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Governor Punjab Opens 8th Pakistan Industrial Expo 2024

Governor Punjab, Sardar Saleem Haider, inaugurated the 8th Pakistan Industrial Expo at the Lahore Expo Center, highlighting its role in attracting foreign investment and strengthening Pakistan-China industrial ties. The event features 300 companies showcasing cutting-edge innovations, fostering collaboration between academia, industry, and investors to drive economic growth.



Minister Inaugurates Future Innovator Contest 2024

Minister for Higher Education Punjab, Rana Sikandar Hayat, inaugurated the Future Innovator Contest 2024 at the University of Sargodha, where 100 groundbreaking ideas from universities across Pakistan were showcased. Lauding the university's commitment to research and innovation under the leadership of Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, he emphasized the role of entrepreneurship and scientific advancement in national progress.



Students Celebrate Success At 11th Convocation

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شعبہ علوم اسلامیہ کے زیر اہتمام اسلامی ثقافتی فیسٹیول



یونیورسٹی آف سرگودھا کے شعبہ علوم اسلامیہ کے زیر اہتمام اسلامی ثقافتی فیسٹیول کا انعقاد کیا گیا۔ وائس چانسلر یونیورسٹی آف سرگودھا پروفیسر ڈاکٹر قیصر عباس نے صدر جمیئر آف کامرس سرگودھا خواجہ یاسر قیوم اور صدر انجمن تاجران خاور ندیم کے ہمراہ فیسٹیول کا افتتاح کیا جب کہ اس موقع پر چیئر پرسن شعبہ علوم اسلامیہ ڈاکٹر فرحت نسیم علوی، دیگر فیکلٹی ممبران اور طلباء و طالبات کی بڑی تعداد موجود تھی۔ وائس چانسلر نے مختلف سائز کا وزٹ کیا اور طلباء کی تخلیقی صلاحیتوں کو سراہا۔ طلباء کے متفرق سائز میں اسلامی فنون، خطاطی، تاریخی مساجد کے ماڈلز، اسلامی لباس اور قرآنی آیات پر مشتمل آرٹ ورک شامل تھا۔ طلبہ نے سائز میں خاص طور پر خانہ کعبہ اور مسجد نبوی کے ماڈلز، اسلامی طرزِ تعمیر کے نمونے، اور اسلامی تاریخ کے اہم واقعات پر مبنی چارٹس اور پوسٹرز کے ذریعے اسلامی ثقافت کے مختلف پہلوؤں کو اجاگر کیا۔ سائز میں اسلامی تاریخ، تمدن، اور روایات کے حوالے سے منفرد معلومات فراہم کی گئیں۔ کچھ سائز پر اسلامی کتابوں اور قرآنی علوم کے موضوعات کو نمایاں کیا گیا جبکہ کچھ پر اسلامی طرزِ زندگی اور اخلاقیات کی اہمیت واضح کی گئی۔ اس موقع پر وائس چانسلر پروفیسر ڈاکٹر قیصر عباس نے کہا کہ اسلامی ثقافت ہماری تہذیب کا ایک اہم ستون ہے اور اس قسم کی تقریبات نہ صرف طلباء کی علمی اور تخلیقی صلاحیتوں کو نکھارنے میں مددگار ثابت ہوتی ہیں بلکہ ان میں اپنی ثقافتی جڑوں کو مضبوطی سے پکڑنے کا جذبہ بھی پیدا کرتی ہیں۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ آج کے نوجوانوں کے لیے ضروری ہے کہ وہ اسلامی تاریخ اور اقدار کو سمجھیں اور ان سے رہنمائی حاصل کریں۔ انہوں نے طلباء کی محنت کو سراہتے ہوئے کہا کہ ایسے فیسٹیول ہماری سماجی اور اخلاقی اقدار کو فروغ دینے کا بہترین ذریعہ ہیں۔ انہوں نے مزید کہا کہ یہ فیسٹیول یونیورسٹی کی تعلیمی اور تحقیقی فضاء میں ایک خوشگوار اضافہ ہے۔ پروفیسر ڈاکٹر فرحت نسیم علوی نے اس موقع پر کہا کہ اسلامی ثقافتی فیسٹیول طلباء کی تربیت کے لئے نہایت اہم ہے کیونکہ یہ انہیں اسلامی اقدار کو سمجھنے اور اپنی صلاحیتوں کو بہتر انداز میں پیش کرنے کا موقع فراہم کرتا ہے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ اس قسم کی سرگرمیاں طلباء میں اعتماد پیدا کرتی ہیں اور انہیں تخلیقی انداز میں سکھنے کا موقع دیتی ہیں۔ صدر جمیئر آف کامرس سرگودھا خواجہ یاسر قیوم اور صدر انجمن تاجران خاور ندیم نے طلباء کی تخلیقی کاوشوں کو سراہتے ہوئے انہیں اسلامی ثقافت سے متعلق تیار کردہ مصنوعات کو مارکیٹ میں متعارف کروانے کے لیے تعاون کی پیشکش کی۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ طلباء کے تیار کردہ ماڈلز، خطاطی، اور آرٹ ورک جیسے منفرد اور معیاری کام کو تجارتی سطح پر فروغ دیا جاسکتا ہے۔ انہوں نے اس بات پر زور دیا کہ جمیئر آف کامرس اور تاجران برادری اس حوالے سے طلباء کو مارکیٹنگ اور پروڈکٹ ڈویلپمنٹ کے مواقع فراہم کرے گی تاکہ ان کی محنت کو تجارتی سطح پر پہچان مل سکے اور وہ معاشی طور پر بھی خود مختار ہو سکیں۔

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Harnessing Zoological Research for Climate Adaptation and Policy Making



The University of Sargodha, in collaboration with the Applied Zoological Society of Pakistan, officially opened the 7th International Conference on Applied Zoology under the theme "Application of Applied Zoological Sciences to Nurture Climate and Sustainable Development." The event brought together leading academics, researchers, and experts to explore how applied zoological sciences can contribute to addressing climate challenges and promoting sustainability.

The inauguration ceremony was graced by distinguished guests, including Prof. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed, Chairman of the Higher Education Commission, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Vice Chancellor of UoS, and Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Shah, Vice Chancellor of Punjab University and Prof. Dr. Syed Habib Bukhari, Vice Chancellor Kohsar University Murree. They were accompanied by Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Mian Ghulam Yasin, Dean of the Faculty of Sciences Prof. Dr. Amir Ali, and representa-

tives of the Applied Zoological Society of Pakistan.

Addressing the opening ceremony, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas highlighted the institutional dedication to research, academic growth, and fostering meaningful collaborations. "We are committed to advancing research that not only enriches knowledge but also contributes to real-world solutions," he said.

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Shah, Vice Chancellor of Punjab University encouraged students and young



researchers to pursue personal growth while staying committed to serve the nation. "This is your time to develop the skills and knowledge necessary to lead in a world facing unprecedented challenges. Dr. Shah stressed that building individual capacities is essential for addressing national and global concerns, particularly in the realm of environmental sustainability.

Prof. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed, Chairman HEC emphasized the importance of conducting research that has a tangible impact on society. "Our research must not only remain in journals; it must translate into solutions that improve lives and contribute to the nation's progress," he remarked.

With over 300 research papers being presented during the conference, the gathering is set to be

a major contribution to the understanding of how applied zoology can address contemporary challenges related to climate resilience and sustainable development. The conference provides a platform for knowledge exchange, encouraging new ideas and innovations that will drive progress in this vital area of study.

Key Points

- Promoting biodiversity conservation through applied zoological sciences to maintain ecological balance and support sustainable ecosystems.
- Encouraging research on the impact of climate change on wildlife and developing adaptive strategies for species conservation.
- Integrating zoological sciences with sustainable agricultural practices to enhance food security and reduce environmental degradation.
- Utilizing eco-friendly pest control methods and biological agents to minimize the harmful effects of chemical pesticides.
- Enhancing awareness about the role of zoology in mitigating climate change through ecosystem restoration and conservation programs.
- Encouraging youth and researchers to explore innovative approaches in applied zoology for sustainable environmental practices.



Chairman HEC Unveils Modern Academic Facility at UoS

Chairman of the Higher Education Commission (HEC), Prof. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed, inaugurated the newly built state-of-the-art multipurpose academic block at the University of Sargodha. He was accompanied by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Shah, Vice Chancellor of Punjab University; Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Vice Chancellor of UoS; Prof. Dr. Syed Habib Bukhari, Vice Chancellor of Kohsar University Murree; and Prof. Dr. Mian Ghulam Yasin, Pro Vice Chancellor of UoS.

After the inauguration, the distinguished guests visited the University Gym, where they appreciated the institution's efforts to promote both academic and physical well-being. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed commended the new academic block as a modern facility that will enhance research, learning, and collaboration at the university. The building is equipped with advanced technology and flexible spaces designed for academic and research activities.



100 Groundbreaking Ideas Showcased at Future Innovator Contest 2024



The University of Sargodha hosted the "Future Innovator Contest 2024", where 100 innovative ideas from universities across Pakistan were presented following the first round of scrutiny. The event was inaugurated by Minister for Higher Education Punjab, Rana Sikandar Hayat, alongside other parliamentarians and Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Ghulam Yasin, Deans, and Directors of the University. The Contest 2024 featured ideas in technology, healthcare, agriculture, renewable energy, and artificial intelligence, reflecting students' creativity and problem-solving skills.



Addressing the opening ceremony, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas highlighted the academic and developmental strides made by the university under his leadership. He emphasized the reforms introduced during his two-year tenure, focusing on quality education, advancing entrepreneurship, research, innovation, and commercialization. The minister commended the university's efforts and the leadership of Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, assuring his continued support in fostering research and innovation. He stated, "Innovation and research are the driving forces



behind a nation's progress, and platforms like the Future Innovator Contest 2024 provide young minds with the opportunity to transform their ideas into reality. It is inspiring to see students presenting groundbreaking innovations that will shape Pakistan's scientific and industrial future."

Moreover, Rana Sikandar Hayat inaugurated the newly constructed university gymnasium and cafeterias, underscoring the institution's commitment to student welfare and development.



UoS and APP Partner to Provide Hands-On Experience for Media Students

The University of Sargodha (UoS) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Associated Press of Pakistan (APP) to offer hands-on training and internship opportunities for students of the Department of Communication and Media Studies (COMS). This collaboration aims to equip aspiring journalists with practical skills in news writing, reporting, and digital media.

The agreement was signed by Muhammad Asim Khichi, Managing Director of APP, and Prof. Dr. Ahmad Raza Bilal, Director of the Office of Research, Innovation, and Commercialization (ORIC), UoS. The signing ceremony was attended by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Mian Ghulam Yasin, Chairman COMS Dr. Muddasser Hussain Shah, and faculty members.

Under this MoU, APP will facilitate internships for UoS students, providing them with exclusive access to its news feed for UoS TV and VOV FM 98.2. Additionally, both institutions will collaborate on training workshops and media-related activities to enhance students' professional capabilities.

Speaking at the event, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas highlighted that the agreement would bridge the gap between academic learning and practical media training, ensuring that students are well-prepared for the evolving journalism industry. Managing Director APP Muhammad Asim Khichi emphasized the growing need for adaptability in the digital media landscape, stating that the partnership would help students develop essential skills to thrive in modern journalism.

During his visit, Muhammad Asim Khichi also interacted with media students and shared insights on the latest trends in journalism. He visited the university's TV studio and incubation center, commending the facilities available for media training.



UoS Launches Web TV for Digital Learning

The Department of Communication and Media Studies has taken a giant stride toward digital education with the launch of its web-based educational platform, UOS TV. The initiative was inaugurated by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, alongside distinguished Vice Chancellors from leading universities across Punjab. Addressing the ceremony, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas emphasized the importance of credible and accessible educational resources in today's digital age. "UOS TV is a crucial step toward addressing the demand for fact-based information and education. This platform reflects our commitment to digital transformation, and we aim to expand these initiatives in the coming days," he stated. With UOS TV, the university strengthens its position as a leader in digital education, aims to bridge gaps in knowledge dissemination, promotes research, and nurtures innovation, setting new standards in educational broadcasting across Pakistan.

UoS Explores Academic Collaborations With Leading Chinese Institutions And Industry Giants



During his visit to China to promote and explore research collaborations, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Vice Chancellor of the University of Sargodha, held three significant meetings at Nankai University, Tianjin, aimed at fostering academic partnerships. His first meeting was with the Dean of the School of Economics, accompanied by directors from various departments, where they discussed potential areas for collaboration. He then met with the Dean of the College of Pharmacy and senior professors to explore joint research opportunities in pharmaceutical sciences.



Expands Ties With Civil Aviation University China

To promote international academic collaboration, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas held a productive meeting with the Dean and faculty of the School of Management and Economics at Civil Aviation University of China. It was agreed that faculty exchanges will begin immediately, with UoS faculty visiting in November and Civil Aviation University faculty visiting Sargodha in February next year. Both universities will also collaborate on joint research projects, submitting proposals for funding to the Chinese government. Additionally, an exchange of 20 students will take place next summer, further strengthening academic ties between the institutions.



UoS, Tianjin University Agreed To Establish Technological Transfer Center



To boost technological collaboration between Pakistan and China, the University of Sargodha (UoS), in partnership with Tianjin University, China, has agreed to establish the China-Pak Technology Transfer Center. The decision was made during a meeting between Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Vice Chancellor UoS, and the Vice President of Tiankai Higher Education Innovation Park, Tianjin. The center will serve as a platform for advancing research, innovation, and technology transfer between the two countries, focusing on key areas such as information technology, engineering, and emerging technologies. This initiative is set to enhance bilateral cooperation, create opportunities for joint research, and promote sustainable development in both nations. Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas also visited Nankai University Alumni Education Foundation office, and toured the foreign student dormitory where he had resided for four years during his PhD.

Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas Advocates Research-Industry Synergy in Agriculture

Vice Chancellor of the University of Sargodha, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas participated in the Annual World Agriculture Food Innovation Conference held in Beijing. The conference, which brought together global experts in agriculture and food innovation, provided a platform for sharing insights on the future of the industry. Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas also took part in a panel discussion on the topic, "How Scientific Research Synchronizes with Industry Needs," where he highlighted the importance of bridging the gap between academia and industry to drive innovation in agriculture. He emphasized the need to align research with practical solutions to address global food security and sustainability challenges.



Building Bridges In Traditional Chinese Medicine And Film Education



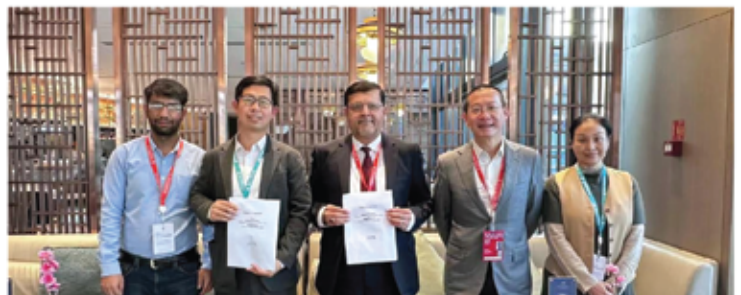
The University of Sargodha (UoS) has signed two key agreements with leading Chinese institutions to enhance academic and cultural collaboration in Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) and Film & Media Studies. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas met with representatives from the Tianjin University of Traditional Chinese Medicine, where both institutions agreed to launch a TCM program at UoS under the Transnational Education (TNE) policy. This initiative will introduce Traditional Chinese Medicine education in Pakistan, fostering academic exchange and new learning opportunities in an emerging medical field. In another milestone, UoS signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Action Academy of Beijing Film and Television Research Institute to advance collaboration in film and media studies. The agreement will facilitate research, training, and educational exchanges, providing students and faculty with exposure to cutting-edge film and television production techniques. These strategic partnerships will strengthen UoS's academic profile, opening new avenues for innovation and cross-cultural learning in medicine and media.



Agreements Signed to Advance Entrepreneurship, Technology, and Agriculture



The University of Sargodha (UoS) has forged key agreements with leading Chinese institutions to enhance collaboration in entrepreneurship, technology, and agricultural innovation. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas signed an intent to cooperate with NHub, Beijing, to promote entrepreneurship and start-up development between Pakistan and China. Additionally, UoS formalized an agreement with Beijing Lingxin Technology Co. Ltd. to drive technology innovation and exchanges, facilitating knowledge transfer between the two nations. As part of this initiative, both NHub and Beijing Lingxin Technology Co. Ltd. have committed to recruiting Chinese companies for Pakistan's Special Technology Zone. In a parallel development, Prof. Abbas visited the Agricultural Zhongguancun Science Park in Beijing's Pinggu District, where he signed an agreement to establish an agro-based company in Sargodha's upcoming Agro-Based Economic Hub. This partnership aims to leverage China's advanced agricultural technologies to boost economic growth and sustainable farming in Pakistan.



UoS Partners with China to Revolutionize Healthcare and Education



The University of Sargodha (UoS) has entered into two landmark agreements with leading Chinese institutions to boost academic ties, revolutionize healthcare, and support the Belt and Road Initiative. In partnership with Tianjin University of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TUTCM) and Tianjin Sansheng Supply Chain Management Co., Ltd., UoS will establish Pakistan's first Department of Traditional Chinese Medicine and a 200-bed teaching hospital. The collaboration will also focus on student exchange, faculty training, and joint research. The hospital, co-managed by Tianjin Sansheng, is set to begin operations in 2025. Additionally, the partnership includes the establishment of a citrus processing unit in Sargodha, aimed at boosting regional agriculture and trade. Furthermore, UoS and Nankai University have agreed to collaborate on student and faculty exchanges, joint degree programs, and research initiatives, including the creation of joint laboratories. These agreements aim to promote innovation, cultural exchange, and education through shared expertise and resources.



Speaking on the occasion, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas said, "I am deeply grateful to our Chinese partners for their unwavering support and commitment. These initiatives will not only strengthen Pakistan-China relations but also pave the way for a brighter future for our students and communities." He also highlighted a shared vision for academic excellence, announcing, "Together, we will not only revolutionize healthcare and

education in Pakistan but also establish an international boarding school in Sargodha to foster global cultural exchange and quality education."

The Chinese delegation expressed their enthusiasm for the partnerships, stating, "These agreements showcase the strength of Pakistan-China relations and are a step forward in fostering global academic and cultural collaboration."



Chinese National Day Celebrated at UoS



To commemorate the Chinese National Day, a cake-cutting ceremony was held at the University of Sargodha on October 1, 2024. This event was organized in collaboration with the Pakistan Institute of China Studies (PICS) and the Confucius Institute at the University of Sargodha. The ceremony featured online participation from faculty members of Henan Normal University and Hebei Normal University in China. Key attendees included Dr. Muhammad Irfan, Director of PICS; Ms. Jane Chen, Chinese Director of the Confucius Institute; and Dr. Guo Yaling, Director of the Pakistan Study Center at Hebei Normal University, China. A large number of university students also attended the event. During the event, Dr. Guo Yaling delivered a lecture to the students of the University of Sargodha, emphasizing the significance of Chinese National Day. She articulated, "On Chinese National Day, people from around the world come together to enjoy their time with their families and to celebrate the national day." Her insights underscored the cultural importance of this day for the Chinese community. At the conclusion of the ceremony, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas performed the ceremonial cake-cutting, extending his warm greetings to the Chinese people on their National Day. In his remarks, he stated, "Today, we celebrate not just a national milestone for China, but also the deepening friendship and cooperation between our two nations. May this day inspire greater collaboration and cultural harmony between the two countries." He further emphasized the importance of fostering mutual understanding and respect, noting, "Events like this strengthen our ties and enrich our academic and cultural landscape."



8th Pakistan Industrial Expo bridges academia industry and innovation for a prosperous future



The University of Sargodha (UoS), in collaboration with Everest International Pvt. Ltd., hosted the 8th Pakistan Industrial Expo 2024, a landmark event aimed at fostering industrial development, technological innovation, and international investment in Pakistan. The expo, inaugurated by the Governor of Punjab, Mr. Sardar Saleem Haider, brought together over 300 Pakistani and Chinese companies, industry leaders, academicians, and students, creating a vibrant platform for collaboration and knowledge exchange. This event marks a significant milestone in Pakistan's journey toward economic revitalization and industrial development, showcasing the power of collaboration and the promise of a brighter future.

Accompanying the Governor were distinguished guests, including Vice Chancellor UoS Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas,



Vice Chancellor Punjab University Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali, and Vice Chancellor University of Education Lahore Prof. Dr. Akif Anwar. Deans, directors, industry leaders, and representatives from Chinese companies attended the ceremony, demonstrating the expo's significance as a bridge between academia and industry. Following the inauguration, Governor Sardar Saleem Haider and other dignitaries toured the exhibition, engaging with directors, CEOs, and owners of Chinese companies.

Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Vice Chancellor of UoS, highlighted the expo's role in bridging the gap between education and industry. "Such platforms are essential for driving innovation and equipping our students with the skills needed to thrive in a competitive global economy," he said. Dr. Abbas also expressed optimism about the

potential for Pakistani-Chinese partnerships, particularly under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), to enhance import-export opportunities and industrial growth.


During the second day of the expo, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas visited various stalls to explore potential collaborations in technology transfer, education, and industrial development. He emphasized the importance of academia-industry partnerships, stating, "Collaboration between universities and industries is not just beneficial—it is imperative for fostering economic growth and innovation in Pakistan."

Mr. Wang Zehai, Director of Everest International, spoke about the transformative opportunities arising from CPEC. "Pakistan's trade sector is brimming with potential, and ongoing investments under CPEC will play a pivotal role in driving national economic growth," he said. The expo featured a wide array of products and services from Chinese and Pakistani companies, showcasing the vast potential for bilateral trade and investment.

The expo served as a dynamic platform for industry professionals, entrepreneurs, and students to connect and explore new opportunities. Discussions ranged from investment strategies to new projects and import-export activities, reflecting the event's goal of fostering business relationships and enhancing economic collaboration.

The 8th Pakistan Industrial Expo 2024 not only highlighted Pakistan's industrial potential but also underscored the importance of collaboration between academia, industry, and international partners. As Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas aptly put it, "The future of Pakistan's economy lies in innovation, education, and strategic partnerships. This expo is a step forward in realizing that vision."

The event concluded with participants expressing optimism about the future of Pakistani-Chinese collaboration and the transformative impact of initiatives like CPEC. The University of Sargodha remains committed to playing a pivotal role in driving industrial growth and fostering innovation through such collaborative efforts.



Governor Calls for Investment Revival to Boost Pakistan's Economy

The Governor reiterated his commitment to supporting investors, stating, "The government of Punjab is dedicated to creating a conducive environment for businesses to thrive, and events like this expo are a testament to our efforts." The Governor of Punjab, Sardar Saleem Haider, emphasized the critical role of investment in revitalizing Pakistan's economy. "International investors find Pakistan an ideal destination due to its strategic location in South Asia, rich resources, and skilled workforce." The Governor also praised the efforts of UoS and Everest International Pvt. Ltd. for organizing an event that not only showcases Pakistan's industrial potential but also strengthens the enduring friendship between Pakistan and China.



Students Celebrate Success At Graduation Ceremony

The 11th convocation of the University of Sargodha (UoS) concluded on Thursday, December 19, 2024, awarded degrees to 27,538 graduates across various disciplines. The ceremony marked a significant milestone with 69 percent of the graduates being women, highlighting the institution's commitment to inclusivity. As many as 55 PhD degrees, 553 MS/ MPhil/ MSc (Hons)/ LLM, 8,345 MA/MSc, 8,720 BS/ BSc (Hons)/ BBA and 9,865 BA/ BSc/ ADP degrees were awarded to the students from faculty of Agriculture, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, Faculty of Computing and Information Technology, Faculty of Engineering and Technology, Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences, Faculty of Pharmacy, Faculty of Science and Faculty of Social Sciences. Moreover, 363 students with distinctions were honored with medals. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas highlighted the university's achievements over the past two years, including advancements in global rankings, campus solarization, the launch of a student facilitation center, and international collaborations. He urged graduates to use their education to address global challenges and contribute to a sustainable future. The vice chancellor said, "We remained committed to providing quality education to our youth." The convocation concluded with celebrations as graduates, alongside their families and teachers, marked the beginning of their professional journeys.



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BA/BSc/ADA/
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(14-YEARS)

8720
BS/BSc(Hons)/
BBA etc.

363
DISTINCTIONS
IN 2024

8345
Master/ MSc
etc.
(16-YEARS)

608
PHDs/MS/M.Phil/
MSc(Hons)/LLM

TOTAL GRADUATES (DEGREE-WISE)



MoUs Signed To Promote Innovation And Academic Partnerships

A significant Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signing ceremony took place between the University of Sargodha and several leading institutions, including the University of Education Lahore, GCUF, UVAS Lahore, LCWU, GCWU Faisalabad, GCWU Sialkot, Thal University Bhakkar, and the University of Jhang. These agreements aim to enhance collaboration in academics, research, innovation, and exchange programs, reflecting a shared commitment to excellence in higher education.

Annual Dinner To Honour The Faculty And Staff



The University of Sargodha (UoS) hosted a grand and memorable evening, the "Annual Dinner, Hajj & Umrah, and Employee of the Year Award 2024 Ceremony," to recognize and celebrate the unwavering dedication of its administrative staff from BS 1-16. The event, held in a spirit of gratitude and camaraderie, was graced by esteemed academic leaders, including Vice Chancellor of the University of Sargodha, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Vice Chancellor of Emerson University Multan, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ramzan, Vice Chancellor, University of Education; Prof. Dr. Aqif Anwar, Vice Chancellor GCUF Faisalabad Prof. Dr. Rauf-I-Azam, Vice Chancellor MNS UET Multan; Prof. Dr. Muhammad Kamran, Vice Chancellor UVAS University; Prof. Dr. Muhammad Younas Rana, Vice Chancellor LCWU; Prof. Dr. Uzam Qureshi, Vice Chancellor GCWU Faisalabad; Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen, Vice Chancellor GCWU Sialkot; Prof. Dr. Shazia Bashir, Vice Chancellor Thal University Bhakkar; Prof. Dr. Saeed Ahmed Buzdar, Vice Chancellor University of Jhang; Prof. Dr. Faheem Aftab, Pro Vice Chancellor UoS; and Prof. Dr.



Mian Ghulam Yasin, as well as Deans, Directors, and Heads of academic and administrative units within the university. The highlight of the evening was the generous distribution of "Umrah Packages" through a lucky draw, with 20 fortunate staff and faculty members receiving this heartfelt reward for their hard work and commitment. Additionally, 70 staff members were honored with the prestigious "Employee of the Year 2024" award, acknowledging their exceptional contributions to the university's growth and success. Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas expressed his gratitude to the administrative staff, stating, "Our administrative team is the backbone of this institution. Their dedication and tireless efforts have been instrumental in elevating the University of Sargodha to new heights. Tonight, we celebrate their achievements and reaffirm our commitment to their



well-being and professional growth."

The esteemed vice chancellors and guests lauded Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas for his visionary leadership and relentless efforts in elevating the University of Sargodha's national and international rankings. They commended his dedication to creating a dynamic and supportive environment that fosters a strong sense of community among staff and faculty.

The Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony 2024 will be remembered as a night of celebration, recognition, and a renewed commitment to academic excellence and community building. The event not only celebrated the achievements of individuals but also strengthened the university's ties with leading academic institutions across Pakistan.





MFKNBS Hosts ICSB 2024 to Promote Sustainable Business Practices

The Malik Firoz Khan Noon Business School (MFKNBS), University of Sargodha (UoS), hosted the Second International Conference on Sustainable Business Development (ICSB 2024) to address contemporary challenges and solutions for promoting sustainability in business practices. The opening ceremony featured distinguished speakers, including Prof. Dr. Saeed Akbar from the University of Bradford School of Management, UK, and Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas.

Addressing the impacts of climate change and the need for community engagement in fostering a greener future, Prof. Dr. Saeed Akbar emphasized the critical importance of sustainability for Pakistan. He highlighted Pakistan's commitment to sustainable growth despite global environmental pressures.

Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas stressed the vital role of academia in shaping policies that promote sustainable practices, advocating for collaboration among universities, industries, and governments to create a lasting environmental impact.

Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Mian Ghulam Yasin underscored the need for innovation in sustainable business practices, while Dean Faculty of Social Sciences Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan discussed the adoption of sustainable financial practices and the role of financial innovation in achieving environmental goals.

Moreover, Director MFKNBS Prof. Dr. Irfan Shahzad highlighted the positive effects of digital transformation on business processes, waste reduction, and environmental responsibility. The conference aims to foster dialogue and collaboration among stakeholders to advance sustainable business practices in Pakistan and beyond.

As part of the Second International Conference on Sustainable Business Development at the University of Sargodha, international speakers from the UK, Malaysia, and Brunei participated in a tree-planting ceremony. This initiative underscored the university's commitment to sustainability and environmental stewardship, symbolizing the collective effort needed to combat climate change.





Experts Call for Sustainable Development in Chemical Sciences

The 1st International Conference on "Frontiers in Chemical Sciences 2024" organized by the Institute of Chemistry, University of Sargodha discussed "Recent Trends and Sustainable Development."

Addressing the opening ceremony, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Vice Chancellor of the University of Sargodha outlined future initiatives, underscoring the university's plans to form a consortium that promotes research collaboration among academic institutions. "This conference provides our students, researchers, and faculty an invaluable opportunity to engage with leading scientists, inspiring research that addresses our society's most pressing needs," he remarked.

Commending the university's rapid progress, Prof. Dr. Akif Anwar Chudhary, Vice Chancellor of the University of Education Lahore, emphasized the value of research partnerships and shared innovative ideas for the future of chemical sciences. "Sargodha University exemplifies the forward momentum needed in today's scientific community, offering a platform for collaborative progress," he noted, further endorsing inter-university partnerships.

Other distinguished speakers included Prof. Dr. Muhammad Saeed Iqbal of Forman Christian College and Prof. Dr. Mian Ghulam Yasin, Pro Vice Chancellor. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Sher, Director of the Institute of Chemistry, and Dr. Amir Ali, Dean of the Faculty of Science, highlighted the conference's role in bridging generational knowledge and strengthening ties within the scientific community.



Key Points

- Establishing a research consortium to foster collaboration between academic institutions and encouraging interdisciplinary research initiatives to address contemporary scientific challenges.
- Promoting eco-friendly and sustainable chemical processes while integrating green chemistry principles in research and industrial applications.
- Strengthening ties with global institutions to advance chemical sciences through joint research projects, faculty exchanges, and collaborative funding opportunities.
- Utilizing AI and data analytics for advancements in chemical research, encouraging the use of digital tools for chemical modeling and simulations.
- Engaging policymakers to support funding and infrastructure development, promoting science-driven policies for sustainable industrial growth.



Sufism as a Bridge for Interfaith Harmony and Tolerance

The Department of History & Pakistan Studies, in collaboration with the Department of Punjabi Language, Literature & Culture, University of Sargodha hosted a one-day international conference titled "Sufi Worldview as an Alternative Perspective to Contemporary Challenges."

The event brought together distinguished scholars and thought leaders including Dr. Tarunjit Singh Butalia from Ohio State University, US; Engr. Mahmood Awan from Dublin, Ireland; Prof. Dr. Tanvir Anjum from Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad; Prof. Dr. Moeen Nizami from LUMS, Lahore; and Dr. Shahzeb Khan from Punjab University. to explore how Sufi philosophy can address modern societal issues. The speakers shared insights into how Sufi teachings provide a holistic and spiritual approach to issues such as social fragmentation, intolerance, and the search for inner harmony.

Addressing the opening ceremony, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas highlighted the university's academic advancements and ongoing development projects. He emphasized the institution's commitment to fostering intellectual dialogue and research. "Sufism offers a timeless message of love, peace, and unity, which is crucial for navigating today's global challenges," he added.

The conference underscored the importance of integrating Sufi thought into contemporary discourse, fostering a deeper understanding of how spiritual perspectives can contribute to a more compassionate and cohesive society.

Key Points

- Integrating Sufi teachings in addressing contemporary societal challenges through compassion, tolerance, and self-reflection.
- Promoting ethical leadership inspired by Sufi principles to foster social harmony and justice.
- Encouraging personal transformation through self-discipline, meditation, and spiritual awareness.
- Utilizing Sufi philosophy to bridge religious and cultural divides, promoting peace and mutual respect.
- Encouraging dialogue among different faith communities to build understanding and coexistence.
- Reviving Sufi practices that emphasize love, inclusivity, and acceptance in a divided world.
- Encouraging policymakers to incorporate Sufi ethics in governance to promote justice, humility, and people-centered leadership.
- Promoting inner peace as a means to counter stress, anxiety, and social unrest.
- Integrating Sufi wisdom into academic curricula to offer alternative perspectives on philosophy, ethics, and spirituality.





Students Gain Practical Skills in Drug Development

The College of Pharmacy, UoS hosted a hands-on training workshop on December 4, 2024, entitled "Drug Design, Molecular Docking and Scientific Writing" to equip students with the necessary tools to excel in the pharmaceutical field. Participants engaged in practical sessions that covered essential techniques for preparing proteins and ligands, enhancing their skills in modern drug discovery methods.

The workshop was aimed at not only enhancing the participants' technical skills but also inspiring

the next generation of pharmacists to contribute to advancements in drug discovery and development.

The workshop featured esteemed resource persons including Dr. Tahir Ali Chauhan, Dr. Hammad Saleem, Dr. M. Shoaib Ali Gill from University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, Lahore shared their knowledge and experiences, providing valuable insights into the intricacies of drug design and the importance of effective scientific communication. Dr. Kamran Bashir and Dr. Hafiz Rashid Hus-

sain from College of Pharmacy UoS were the focal persons of the event while Dean Faculty of Pharmacy Prof. Dr. Usman Minhas was organizer as principal of the college.

The training emphasized on practical applications of molecular docking, techniques for effective scientific writing, collaborative projects to foster teamwork and innovation. The hands-on approach allowed participants to apply theoretical knowledge in real-world scenarios, enhancing their understanding of the drug



Key Points

- Using computational tools to predict binding affinities and optimize drug efficacy.
- Building research partnerships with institutions for knowledge exchange and innovation.
- Implementing more practical training sessions in academic curricula to strengthen theoretical knowledge.
- Exploring artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning applications in drug discovery.
- Focusing on personalized medicine approaches for targeted drug development.
- Encouraging universities to provide access to advanced molecular docking software and databases.
- Understanding the ethical implications and regulatory requirements in pharmaceutical research.
- Adhering to international standards for drug development and clinical trials.



Workshop on Open and Distance Learning to Enhance Faculty Skills

The Human Resource Development Center (HRDC), University of Sargodha (UoS), organized a workshop on "Open and Distance Learning" (ODL) to enhance faculty members' teaching skills. The event featured Vice Chancellor

Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas as the chief guest, alongside Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Mian Ghulam Yasin and other esteemed academicians. Renowned resource individuals, including Prof. Dr. Ahmad Bilal, Dr. Sohail Riaz, Dr. Baber Ali, and Dr.

Nadia Saleem, conducted sessions on various themes, including HEC regulations, effective online teaching strategies, and modern educational methodologies. Additionally, Dr. Imran Ghafoor, Director of the Quality Enhancement Cell, and



HRDC Consultant Khursheed Yousaf shared insights on the growing significance of distance education in Pakistan's higher education landscape. Trainers emphasized the transformative potential of Open and Distance Learning in modern education. ODL is not just an alternative but a necessity in today's digital era. Faculty mem-

bers must embrace innovative teaching methods, align with HEC regulations, and create engaging virtual learning environments to enhance student outcomes, they stated. Addressing the participants, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas highlighted the need for continuous professional development in the rapidly evolving education sector. He com-

mended HRDC's efforts in equipping faculty members with practical skills for digital and remote learning. The workshop highlighted the significance of effective online teaching strategies and the need for continuous faculty development in this evolving educational landscape and concluded with a certificate distribution ceremony.





UoS Celebrates New Year 2025 and Christmas

The University of Sargodha (UoS) organized a New Year 2025 and Christmas celebration to honor its Christian staff members and their families. The event emphasized the university's dedication to diversity, inclusivity, and mutual respect.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas graced the occasion as the chief guest, joined by ADCG Mr. Umar Farooq, Father David John, Pastor Khuram Shahzad, Registrar Waqar Ahmad, deans, directors, and other distinguished guests.

Addressing the gathering, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas emphasized the importance of unity and respect. "You are an integral part of our body, playing an equal and pivotal role in our institution. Together, we must work hand in hand to ensure the progress and prosperity of Pakistan. May the New Year bring hope, unity, and prosperity for all, as we continue to grow and achieve together" he remarked.

Mr. Umar Farooq underscored the enduring relevance of the principles of Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah, which are faith, unity, and discipline, urging everyone to uphold these values for the nation's development.

Father David John encouraged attendees to embrace happiness, peace, and love, stating, "A nation thrives when its people celebrate diversity and promote compassion." Similarly, Pastor Khuram Shahzad highlighted the spirit of serving humanity, noting that Christmas reminds us to practice kindness and understanding in everyday life.

The celebration featured Christmas songs, speeches, and the cutting of a Christmas cake, spreading warmth and joy among all participants.





World Food Day Observed

The Institute of Food Science and Nutrition observed World Food Day 2024 with a series of events aimed at promoting nutrition awareness and sustainable food practices. Commissioner Sargodha Division and Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas were the chief guests at the event, which included an awareness walk, a seminar, and a food products development competition.

The awareness walk brought together students, faculty, and community members to highlight the importance of nutritious food and healthy eating habits. The seminar featured expert talks on food security, sustainable agriculture, and nutrition education, emphasizing the need for collective action to address food-related challenges.

The food products development competition encouraged students to showcase innovative and nutritious food products, promoting creativity and entrepreneurship in the food industry. This event provided a platform for young minds to develop practical solutions for sustainable food systems.



Students Advocate for Justice and Peace in Palestine



The Directorate of Student Affairs and the Office of Event Management at the University of Sargodha organized a solidarity walk on campus to express support for the Palestinian people and condemn the brutal actions of Israel.

The walk was led by Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Mian Ghulam Yasin, accompanied by deans, directors, heads of departments, and a large number of students. The participants began their march from Fountain Chowk and concluded at Library Chowk, carrying Palestinian flags and banners. They raised their voices against the ongoing atrocities in Palestine, calling for justice and peace for the oppressed community.



UoS Marks Mental Health Day with Awareness Walk and Psychology Boot Camp

In celebration of International Mental Health Day, the Department of Psychology at the University of Sargodha has organized a two-day event with a focus on "It's Time to Prioritize Mental Health in the Workplace." The event started on October 10, 2024. An awareness walk was led by Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Mian Ghulam Yasin, while Dean Faculty of Social Sciences Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan, Chairperson Department of Psychology Prof. Dr. Najma Iqbal Malik, Director Implementation Dr. Rehana Ilyas, faculty members from different departments, and students accompanied.

Following the awareness walk, a cake-cutting ceremony launched the inauguration of the Psychology Boot Camp. Prof. Dr. Mian Ghulam Yasin commended the initiative, emphasizing the importance of prioritizing mental health in workplace settings. The event aimed to raise awareness, promote open discussions, reduce stigma, and foster a supportive environment for mental well-being.

The boot camp offered services, including career counseling, handwriting assessment, personality tests, and aptitude tests. These services aimed to provide valuable insights into participants' strengths, weaknesses, and areas for improvement. Certified students conducted the tests under the supervision of experienced teachers.



Awareness Walk Highlights Significance of World Statistics Day

To commemorate World Statistics Day, the Department of Statistics organized an awareness walk to highlight the role of statistics in informed decision-making and sustainable development. The walk was led by Prof. Dr. Aamir Ali, Dean of the Faculty of Sciences, along with Director of Student Affairs Dr. Mahmood Ul Hassan, Chairman of the Department of Statistics Dr. Zafar Nazeer Bhatti, faculty members, and a large number of students.

Addressing the participants, Prof. Dr. Aamir Ali emphasized that statistics is a powerful tool that shapes policies and drives progress in key areas such as health, education, and environmental sustainability. He urged the responsible use of statistical data for making informed decisions that benefit society. The event reinforced the importance of statistical literacy in addressing modern challenges and promoting evidence-based policymaking.