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Honourable Governor Punjab, Chancellor Malik Muhammad Rafiq Rajwana
gracing the Vice Chancellor GCUF, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali with Tamgha-e-Imtiaz

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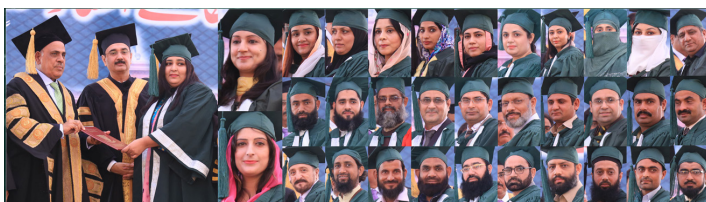
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6th Convocation

The 6th Convocation of GCUF was held at New Campus GC University Faisalabad. The Honorable Governor of the Punjab Malik Muhammad Rafique Rajwana presided over the session and distributed certificates and medals among the position holders. GCUF awarded degrees to 16016 male and female students of various disciplines. Among them 7644 have done BA BSc, 1977 BS (Hon), 2077 B.Ed and M.Ed, 3864 MA MSc, 400 Mphil MS and 32 Ph.D's. Three Students from Islamic and Arabic studies departments received Pir Karam Ali Shah Medals. The worthy Chief Guest Governor Punjab Muhammad Rafiq Rajwana appreciated the efforts of the Vice Chancellor of GCUF, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali, his farsightedness and vision. He declared that the students of GCUF remained very active during any catastrophe in Pakistan. They rendered valuable services during national emergencies like earthquake, floods and problem of IDP's. He also appreciated the endowment fund which has been introduced for the deserving and competent students in GCUF. The Vice Chancellor of the University of Gujrat, Prof. Dr. Zia ul Qayyum, Vice Chancellor Government College Women University Faisalabad, Prof. Dr. Naureen Aziz Qureshi, Vice Chancellor Pir Mehr Ali Shah Arid Agriculture University, Prof. Dr. Rai Niaz Ahmad also distributed medals and certificates among the students. The University awarded Gold Medal along with Rs.10000/- to the 1st position holders, a Silver Medal and Rs. 7000/- for 2nd Position Holders, and similarly a Bronze Medal and Rs.5000/- cash money for 3rd position holders respectively. The worthy Vice Chancellor welcomed the guests and highlighted the achievements of the institution in various fields. He said that GCUF is the only university in Pakistan which is making efforts to place solar based energy system. He also mentioned that the institution is establishing industry-university linkage through which a new avenue of jobs will be opened for the students of GCUF. He added that the Alumni is being activated for scholarships for the deserving students. He informed the audience that he has restarted the development projects which had been delayed due to financial problems. The ceremony was conducted by Mr. Zeshan Ahmad Khan. At this occasion, the known political figures of the city, MNA Haji Akram Ansari, MNA Mrs. Khalida Mansoor, MPA Sheikh Ijaz Ahmed, MPA Mrs. Najma Afzal, MPA Mr. Haji Ilyas Ansari were also there. Lt. Gen. Imtiaz Hussain Sherazi also graced the occasion as a Guest of Honor. Shields were also given to the Controller of Examinations, Deans of the various Faculties, Registrar Mr. Ghulam Ghous and university officers. The whole atmosphere was full of academic zeal. The worthy chief guest also inaugurated Student Teacher Center and Academic Block at GCUF New Campus.



Visit of US Consul General Harkenrider at GCUF



The US Consul General Lahore Zachary V. Harkenrider visited the Lincoln Corner at Govt. College University Faisalabad where he gave an interactive presentation on the U.S. Federal Government and Federal Elections to the students from several disciplines. Students were particularly interested in the U.S. presidential elections. The Consul General said that "The United States and Pakistan share the experience of managing their diversity through democratic systems of government, enhanced by vibrant free media, and rooted in the unique cultures and traditions of their people. We have much to learn from each other's experience." The Consul General was pleased to visit the Lincoln Corner, which was opened on January 2014. Lincoln Corners are partnerships between the Embassy of the United States, public libraries and other institutions in Pakistan. Located within universities, public libraries and other institutions, Lincoln Corners are platforms for providing information about the United States, English Language learning, Education in the USA, cultural programs and alumni activities.

Workshop on Astro-Imaging

A workshop "The Basics of Astro-Imaging" was organized jointly by Lahore Astronomical Society (LAST) and Geography Department of Government College University, Faisalabad (GeoGCUF). It was hosted by LAST, represented by Mr. Umair Asim. About 80 participants attended the workshop from both GCUF and LAST. Mr. Umair Asim and Dr. Kashif Mahmood distributed certificates among the participants.



Foundation Day & Job Fair 2015

On 8th December 2015, GCUF celebrated its foundation day and the Old Students Association celebrated it along with faculty and students. The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI), started the day long celebrations with flag hoisting ceremony. The Alumni gathered in Iqbal Hall where the Vice Chancellor and the president of Alumni distributed the scholarships among the brilliant and needy students. The Old Students Association introduced Prof. M.A.Ehsan (Rs. 50,000), Dr. Muhammad Nawaz (Rs. 10,000), Prof. Asmat Ullah Khan (Rs.

10,000) merit scholarships for the brilliant students who got top positions in Physics, Pharmacy and Urdu departments. Forty scholarships of twenty thousand each were awarded to the needy students. The President of Old Students Association, Dr. Muhammad Saulat Nawaz paid special tribute to Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) for his tremendous efforts for the institution. He said that the association would introduce more scholarships next year. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI), Vice Chancellor, laid emphasis on the linkage of



the University and industry. He invited the members of Chambers of Commerce and the industrialists to play positive role for the betterment of the institution. He said that GCUF is introducing separate F.Sc. classes and diplomas will also be introduced with the collaboration of the Chamber of Commerce. He also inaugurated the Job Fair organized with the collaboration of industry, NGOs, multinational companies and banking sector. At the end of the day, the University and the Old Students Association organized a dinner with light music. At the end of the programme, the President presented the shield to the chief guest. The respectable Deans and the faculty members were also present on the occasion. Job Fair is now a permanent facet of Foundation Day.

Intra Departmental Sports

College of Commerce organized sports festival (Cricket, Football, Badminton, Kabadi and 100 Meter Race) 03 December 2015 at New Campus of Government College University Faisalabad to promote the healthy and extracurricular activities among the students. Dr. Mohsin Bashir, Incharge College of Commerce, faculty members and students



participated in this festival. This sports festival was organized and managed by Mr. Nasir Abbas, Sports Incharge College of Commerce.

2nd National Paleontology Seminar



A two day national seminar on Palaeontology was held in the Department of Zoology. Dean Faculty of Islamic and Oriental Learning Professor Dr. Humayun Abbas presided the inaugural session. Dr. Farhat Jabeen presented her welcome address and highlighted the importance of Palaeontology in the field of Zoology.

Professor Dr. Muhammad Akhtar (Ex- Dean Faculty of Life Sciences and Chairperson Department of Zoology, University of Punjab), Dr. Muhammad Akbar Khan (Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology, University of Punjab), Dr. Muhammad Abdul Majid Khan (Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology, University of Punjab) presented their lectures in seminar. Dr. Khizar Samiullah (Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology, GCUF) was the Principal Organizer. On 2nd day of this seminar, a field tour was conducted and Fossils locality Dhok Bun Ameer Khatoon (District Chakwal) was thoroughly investigated by one hundred and ten students with ten faculty members and several specimens of about 11 million years old were collected. Professor Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) distributed the shields among the key speakers in the New Campus of the University.

Inauguration of Mosque at New Campus

The newly constructed mosque at GCUF at new campus was inaugurated by Federal Minister for Religious Affairs, Pir Muhammad Amin ul Hasnaat Shah. He was accompanied by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI), Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ishaq Qureshi, Prof. Dr. Humayun Abbas, Dean Faculty of Islamic & Oriental Learning. Other deans and directors of the University were also present on the occasion. A seminar was also held on the topic of "Role of Mosque in Community Building". The speakers highlighted the importance of mosque in the society and its important role in community life. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) thanked Mr. Muhammad Afzal, Haji Abdur Rasheed and Mr.



Achi, renowned philanthropist, for their contributions. Alumni GCUF distributed Prof. Asmat Talent cash prizes to winners of Qirat, Naat, Quiz and Speech competitions. The federal minister showed his satisfaction over the religious, social and educational initiatives of the worthy vice chancellor.

Department of Botany Faculty Member Selected as TWAS Young Affiliate Scientist



The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS) has selected Dr. Nudrat Aisha Akram (Assistant Professor, Department of Botany) as Young Affiliate Scientist for the Central and South Asian region. She will serve the organization for the next five years (2015-2019) and will work with other TWAS affiliates/fellows for enhancement of regional research collaborations. In this context, she has attended 13th TWAS general meeting held in Vienna, Austria where she delivered a lecture on her research activities and future plans for uplifting of scientific environment in the region.

Research Awards

The Office of Research, Innovation & Commercialization (ORIC) of GCUF organized a ceremony in December 2015 at GCU Faisalabad campus to decorate its excellent researchers with cash awards. Prof.



Dr. Muhammad Ali (Tamgha-e-Imtiaz) was the Chief Guest of the event. Dr. Muhammad Ibrahim (Manager-Research Operations) of GCUF introduced the audience with research awards and the need of research and development activities at the campus. Dr. Khalid Mahmood Zia (Director-ORIC) presented the research statistics of GCU Faisalabad during 2014 and he also shared the overall research and publication scenario of GCUF from its establishment. The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Muhammad Ali (TI) shared his research vision with the faculty members. He talked about various steps taken during his tenure to promote the culture of research and publications. Research Support Program, Research Awards, Excellence in Teaching Awards and Business Incubation Centre are some of those initiatives. Researchers, who published their research findings in impact factor journals during 2014 were given cash awards. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zuber (Dean Science & Technology), Prof. Dr. Humayun Abbas (Dean Islamic & Oriental Learning), Prof. Dr. Farhat Abbas (Dean Engineering) and Prof. Dr. Nasir Amin (Director Quality Enhancement Cell) were also present at the event.

International Seminar and Workshop on Fish Research around Indus River

Department of Zoology organized an International Seminar and Workshop on Fish Research around Indus River on December 15 at Government College University Faisalabad. The event was organised by Dr Farhat Jabeen Chairperson / Leader of INSPIRE / SPEKE Projects and Dr. Abdul Shakoor Chaudhry from the School of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, Newcastle University, UK in connection with GCUF international collaborations. The ongoing projects include an International Strategic Partnership for Research and Education (INSPIRE) and Strategic Partnership Extension for Knowledge Exchange (SPEKE). The projects are funded by the British Council (BC) and Higher Education Commission (HEC) of Pakistan. The events were attended by around 200 delegates from different organisations including GCUF, Punjab Fisheries Department and selected fish farmers and fishermen. The Vice Chancellor GCUF Professor Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I) graced both the occasions as the Chief Guest. Director General Punjab Fisheries Dr. Muhammad Ayub, Prof. Dr. Naeem Tariq, Prof. Dr. Kausar Malik, Deputy Director Zulfiqar Abdi alongside his team members and the progressive fish farmers. Dr. Faqir Mohammad and Kashif Bajwa delivered their research and farm based presentations. Mr. Mohammad Omar of British Council Lahore attended various activities. Dr Farhat Jabeen and Dr. Abdul Shakoor Chaudhry updated the audience about their fish and water related research as well as knowledge exchange activities at multiple sites in Faisalabad, Chashma, Esakhel and Mianwali. The events were concluded with the shield and certificate distribution to the speakers and the delegates by the worthy Vice Chancellor.

INSPIRE Project Leaders Visited the Study Area



INSPIRE Team Dr. Farhat Jabeen GCUF, Dr. Abdul Shakoor Chaudhry from Newcastle University UK, and Mohammad Omer from British Council visited the Fish Seed Hatchery Faisalabad where Zulfiqar Ali Abdi Deputy Director Fisheries welcomed the team and shared important information regarding fish breeding and growth. INSPIRE Team also interacted with the fishermen as well and discussed about the different fish species reared in the hatchery.

PM Laptop Scheme Phase-II

GCUF will receive more than 27000 laptops in the 2nd phase of Prime Minister's Laptop Scheme for students. This will provide an academic boost for the students to equip themselves with modern knowledge.



GCUF Role in the Pakistan Panel on Climate Change

Upon directions of worthy Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI), Prof. Dr. Farhat Abbas – Dean Engineering and Dr. Muhammad Adrees – Assistant Professor Department of Environmental Sciences and Engineering participated in the 1st stakeholders' consultative workshop. The workshop was attended by a group of 62 persons comprising senior officers of government, academia and corporate sector together with experts from diversified stakeholders including civil society organizations. This is step towards GCUF climate change initiative program.



Findings of GCUF Researchers are Coming True about Climate Change

Recognizing the importance of Paris Climate Change Agreement 2015 and the commitment of Pakistan for its implementation, the Government College University, Faisalabad (GCUF) has played a pivotal role in the establishment of Pakistan Panel on Climate Change (PPCC) during the 1st Stakeholders Consultative Workshop held on January 13, 2016 at the Institute of Policy Studies, Islamabad. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) is on the Steering Committee of PPCC, whereas Prof. Dr. Farhat Abbas (Dean, Faculty of Engineering – GCUF) is Convener of the Working Group – II of PPCC. For climate change research, development and outreach (community awareness), GCUF collaborates with its national and international partners including PARC-Islamabad, ICIMOD (Nepal), TERI (India), BCAS (Bangladesh), ALTERRA of Washington University of the Netherlands. Realizing the importance and need of a weather station in urban settings, the Vice Chancellor, Government College University, Faisalabad inaugurated the Automatic Weather Station at the old campus in March 2016. This weather station has complete set of instruments and measures wide range of climate and weather parameters. These instruments have been donated by the Alterra, Wageningen, the Netherlands under a joint regional project HiAware. The researchers from the Netherlands, Dr. Christian Siderius and Ms. Tanya elaborated the significance of use and functions of this weather station in the scenario of heat waves in urban environments. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) (Vice Chancellor) thanked the Wageningen University for their collaboration and discussed the use of data from weather station in various fields of life and natural sciences. Dr. Bashir Ahmad, local partner from PARC and Dean Faculty of Engineering, Prof. Dr. Farhat Abbas were also present on this occasion. The ceremony was attended by faculty members and large number of students of the Department of Environmental Sciences & Engineering.

Two-days National Workshop on “Government-Academia-Industry Linkage”

Two days workshop was organized by the Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC), GCUF. The Chairman, Higher Education Commission (HEC), Prof. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed chaired the event. In his address he appreciated the steps taken by the Vice Chancellor, GCUF, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) to bring the Government, Academia and Industry on one platform to discuss their problems and expectations from one another. He promised his full support to develop this linkage and provide the necessary resources available to them on behalf of the Government.

Besides the several oral presentations from the members of the Faisalabad Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FCCI) and Business



Community, there were two panel discussions attended by large numbers of dignitaries from Government, Industry and Academia. Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood Khan (ex- Vice Chancellor PMAS-Arid Agriculture University, Rawalpindi), Prof. Dr. Iqar Ahmad Khan (Vice Chancellor of University of Agriculture, Faisalabad), Prof. Dr. Qaiser Mushtaq (Vice Chancellor of The Islamia University of Bahawalpur), Prof. Dr. Rauf-i-Azam (Vice Chancellor, University of Education, Lahore), Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (Vice Chancellor, Muhammad Nawaz Shareef University of Agriculture, Multan), Prof. Dr. Abdul Majeed (Rector, The University of Faisalabad) and Prof. Dr. Naureen Aziz Qureshi (Vice Chancellor, Government College Women University, Faisalabad) presented their views and suggestions



to develop a long lasting relation between the Government-Academia-Industry and congratulated Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) for taking this initiative. Dr. Habib Aslam Gaba (President, Standing Committee FCCI), a number of representatives from the business community presented their viewpoint of the business community. Malik Haq Nawaz, Dr. Rizwan Ahamd (Director General, NESCOM, Islamaad) Mr. Muzamil Bashir and Mr. Rehan Ashraf (ex-presidents FCCI) showed their willingness to work with academia and said that academia can serve as ambassadors for the industry as well.

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) (Vice Chancellor, GCUF) in his address, said that he is highly obliged to the Chairman of HEC Pakistan, all the Vice Chancellors for attending this workshop on our invitation. He gave a detailed road map on which the country can proceed to develop a long lasting relationship between the Govt. industry and academia, which will work for the benefits of all the stakeholders. He proposed to develop a central house looping all the academic institutions located in the surroundings of Faisalabad to collaborate with the local industry for identifying the problems and their quick and timely solutions. He proposed that other universities should also arrange such events so that this concept of Industry and academia linkage under umbrella of the Government may spread for the promotion of research and development in the country. Large number of ORIC directors representing their universities (both public and private) across the Pakistan, members of the different Chambers of Commerce and Industries, national research institutions such as Ayub Agriculture Research Institute, Faisalabad; National Institute for Biotechnology and Genetic Engineering, Faisalabad; Nuclear Institute for Agriculture and Biology, Faisalabad participated in the panel discussions. The healthy participation from all faculties of GCUF in this event on both days reflects the interest of our researchers to extend our collaboration with industry.

8th All Punjab Desert Hike 2016

GCUF Scout Group participated in 8th All Punjab Desert Hike 2016 organized by Punjab Boy Scout Association at Cholistan Desert, Bahawalpur from January 22-28, 2016. Total of 34 scouts and scout leaders from all over the Punjab participated in the hike. Six (06) GCUF



scouts participated in the hike under the leadership of Dr. Mahmood-ur-Rahman Ansari, President, GCUF Scout Group. The track was Qilla Derawar to Toba Chachran, Toba Chandna, Nawankot, Mamuwali, Kotany Wali and back to Qilla Derawar.

Kashmir Solidarity Day Rally

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) along with a large number of students and faculty members vowed to continue their support for the rights of Kashmiri people according to the resolutions of United Nations. A solidarity walk was also arranged in connection with Kashmir Day at GCUF.



International Conference on Halal Foods, Pharmaceuticals and Cosmetics

International Conference on Halal Foods, Pharmaceuticals and Cosmetics was organized by the Islamic Food and Nutrition Council of America and Institute of Food and Home Sciences, Govt. College University, Faisalabad in Sufi Barkat Ali Hall. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) presided the conference. Justice Khalil ur Rehman Khan was the chief guest. Dr. Faqeer Muhammad Anjum welcomed the guests and introduced the objectives of the conference. The key speakers were Dr. Munir from USA, Dr. Nadeem Riaz, Dr. Abid from UK, Dr. Mujahid Masood, Ch Nawaz, President of FCCI also laid emphasis on the importance of Halal Food. The Vice Chancellor Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) said that the most important thing in the world is moving towards right direction. We are starting meaningful food science programs. We are giving training to



the students to find jobs in industry. The studnets should establish their own industry. Justice Khalil ur Rehman Khan who is heading the Halal Food Agency of Punjab also delivered lecture on the Halal Food. He said it is necessary to develop our own capability first. The Government is making legislation on Halal Food. The Punjab Government is taking initiative for ensuring Halal Food. Allah has described the importance of Halal Food in Quran. The institutions should establish linkage with the industry. The curriculum should be designed according to the needs of the industry. Prof. Dr. Faqir Anjum (TI) thanked the worthy guests for their presence.

Seminar on Quality Assurance System

The Layyah Campus, GCUF organized one day seminar on "Quality Assurance System and Student Awareness" in February 2016. Dr. Muhammad Nawaz Deputy Director QEC and Ms. Tahira Rasheed Coordinator QEC delivered a talk on the issue of Quality Assurance System/ Mechanism and the role of the faculty and students to ensure the quality of education. It was a fruitful, significant and successful





seminar. A large number of students and faculty members from various departments participated in this informative seminar. In closing remarks, Dr. Muhammad Younis Khokhar, Director, Layyah Campus and Mr. Qaisar Abbas Bhatti, Project Director, Layyah Campus thanked the speakers, faculty members and students for participating in the seminar.

Dua for Martyrs of Bacha Khan University Charsadda



The faculty, staff and students arranged Dua e Maghfirat at all the campuses of the University for the Martyrs of Baacha Khan University, Charsadda. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I) asked all the students and faculty to play their vigilant role for the betterment and security of the nation.

Pakistan Scottish Scholarship



Department of Education, Directorate of Distance Learning Education and British Council jointly organized a seminar for awareness of Pakistan Scottish Scholarship. Mr. Jimbooth, Ms. Haleema Masood, Dr. Naeem Mohsin, Ms. Saima Parveen and a large number of faculty members along with students attended the seminar. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI), Vice Chancellor, appreciated the efforts of British Council for arranging such important seminars for the students.

International Conference on Global Trends in Safe and Healthy Food

Department of Home and Food Sciences, Government College University, Faisalabad organized an International Conference on Global Trends in Safe and Healthy Food together with Lyallpur Food and Poultry Products Festival. The conference was a mega event spanning over two days. In the opening session, Prof. Dr. Mohammad Nizamuddin, Chairperson, Punjab Higher Education Commission was the Chief Guest. A galaxy of Vice Chancellors attended the events.

Honourable Minister Rana Mashhood Ahmed Khan, worthy ex-Speaker National Assembly, Mr. Fakhar-e-Imam, Prof. Dr. Talat Naseer Pasha, Maj. Gen. (R) Khadim Hussain, Rector Foundation University, Dr. Mubarik Ali, Member Planning Commission, Lt. (Gen) (R) Engr. Muhammad Asghar, Rector NUST, Chairman PCSIR Dr. Shahzad Alam, Prof. Dr. Rao Asif Ali, Vice Chancellor MNSUA, Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood Khan, ex-Vice Chancellor, PMAS Arid Agriculture University, Prof. Dr. Rai Niaz Ahmad, Vice Chancellor, PMAS Arid Agriculture University, Prof. Dr. Iqrar Ahmed Khan, Vice Chancellor UAF, Mr. Zia Alamdar, Senior Vice President FCCI, Prof. Dr. Tallat Afza, Vice Chancellor GSCWU, Prof. Dr. Naureen Aziz Qureshi, Vice Chancellor GCWUF, Prof. Naeem Masood from Waqt TV were among the honourable Guests of Honour.





Provincial Minister for Education, Archeology, Youth, Tourism and Sports, Rana Mashhood Ahmed Khan was the Chief Guest at the concluding session of International Conference arranged by the Institute of Home and Food Sciences. He was accompanied by Mr. Mustafa Kamal, Chairman, All Pakistan Poultry Organization. Syed Fakhar Imam, Ex-Federal Minister/Ex-Speaker National Assembly, Prof. Dr. Tallat Naseer Pasha, VC, UVAS, Ch. Jaffar Iqbal, MNA/Parliamentary Secretary Defence, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I) and Dr. Farqir Muhammad Anjum. The worthy Minister distributed souvenirs among the organizers and also participated in the walk organized in connection with Women Day 2016. He visited the Faisalabad Food Expo arranged at New Campus. He also appreciated the Thesis Display of the students of the Institute of Art and Design of the University. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I) at this occasion thanked the Honourable Minister for sparing time for the students and the faculty.

SUR KA SULTAN

Department of History and Pakistan Studies arranged in collaboration with Mahram Media Productions "Sur Ka Sultan" at Government College University, Faisalabad. The Voice of Faisalabad Competition was won by University of Agriculture, Faisalabad. Prof. Dr. Iqbal Ahmad Khan, VC, UAF, Prof. Dr. Arshad Ali, Rector, NTU distributed prizes among the position holder students. Renowned singer Ms. Saira Naseem, Ali Abbas were among the panel of judges. The event was attended by a large number of students. Dr. Abdul Qadir Mushtaq was the principal organizer of the event.



Indigenous On-Campus Training



Government College University, Faisalabad successfully completed the 2nd phase of Indigenous On-Campus Training of internal staff under the guidance of HEC, Islamabad. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I), Vice Chancellor congratulated the management and interneers on the completion of the course. Mr. Muhammad Ayub, Coordinator, apprised the worthy Vice Chancellor and the guests about the objectives of the workshop at the concluding session.

MoU with Kostomono University, Turkey



Government College University, Faisalabad signed an MoU with Kostomono University, Turkey. The MoU was signed by Rector, Prof. Dr. Sayed Iden and Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I). Prof. Dr. Humayun Abbas, Dean, Faculty of Islamic and Oriental Learning, honourable faculty members and students were also present at the occasion. The MoU is a great landmark for the two sister universities.

Online System of Education for Prisoners

The office of Federal Ombudsman, Government College University, Faisalabad, Allama Iqbal Open University and Chamber of Commerce Faisalabad have jointly embarked upon a plan for the education of prisoners and their wards. In this regard, Secretary Prison Reforms from the office of Federal Ombudsman, Ms. Zaryab Musarrat (Director Investigation) along with Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I), President FCCI Ch. Muhammad Nawaz, Dr. Muhammad Obaid Aslam, Director, AIOU, Dr. Naeem Mohsin, Director DLE apprised the media about the online

GCUF Wins 7th Position in HEC Ranking

GCUF holds seventh position in the ranking issued by Higher Education Commission (HEC), Islamabad. It is a great honour and a sign of satisfaction for the GCUF community. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) congratulated GCUF community on this achievement and encouraged everyone to put more efforts for achieving even better position.



system of education for prisoners. Ms. Zaryab Musarrat assured the willingness of office of Ombudsman for the noble cause and requested all the partners to cooperate for this social cause.

Thesis Display at Institute of Art and Design

Institute of Art and Design, GCUF organized a Thesis Display of the students. Mr. & Mrs. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I), Vice Chancellor inaugurated the event. The event is now taken as a well-set tradition of the institute as people from all walks of the city visit this Thesis Display and acknowledge the efforts of the students. Prof. Dr. Nizam-ud-Din Chairperson PHEC also honoured the institute with his presence.



Seminar on Federalism in Pakistan



Department of Political Science arranged a seminar on the topic of "Federalism in Pakistan". Mr. Neils Haninger was the keynote speaker. Worthy Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) was the chief guest.

Inter-Departmental Sports Festival

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I) inaugurated Inter-Departmental Sports Festival at New Campus. A large number of students and faculty members attended the inaugural ceremony. Separate male and female tournaments were simultaneously organized by the Directorate of Sports to facilitate the maximum number of students to participate in the festival.



Projects Display of the Students of Management Sciences

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I) inaugurated the Projects Display of the students of Management Sciences. Prof. Dr. Hazoor Muhammad Sabir, Dr. Sharjeel, Dr. Mohsin Bashir, Dr. Irfan, Mr. Salman Pansota were also present along with other faculty members. The Vice Chancellor appreciated the Projects Display and emphasized the practical aspects of the projects.



GCUF Toba Sub-Campus

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I) visited the proposed site of GCUF Toba Sub-Campus along with Mr. Amir Ijaz Akbar, DCO Toba. It was informed that the land has been acquired and the spade work is being done for establishing GCUF Toba Sub-Campus which will be a great news for the people of adjoining areas. This initiative is being taken under the very patronage of worthy Chief Minister of Punjab, Mian Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif, whose slogan "Education for All" looms large over this project.



Walk on "MAA BOLI DEHAAR"

Department of Punjabi arranged a walk on "Maa Boli Dehaar". Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I), Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zuber, Prof. Dr. Humayun Abbas, Prof. Dr. Farhat Abbas, Prof. Dr. Haq Nawaz Anwar, Dr. Nadeem Sohail, Dr. Asma Ghulam Rasool, Dr. Salma Umber, Dr. Abdul Qadir Mushtaq led the walk from Vice Chancellor's Office to Basic Sciences Block.

MoU Signed with Sukoto State University of Nigeria



Government College University, Faisalabad and Sukoto State University of Nigeria signed an MoU at GCUF. The Vice Chancellor, Dr. Nohobo Yaquub and Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I) signed the said MoU. Dr. Nohobo Yaquub appreciated the academic progress of GCUF and stated that the MoU would help promote the academic cooperation between the two institutions.

Seminar on Role of Media

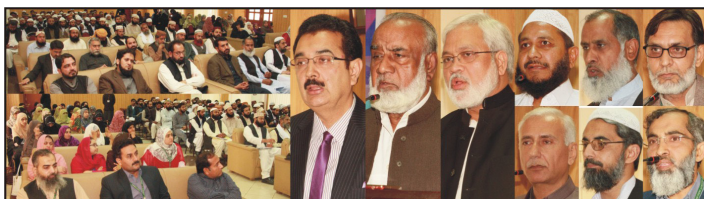


Department of Mass Communication in collaboration with Punjab Higher Education Commission organized a seminar on the topic "Role of Media; State Crises, Issues and Challenges" at GCUF. Prof. Dr. Mohammad Nizamuddin, Chairman, PHEC presided the function whereas Mr. Muhammad Sohail Warraich, a renowned journalist, was the keynote speaker. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I) welcomed the guests at the University and thanked the Chairman, PHEC for initiating these collaborative seminars which would be of great worth both for the students and faculty of the University.



Workshop on the Role of Ulama, Khutaba and Aaima for Peace

Department of Islamic Studies and Arabic, GCUF organized a two-day workshop on the "Role of Ulama, Khutaba and Aaima for Peace". Prof.



Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I), Prof. Dr. Ishaq Qureshi, Dr. Mohsin Naqvi, Dr. Moeen Nizami, Allama Ammar Khan Nasir, Dr. Muhammad Akram Virk, Prof. Dr. Humayun Abbas and Dr. Umer Hayat spoke at the occasion. On the closing ceremony, Prof. Dr. Mohammad Nizamuddin, Chairman, Punjab Higher Education Commission presided over the function and distributed certificates to the participants.

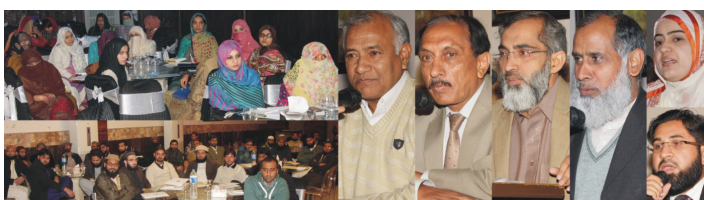
French Education Day



In connection with French Education Day, Mr. Albin Schreuer (Attache for Scientific and Cultural Cooperation), Mrs. Mathilde Mallet (Head of Asia Department Campus France) Mr. Jean Francois (Dutrey Campus France), Mr. Stephane Saillart (Director Alliance Francaise Lahore) visited Government College University, Faisalabad to apprise the students about French Scholarships in a seminar. Prof. Dr. Faqir Muhammad Anjum and Dr. Nadeem Sohail organized the seminar. Earlier, the esteemed deligation had a meeting with the worthy Vice Chancellor.

Lecture on Tradition of Research in the Universities

Dr. Abu Sufian Islahi of Ali Garh University, India delivered lecture on the tradition of research in the universities of Pakistan and India. Dr. Iftikhar Ahmed, Dr. Umer Hayat, Dr. Hamid, Dr. Yasir, Dr. Ghulam Ahmad received certificates. Prof. Dr. Humayun Abbas and Dr. Haq Nawaz Anwar also shared their views.



Cultural Festival 2016

GCUF holds 2016 Cultural Mela. The event was organized by Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I) along with Mian Muhammad Rafique, MPA, inaugurated the said Cultural Mela. A large number of stalls were set up reflecting different cultural dimensions of the country. At the occasion, renowned singers Ms. Saira Naseem, Asad Abbas and Ghulam Abbas performed. A large number of students attended the Cultural Mela.

Cultural Mela strengthens the different cultures in Pakistan. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) emphasized the need of tolerance and unity among different cultures. The event was marked with different cultural stalls. Cultural and regional dances, were performed with musical show. Dr. Abdul Qadir Mushtaq welcomed the Chief Guest along with faculty and students.



Tamgha-e-Imtiaz for Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali



The students, faculty and staff of the University have congratulated the Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali on the conferment of Tamgha-e-Imtiaz for his valuable contribution in the fields of research and science and hope that the GCUF community would make progress under his leadership.

International Conference on Halal Food at Bangkok

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) and Prof. Dr. Faqir Muhammad Anjum participated in the International Conference on Halal Food at Bangkok. This event was marked with delegations from different countries of the world. The worthy Deputy Prime Minister of Thailand presented the souvenir to Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI). GCUF also signed a MoU for collaboration in the field of Halal Foods.



GCUF Declares MA/M.Sc Results



Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) in a ceremony has declared online result of MA/M.Sc annual examination. A total 4981 students appeared in the exam. The pass percentage is 77.40%

Workshop on Vacuum Stems



Government College University, Faisalabad and National Institute of Vacuum Science and Technology, Islamabad organized a two day workshop on Vacuum Stems. Dr. Javaid Hassan, DIR NIVST, Dr. Muhammad Maqsood, Dr. Muhammad Akram, Dr. Khalid Alamgir and Engr. Mubarik discussed the topic with the participants.

PEC Workshop to Improve Professional Capabilities

Department of Electrical Engineering in collaboration with Pakistan Engineering Council organized a workshop to improve the professional capabilities at GCUF. Engr. Ghulam Karim, Engr. Muhammad Ibrahim, Prof. Dr. Haq Nawaz, Prof. Dr. Humayon Abbas shared their views with the participants of from different universities. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I) in his address highlighted the importance of professionalism in the future generation of engineers.

Mian Muhammad Yousaf Research and Talent Awards

Mr. Muhammad Waqar Yousaf, a philanthropist, who has donated earlier Mian Muhammad Yousaf Block, to the University visited GCUF and had a meeting with the Vice Chancellor. He announced Research Scholarship Awards for students and faculty of GCUF. In this connection, Mian Muhammad Yousaf Research Awards and Mian Muhammad Yousaf Student Talent Awards will be distributed on merit basis. The Vice Chancellor thanked the worthy guest for his generous efforts for GCUF.

Urdu; National Language to Official Language

The Journey of Urdu Language from National Language to Official Language was discussed at a seminar chaired by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI), Vice Chancellor. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zuber, Prof. Dr. Haq Nawaz Anwar, Prof. Dr. Humayun Abbas, Dr. Asif Awan, Dr. Shabbir Qadri, Dr. Mansoor Tahir, Dr. Afzal Hameed, Dr. Nawaz, Dr. Imran Zafar shared their views on the topic. The speakers highlighted the social, legal and literary impact of Urdu as an official language.

Osteoporosis Day

Directorate of Medical Sciences and Department of Physiotherapy organized a seminar on "Osteoporosis Day". Prof. Dr. Abid Rasheed, Ortho Surgeon Dr. Noor Akbar Sial, Dr. Afzal Bukhari shared their experiences with the audience. The guest speakers also stressed the importance of preventive measures.

Panel Discussion on Linking the University Research with Industrial Needs

The department of Botany, Govt. College University Faisalabad organized a panel discussion session on linking the university research with industrial needs. More than 50 participants from industry, research organizations and universities shared ideas on collaborative areas. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zuber lauded the efforts of chairman and faculty of the department. He emphasized that research with industrial and societal imperatives needs collaborative efforts and can lead to an economic uplift.

Seminar on Split Feasibility Problems

Prof. Dr. Mujahid Abbas from University of Pretoria South Africa spoke on Split Feasibility Problems and some convergence results at the department of Mathematics. Dr. Nawaz Naeem along with faculty and students thanked the speaker for his valuable time and sharing his views.

Plantation Week

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) inaugurated Plantation Week at GCUF by planting a tree in front of New Library at GCUF New campus. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zuber, Dr. Naeem Iqbal, Chairman Department of Botany and faculty members organized the event.



All Pakistan Inter-Varsity Women Hockey Championship



All Pakistan Inter-Varsity Women Hockey Championship concluded at GCUF. Punjab University won the tournament, GCUF was the runner up and UOS clinched the 3rd position.

All Punjab Qirat Competition

Hafsa Majeed topped All Punjab Qirat Competition whereas Muhammad Hassan clinched 2nd in Naat Khwani Competition. In Qirat (male category), Hafiz Ata ul Mustafa stood 3rd in the whole Punjab Province. Senior Provincial Minister, Mujtaba Shuja ur Rehman, distributed cash prizes and certificates to the position holders. Director Students Affairs and his team received appreciation from the GCUF community on these great achievements.

International Conference on "Major Environmental Constraints to Plants: Assessment & Reclamations"

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ashraf, Chairman, Pakistan Science Foundation, Islamabad reiterated the need of quality research and collaboration between institutions for quality education in Pakistan. He was speaking at the concluding session of International Conference on "Major Environmental Constraints to Plants: Assessment & Reclamations". Prof. Dr. Henzo Koyer (Germany), Dr. Menzo Turck (Malaysia), Dr. Sanjya Kaya (Turkey), Dr. Arnold (Georgia, USA), Dr. Duggan (Turkey) appreciated the technical sessions and the keen interest shown by the students and participants. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (T.I) was the Chief Guest in the inaugural session. Dr. Zabta Khan Shinwari, Secretary, Pakistan Academy of Sciences along with foreign delegates appreciated the efforts of Department of Botany in the field of research. Dr. Nudrat Ayesha Akram and Dr. Naeem Iqbal were the Chief Organizers of this international conference.

Two Days International Conference on Climate Changes

Prof. Dr. Arshad Ali, Executive Director Higher Education Commission, Islamabad highlighted the need of understanding climate change for the prosperity of Pakistan and the region. He was speaking at the two days international conference on climate changes at GCUF in which Dr. Sikhshin from Huwachen University China stressed the need of Joint Climate Research. Prof. Dr. Farhat Abbas, Dean, Faculty of Engineering thanked the speakers for their valuable presentations and time. The Vice Chancellor, Shaheed Benazir Bhutto University, Peshawar, Prof. Dr. Razia Sultana was the guest of honour at the event. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) in his address pinpointed the need of young researchers to produce



solution based research for climate change.

Pakistan Day

Pakistan Day was observed with full zeal and patriotism at Government College University, Faisalabad. At the occasion, flag hoisting ceremony was performed with national anthem and march-past by the University guards. The ceremony was attended by the large number of students and staff members.



Anti-Dengue Walk

Government College University, Faisalabad held Anti-Dengue Walk and class to class awareness campaign to curb the menace of Dengue along with District Administration and Provincial Government. In this connection, GCUF community vowed to stop Dengue and to equip the youth with Anti-Dengue measures.



Mehfil-e-Qirat

A spiritually motivated and sacred event of Mehfil-e-Qirat was arranged by Prof. Dr. Humayun Abbas, Dean Islamic & Oriental Learning at GCUF. Renowned International Qurra Muhammad Nasar Al-Tarooti, Khalid Muhammad Al-Hanfi and Sheikh Sumair along with Dr. Qari Fayyaz-



ul-Hassan and Dr. Ramzan Najam-ul-Barvi presented Qirat before the audience. The event kindled the spiritual and religious zeal among the participants. The audience was mesmerized with the Qirat of all respected Qurras. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) thanked the respected guests from Egypt for their kind presence at GCUF.

Two Days National Conference on Mental Health

Department of Applied Psychology, G.C. University, Faisalabad Organized a two days National Conference on Mental Health "Latest Research Trends in Pakistan". On the concluding session, speakers including Dr. Imtiaz Dogar, Dr. Syeda Shahida Batool, Prof. Khalid Saeed, Dr. Zainab Fatowat Zadeh, Madam Mirat Gul and Col. Dr. Abdur Rasheed presented their presentations. Dr. Haq Nawaz was in Chair of the Panel.



The closing ceremony was presided by Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI). In his address, he said that the social media needs to minimize the distress which is being created in this society. He appreciated the discipline which was maintained during these two days conference and emphasized that these students are not only the pride of the University but also the pride of the nation. He also congratulated the entire department on the successful completion of this two days National Conference. Dr. Khalid Mehmood Bhatti also thanked the chief guest and guests from different cities of Pakistan for their participation in the conference.

International Seminar on Islamic Foundations in Turkey

Department of Islamic Studies organized an international seminar on Islamic Foundations in Turkey in which Dr. Ahmad Yaldez, President Research Center and Grand Assembly, Turkey delivered his lecture.

Inter-Varsity Debating Competitions

King Edward Medical University won GCUF inter-varsity debating trophy. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zuber distributed prizes and certificates among the winners. Dr. Nadeem Sohail, DSA, thanked all the participants from all over the Pakistan for their participation at GCUF.





International Women Day Walk



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI), Prof. Dr. Zia-ul-Qayyum VC University of Gujrat, Prof. Dr. Rauf-e-Azam VC Education University Lahore praying after the inauguration of Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Block



Provincial Minister for Education visiting most modern and well equipped security control room at GCUF



International Blind Cricket Series, Sri Lanka Team with Chief Guest Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali at Iqbal Stadium Faisalabad



Prof. Dr. Mujahid Abbas from University of Pretoria South Africa, delivering a talk at international seminar organized by Department of Mathematics



Inauguration of QARSHI SHIFA-KHANA



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) inaugurating Max Impact Sales Expo organized by Department of Business Administration GCUF



International Sufi Conference



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ashraf, Chairman Pakistan Science Foundation at International Conference hosted by Department of Botany



Workshop on Disaster Management, Emergency Response



Walk on World Earth Day



Training Workshop arranged by Punjab HEC and GCUF for New Faculty



Inaguration of Vaisakhi Mela



International Seminar on Use of Water in Agriculture organized by department of Environmental Science





Prof. Dr. Nizam ud Din, Chairperson PHEC at pre conference session of the National Conference on Innovative Technologies in Distance Learning organized by PHEC in Collaboration with Department of Education and Directorate of Distance Learning



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) chairing the Inaugural Session of the conference



Mr. Khuram Jahanzaib, COO of PHEC at the closing session



Seerat Award for GCUF Journal Zia-e-Tahqeeq



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali (TI) at Newcastle University UK



Worthy Vice Chancellor signed MoU with different Universities to promote mutual cooperation during his visit to France on invitation from French Embassy.



Training Workshop arranged by GCUF, Iqbal Academy Pakistan and Jamia Naeemia Lahore



QEC Seminar, Directorate of Medical Sciences Seminar and Meeting of Students Endowment Fund Committee

