



Farewell Gathering For Mr. Anser Mughal on Successful Completion of Tenure as Treasure

Government College Women University Faisalabad arranged a farewell gathering on Thursday 30th May 2024 in the honour of Mr. Anser Mughal, ex-treasurer GCWUF. He joined his university service in 2021. After two and half years of service, he is relieved from his charge as Treasurer of the university.



Vice Chancellor GCWUF Prof. Dr. Zill-i-Huma Nazli congratulated him on successful completion of his tenure and wished him luck for his future endeavours. The gathering included all principal officers, directors, and coordinators of all teaching faculties. Dr. Nousheen Syed has assumed the charge of the Treasurer of the university now.

The 10th Meeting Of the Board of Advanced Studies & Research (BASR)



The 10th meeting of the Board of Advanced Studies & Research (BASR), Government College Women University Faisalabad was held on June 06, 2024. The Vice Chancellor, GCWUF Prof. Dr. Zill-i-Huma Nazli / Chairperson BASR chaired the meeting. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zuber, Professor of Chemistry & Examinations Executive, Riphah International University (Faisalabad Campus), Prof. Dr. Kausar Jamal Cheema, Ex-Dean, Faculty of Natural Sciences, Lahore College for Women University, Lahore,



Prof. Dr. Saima Akram, Coordinator, Faculty Science & Technology, GCWUF, Prof. Dr. Aysha Sameen, Coordinator, Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences, Mrs. Rizwana Tanveer Randhawa Controller of Examination, GCWUF, Dr. Rukhsana Bibi, Coordinator, Faculty of Humanities & Languages, GCWUF, Dr. Nausheen Syed, Coordinator, Faculty of Management & Administrative Sciences, GCWUF, Dr. Aasma Khalid, Director QEC, Dr. Hira Munir, Incharge ORIC, GCWUF and Mr. Asif A. Malik, Registrar / Secretary BASR, GCWUF attended the meeting.



The Worthy Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zill-i-Huma Nazli welcomed all the the Board of Advanced Studies & Research (BASR) members. Registrar GCWUF Mr. Asif A. Malik, presented the agenda items as secretary of the meeting. Various agenda items were finalized for onward approval by the Academic Council & Syndicate, including number of proposed/existing seats for M.Phil. & Ph.D. degree programs during the Fall Semester 2024-25, approval of the Supervisory Committees, Titles of Synopsis and abstracts of Synopsis of

Various Degree Programs, Approval of Submission of Final Thesis and conduct of Public Defense of Ph.D Students, study leave cases, and minutes of different meetings of Board of faculties, etc.

The meeting ended with the concluding remarks of the Vice Chancellor GCWUF. All members of the House appreciated the initiatives and measures taken up by the worthy Vice Chancellor to enhance the quality of academics at GCWUF and ensured all necessary support in this regard to lift GCWUF for the highest academic pursuits in Pakistan and abroad.



Collaboration and Linkages

MUO Between GCWUF and PP&PS



A momentous Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signing ceremony was held at the Vice Chancellor's office of the Government College Women University Faisalabad (GCWUF), marking the beginning of a promising collaboration between GCWUF and the Punjab Probation and Parole Service (PP&PS). The Department of Sociology at GCWUF played a pivotal role as the facilitator of this significant event.



The primary objective of this MoU is to initiate a joint venture aimed at enhancing mutual cooperation in various fields, including research and publication, training and learning, and organizing seminars, conferences, and workshops. This collaboration is expected to leverage the strengths of both institutions to promote academic and practical advancements in these areas.

The ceremony commenced with a warm welcome from the esteemed Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Zill-i-Huma Nazli, who greeted the delegation from the Punjab Probation and Parole Service. Dr. Sajida Parveen, Incharge of the Department of Sociology, introduced the guests to the Vice Chancellor and presented the agenda for the meeting.

Muhammad Shahid Iqbal, Director General of the Punjab Probation and Parole Service, participated in the ceremony virtually via Zoom. The delegation from PP&PS included Mr. Tariq Mahmood Baloch, Assistant Director of PP&PS Faisalabad Division, Rahil Khalid Wahla, District Probation Officer of District Courts Faisalabad, and Syed Mansoor Hussain, Parole Officer Faisalabad.



The MoU was officially signed by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Zill-i-Huma Nazli, with Mr. Asif Malik, Registrar of GCWUF, and Mr. Tariq Mahmood Baloch acting as witnesses. Prominent figures from GCWUF also graced the occasion, including Prof. Dr. Saima Akram, Coordinator of Science & Technology, Prof. Dr. Aysha Sameen, Coordinator of Arts and Social Sciences, Dr. Rukhsana Bibi, Coordinator of Humanities and Languages, Dr. Naushen Syed, Coordinator of Management Sciences, and Dr. Salma Shahid, Director of Academics.

This collaboration is anticipated to bring substantial benefits to both institutions, fostering an environment of shared knowledge and expertise.

MUO Between GCWUF and Pink Ribbon

In a collaborative effort to enhance health and career opportunities for women, the Government College Women University Faisalabad (GCWUF), alongside five other women's universities, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with two prominent human resource management organizations:

PINK RIBBON PAKISTAN and She Means Work. This initiative, supported by the Punjab Higher Education Commission (PHEC), aims to actively contribute to the national health and career agendas for women across Pakistan.

Dr. Salma Shahid, Incharge Analytical and Head of the Diagnostic Services Centre and Director of Academics, represented the Worthy Vice Chancellor of GCWUF in signing these MoUs. The partnership is set to provide substantial benefits to the students of GCWUF, engaging them in various internship programs and job opportunities across multiple sectors of society.



Through this collaboration, PINK RIBBON PAKISTAN and SheMeansWork will work closely with GCWUF to conduct awareness seminars and conferences focusing on critical health and career issues. These events aim to educate and empower the students, preparing them for successful careers and promoting health awareness.

The Vice Chancellor of GCWUF expressed optimism about the positive impact of these MoUs, highlighting the university's commitment to fostering the academic and professional growth of its students. The collaboration with PINK RIBBON PAKISTAN and SheMeansWork is expected to open new avenues for students, equipping them with valuable skills and knowledge to excel in their respective fields.

This initiative underscores GCWUF's dedication to enhancing educational and professional opportunities for women, aligning with the broader objectives of national development and gender equality. The university community eagerly anticipates the fruitful outcomes of this partnership, which promises to uplift the lives of mothers, sisters, and daughters across



PHEC's Training on "Use of Generative Artificial Intelligence in Higher Education"

PHEC organized a two-day training session on "Use of generative artificial intelligence in higher education" for faculty members of Universities on 23-24 May 2024 at the University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Lahore. From GCWUF two faculty members: Ms. Nadia Zafar, Assistant Professor, Dept of Arts and Design, and Dr. Aminah Qayyum lecturer/ associate head of the Education department, nominated by the worthy Vice Chancellor, GCWUF, have attended the training sessions.



Trinka's writing assistance and Aithor's AI modeling capabilities added depth to the training, empowering participants with practical skills to leverage AI tools effectively in higher education settings. The exposure to these tools opens up avenues for innovative research, teaching methodologies, and academic advancement.

The hands-on training by instructor Dr. Fayyaz Ahmad added valuable insights and expertise to the session by giving importance of various tools like Perplexity, Research Rabbit, Trinka, Aithor, and many others. The session was incredibly insightful. These tools offer diverse functionalities ranging from natural language processing with Perplexity to literature search and academic resources with Research Rabbit, enhancing research efficiency.



The training session delved into the functionalities of Evidence Hunt, Search Smart, and Zotero, highlighting their significance in streamlining research processes, optimizing information retrieval, and facilitating efficient citation management and use of prompts.

Through AI tools, the training enhances skills in course description, course outline, course content, and managing course files, providing a comprehensive understanding of effective educational material development and organization.

Knowledge Sharing Activities Under Directorate of Faculty Development

Modern Library Services in Digital Environment



On May 22, 2024, The Directorate of Faculty Development, organized a knowledge-sharing activity based on a talk by Miss Misbah Bashir, Librarian at GCWUF, on "Modern Library Services in a Digital Environment". She talked about digital transformations in libraries, digital collections for desirable impact, innovative library services for the digital age, and techniques to navigate online resources for research and learning. Library staff, faculty members, and M. Phil researchers from various departments attended the presentations, gaining valuable insights to enrich their research endeavors.



Emerging Trend in Food Science and Nutrition

The Directorate of Faculty Development organized a knowledge-sharing activity on May 21, 2024. Professor DrAysha Sameen was the speaker of the day. She delivered a talk titled "Effect of Modified Atmosphere Packaging (MAP) Varying in CO₂ and N₂ Composition on Quality Characteristics of Dry Fermented Sausage During Refrigeration Storage" which she presented at the 2nd International Conference on "Emerging Trends in Food Science and Nutrition" as keynote speaker at University of Management and Technology, Lahore. The faculty members and M. Phil researchers from the Department of Food Science and Technology attended the talk and gained valuable knowledge.



Department of Economics Organized a Study Tour

Under the directions of the Ministry of Planning and Development and QEC GCWUF, the Department of Economics GCWUF organized a study tour for its students to meet SDG-8, Decent work, and economic growth. A group of students (session 2021-2025) under the lead of the Associate Head of the department Mrs Amna, in the company of Mrs Nabeela Kousar visited the Regional Directorate of National Savings Faisalabad. Regional Head Mr. Masood Akram, Regional Account Manager Mr. Shehzad, and Regional Director Headquarters Mr. Rizwan welcomed the group.

Mr. Masood gave detailed information about National Savings. Mr. Shehzad briefed about various linkages of National Savings with other institutes. Mr. Rizwan explained the journey of digitalization of National Savings.

The tour provided basic awareness to the students about the workings of the financial institution in the real world. Mrs. Amna, the Associate Head of the Economics Department thanked the organization.



Training Session on “RIPE” by QEC

The Quality Enhancement Cell (QEC) at GCWUF successfully conducted a training session on May 17, 2023, followed by a focused group discussion on May 23, 2023. These sessions were designed for all focal persons involved in preparing RIPE 2023-24. The objective was to provide a thorough understanding of the RIPE standards and ensure that participants are well equipped to meet all requirements set by the Higher Education Commission (HEC). During the training session, Dr. Aasma Khalid, Director QEC delivered detailed insights into the RIPE criteria, explaining the necessary supporting evidence required for compliance. Key aspects covered included the methodology for preparing the RIPE standards, the importance of accuracy in documentation, and strategies for effective implementation.



The RIPE domain sets the stage for a comprehensive institutional performance, growth, and advancement evaluation. It acknowledges the multifaceted nature of higher education institutions and emphasizes their ongoing evolution.

Through RIPE, institutions undergo rigorous assessments that encompass academic achievements and areas such as governance, research, community engagement, and infrastructure. This domain aims to foster a culture of continuous improvement, ensuring that institutions evolve in response to the changing educational landscape.

Department of Economics Attended Awareness Workshop By Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS)

On 5th June 2024, Mrs. Amna Bari, Mrs. Nabeela Kousar, and Mrs. Ayesha Hussain from the Department of Economics attended an awareness workshop by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS) about their upcoming Integrated Agricultural Survey. This survey is significant because, for the first time, it will collect comprehensive data on machinery, crops, and livestock simultaneously.

PBS officials Dr. Naeem u Zafar (chief statistician), and Dr. Sarwar Gondal (member) explained the survey's importance in providing a holistic view of the agricultural sector. They will gather data on farm machinery like tractors and harvesters, various crop types and yields, and livestock numbers and health. This integrated data will help policymakers make better decisions to support and develop agriculture in Pakistan. Attending this workshop provided valuable insights into this significant step towards understanding and developing Pakistan's agricultural sector through comprehensive data collection. The collaborative effort between PBS, farmers, and agricultural organizations is expected to lead to more informed policies and a stronger agricultural economy.



PHD Public Defense

Under the convenorship of the Coordinator, Faculty of Humanities and Languages Dr. Rukhsana Baloch, the Department of Urdu, Government College Women University Faisalabad, successfully conducted the public defense of PhD theses of two scholars, Miss Aqsa Arshad and Miss Ambar Fatima. Both the research scholars completed their research under the supervision of Dr. Sadaf Naqvi. Aqsa's research topic was 'Muqsood Hussain Jafri's Academic and Literary Contributions' while Ambar's topic was 'Saeed Naqvi's Academic and Literary Contributions.



External examiners of the viva examination included Dr. Sher Ali, Dean Faculty of Languages, Al-Hamd Islamic University, Islamabad, and Dr. Kamran Abbas Kazmi, Chairman, Department of Urdu, International Islamic University, Islamabad. The Deputy Controller of Exams, Mr. Ehsan Lodhi, and faculty members and students of the Urdu department attended the public defense. Vice Chancellor Professor Dr. Zill-i-Huma Nazli congratulated the department on this achievement.

Circular

- In continuation of notification no. 10-01/2024-Min-11 dated 27 May 2024 issued by the federal government of Pakistan, it is hereby informed that GCWUF will remain closed on 28 May 2024 on the eve of Yaum-i-Takbeer.
- The already scheduled final term examinations for semester Spring 2024 on the said date will be conducted on Thursday, May 30, 2024.
- However, the necessary security and estate staff will perform duties at GCWUF main and new campuses.
- This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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