange serves as a bridge to strengthen international relations and promote peace through shared values.

As part of the celebrations, a seminar at University Radio discussed the historical and diplomatic relations between the two nations, featuring speakers from the Departments of History, Pakistan Studies, and Political Science. The ceremony was attended by faculty members, administrative officers, and students, reflecting the university's spirit of international friendship and cultural appreciation.

UOS HOSTS HAJJ, UMRAH AND EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR AWARDS CEREMONY



The University of Sargodha hosted the "Annual Dinner, Hajj & Umrah, and Employee of the Year Award 2025 Ceremony" to recognize the services of its administrative staff from BS 1 to 16.

The ceremony was organized to appreciate the hard work, commitment, and contributions of the university's employees in supporting institutional progress and improving administrative performance.

Vice Chancellor University of Sargodha Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas graced the ceremony, along with distinguished Vice Chancellors from different universities, including Prof. Dr. Zulfiqar Ali, University of Agriculture; Prof. Dr. Ashfaq Ahmad, Ghazi University; Prof. Dr. Aqif Anwar, University of Education Lahore; Prof. Dr. Saeed Ahmed Buzdar, Thal University Bhakkar; Prof. Dr. Rafia Mumtaz, Kohsar University Murree; Prof. Dr. Faheem Aftab, University of Jhang; and Prof. Dr. Muhammad Younas Rana, UVAS Lahore.

Pro Vice Chancellor UoS Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan, deans, directors, heads of academic and administrative units, faculty members, and staff also attended the event.

A key feature of the ceremony was the distribution of Umrah packages through a special lucky draw, in which faculty and staff members were selected for this spiritually significant opportunity. Staff members were also honored with the Employee of the Year 2025 award in recognition of their outstanding performance, dedication, and service to the university.

Speaking on the occasion, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas appreciated the role of administrative staff in the smooth functioning and development of the university. He said that employees at every level contribute to institutional success and deserve recognition for their commitment and service.

UNIVERSITY CELEBRATES STAFF, FACULTY CONTRIBUTIONS

The distinguished guests also appreciated the university's efforts to acknowledge its employees and praised the leadership of Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas for promoting a supportive, collaborative, and performance-oriented environment at UoS.

The ceremony concluded with appreciation for the award recipients and renewed commitment to strengthening a culture of recognition, service, and institutional excellence at the University of Sargodha.





UOS STUDENTS GAINED GLOBAL LEARNING EXPERIENCE IN CHINA

The cultural exchange activities added a strong human dimension to the visit. UoS students interacted with their Chinese counterparts, shared experiences and learned about different academic traditions and social practices. These engagements improved their communication skills, adaptability, confidence and cross-cultural understanding.

For many participants, the programme provided their first experience of learning in an international university environment. It broadened their academic outlook and helped them reflect more deeply on their future roles as graduates, professionals and representatives of Pakistan.

The programme concluded with a formal graduation ceremony organized by the Civil Aviation University of China. The ceremony recognized the students' participation and achievements and marked the successful completion of the first student exchange initiative between the two universities.





UOS SENT FIRST STUDENT DELEGATION TO CIVIL AVIATION UNIVERSITY OF CHINA

The University of Sargodha sent its first-ever student delegation to the Civil Aviation University of China, marking an important milestone in the University's internationalization efforts. The initiative reflected the strategic vision of Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, who encouraged students to gain academic, professional and cultural exposure beyond national boundaries.

The student delegation represented different academic fields, which gave the visit a multidisciplinary character. Prof. Dr. Ahmad Raza Bilal, Director ORIC, led the group and coordinated its academic and cultural activities throughout the programme.

During the visit, the students participated in technology-based workshops, mentorship sessions, industrial visits and cultural exchange activities. The workshops introduced them to contemporary developments in civil aviation, engineering, digital systems and related technological fields. These sessions helped the participants connect theoretical knowledge with practical applications and encouraged them to adopt a more innovative and research-oriented approach to learning.

The mentorship sessions provided direct interaction with Chinese faculty members and professionals. Students discussed their academic interests, professional ambitions and future career pathways while gaining insight into international educational standards and workplace expectations.

Industrial visits formed a significant part of the programme. The delegation observed technical facilities, operational systems and professional environments associated with the aviation industry. These visits enabled students to understand the importance of safety, coordination, discipline and technological precision in managing complex industrial operations.





UOS JOIN HANDS WITH CISCO NETACAD TO ESTABLISH CISCO ACADEMY

The University of Sargodha has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Cisco Networking Academy at the Serena Business Complex, Islamabad, to expand access to quality IT education, professional training and internationally recognized certification opportunities.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas represented the University at the signing ceremony, where he was welcomed by the Country Head of Cisco Academy. The engagement reflected a shared commitment to advancing digital literacy, technological innovation and industry-relevant learning for students in Pakistan. The agreement was signed by Director Information Technology Ishtiaq Ahmed while Deputy Director Muhammad Amir Khan also attended the ceremony.

Under the agreement, a Cisco Academy will be established at the University of Sargodha. The academy will provide students from Sargodha and neighbouring regions with access to modern learning resources, practical training and globally recognized programmes in networking, cybersecurity and emerging digital technologies.

The initiative is expected to connect classroom learning with professional standards used across the technology sector. Through laboratory-based instruction, technical exercises and certification-oriented courses, students will gain experience that can strengthen both their academic understanding and workplace readiness.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas said that the collaboration reflects the University's commitment to preparing young people for careers shaped by rapid technological change. He emphasized that professional certifications, practical exposure and industry-aligned training are increasingly important for improving employability and building technical confidence among graduates. The Cisco Academy will also support faculty development and institutional capacity-building by introducing contemporary instructional resources and internationally informed training practices. Its programmes may help students develop the problem-solving, analytical and technical skills required in areas such as network administration, information security and digital infrastructure.



AREAS OF COOPERATION

- Establishment of a Cisco Academy at the University of Sargodha
- Training in networking, cybersecurity and emerging technologies
- Access to internationally recognized professional certifications
- Practical and laboratory-based learning opportunities
- Development of industry-relevant digital skills
- Capacity-building for students and faculty members
- Improved employability and career readiness
- Stronger collaboration between academia and the technology sector





UOS STRENGTHENS ACADEMIA-INDUSTRY LINKAGES WITH HUAWEI TECHNOLOGIES PAKISTAN

Vice Chancellor University of Sargodha Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas held a meeting with senior officials of Huawei Technologies Pakistan (Pvt.) Ltd. to explore opportunities for technological collaboration, professional capacity-building and stronger engagement between academia and industry.

He was accompanied by Director IT Ishtiaq Ahmed Gondal and Deputy Director IT Muhammad Amir Khan. The delegation was received at Huawei's Islamabad office by Mr. Tan Shuang, Director Commercial Sales Department.

The meeting focused on practical ways to expose faculty members and students to contemporary industry practices. Both sides discussed training programmes,

technical sessions and collaborative activities that could strengthen digital competence and prepare students for rapidly changing technological careers.

Potential cooperation also included faculty development, technology-based academic support and initiatives aimed at institutional modernization. Such engagement may help connect university education with professional environments where emerging technologies are designed, applied and managed.

Addressing the occasion, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas emphasized that

practical learning, technical exposure and direct interaction with industry professionals are essential for developing students' confidence, competence and career readiness. He also reaffirmed the University's commitment to creating learning opportunities that combine academic knowledge with real-world technological experience.

The Vice Chancellor expressed interest in exploring future cooperation in digital skills development, faculty training, technical capacity-building and technology-supported education. He also thanked Huawei Technologies Pakistan for the warm hospitality extended to the UoS delegation.



AREAS OF COOPERATION

- Faculty training and exposure to industry practices
- Student-focused digital skills development
- Technical workshops and expert-led sessions
- Industry-oriented learning opportunities
- Technology-based academic and institutional support
- Capacity-building in emerging digital technologies
- Collaborative activities for institutional modernization
- Strengthening student employability and career readiness



WEEKLONG RESEARCH ARENA 2025 OPENED AT UOS

The weeklong 2nd Annual Research Arena 2025 organized by ORIC University of Sargodha was inaugurated by Prof. Dr. Iqrar Ahmed Khan, Chairman PHEC. The event was graced by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan, deans, directors, heads of departments, and hundreds of students in attendance. The Vice Chancellor briefed participants on the university's academic advancements and major infrastructural developments.

Addressing the event virtually, Prof. Dr. Iqrar Ahmed Khan emphasized strengthening research-led academia-industry linkages to translate knowledge into societal impact, and appreciated UoS for its steady progress in research culture and innovation.

As part of the Research Arena, the 22nd International Conference on Statistical Sciences was held, and souvenirs were distributed among international and national guest speakers. The VC also inaugurated a Citrus Exhibition showcasing number of citrus varieties.

A Research Expo, and an Industrial Expo jointly hosted by ORIC and the Institute of Food Science & Nutrition was also inaugurated by the Vice Chancellor. Moreover, the Vice Chancellor inaugurated a Blood Donation Camp organized by the Department of Social Work, and the 3rd International Art Exhibition 2025, titled "Turkish-Pak Fusion," arranged by the Institute of Art & Design.





RESEARCH ARENA HIGHLIGHTED FOOD SECURITY, CLIMATE RESILIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE SHARING



The University of Sargodha (UoS) marked the second day of its week-long 2nd Annual Research Arena 2025 with two international conferences and a vibrant book fair, highlighting its commitment to research, innovation, and academic collaboration.

A key feature of the day was the international conference titled "3rd Advancing Food Systems for a Sustainable and Nourished Future," jointly inaugurated by Vice Chancellor Government College University Women Faisalabad Prof. Dr. Kanwal Amin, Vice Chancellor Allama Iqbal Open University Prof. Dr. Nasir, and Vice Chancellor UoS Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas. Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar, along with deans, directors, heads of departments, national and international researchers, and scholars, were also present on the occasion.



Additionally, the book fair, organized by Wazir Agha Library, was also inaugurated by Prof. Dr. Kanwal Amin, accompanied by VC AIU Prof. Dr. Nasir Mehmood, and VC UoS Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas. The fair attracted students, faculty members, and researchers, offering a wide range of academic and general-interest publications.

Moreover, the 11th International Wheat Conference 2025, hosted by the Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics, College of Agriculture, focused on genetic improvement, climate resilience, and emerging challenges in wheat production. The conference was inaugurated by Prof. Dr. Nasir Mehmood, while Vice Chancellor Ghazi University Prof. Dr. Ashfaq Ahmed joined the event as Guest of Honor.





RESEARCH ARENA EXPLORED EMERGING CHALLENGES ACROSS SCIENCE, SOCIETY AND TECHNOLOGY



The third day of the weeklong Research Arena 2025 at the University of Sargodha (UoS) featured a series of academic symposia, international conferences, panel discussions, and student-centered innovation activities, reflecting the university's multidisciplinary research culture.

A symposium titled "Innovation and Challenges in Pharmaceutical Education and Research," organized by the College of Pharmacy, was inaugurated by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, along with the Pro Vice Chancellor, deans, directors, and heads of departments.

An international conference hosted by the Department of Arabic titled "AI and Arabic Scientific Research: Challenges, Changes, and Prospects" examined the transformative role of artificial intelligence in Arabic scholarship. Another international conference, organized by the Department of Islamic Studies, focused on "Caring for Creation: Islamic Principles for Water, Plant, and Environmental Preservation in the Modern Era," highlighting faith-based perspectives on sustainability. In addition, the Department of Communication and Media Studies hosted an international digital summit titled "Media Literacy in the Age of AI: Challenges and Prospects," addressing emerging issues of misinformation, artificial intelligence, and digital competence.

The Department of Economics organized a panel discussion titled "The Future of Work: Automation and Its Economic Impacts," bringing together academics and experts to discuss labor markets, technology, and economic transformation. Student innovation took center stage with the Future Innovators Contest 2025, inaugurated by the High Commissioner of Bangladesh to Pakistan, Mr. Iqbal Hussain Khan, who also attended the International Wheat Conference and other ongoing activities of Research Arena 2025. During his visit, he explored various facilities of the university and appreciated UoS's efforts in promoting research, innovation, and international collaboration.



The University of Sargodha continued the fourth day of its weeklong Research Arena 2025 with two international conferences that advanced interdisciplinary scholarship, global academic engagement, and research-driven dialogue.

The Department of English Language and Linguistic Studies organized an international conference titled "Wordscapes in the Digital Age: Linguistics, Literature, and Society." Vice Chancellor Government College University Faisalabad Prof. Dr. Rauf-e-Azam inaugurated the conference alongside Vice Chancellor UoS Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas. Scholars, researchers, faculty members, and students examined how digital technologies reshaped language, literary expression, communication, and social interaction. The sessions also explored emerging research methods, digital culture, and the changing role of humanities in contemporary society.

The University also hosted the 3rd International Conference on Sustainable Business Development 2025, which brought together academics and professionals to discuss responsible enterprise, innovation, and sustainable economic practices. Vice Chancellor University of Gujrat Prof. Dr. Zahoor-ul-Haq attended the conference, accompanied by Prof. Dr. Irfan Saleem from the University of Bradford, United Kingdom. Speakers discussed how organizations could balance economic growth with social responsibility and environmental concerns. They also examined the contribution of entrepreneurship, ethical leadership, technology, and research-based decision-making to sustainable business development.

During their visit, the distinguished guests toured key facilities of the University, including the gymnasium, UoS TV, library, and incubation center. They appreciated the academic environment, research infrastructure, and institutional efforts made to support innovation, entrepreneurship, student learning, and professional development.

RESEARCH ARENA CONNECTED HUMANITIES, INNOVATION & SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



RESEARCH ARENA FACILITATED GLOBAL DIALOGUE ON SOCIETY, HEALTH AND RESILIENCE



The University of Sargodha continued the fifth day of its weeklong Research Arena 2025 with an international conference, an international symposium and a national exhibition, attracting broad participation from scholars, researchers, artists and delegates from Pakistan and abroad.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas inaugurated the International Conference on Interdisciplinary Perspectives in Social Sciences 2025, organized by the Department of Sociology and Criminology. The conference provided a platform for academics and practitioners to examine contemporary social, economic and policy challenges through cross-disciplinary perspectives. Discussions highlighted the value of combining insights from sociology, criminology, economics, governance and public policy to better understand complex social realities.

The Institute of Chemistry organized an international symposium titled "Phytochemicals as High-Value Ingredients for the Development of Functional Foods and Nutraceuticals." Researchers explored the growing significance of plant-based compounds in food science, preventive health and product development. The symposium also emphasized the need to connect scientific research with innovation, public health and industry needs.

The day further featured the national exhibition "Voices of Resilience," hosted by the Institute of Art and Design. Through research-informed and creative works, the exhibition reflected themes of social strength, adaptation, identity and recovery. It offered visitors a visual and emotional interpretation of resilience in contemporary society.

The Vice Chancellor and Pro Vice Chancellor attended the activities alongside deans, directors, faculty members and a large number of national and international participants.





UOS AND CHABAHAH UNIVERSITY SIGNED INTENT OF COOPERATION

The University of Sargodha signed an Intent of Cooperation with Chabahar University, Iran, to promote academic collaboration, research engagement and institutional exchange between the two universities.

Vice Chancellor UoS Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas and Vice Chancellor Chabahar University Prof. Dr. Abdul Ghafour formally signed the agreement during the visit of the Iranian delegation to the University of Sargodha. Senior university officials attended the ceremony and welcomed the new partnership as an important step toward expanding UoS's international academic linkages.

The agreement provided a framework for faculty and student exchange programmes, collaborative research, academic activities and knowledge sharing in areas of mutual interest.

Both institutions also expressed their intention to identify disciplines in which researchers and students could work together through joint projects, scholarly interaction and capacity-building initiatives.

Speaking on the occasion, both Vice Chancellors emphasized that international partnerships played an important role in improving research quality, strengthening academic standards and exposing students and faculty to diverse educational environments. They also highlighted the value of sustained institutional cooperation in addressing shared academic, scientific and social challenges.

During the visit, Prof. Dr. Abdul Ghafour toured several facilities at the University of Sargodha. He visited the multipurpose hall, gymnasium, café, UoS TV studio, One Health Research Centre, incubation centre and facilitation centre. The tour provided the delegation with an overview of the University's academic infrastructure, research environment, student support services and innovation-focused initiatives.

UOS HONoured ORGANIZERS OF RESEARCH ARENA 2025



A certificate distribution ceremony was held at MFKNBS Hall, organized by the Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC), to mark the successful completion and conduct of the 2nd Research Arena 2025 at the University of Sargodha.

Prof. Dr. Abdulghafour Badpa, Vice Chancellor of the International University of Chababhar and Vice Chancellor UoS Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas along with Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan graced the occasion as Chief Guest and distributed certificates among organizers, coordinators, and participants in recognition of their contributions.

In his address, the Vice Chancellor appreciated the collective efforts of faculty, researchers, and administrative teams in making Research Arena 2025 a successful academic event.

The ceremony was attended by senior university officials, deans, directors, faculty members, and staff. Director ORIC Prof. Ahmed Raza Bilal highlighted the significance of Research Arena as a platform for promoting research culture, interdisciplinary collaboration, and international academic engagement at the University of Sargodha.