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President of Pakistan Honorable Dr. Arif Alvi Inaugurated National Centers of Precision Agriculture and Industrial Biotechnology at PMAS-AAUR

President Dr. Arif Alvi said that Artificial Intelligence (AI) was changing the way of life and was bringing a paradigm shift in the quality, efficacy and nature of the products and services. He stressed the use of AI to bring much-needed efficiency to our systems. The President expressed these views while addressing the inaugural ceremony of the National Center of Industrial Biotechnology at the PMAS-Arid Agriculture University, Rawalpindi. Former Pro-Chancellor and Former Minister for Agriculture Punjab, Syed Hussain Jahania Gardezi, Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qamar-uz-Zaman were also addressed the occasion.

Addressing the occasion, the President Alvi regretted that Pakistan despite being an agricultural country and having the potential to become self-reliant, faced malnutrition and a shortage of agricultural commodities. This, he said, could be achieved by developing creative and innovative agriculture processes and techniques which in the developed world had led to the development



of high-yielding crops requiring minimum inputs.

The president said that Pakistan needed to communicate and transfer current agricultural knowledge and optimized techniques to the farmers at the grassroots level, besides promoting water-efficient means of irrigation to help transform centuries-old cultivation. The president stated that the neck-breaking speed of scientific advancements had made available instruments & analytical tools which could provide data on the composition, nature and soil.

Former Pro-Chancellor of the University and Former Minister for Agriculture Punjab Syed Hussain

Jahania Gardezi said the country's agriculture sector could be substantially enhanced by the introduction of technology, mechanization, and precision farming techniques.

Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qamar-uz-Zaman informed that 40 programmes in the Industrial and Biotechnology had been restored at the university, besides taking steps for enhancing the skills, quality and training of the staff and the faculty of the University. Earlier, the president inaugurated the National Centre of Industrial Biotechnology at the university, besides visiting the Centre for Precision Agriculture and Big Data Agriculture Repository.



President Dr. Arif Alvi Inaugurating the National Center of Industrial Biotechnology and visiting Center for Precision Agriculture

Business Gala and IT Expo held at PMAS-AAUR

PMAS-Arid Agriculture University Rawalpindi organized a Business Gala and IT Expo with an aim to highlight innovative creative business ideas developed by students and to provide them entrepreneurship opportunities in order to cope with the challenge of unemployment. The Expo will also provide an opportunity to bring together all stakeholders from the public, private, academia, social sectors on one platform to explore new technologies/innovations in the field of IT.

The event was organized by University Institute of Information Technology (UIIT) & Management Sciences (UIMS). Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qamar-uz-Zaman was the chief guest while University Registrar Mr. Muhammad Aqeel Sultan, deans/directors, faculty members and a large number of students were also present.

A number of activities including Speed Programming, Quiz Competition, Digital Photography & Video Documentary, E-Gaming,



Business Gala, Marketing, Food Stalls, Sales, Branding and Advertising were performed in this event.

Prof. Dr. Qamar-uz-Zaman inaugurated the event and visited the stalls. He encouraged the students to keep on making efforts for starting businesses which would provide employment to the poor people in Pakistan. He said that this expo will provide entrepreneurship opportunities to the students so that they could become employers instead of seeking employment.

On this occasion, a research journal titled "Journal of Management

Sciences and Computing (JMSC)" was also launched to promote the research culture in both the institutes. Earlier, in his welcome address, Prof. Dr. Yaser Hafeez Director UIIT & UIMS said that innovative ideas are essential to make sustainable development a step towards meeting the demands of the modern era.



International Workshop on Agroforestry



Department of Forestry and Range Management, FC&FS, organised an International Workshop on "Agroforestry". The objectives of workshop were to provide entrepreneurship to forestry students. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qamar-uz-Zaman participated alongwith the chief guest Mr. Saqib Mehmood, Chief Conservator of forests North Zone Rawalpindi while other speakers were Dr. Nasim Iqbal Butt, Conservator Potohar, Rawalpindi, Dr. Syed Moazzam Nizami, Professor/ Chairman, Department of Forestry, University of Haripur and Mr. Umar Farooq, Director Rangeland Research Institute (RRI), NARC, Islamabad.

73rd Academic Council Meeting



Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qamar-uz-Zaman Presiding the 73rd Academic Council Meeting on 04-Jan-2023

International Workshop on Application, Training and Job Hunting Skills

An International workshop on “Application, Training and Job Hunting Skills” was organized by Women Development Studies Center (WDSC), PMAS-AAUR in collaboration with GIBBZ from 23-25 January 2023.



Speakers delivered comprehensive lectures on how to build vision, find a place in the employment market and how to market by adding value to one's abilities. Moreover,

awareness and guidance on the key aspects and process of resume, preparation for job interview and available opportunities for women

in the job market were provided. The University Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qamar-uz-Zaman also addressed the participants as Chief Guest at the closing ceremony and highlighted the importance of the workshop in providing new opportunities to women for job searching. He also distributed the certificates among the participants. At the end, Dr. Qaisara Parveen (Director, WDSC) gave a vote of thanks.



60th Finance and Planning Committee Meeting



Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qamar-uz-Zaman Presiding the 60th Finance & Planning Committee Meeting on 25-Jan-2023

Milk Day Celebrated at PMAS-AAUR



GIS Fest 2023 (Annual Dinner of IG & EO)



PEEF Scholarship Cheques Distribution Ceremony



International Workshop on Emerging Trends of Leadership



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