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VICE Chancellor, Sindh Madressatul Islam University, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh inaugurating the Centre for Incubation and Entrepreneurship at SMIU.

By Uzair Shaikh

KARACHI: Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh, Vice Chancellor of Sindh Madressatul Islam University inaugurated the newly established Centre for Incubation and Entrepreneurship Education on April 30 at SMIU.

After inaugurating the centre, Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh addressed a ceremony held at the Senate Hall of SMIU.

Students, faculty and senior management of SMIU attended it.

In his address Dr. Muhammad

Ali Shaikh said that SMIU has practically taken efforts to train its students who are interested in entrepreneurship and business after completion of their education from SMIU. He said that the students especially of Department of Business Administration of the university will be provided all facilities to learn the techniques of trade and business and they will also be financially supported to start their small business. In this respect the SMIU will provide them seed money that will be recovered.

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'Devoted teachers produce students like Mr. Jinnah'

By Omer Alvi

KARACHI: Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh, Vice Chancellor of Sindh Madressatul Islam University has said that the value system of society has destroyed and majority of youth has lost moral values and respect of their teachers, parents and other elders, therefore it is a prime responsibility of teachers to educate



VICE Chancellor, SMIU Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh (C) speaking at meeting of the faculty of SMIU along with the Dean Faculty of Information Technology, Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (L) and Dean, Faculty of Management, Business Administration and Commerce, Prof. Dr. Zahid Ali Channar (R).

them to the extent that they could be humble, polite and ideal in their behavior and character.

Speaking at a meeting of faculty of Sindh Madressatul Islam University at the Senate Hall of the university on April 6, Vice Chancellor of the historic institution said that in past there were role models and most dedicated and devoted teachers who produced the most successful students, like Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah, therefore, teachers of present day, have to fulfil their most important responsibility of teaching and training students according to our moral values and civilized manners that they could successfully lead the nation and the country in future.

"In the initial days of this institution's foundation in 1885,

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ILP: Delegation of SMIU visits Turkey

By Dr. Stephen John & Abdur Rehman

KARACHI: A delegation of Sindh Madressatul Islam University's International Leadership Program (ILP) visited Turkey from April 15 to 21.

The group was comprised of 28 female and male students and 8 faculty and staff members. During their visit to Turkey the delegation visited six major universities of Turkey, including Istanbul Technical University, Yildiz Technical University (Istanbul, Ankara University, Hacettepe University (Ankara), Selcuk University (Konya) and Necmettin Erbakan University (Konya). Prof. Dr. Syed Asif Ali, Dean Faculty of Computer Science, led the delegation.

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh, Vice Chancellor of SMIU while addressing the said group of students at the inner courtyard of the university on April 13 said that it is a unique feature of SMIU that it has designed a leadership program for its students to provide them learning and training opportunities within the country and on the international level also.

He said that since 2015 SMIU's various groups of students have been called on the heads of the state and heads of various national institutions of the country and have visited major universities located in Islamabad, under the National Leadership Program. Similarly, some other groups of SMIU's students have been visited UK, China, Malaysia and



A GROUP photo of delegates with Vice Chancellor Sindh Madressatul Islam University, Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh before leaving for Turkey.

Turkey under the International Leadership Program.

"This is the second trip of SMIU's students to Turkey. A similar group of students of SMIU had visited Turkey last year also," Dr. Shaikh said and added "This time a large group of SMIU's students is going to visit the very important universities of our brother Muslim country Turkey, which are located in three

big cities of the country including Istanbul, Ankara and Konya."

Dr. Shaikh emphasized that the students should try to learn more during the visits of various educational institutions of Turkey and keep up their national traditions and values high. He hoped that their visit of a new land will be beneficial for them.

Visit to Istanbul Technical University



SMIU delegation meeting the official of Istanbul Technical University.— Shah Muhammad Butt/SMIU

ISTANBUL: On the first day of their visit to Turkey, delegation of SMIU visited Istanbul Technical University. This was a prominent and pioneering University of Engineering and architecture of Turkey, with many innovative studies, technology, research and development. Presently, thirteen

faculties are working in the university.

As the SMIU delegation reached at the premises of the university, a group of officials of Istanbul Technical University, warmly welcomed them. Thereafter, an introductory meeting was held at the conference room, where informa-

tion about both the universities was shared.

During the meeting the representatives of both the universities agreed to sign MoU for future cooperation in different fields.

After that, the SMIU delegation visited different sections of the university.

Visit to Yildiz Teknik University

ISTANBUL: On the third day of academic tour, the delegation visited Yildiz Teknik University of Istanbul.

At the Yildiz Teknik University Prof. Dr. Galip Cansever welcomed the SMIU delegation, which was comprised of 36 students, faculty and staff members.

During the briefing session Prof. Dr. Galip Cansever talked about his uni-

versity and said that it was established in 1911. It has 11 faculties, 02 campuses, 1837 academic staff and 36915 students.

Representatives of Computer Science, Education and Business Administrative Departments of the university also shared information about their respective departments. Representatives of both the institutions agreed to sign MoU in near future.



YILDIZ Teknik University's President, Prof. Dr. Galip Cansever (L) signing MoU with SMIU's Dean Information Technology, Prof. Dr. Syed Asif Ali (R).

Visit to Altinbas University of Istanbul

ISTANBUL: During the visit of Altinbas University Istanbul, the President of the university informed the delegation of SMIU that the university was established by 53 companies. It has three campuses and nine faculties.

They are offering one hundred programs. He further informed that they had collaboration with 270 universities across the world, they had 34 bilateral agreements with different countries, and their 22% students are international students.

Prof. Dr. Cagri Erhan, the President of the university and Prof. Dr. Syed Asif Ali, the Dean Faculty Information Technology of SMIU signed MoU for future collaboration.

The President of Altinbas University, Istanbul agreed to visit SMI University in month of May 2018.



DEAN Information Technology, Prof. Dr. Syed Asif Ali (L) presenting the shield to the President of Altinbas University, Prof. Dr. Cagri Erhan (R).— Shah Muhammad Butt/SMIU.

Visit to Ankara University and Hacettepe University

ANKARA: SMIU delegation visited Ankara University on day four. During the visit of Ankara University, the Vice President of the university warmly welcomed the SMIU delegation at the university.

Afterwards, while giving briefing to the delegation the

Vice President informed them that as more than three thousand international students are studying in different departments, therefore they had planned to change the medium of instruction from Turkish to English.

She further said that Anka-

University offered part time jobs to university students also.

She further said that the Ankara University is a public sector university, which was established in 1946. It has

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SMIU, NAB forms Character Building Society

By Maaz Jilani

KARACHI: The inaugural session of the newly established "Character Building Society (CBS)" of Sindh Madressatul Islam University was held on April 23 at the Sir Shahnawaz Bhutto Auditorium. The CBS is formed with the collaboration of the National Accountability Bureau of Pakistan (NAB). Director General of NAB, Mr. Mohammad Altaf Bawany was the chief guest of the inaugural ceremony.

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Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh, Vice Chancellor of SMIU has said that founder of Pakistan Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah was a symbol of great character and integrity in entire sub-continent; this is why even his political opponents had praised his moral values. Following that tradition, the SMIU is

engaged in character building of its students since its inception in 1885.

Mr. Mohammad Altaf Bawany, DG NAB, Karachi in his speech as the Chief Guest said that besides masses, youth must be made aware about the menace of corruption, which is most dangerous for country. He said that in this regard teachers can play a very significant role. They, besides teaching their particular subject, must do the needful for character and moral building, among the students, who have to lead the country in future.

Earlier, Dr. Syeda Rakhshanda Kokab presented welcome address and Abdul Bari, President of SMIU's CBS and student of Department of Media and Communication Studies presented introduction to the CBS.

Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh, VC of SMIU and DG NAB also exchanged souvenirs on this occasion. Dean and chairpersons of different faculties and departments, registrar, students, faculty and staff of SMIU attended the session in a large number. On this occasion DG NAB Mr. Mohammad Altaf Bawany visited Jinnah Museum of SMIU and shown his keen interest in the relics associated with Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah and other old students of SMIU displayed in the museum.



VICE Chancellor of Sindh Madressatul Islam University, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh (L) showing relics of Mr. Jinnah to Director General of National Accountability Bureau of Pakistan, Mr. Mohammad Altaf Bawany (R).


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Your Success and Happiness based on Attitude

By Fatima Afzal

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"Look at your attitude." I believe that many of you would have heard this sentence from others many times in your life up till now. I am confused a little bit about "Attitude". Is it the way in which people judge you? Or the way how you see yourself? Or maybe the attitude is that how you see other people or behave with them. I mean what does exactly the word "Attitude" means. When I was in 10th standard, unfortunately my mother was suffering from bad health condition. As the eldest child, and being the only daughter of my parents I had too many responsibilities in these circumstances. And I was not mature enough to tackle all such things at that time, and that is why I couldn't prepare for my final board exams and I didn't appear in final exams of 10th standard.

After that I had to repeat the entire syllabus of 10th class for appearing in the final board exams next year. It was difficult time that I had ever faced in my life. I was suffering from peer pressure, because all of my friends were done with their Matriculation and got admissions in colleges for further studies. But I had to repeat the course and prepare for the exams I was feeling alone because all my juniors who were now my class mates did not feel good to talk to me because they considered me as failure. Such kind of things made me irritated and under confident, in all circumstances my mother was continuously observing me and then one day she asked about the matter. Why are you showing such kind of attitude? I told everything to my mother, after listening the whole story she said, "Look my dear just be calm and don't think about your classmates, only remember one thing, if you think positive and struggle hard or show positive attitude towards your life then everything will happen good in your life." When you keep yourself from negativity then all the greatest things will come to you soon.



BY WASEEM PALJO

Albert Einstein: Life of a Revolutionary Scientist

Albert Einstein did massive works in the world of science, and he has considered genius for his works. He was born in 1879 in a middle class family in Germany. German education system had left him with mistrust on authority than Liberal-Swiss education which had prepared him to sharply understand the ideas. Though we have not read the entire scientific experiments, works, theories of Einstein but apart from science he emphasised on humankind. We are still unaware of his struggle for human rights. Einstein lived his life like a revolutionary person, he constantly supported Socialism, non-violence, a pacifist, anti-war activist and expressed his ideas publicly on every platform. In his free time he used to write articles which were published in different newspapers alongside he had voluntarily worked in different organization, forums, leagues, and platforms where he openly lambasted the world's powerful countries over war.

Collision of world Super Powers and Axis Powers, annihilations in many countries made him to speak openly in contradiction of the war and he demanded a supranational authority which could solve the issues of the nations. World War I was a great revolution for Albert Einstein he parted ways with his first wife Meleva and married his cousin Elan Lowenthal. Throughout war he devoted his time for the General Theory of Relativity, Noble Prize in Physics made him a scientific super star, and on his great achievement New York Times published sixteen different articles

and his Theory of Relativity.

Einstein remained a Pacifist and he called militarism as a 'Plague-spot of civilization, he further said in his dialogues on different events that war is been expanded to schools and inculcated to innocent people through media, he secretly raised the funds for the pacifist organization to wad the war, he many times condemned in his speeches the power-hungers who are increasing the mass destruction armaments industries, in his essays on different issues he stated, "Until there are armies in the world the war is inevitable".

Right-wingers attacked Einstein's public gatherings, his science was rejected as a Jewish, his science lectures were disrupted occasionally, Nazi army depicted him as Jewish world conspiracy. In 1932, Einstein left Berlin and settled in America, when Hitler became the Chancellor of Germany. The house of Einsteins was raided by Nazi, bank accounts were blocked, and they were in search of weapons at his house. Einstein desired to go back to Germany which was his actual birthplace but Hitler's Fascist govt. arose into power and the mass murder of Jews (holocaust) didn't allow him to go back to Germany.

In 1955, scientist-philosopher Bertrand Russell visited Einstein and suggested him to form a group of scientists would discuss the nuclear disarmament and ways to end the war. Since many years FBI was making plans to arrest Einstein in a Soviet espionage, his activities consecutively monitored by U.S security

agencies, his Pacifism, Internationalism, Socialism, and Jewish heritage made him subversive in the eyes of U.S security agencies, FBI file against Einstein grew up to 18,00 pages, phones were tapped, mails were monitored, his home and offices were searched, trash were examined. On Jews question he said, Jews and Arabs can equally live together with peace on same land then why we need to fight. Einstein remained a staunch supporter of socialism. He supported Soviet on the basis of socialism and humanitarian deeds of Soviet.

Einstein's stance towards socialism can be assessed through this statement. "Since the real purpose of socialism is precisely to overcome and advance beyond the predatory phase of human development" and on capitalism he said, "The economic anarchy of capitalist society as it exists today is, in my opinion, the real source of evil". Einstein had written a letter to President Roosevelt over speeding up of experimental work on nuclear fission, later he regretted and spoken against America over nuclear strikes on Japan. At several occasions he called Mohandas Gandhi a political genius. He was equipped with Charles Darwin's discoveries, and he had much knowledge on Aristotle and his philosophy.

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Transportation problems in Karachi

NOWADAYS travelling from one place to another has become the most difficult activity of the day.

Those who do not own any vehicle are the real sufferers. Students, office workers and other people use public transport to reach their destination, face the same trouble irrespective of age and gender. The shortage of buses is the major reason. People cannot travel due to the shortage of buses.

The buses which are on different routes in the city are unreliable, poorly maintained and worn-out and have limited capacity to accommodate passengers. Most of the times, buses are loaded with passengers more-than-capacity, and the passengers are forced to cling to the doors or perch on the roofs of the buses to take a ride.

Moreover, there are limited seating capacities in the ladies compartment of buses and mini buses. This allocation of less space for women in public transport causes major problems for women bus drivers often get involved in hazardous accidents while the overloading causes unbalancing and collapse of buses.

The city government has not paid any attention despite media and people highlighting multiple times that there is a severe transportation shortage in the city. It is the responsibility of the government to provide citizens with safe transport facilities so that they can reach their desired destinations easily and safely.

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18 faculties with 9700 staff, 68000 students and 40 research centers. The university offers 536 undergraduate programs, 331 master degree programs and 173 PhD programs.

Prof. Dr. Syed Asif Ali gave the introduction of Sindh Madressatul Islam University and also paid thanks for their hospitality. The International Relations Officer of Ankara University and SMIU's representative agreed to sign MoU for future cooperation between both the universities, SMIU and Ankara University.

On the same day Sindh Madressatul Islam University delegation visited Hacettepe University. Prof. Dr. Timur of the of the university informed the delegation that initially it was started as health care center and now they have 06 campuses, 14 faculties and 159 programs. He said that the all departments offer PhD studies in their respective disciplines also. He said that it was the first university which was established by Turkish people and

the purpose was to stop brain drain.

The representative of Sindh Madressatul Islam University and Hacettepe University also decided to arrange workshops, seminars and conferences for students and faculty of both the universities.

The faculty and administrative staff belonging to different departments also provided information to the SMIU delegation about their departments and policies related to collaboration with other universities of the world.

SMIU's delegation also got opportunity to visit the Departments of Computer Science & Environmental Sciences and research laboratories. The researchers conducted by their students on bio-electricity and bio-gas production were also shared with the delegation.

During the visit the representatives of Sindh Madressatul Islam University, Ankara University and Hacettepe University agreed to sign MoUs for future collaboration.



SMIU delegates visiting the laboratory of Hacettepe University.



SMIU delegates interacting with the students of Ankara University.



DEAN Information Technology, Prof. Dr. Syed Asif Ali (L) signed the MoU with Selcuk University.



SMIU delegates also visited Marmora Sea.



PRESIDENT of Ankara University (L) receiving the shield from Dean Information Technology, SMIU Prof. Dr. Syed Asif Ali (L).



STUDENTS of SMIU strolling on the road of Istanbul.

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teachers had come from other parts of the region to impart quality and modern education to SMIU's students even getting low salaries. Therefore, after producing their replacement over here at SMIU they left the institution and moved towards other parts of the country to carry on their same noble mission of teaching," Dr. Shaikh added that today's teachers of Sindh Madressatul Islam University are continuation of the said dedicated teachers of the past.

Dr Muhammad Ali Shaikh said that present day successes of Sindh Madressatul Islam University are a result of collective efforts of all faculty members and other employees of the university.

He hoped that the faculty and other employees of SMIU will continuously put their efforts for development and progress of the university and will make more active counselling committees for students' guidance.

The meeting was attended by deans, chairpersons of different academic departments, faculty, Registrar and other members of senior management of the university.

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ered from them in installments after some time when their business will start to generate profit. He said that the said centre will play a role to establish relationship between industry and academia also.

He also said that after that people of Sindh were also engaged in business and trade, but later on when British occupied Sindh, they destroyed Sindh's business to get their own business flourished over here.

Dean Faculty of Business Administration Prof. Dr. Zahid Channar, Dean Faculty of IT Prof Dr. Syed Asif Ali, Director ORIC Dr. Stephen Johan, Registrar of SMIU Mr. Gulzar Ahmed Mughal and Ms. QuratulAin, Manager Research, Operation and Development, ORIC also spoke.

SMIU delegation visited well known Blue Mosque of Turkey, which was constructed from 1609 and 1616 during the rule of Sultan Ahmed-I. The delegation also visited the Hagia Sophia Museum, which is one of the historical architectural wonders that still remains standing today and has important place in the art world with its architecture, grandness, size and functionality.

During their visit to the city the SMIU delegation also visited Marmora Sea, Old Galata Wall and Astiklal Street, which is the busiest street of Istanbul. The students and staff of SMIU took keen interest in culture of Turkey



GROUP photo of SMIU delegates outside the Blue Mosque of Turkey.



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Session on Applications of Quaternion in Attitude and Estimation, Control

By Kainat Anjum

KARACHI: Department of Computer science conducted a guest lecture on "Applications of Quaternion in Attitude Estimation and Control" on March 1 at Quaid-E Azam Conference Hall, Talpur House.

The Session was conducted by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Jawed Iqbal, who is currently working as Director Institute of Space and Planetary Astrophysics University of Karachi. He is chief Editor of Journal of Geo Space Science. He also got Nishan-e-Azmat-e-Danish award in 2007, in recognition of meritorious services in education and research at University of Karachi.

The focus of the session was to explore as how mathematics is being used in our daily life. To resolve singularity problems in order to find the solution of non-linear differential equation and to make the students understand about different types of coordinate systems and how to connect these frames of references.

Mr. Jawed Iqbal explained about the basic idea about Vector Operations and what Quaternions are and how they can be used in everyday life. How an inertial frame of reference can be connected to non-inertial frame of reference in order to find satellite attitude determination.

Project manager of InfoTech group delivers lecture on SDP

By Hamsha Abdul Hameed

KARACHI: A Guest Speaker Session on the topic of "Contemporary Tools and Techniques for Managing Software Development Project" was organized by the Department of Computer Science on March 1 at Quaid-e-Azam Conference Hall, Talpur House.

Mr. Muhammad Abdul Haseeb is working as a Project Manager at InfoTech Group Karachi. He has around 12 years of experience in different companies in the field of Software Development, and Proj-



CHAIRPERSON of Computer Science Department, Dr. Malook Rind (L) presenting the certificate to the guest speaker Mr. Muhammad Abdul Haseeb, Project Manager at InfoTech Group (R).

ect Management.

A seasoned professional Speaker shared his industry experience regarding importance of Project Management discipline in Software Development and its related domains and delivered depth knowledge about the latest trends of in Project Management and IT governance.

Students said that the speaker provided firsthand information about the latest trends in Software Development Industry.

Total 30 students from the senior batch attended the session.

Guest session arranged to guide students about current trends in DBMS, Oracle



SENIOR programmer at Sindh High Court, Mr. Saleem Shahzad (L) delivering lecture. Mr. Ameen Khawaja (R), lecturer in the Department of Computer Science is also present.

By Abdur Rehman

KARACHI: Department of Computer Science conducted a guest lecture on "Current Trends of Data Base Management System and Oracle" on March 13 at Quaid-e-Azam Conference Hall of SMI University, Karachi.

The Session was conducted by Mr. Saleem Shahzad. He is a senior programmer at Sindh High Court, Karachi. He has more than 10 years of I.T industry experience specifically in the area of database systems and programming languages.

The Objective of the Session was to get students sentient of the latest trends in DBMS,

Relational Database Management Systems compared with Oracle Databases and to guide students about the importance of database and its market demand.

Mr. Saleem explained the industry work and involved students through an interactive session by exclusively discussing recent trends in the area of DBMS and RDBMS.

He also discussed briefly about the importance of databases in the field of I.T and elaborated current industry trends, market demands and future perspective of the database systems.

This session was organized by Mr. Ameen Ahmed Khawaja and Mr. Muhammad Ameen Chhajro under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Syed Asif Ali and Asso. Prof. Dr. M. Malook Rind.

'I want to connect students with industry'

By Abdul Qadeer Khan

KARACHI: Department of Computer Science organized a session on database management system (DBMS) backup and recovery on March 6 at Quaid-e-Azam Conference Hall, Talpur House.

A DBMS is system software for creating and managing databases. It provides users and programmers with a systematic way to create, retrieve, update and manage data. Session was conducted by Mr. Jabir Salam a Database Administrator at IPO Pakistan.

"I want to connect students with the industry people", were the remarks of Mr. Jabir Salam.

He further discussed about his experience regarding database backup and recovery techniques and its related domains and delivered depth knowledge about the new trends of DBMS.

The session was organized and coordinated by Assistant Professor and faculty course supervisor Mr. Abdul Hafeez with lecturer and faculty coordinator ORIC Mr. Muhammad Ameen Chhajro. "This session provided the platform to students to ask questions about new trend of technologies," says Mr. Abdul Hafeez.

Students from different semesters along with some faculty members attended the session.

CS organizes lecture on 'Object Modelling in Python,' real time software Optimizations

By Nawaz Ahmed

KARACHI: Department of Computer Science organized the lecture on "Object Model-

ling in Python and Real Time Software Optimizations" at Quaid-E Azam Conference Hall on March 5.

The guest Speaker Muhammad Omer Khan shared his

industry experience regarding latest advancement in software industry and its related domains especially in the field of Artificial Intelligence. He has been working as Lead

Software Development at Datate Ventures, UAE, SAUDI-ARABIA and Pakistan. His current project is to automate computer language by using speak recognition.

He introduced the latest development in Industry on Object Modeling, while delivering the lecture, and updated the students about the opportunities available in industry.

Life of a student



MIME Act: Dramatics and Acting students of fourth semester, Media and Communication Studies Department presented a creative performance on the theme of "Life of a student" on April 17 in room A07, main building of SMIU.

Session with News Director

By Junaid Afzal

KARACHI: Department of Media and Communication Studies organized a lecture on April 7 in computer lab. The topic of the session was News Run Downs for the Television.

Senior Director International News of GEO Television Network Mr. Naseem Naqvi was the speaker of the session. He has more than 15 years of experience in the Electronic and Print Media.

The session was organized for the students of Electronic Journalism, 6th Semester. The speaker shared his experience regarding reporting news stories for T.V and its related domains and delivered in-depth knowledge about the new challenges of the field.

'IT industry has bright future in Pakistan,' says software developer

By Sania Iftikhar

KARACHI: Computer Science Department of Sindh Madressatul Islam University organized a guest lecture on March 15 at Quaid-e-Azam Conference Hall, Talpur House of Sindh Madressatul Islam University.

The topic of the session was 'Modern tools and techniques for software development.'

A highly skilled professional from software development industry, Mr. Waris Ali delivered information about the latest software development tools being used in the industry. He also informed students about the latest upcoming challenges and demands in the software development industry.

During his lecture he made his possible efforts to familiarize students with various career paths in the subject area.

"IT industry has a bright future in Pakistan," said Mr. Ali in his lecture.

Mr. Waris Ali has 6 years of industry experience and possess hands-on in the area of software development particularly Microsoft. He shared his industry experience regarding recent technologies used in software development.

He also highlighted industry demands in the subject area and guided students regarding technical skillset required in software industry.

Students of Computer Science Department shared their views that the lecture was beneficial for them especially about software development career.

They also got a chance to have introduction about latest tools and techniques in software development field.

Students of Media and Communication Studies organize panel discussion



STUDENTS of fifth semester, Department of Media and Communication Studies during the panel discussion.

By Sania Iftikhar

KARACHI: Students of 3rd-year studying in the Department of Media and Communication Studies organized a panel discussion on April 18 under the title "Portrayal of Violence through Media."

This panel discussion was held as an assignment as part of their course "Theories and Models of Communication" taught by Ms. Qurrat ul Ain, Lecturer, department of Media

and Communication Studies.

Panel discussion was divided into two groups. One group of panelists spoke in the favor of topic and the other group argued against it.

Members in favor of the notion included Iznab Abidi, Bilal Khan, Mohammad Rizwan Saleem and Ali Abbas. However, members of the other group included Sadaf Zohra, Sania Iftikhar, Haris Mustafa and Daniyal Zafar Zaidi. The discussion was moderated by Mohammad Sameer Ahmed.

While presenting their views in favor of the topic panelists argued that media portrays violence through different programs such as cartoons, movies, dramas and even news bulletins contain 90% news about violence. Ms. Iznab Abidi quoted the example of "Break Out" program due to which prisoners broke a jail in America and after the incident airing the program was banned. This incident clearly shows that media by showing violence perpetuates imitation

of violence.

Panelists against such proposition, however, claimed that violence is part of human nature.

They argued that violence existed even long before the emergence of media. Bloodshed and slaughter created by Mongols and WWII are most tragic events of world history. Was there any media at that time? This asserts that media only shows reality.

Both groups of panelists presented strong arguments, however, in the end it was concluded that media has become profit oriented and commercialized entity. That is why it exaggerates reality and shows extreme violence.

In the end, Ms. Qurrat ul ain thanked the students for their participation and hard work in making the event a successful one. She further said that events of such kind provide students an opportunity to think and grow.

Lecture on emerging network technologies & domains

By Sania Iftikhar

KARACHI: Department of Computer Science organized a lecture on March 6 on the topic Emerging Network Technologies & Domains at Quaid-e-Azam Conference Hall, Talpur House.

Head of Corporate Solutions Designing and Digital Services at Pakistan Telecommunication Company Limited, Mr. Mubashir Siddique

was the speaker of session. He has around 10 years of experience in different companies in the field of Information Communication Technologies and Management.

40 students attended the session along with some faculty members. The Speaker shared his industry experience regarding emerging Datacom networks and its related domains and delivered in-depth knowledge about the new trends of network technologies which are going to be mature in near future.

Workshop on news reporting for Television



JOURNALIST Mr. Farooq Sami from the ARY News conducting the workshop on April 8, in the Print Media Lab. The workshop was on 'News Reporting for TV'.

The workshop was attended by the students of sixth semester, Media and Communication Studies Department.—Uzair Shaikh/SMIU

Short film of SMIU's student selected in PIFF

By Omer Alvi

KARACHI: "The Lyrics," a short film by the student of Sindh Madressatul Islam University was selected in the most prestigious Pakistan International Film Festival (PIFF).

Zahid Abbas is a student of Media and Communication Studies, who makes short films under the Ziboy Productions.

"The Lyrics" also won the best storytelling award in the festival.

This film tackles the subject of how human beings tend to put masks on their real thoughts and emotions to fit in the society.

The Lyrics' plot revolves around a recent trend of media industry, where getting fame for an artist is a matter of hours, while neglecting the old school traditions, values and norms. The main character is a singer who has to submit his music video for audition. And he isn't prepared at all.

His another short film "Dual Faces" won the first-prize and the best direction award in the SMIU documentary competition, held during the Festival of Arts and Idea, 2017.

"Dual Faces" tells us that young people tend to let go of their dreams because of society's that tells us that young people tend to let go of their dreams because of society pressure; they must understand the consequences of their real emotions to get their goals.

He co-founded Ziboy Production with his friend Salman Raza in October 2017. They are specialists for films/movies and music films.

SMIU in process to finalizing master plans

By Sania Iftikhar

KARACHI: The consultants presented their design for Malir Campus, IT faculty tower of downtown campus and SMIU model school on April 26 in their fourth presentation to the Vice Chancellor of Sindh Madressatul Islam University.

The consultants were selected to present their design for Malir Campus as well as IT faculty tower of SMIU and SMI model school. The short listed consultants of EA Consulting PVT Ltd presented their designs among which IT faculty tower and SMIU model school's designs have been finalized. Designs for SMIU Malir Campus are still in process to be finalized.

IT faculty tower will be constructed where SMIU the model school is located. The school will be moved to the acquired land near the

main campus. The IT faculty tower will be consisted upon ground and 6 floor, on the other hand the SMIU model school's building will have ground and two floors.

The initial designed for the Malir campus of SMI University will have the department of basic science, natural science, hostel for male and female, residential are for faculties, administration block, library, cafeteria and student center.

The SMIU's new plot is located amidst lush green farms in Malir district of Karachi, at a distance of about 50 kilometers from the present downtown campus, through Super Highway connecting Karachi with rest of the country.

The selected consultants of EA Consulting PVT Ltd are the best one and trustworthy who have designed some of the best universities in the country in addition to Bahria Icon and IBA's Aman Tower.



CONSULTANTS presenting their designs for Malir Campus, IT faculty tower of downtown campus and SMIU model school to the Vice Chancellor of SMIU Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh.

SMIU to establish helpline for students

By Izna Abdi

KARACHI: Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh, Vice Chancellor of Sindh Madressatul Islam University said that SMIU has emerged as one of the modern and quality universities of the country, which also provides modern learning facilities and environment to its students.

In addition to it, SMIU is going to setup a Helpline Office in the university to quickly provide students the required information whenever they need.

He said this while presiding over a meeting of Department of Students Affairs and Placement, which was held at Conference Room of SMIU on April 30.

Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh further said that Helpline Office will work under the Department of Students Affairs and Placement. Therefore, if the students have any problem at the university or want to know any thing related to their academic issues or if they have forgotten their ID card, and are not being allowed to enter in the university premises then they may call on Helpline Office and may get the problem resolved. The Vice Chancellor of Sindh Madressatul Islam University said that we, besides providing all facilities and healthy environment to the students are also focusing to resolve their problems, if they arise, so they could study with peace of mind.

The meeting was attended by Manager of Students Affairs and Placement Ms. Uzma Batool, Student Welfare Officers Ms Zunaira Jalali, Mahgul Nadir and Sports Officer Mr. Mohammad Kashif.

Turnstile Access Control System installed

By Sameer Ali Khan

KARACHI: Due to safety and security measures of the institution, Turnstile Access Control System has been installed for SMIU employees and students at different entry/exit points inside the university in the month of April.

ORIC organizes awareness session with students



MS. QURATULAIN Memon, Manager Research Operations & Development from Office of Research Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC) conducting an awareness session on April 5 with students in Quaid-e-Azam Conference Hall. The session was organized by the ORIC Department of Sindh Madressatul Islam University to create the awareness of Centre for Incubation and Entrepreneurship Education among students.

Community Service Society celebrates World Health Day

By Sateesh Kumar

KARACHI: Community Service Society celebrated "World Health Day" on April 16 in Sindh Madressatul Islam University by arranging a color activity and logo competition.

The Coloring activity is a stress-free activity to experience the power of color, all participants had to do was just to 'Come and Color'. The coloring sheets were provided to students and faculty as well.

"Coloring is considered by psychologists as a stress-free activity, which allows mind to get the rest it needs," says the president of the society.

Community Service Society also initiated a campaign to spread the message of declaring SMIU as smoke-free campus by organizing a logo competition.



Female secretary, Community Service Ms. Moomal Bhugio displaying the coloring sheets.

Aman Foundation's HR team visits SMIU

By Nawaz Ahmed

KARACHI: Aman Foundation's HR Team visited Sindh Madressatul Islam University on April 6, for their Campus Recruitment Drive where they shared the working of various business units of Aman as well as the details of the Aman Leaders Management Trainee program 2018.

Ms. Naila Awan, Assistant Manager-HR Business Partner, Wajeh Siddique and Khushbakht Zafar Khan, Management Trainee conducted the session.

The session was attended by the students of different



CAMPUS Recruitment Drive is in full swing at SMIU.

departments of Sindh Madressatul Islam University who are in final year.

Students got different experience and knowledge that how the leader can transform the lives. "Upon successful

completion of the programme, permanent positions will be offered to the Aman Leaders based on their overall evaluation throughout the programme," says the speaker, Ms. Naila Awan.

1st round of Allama Iqbal Shield holds in SMIU

By Hamsha Abdul Hameed

KARACHI: Debating Society of Sindh Madressatul Islam University organized the 1st round of Allama Iqbal Declamation Contest 2018 on April 5 at Sir Shah Nawaz Bhutto Auditorium.

"Our younger generation is highly talented and energetic but they need to channelize their talents towards positive direction" says Vice Chancellor of Sindh Madressatul Islam University, Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh.

He further said that we create learning situations in which students develop proficiency based on sound educational and communication theories.

This initiative is undertaken by Higher Education Commission, Pakistan to promote extra-curricular activities at university and to enhance public speaking healthy positive competition.

Total 25 students from different departments participated in the 1st round of declamation contest.

In Urdu language declamation contest Ali Raza Mangi, Hasan Farooq and Hammad Shabir won first, second and third positions respectively, while in English language declamation Anmol Memon, Priyanka and Suman won first, second and third position. Winners and runners up were awarded the cash prize of Rs.5,000/-, 3,000/- and 2,000/- respectively.

Top two winners and runners up from both English and Urdu of the first round at university level will participate in the second round at regional level in Karachi, Lahore, Quetta, Peshawar and Islamabad (for Federal, AJK, FATA/Gilgit-Baltistan, Universities).

"The declamation contest was organized to provide opportunity for budding youth to show their hidden talents," said the president of Debating Society, Mr. Naveed Ahmed.

Debating Society's Vice President, Mr. Fareed said that these types of competitions are to create for the simultaneous opportunities for leadership and group participation.



PRIYANKA, (second L), runner up of English Language Declamation Contest receiving the price money from the VC SMIU Prof. Dr. Muhammed Ali Shaikh

CBS organizes live poster, declamation, essay writing competition

By Maaz Jilani

KARACHI: The newly established Character Building Society (CBS) of Sindh Madressatul Islam University organized live poster competition, declamation and essay writing competition in April.

"The ultimate goal of these competition were to create a resilient environment for the social evils like bribery, nepotism, favoritism, cheating and fraud by building an overall mindset which has zero tolerance against these crimes," says the president of CBS, Mr. Abdul Bari.

"CBS gave the platform to students who really showed their creative writing and public speaking skills. The Newly established character building society of SMIU under the initiative of NAB has shown that

the real change can only come by making the small individual efforts," says Hafiz Mazz

The live poster competition was based on the theme "Say no to corruption".

This event was attended by

a large number of students who showed their artistic and creative skills. Moreover, the other two competitions were attended by the enthusiastic audience and participants.

Poster completion was held

on April 24 at backyard of SMIU. The position holders of poster competition were: Yamna Aftab (first), Sidra Butt (second) and Aqsa Abdul Razzaq (third).

Essay writing competition

was held on April 25 at Quaid-e-Azam Conference Hall, Talpur House. The winner, and runners up of the competition were: Hiba Shah (first), Muhammad Abdullah (second), and Faizan Mukhtar (third).

Bi-Lingual Intra university declamation competition was held on April 26 at Sir Shah Nawaz Bhutto Auditorium. The position holders of English declamation contest were: Zafar Rehman (first),

Aqsa Abdul Razzaq (second), and Anwish Shafi (third). The position holder of Urdu declamation contest were: Sameer Ali Khan (first), Shehroz Hassan (second), Ali Raza Mangi (third).



STUDENTS making posters for the competition.



STUDENTS during the essay writing competition.



SHEROZE Hassan (L) receiving the shield from the patron of CBS Dr. Syeda Rakhshanda Kaukab (C) and Manager of Students Affairs and Placement Ms. Uzma Batool (R)