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"When a child is born in a family, he/she brings a lot of happiness for family members, but when an institution is built it brings happiness for a nation. Similarly institution can't meet to a natural end like a human being but it can grow with the passage of time."

Vice Chancellor Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai's address at the 138th Foundation Day Ceremony of SMIU



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A view of election of Student's Societies held on December 14, 2022 at SMIU.



Mr. Mohammad Ismail Rahoo, Provincial Minister for Universities and Boards, Government of Sindh along with Vice Chancellor SMIU Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai inaugurated "Colors of Pakistan: Celebrating Our Cultural Diversity" on December 13, 2022 at SMIU. (Report on Page 42)



Chairman Higher Education Commission of Pakistan Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed along with Vice Chancellor SMIU Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai and Sindh HEC Chairman Dr. Tariq Rafi inaugurated Allama I.I. Kazi Library on October 26, 2022 at IT Tower of SMIU. (Report on Page 10)



Vice Chancellor SMIU Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai inaugurated newly Constructed I.T Tower building of SMIU on October 19, 2022. (Report on Page 9)



SMI's alumnus Dr. Ibrahim Mulla and Vice Chancellor SMIU Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai inaugurated "Dr. Ibrahim Mulla High Performance Computing Lab" at the Talpur House of SMIU on August 2, 2022. (Report on Page 4)

Vice Chancellor's Note



It's a matter of pleasure to inform you that SMIU is going to organize its first Global Research Congress on 8th and 9th March 2023.

This two-day congress which will consist of five international conferences, that will cover the subjects in the areas of information technology, environmental sciences and climate change, business management and leadership, media and social development, education and linguistics.

The purpose of this Global Research Congress (GRC) is gather experts of multiple areas under one roof for networking between various organizations and the researchers to look into the challenges of the 21st century toward the innovation and entrepreneurship.

We all at SMIU, welcome all the international and national researchers and organizations in the universities to participate in the conference. I hope that the outcome of this Congress will contribute to the betterment of our beloved country, Asia and the world.

Prof. Dr. Mujeebuddin Sahrai Memon

MEETINGS

Visits & Events



INAUGURATION CEREMONY OF ‘DR. IBRAHIM MULLA HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING LAB’

SMIU has added a new high tech computer lab to the university’s facilities with financial assistance from Dr. Ibrahim Mulla; an alumnus. The “Dr. Ibrahim Mulla High Performance Computing Lab” has been set up at the ground floor of the Talpur House Academic Block. Office of the Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC) organized its inauguration ceremony on Tuesday, August 2, 2022. The Vice Chancellor, Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai and Dr. Ibrahim Mulla along with Mrs. Mehnaz Ibrahim Mulla, and Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC inaugurated the lab.

Thereafter, guests visited the facility and expressed their satisfaction over latest computer machines

and other equipments installed in the laboratory. Later on, a ceremony was held at the Senate Hall, where Dr. Sahrai informed the audience that Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah, as an alumnus of this historic institutions, donated Rs.5000/- on June 21, 1943 for SMI on the occasion of upgradation of Sindh Madressatul Islam as a college. At later stage in his life, he remembered his alma-mater and bequeathed one third of his residual property to SMI through his Last Will. Likewise, Dr. Ibrahim Mulla, who lives in USA, has come forward to support his alma-mater by establishing this most modern computing lab.

Dr. Sahrai also stressed over research culture in the universities and hoped this newly established com-



puter lab of SMIU would help faculty and students, specially post graduate students for their research projects. He thanked Dr. Ibrahim Mulla, Mrs. Mehnaz Ibrahim Mulla and other members of Mulla family who generously supported this noble cause.

Dr. Sahrai also lauded the efforts of Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC, Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh, Dean Faculty of Information Technology, Dr. Abdul Hafeez Khan, Chairperson Department of Software Engineering and Academic Advisor, and Dr. Asif Ali Wagan, Director Students’ Affairs and Counseling towards establishment of the lab.

Dr. Sahrai further explained that the founder of



Dr. Ibrahim Mulla expressed his desire to see Sindh Madressatul Islam University at par with Oxford University because of its association with the founder of Pakistan, Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah. “This (Sindh Madressah) is my alma-mater and I had always thought to do something for it in the field of science and technology.” Dr. Ibrahim Mulla also emphasized on research culture in the country and SMIU provided him an opportunity to do something for his country. He praised the role of Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor and Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC for executing the work of establishment of the lab.

Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh, Dean Faculty of Information Technology, detailed the data regarding I.T.

jobs in the market for which laboratories, such as this one, would be highly instrumental in the intellectual development of the youth in the field of computer science and



would be a great asset for academia. He was of the view that this newly established lab also fills up one of the basic requirements of post graduate programs evaluation.

The inaugural ceremony was attended by the deans, chairpersons of various academic departments, heads of different administrative sections and faculty members. At the end of the ceremony, the guests also visited the Jinnah Museum.

NATIONAL AGRICULTURE EDUCATION ACCREDITATION COUNCIL'S TEAM VISITS SMIU



A team of the National Agriculture Education Accreditation Council (NAEAC) headed by its chairman Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana and Environmental Expert Dr. Ghulam Hassan Abbasi visited SMIU on September 19, 2022. It was the pre-accreditation/zero visit of the NAEAC to SMIU for degree programs of the Department of Environmental Sciences.

In this connection an inaugural session was held at Conference Room, where Dr. Imran Ali, Incharge Chairperson of the Department of Environmental Sciences, highlighted salient features and achievements of the department. Chairman NAEAC, Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana briefed the participants about quality assurance and accreditation requirements of the NAEAC.

Honorable Vice Chancellor SMIU Prof. Dr. Mujeebuddin Sahrai, Registrar Ghulam Mustafa Shaikh, Dean Faculty of I.T. Prof. Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh and Director ORIC Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani participated in the inaugural session. Thereafter, members of the NAEAC interacted with undergraduate students of the department to get feedback regarding quality of education being imparted to them. They also talked with the students about the facilities and infrastructure which is available in the university.

Thereafter, the NAEAC team visited various sections of the university, where focal person of the department Mr. Naeem Akhtar Samo and Departmental Coordinator Mr.



Abdul Majeed Pirzada briefed them about research laboratory and other facilities available in the department. It followed a review session, which was held on the curriculum at the Dr. Ibrahim Mulla Computer Lab.

The NAEAC team also held a meeting with faculty members of the department to get their feedback regarding academic programs. The visit concluded with the concluding meeting with Vice Chancellor Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Dean and head of the department.



DR. AFTAB AHMED SHAIKH APPOINTED DEAN FACULTY OF I.T



The Universities and Boards Department, Government of Sindh through its notification No. SO(U)U&B/SMIU/14-4/2018/2274, dated 18th November 2022, appointed Prof. Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh of Department of Software Engineering of SMIU as Dean, Faculty of Information

Technology of SMIU for a period of three (03) years. He assumed the charge of the new responsibility on 18th November 2022.

DR. MUJEEB SAHRAI OBSERVED WORKING OF DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor, paid visit to the different sections of university on Friday, September 22, 2022. He observed maintenance work and functioning of academic, and non-academic departments. The Vice Chancellor directed the concerned officials to keep all things in order and pay attention on smooth running of each and every section. Dr. Abdul Hafeez Khan, Academic Adviser, Prof. Dr. Aftab



Ahmed Shaikh, Dean Faculty of I.T, Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Shaikh, Registrar, Mr. Parvez Ali Bhutto, Director Works and Services, Mr. Qasim Ali Additional Registrar, and other officials were also available during the visit.

MEETING OF ADVANCED STUDIES RESEARCH BOARD HELD

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor, chaired the meeting of Advanced Studies Research Board (ASRB) of the university on Wednesday, September 28, 2022 in the Conference Room. The matters related to the higher education and research were discussed in detail. Meeting was attended by Dr. Abdul Hafeez Khan, Academic Adviser, Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh, Dean Faculty of I.T., Dr. Jamshed Adil Halepoto, Dean Faculty of Management Business Administration & Commerce and Faculty of Education,



Language & Cultural Studies, Dr. Zahid Ali Channar, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences and Director Post Graduate Studies, Dr. Mohammad Malook Rind, Dr. Ambreen Fazal, Chairperson Department of Media and Communication Studies, Dr. Stephen John, Chairperson of Departments of Education, Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC and Dr. Adnan Khurshid.

DR. MUJEEB SAHRAI OBSERVES CONSTRUCTION WORK OF MALIR CAMPUS



Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor visited Malir Campus of SMIU in Education City of Karachi, on Thursday, October 6, 2022. He observed construction work of the campus and directed concerned officials of the project to maintain quality of work and use best material in the construction of



buildings. He also chaired a meeting in the camp office where he was briefed about the matters related to developmental work being carried out at the Malir Campus.

Dr. Sahrai hoped to open the Department of Environmental Sciences, Department of Climate Change, Department of Food Science and Technology and Department of Horticulture after completion of construction work of Malir Campus.





SMIU'S NEWLY CONSTRUCTED BUILDING OF I.T. TOWER INAUGURATED

A newly constructed seven-storey building of Information Technology Block (IT Block) has been added to Sindh Madressatul Islam University's infrastructure. It has twelve classrooms, four computer labs, seventeen rooms for faculty on the ground floor, three executive central rooms, incubation centre and a library.



joined SMIU as a Vice Chancellor two years ago, the building of IT Block was incomplete, then I took special efforts for its completion, now it is complete and fully functional," the Vice Chancellor shared. He praised the role of Dean Faculty of I.T. Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh, Advisor Academic Affairs, Dr. Abdul Hafeez Khan, Director Works and Services, Parvez Ali Bhutto, and other staff members for making the I.T. Block functional.

Earlier, Mr. Parvez Ali Bhutto in his presentation said IT Block had been provided with modern facilities including heating, ventilating and air conditioning system (HVAC), VRF air-conditioned system, firefighting system, data system and surveillance rooms etc. He also said that the construction work of the building was completed in three years. Dr. Zahid Ali Channar, Director Post Graduate Studies, Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC, Dr. Asif Ali Wagan, Director Students



The IT Block building is located in premises of SMIU near the SMIU Model School.

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor SMIU, inaugurated IT Block on October 19, 2022. Later on, while addressing the participants Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai expressed need of more academic blocks for SMIU as enrollment of students was increasing during every admission and there was not enough space for academic activities. Now this building would enhance student-strength of the university significantly.

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai informed that this new age of information technology demanded young generation must be well acquainted with information technology, computer science, artificial intelligence, software engineering, data science and cyber security to compete with people in the world. "When I



Affairs, Registrar Ghulam Mustafa Shaikh, Director Finance Ghulam Ali Surhio, Director HRM Shakeel Ahmed Abro, other heads of academic and non-academic departments and faculty and staff members attended the inauguration ceremony.

HEC CHAIRMAN DR. MUKHTAR AHMED INAUGURATES ALLAMA I.I. KAZI LIBRARY AT I.T. TOWER



Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed, Chairman Higher Education Commission of Pakistan, along with Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor SMIU, and Prof. Dr. Tariq Rafi, Chairman Sindh HEC inaugurated Allama I.I. Kazi Library on Wednesday, October 26, 2022, in IT Block of SMIU.

Thereafter, Dr. Mukhtar addressed the inaugural ceremony, which was held in the inaugurated library where he said quality of higher education in Pakistan had improved, but still there was a long way to go.



Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed said we could not compete with those universities of the world that are established hundreds of years ago, while our most universities are established within the period of last 75 years. The HEC Chairman maintained that the top universities of the world also enjoy highest budget figures. “Budget of a high ranking university in a developed country is almost equal to the budget of our all universities in the country,” Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed added that despite financial hurdles our universities are producing highly successful students that are competing international level. A large number of our students have been succeeded in getting scholarships from European countries. HEC Chairman praised the role of Government of Sindh for allocating 15 billion rupees for



higher education in Sindh and said other provinces should also allocate some amount for higher education in their respective institutions.

He further said after Covid-19 our nation has suffered a lot from torrential rains and floods of 2022, therefore, we are trying to cut our expenditures and support affected people. He said HEC has decided that fees of two semesters and hostel expenditure will not be charged from the students of affected families for two semesters. “This process has been delayed a little bit as students belonging to non-affected families have also applied for financial support. The HEC Chairman urged students of those families who are not affected should not apply for support so that real affectees could be helped.



Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed expressed that SMIU had emerged as one of the top quality educational institutions of the country during tenure of Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai. Also, it inherits many distinctions, one of which is that it has been alma-mater of founder of Pakistan Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah, who loved this institution so much so that he bequeathed one third of his residual property



vate universities in the region. He said, apart from adding a new academic IT Block, now SMIU has added second library named after Allama I.I. Kazi. Allama I.I. Kazi was alumnus of SMI, founder Vice Chancellor of University of Sindh and a great scholar of the country, and SMIU has paid a great tribute to him by naming the modern library after his name.

On the occasion Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai and his academic and administrative team gifted souvenirs to Chairman HEC Pakistan Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed, Chairman Sindh



HEC Dr. Tariq Rafi, Vice Chancellor of Shaikh Ayaz University, Shikarpur, Prof Dr. Ghulam Raza Bhatti, Vice Chancellor of Iqra University Dr. Wasim Qazi, Regional Director HEC Karachi Mr. Javed Ali Memon and other guests. Academic Advisor Dr. Abdul Hafeez Khan, Deans Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh, Dr. Zahid Ali Channar, Dr. Jamshed Adil Halepoto, Registrar Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Shaikh, Liberian Mr. Shahnawaz Mahessar and Additional Liberian Ms. Mahjabeen Ali were among those who presented souvenirs to the guests. Chairpersons of different academic departments, sectional heads and other officials attended the program.

to SMIU. He announced every possible support to SMIU towards pursuit of quality education.

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai thanked the Chairman HEC Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed, Chairman Sindh HEC Dr. Tariq Rafi and other guests for gracing the event. Talking about SMIU, Dr. Sahrai said students' population was increasing with every admission because, besides quality education, SMIU offers those courses which are being offered by best pri-

DR. MUJEEB SAHRAI VISITS DIFFERENT SECTIONS OF SMIU



Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai visited different sections of the university on 4th November 2022, and observed maintenance work, discipline and smooth functioning of departments. He directed concerned officials to make sure cleanliness and maintenance work and provide conducive atmosphere to students and employees. He also went to the area of SMIU from Aiwan-e-Tijarat Road, just opposite the Karachi Chamber of Commerce and Industries and directed the officials of the university to be vigilant as no one should be allowed to encroach space of the university.



Mr. Abdul Hafeez Khan, Academic Advisor, Parvez Ali Bhutto, Director Works and Services, Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Shaikh, Registrar and others were available during the visit.



**AL-MEEZAN BANK
RECRUITMENT DRIVE**

By Arsalan Khalid Karim

On November 16, 2022, Al-Meezan Investment Management Limited conducted recruitment drive at SMIU to hire potential students from the university. This opportunity was offered to senior batches of the university students including alumni, fresh graduates, and final semester students of SMIU who were just a step away to start out their careers. Directorate of Students Affairs had arranged the event. The session was held in the auditori-



um, where students were told about starting their career in Al-Meezan and how the journey was going to change them and groom them. The team of the bank emphasized that students should not only build their professional careers but build a good character to stand out in the society. Students from different departments expressed their views during the session.



VICE CHANCELLOR FORMS CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR 1ST GLOBAL RESEARCH CONGRESS (GRC)

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor of SMIU, on November 16, 2022, gave approval of the proposal to organise a mega research event- titled “1st SMIU Global Research Congress” in the month of March 2023, in which five conferences of different faculties shall be arranged. It shall be an international research event where several national and international speakers shall be invited to create a real impact of research in the market.

According to a notification No. SMIU/REG/CEC/COM/2022-126, issued by the Registrar of SMIU, the Vice Chancellor gave approval of a 14 members Central Executive Committee (CEC), that may lead the further process of overall execution of the Congress and the Conferences. Prof. Dr. Zahid Ali Channar (Dean Faculty

of Social Sciences) shall be Convener of the CEC, while Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh, Dean Faculty of Information Technology, Dr. Jamshed Adil Halepoto, Dean Faculty of Management of Business Administration and Commerce, Dr. Abdul Hafeez Khan, Advisor to Academic Affairs, Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Shaikh, Registrar, Dr. Ambreen Fazal, Chairperson Department of Media and Communication Studies, Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC (member/ secretary), Mr. Asif Hussain Samo, Lecturer, Anwer Abro, Director PR Department, Mr. Nisar Ahmed Memon, Additional Director Finance, Mr. Abdul Waheed Jatoi, Additional Director I.T, Ms. Qurat-ul-Ain Nazeer, Lecturer, Mr. Irfan Ali Kandhro, Lecturer and Mr. Asif Ghafar, SMIU TV Producer will be members of the CEC.

MEETING OF CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF 1ST GLOBAL RESEARCH CONGRESS HELD



First meeting of the Central Executive Committee of the 1st SMIU-Global Research Congress (GRC 2023)” was held at SMIU’s conference room on Friday, November 18, 2022, which was chaired by convener of the committee Dr. Zahid Ali Channar. The members who attended the meeting were Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh, Dr. Jamshed Adil Halepoto, Dr. Abdul Hafeez Khan, Dr. Ambreen Fazal, Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Mr. Asif Hussain Samo, Mr. Nisar Ahmed Memon, Anwar Ali Abro, Mr. Abdul Waheed Jatoi, Ms. Qurat-ul-Ain Nazeer, Mr. Irfan Ali Kandhro and Mr. Asif Ghafar.

In the meeting it was decided that five different conferences will be held parallel during the congress, where national and international scholars will address on multiple subjects. Different sub committees were also constituted for preparation of the congress.



VICE CHANCELLOR ADDRESSES OFFICERS

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor SMIU addressed officers of SMIU during the oath taking ceremony of newly elected office bearers of ‘Sindh Madressatul Islam University Officers’ Association’ (SMIUOA) for the year of 2022-23 on



Thursday, November 17, 2022. In his speech he said our institutions are needed ownership of their employees to produce good results and benefit the nation and the country. The vice chancellor said in future public sector institutions will sustain and survive only on generating their own resources. Hence, they must take initiatives from today to meet the challenges of future.

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai further said the provincial government of Sindh is helping its universities and their budget was also increased during current fiscal year 2022-23, but at the same time price hike along with increase in salaries of employees has made no significant difference in the affairs of universities. Therefore, universities and the government must think on this situation. Dr. Sahrai said faculty, officers, other employees and students are main stakeholders of the university, hence they must work together for interests of the university.

The Vice Chancellor opined that he is a custodian of this historic institution; hence he does not want to do such things that could bring the institute down. “I believe in team work as by such way we can enhance quality performance of the institute, therefore, all stakeholders must respond in the same positive way,” Dr. Sahrai said.

Dr. Sahrai assured officers, faculty and other employees that their problems will be resolved soon. He congratulated the office bearers of officers’ association and hoped that they will strengthen the university by their collective efforts and wisdom.

Mr. Asif Hussain Samo, president Sindh Madressatul Islam University Teachers Association in his speech said all employees of SMIU including faculty, officers and others must put joint efforts in development of the university. He said Vice

Chancellor Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai has resolved some problems of employees, but, he hoped that the remaining problems will also be resolved soon.

“There is no need of any confrontation, but we all have to work together for betterment of the university,” Mr. Asif Hussain Samo said and added that faculty of SMIU is most committed and that is fulfilling its prime responsibility of teaching but at the same time, they are working for progress of



the university and genuine rights of employees in many ways. He congratulated the new cabinet of SMIUOA and extended his full cooperation to them.

Mr. Abdul Waheed Jatoi, newly elected president of SMIUOA expressed his gratitude to the members of the association, who elected their panel unopposed on October 10, 2022. He thanked to the vice chancellor and faculty for extending support to the officers. He pledged to work together with other stakeholders of the university for betterment of the varsity and its employees. He requested the vice chancellor to solve problems of officers including transport for some more officers, time scale, G.P. Fund and increase in the amount of SMIU loan.

Mr. Akbar Ali Chandio, president SMIU Model School Teachers' Association in his speech congratulated the new cabinet of SMIUOA and highlighted the role of SMI School and its issues. He hoped that the administration of the university will resolve their problems.

Earlier Dr. Muhammad Afzal Chhajro, General Secretary SMIUOA delivered welcome address and thanked the honourable vice chancellor and other guests and officers on attending the ceremony. Syed Mazhar Ali Shah, Senior Vice President of SMIUOA presented vote of thanks.



On the occasion Dr. Zahid Ali Channar, Dean and Director of Post Graduate Programs administered oath to the elected office bearers of the SMIUOA including Abdul Waheed Jatoi (President), Syed Mazhar Ali Shah (Senior Vice President), Mr. Nisar Memon (Vice President), Dr. Muhammad Afzal Chhajro (General Secretary), Mr. Tariq Aziz Gorar (Joint Secretary, Male), Ms. Quratul Ain Memon (Joint Secretary, female), Mr. Talib Hussain Magsi (Finance Secretary) and Mr. Mustafa Jatoi (Press Secretary).

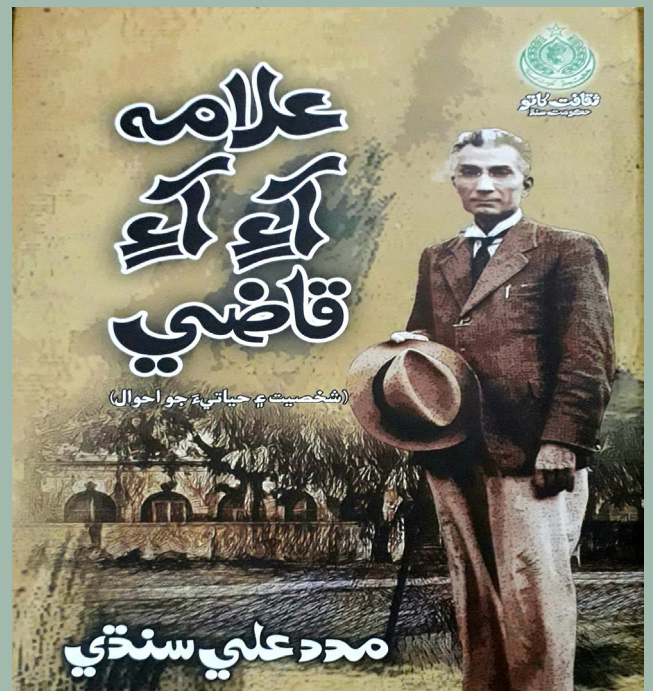
The event was ended on presenting souvenirs to the guests and deans by the office bearers of SMIUOA. Ms. Uzma Batool conducted the proceedings.

ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR DR. ZAHID ALI CHANNAR



Sindh Madressatul Islam University has entrusted charge of Directorate of Postgraduate Studies to Prof. Dr. Zahid Ali Channar. In a letter, issued by the Director HRM on October 4, 2022, it has been said that, besides his additional responsibilities of Directorate of Postgraduate Studies he shall continue look after academic activities as a professor in the Department of Business Administration of the university.

BOOK FOR SMIU'S LIBRARY



Mr. Madad Ali Sindhi, a noted writer and historian gifted a copy of his most valuable book written in Sindhi for SMIU's Khan Bahadur Hassanally Effendi Library. The book covers the personality and life of Allama I. I. Kazi, who was also an alumnus of SMI. The copy of the book was handed over to the library on Thursday, September 22, 2022.



27TH MEETING OF SMIU'S SYNDICATE

said that since his tenure of about two years the SMIU has emerged as one of the best higher educational institutions of the country. They hoped that the SMIU will be made more strengthened in coming days.

The members who attended the meeting were Mr. Muhammad Mureed Rahimoon, Secretary Universities and Boards, Haji Muhammad Hanif Tayab, National Advisory Group Member, Dr. A.Q Mughal, a representative of Sindh HEC, Prof. Abdul Bari Khan, CEO and founder of the Indus



The 27th meeting of SMIU's Syndicate was held on Thursday, November 24, 2022 at the Conference Room of the university under the chair of Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor.

The Syndicate while appreciating the role of Government of Sindh for supporting SMIU resolved that although the provincial government has provided appropriate funds to SMIU during the fiscal year of 2022-23, but it needs more financial support as it could carry out research and development works to meet the requirements of the day.

The Syndicate members said due to the financial constraints, just ten years old SMI University needs expansion in many areas, and without financial support it couldn't accomplish the projects which it intends to start.

Mr. Muhammad Mureed Rahimoon, Secretary Universities and Boards Department, Government of Sindh praised the role of Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor SMIU for running the university according to the rules and regulations and giving emphasis on academic and research.

Other members of the Syndicate also praised the services of Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai rendering for SMIUs' development and



Hospital Network, Mr. Shahzad Mahmood, eminent person, nominated by the Chief Minister Sindh, Mr. Kamal Siddiqui, Director News, Recorder Television Network, Prof. Dr. Jamshed Adil Halepoto, Prof. Dr. Mohammad Malook Rind, Dr. Abdul Hafeez Khan, Mr. Asif Hussain Samo, Ms. Quratulain Nazir Ahmed, Mr. Muhammad Naeem Ahmed, Mr. Mushtaq Ahmed Gopang and Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Shaikh.

FACULTY MEMBERS OF SINDH AND BALOCHISTAN VISIT SMIU



The Higher Education Commission had arranged a visit of newly appointed faculty members of Sindh and Balochistan to SMIU on December 9, 2022. These faculty members had participated in a training at the HEC Regional Office, Karachi. It was the first cohort/batch of the National Faculty Development Program (NFDP) of HEC. The delegation was led by HEC Regional Director Mr. Javed Memon.



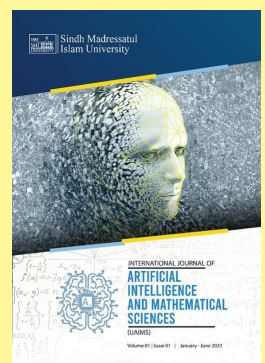
On this occasion an introductory session was held at the Senate Hall of SMIU, which was chaired by Vice Chancellor of SMIU Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai. Addressing the session, the vice chancellor talked on teaching profession, role of faculty and quality education. He shared his experiences of his teaching as well as administrative career and said faculty must be devoted and fully prepared with their respective subjects. Appreciating the Higher Education Commission for their efforts for higher education in the country, Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai said trainings are essential for teachers as they could aware about latest happenings and developments in the field of education.

Mr. Javed Memon thanked Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai and other officials for their hospitality and said it was necessary that the newly appointed faculty members of Sindh and Balochistan must be aware about their historical institution and its achievements, because SMIU is an Alma-Mater of Founder of Pakistan. Earlier, Dr. Zahid Ali Channar, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences delivered welcome address.

Later on, Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC, Dr. Asif Ali Wagan, Director Students Affairs and Mr. Sajid Ali Lashari, Deputy Registrar (Staff) guided the delegation during their visit to various sessions of SMIU including Khan Bahadur Hassanally Effendi Library, Jinnah Museum, Radio and TV Studios, Sir Shahnawaz Bhutto Auditorium, I.T Tower, computer labs, incubation center.

RESEARCH JOURNAL 'IJAIMS' PUBLISHED

SMIU's Department of Artificial Intelligence and Mathematical Sciences has published its first issue of research journal titled: "International Journal of Artificial Intelligence & Mathematical Sciences (IJAIMS)." It is available on the following link: <http://ijaims.smiu.edu.pk/ijaims/>.



SMIU's Vice Chancellor

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai has praised the efforts of Director ORIC, Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani and editorial board of the journal including Prof. Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh (Editor-In-Chief), Dr. Mansoor Ahmed Khuhro (Managing Editor) and Assistant Editors Dr. Muhammad Ali, Mr. Syed Azeem, Mr. Hassan Hashim and Syed Muhammad Hassan Zaidi, for getting published the research journal. The Vice Chancellor said this kind of efforts shall promote research work and encourage new research scholars specially of the SMI university.

MoU Signing Ceremonies

SMIU SIGNS MoU WITH LEADING GAMING STUDIOS

SMIU and Mindstorm studios, a leading gaming studio in Pakistan have agreed to jointly work for promotion of game development industry in the country. In this respect Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC, SMIU and Mr. Yasser Awan, Director, Mindstorm Studios signed a MoU on August 26, 2022 at Board Room of I.T. Tower of SMIU.

Both organizations decided to promote Industry-Academia linkages and encourage game development talent in Pakistan. It was said that the MoU will be operationalized at SMIU with mutual efforts of both the institutions.



The MoU states that both organizations will create exposure opportunities for students and strengthen their connection with professional game development industry.

Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC said this kind of cooperation between SMIU and Mindstorm Studios will surely pave the way for those students who are interested in the field of game development. He further said it will be the first opportunity for students in a university to connect them with the field of game development to compete with rest of the world.

Dr. Abdul Hafeez Khan, Adviser to Vice Chancellor on Academic Affairs, Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh, Dean Faculty of I.T, Ms. Saima Sipy Nagaraj, Lecturer Department of Software Engineering and Ms. Fareeha Akhtar, Manager Operations at Mindstorm Studios also attended the ceremony.

SMIU and Leverify signed a MoU for Job and train-

SMIU AND LEVERIFY SIGNS MoU

ings to SMIU students. Dr. Asif Ali Wagan, Director Students Affairs and Counselling, SMIU and Mr. Zaka-Ul-Mustafa, from Leverify, signed MoU at a ceremony held at the conference room of the varsity on September 9, 2022. The ceremony was attended by Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC, Dr. Muhammad Afzal Chhajro, Manager ORIC and Muhammad Kamil Lakho, Lecturer Department of Social and Development Studies, SMIU.



SMIU AND VAT SIGNS MoU AGAINST TOBACCO

SMIU and the Voices Against Tobacco (VAT) signed a MoU on Friday, September 23, 2022 at amid to initiate dialogue and debate among students of the varsity about importance of tobacco control. In this respect a MoU signing ceremony was held at I.T. Tower of the university. Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC and Mr. Majid Soomro, Program Manager for Lung Health Program, Community Health Directorate of Indus Hospital and Health Network signed the MoU.

On that occasion Dr. Umrani expressed his views about hazards of tobacco and said SMIU will fully support the cause of spreading awareness among youth of the society as it is our responsibility to try to guide young generation about fatal habit of usage of tobacco. "We have to save our young generation from tobacco as it is destroying lives specially of young people;" Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani concluded.

Dr. Asif Ali Wagan, Director Students Affairs and Counselling was also present on the occasion.





SINDH MADRESSATUL ISLAM UNIVERSITY AND ISLAMIA UNIVERSITY OF BAHAWALPUR SIGNS MoU

Sindh Madressatul Islam University (SMIU), Karachi and Islamia University of Bahawalpur (IUB) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on academic cooperation on December 14, 2022 at a signing ceremony held at the conference room of SMIU. The MoU was signed by Dr. Mujeebuddin Sahrai, Vice Chancellor Sindh Madressatul Islam University and Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor Islamia University of Bahawalpur.



In the MoU it was decided that cooperation will be extended between the Department of Environmental Sciences of SMIU and the Institute of Agro-Industry and Development of the IUB. Both the universities agreed upon to develop collaborative activities in the academic areas of mutual interest, on the basis of equality and reciprocity. The areas of cooperation would be faculty and students exchange program, joint academic and research activities, joint arrangement and participation in research conferences, lectures, seminars, symposia, short-term academic programs and academic meetings, joint research ac-

tivities/joint research projects, to facilitate the exchange of academic materials and research publications and joint initiatives for establishment of entrepreneurial eco-system. It was decided that the MoU shall remain in force for a period of three years, and that will be extended by mutual consent.

Dr. Ghulam Hassan Abbasi, Director Institute of Agro-Industry and Environment of IUB, Dr. Imran Ali, Chairman Department of Environmental Sciences, SMIU, Dr. Abdul Hafeez Khan, Advisor to Vice Chancellor on Academic Affairs, Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director-ORIC, Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh, Dean Faculty of IT, Dr. Zahid Ali Channar, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences and other officials were present on the occasion. Later on, Vice Chancellor of Islamia University of Bahawalpur Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob visited Jinnah Museum, Sir Shahnawaz Bhutto Auditorium, TV and Radio Studios, Khan Bahadur Hassanally Effendi Library, Allama I.I. Kazi Library and IT Tower of SMIU.

Dr. Asif Ali Wagan, Director Students Affairs and Counselling was also present on the occasion.





DEPARTMENTAL Activities

POSTER PRESENTATION BY FINAL YEAR SEMESTER'S STUDENTS



The Faculty of Management, Business Administration and Commerce (FMBA&C) organized a 'Poster Presentation for Entrepreneurship Projects' at IT Tower of the university on July 5, 2022.

Students of final semester of the FMBA&C presented their unique business ideas along with an initial working to start through the posters. These projects were part of their degree requirements, which were evaluated by some industry experts and senior faculty members. They praised their business ideas and gave them some suggestions also. The area of specialization of students was human resources, supply chain management, finance, and marketing.

Among the students who presented their entrepreneurship

projects were Zainab Pirzada, Farooque Ahmed, Zeeshan, Syed Hamza Bukhari, Saad Ahmed, Hiba Kamran, Iqra Bano, Sarah Khan, Muhammad Usman Akbar, Huzaiifa Javed, Muhammad Zain, Heman Das, Naveed Shah, Muhammad Shafique, Maira Khan, Daniyal Khan Niazi, Jawad Akbar and Huzaiqah Hanif. Supervisors of the projects were Mr. Shahid Obaid, Mr. Faris Mahar, Ms. Pireh Sikandar and Mr. Shafique Ahmed.



FINAL YEAR PROJECT EXHIBITION



The Department of Computer Science has always strived to provide quality education along with multiple opportunities to its students for presenting skills they acquire during their learning process through various exhibitions, workshops and seminars.

On August 1, 2022, the department organised a Final Year Project (FYP) exhibition at I.T. Tower of the university, where 60 projects were presented by students. Mobile applications, web applications and hardware based projects were on display. These were developed by using variety of development platforms, programming languages and frameworks.

Experts related to the software industry as well as faculty members of SMIU visited the exhibition and exchanged views with students about technology and methodology, they used for developing the projects. A live demonstration of the projects by students was also held, which showed effectiveness of the projects. It was a great experience for students, where they received tremendous appreciation from the visitors.



Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh, Chairperson of the Department of Computer Science, admired the Final Year Project Committee and supervisors of the projects for supporting and guiding the students. He thanked to Dr. Asif Ali Wagan, Convener of the FYP Committee, and Director Students Affairs and Counselling for his efforts taken for the exhibition and improvement of academic-industrial linkages.

Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh was of the view that the projects show skills of students which they have acquired from SMIU. Also, they have successfully conveyed their message to the related sections of the society that how they could play their role for development of the country, in future.



Supervisors of the projects from faculty were Mr. Irfan Ali Kandhro, Mr. Mohammad Ameen Chhajro, Mr. Qurban Ali Lakhan, Mr. Zubairuddin Shaikh, Syed Hassan, Syeda Wajiha Naim, Ms. Saima Sipy and Mr. Ameen Ahmed Khowaja. The projects were evaluated by the experts from academia and industry including Mr. Abdullah Khokhar, Mr. Muhammad Azmi and Mr. Muhammad Umar.

At the end, Dr. Abdul Hafeez Khan, Chairperson Department of Software Engineering and Advisor to the Vice Chancellor on Academic Affairs, gave away shields to supervisors of the projects and external experts.





ENTRY TEST FOR ADMISSION FALL 2023

Sindh Madressatul Islam University conducted a computer based entry test for admissions in undergraduate, graduate and post graduate programs for the session of Fall 2022, on Friday and Saturday, August 12th & 13th at the campus. A large number of female and male students had applied for the admission but a limited number of candidates was called for the test.



These were the days, when heavy rains had inundated entire country but Sindh was the most affected province of the torrential rains. Karachi city had also witnessed heavy rains. Despite that difficulty a large number of candidates appeared in the test. Classes of the new batch were commenced from September 26, 2022.



SMIU CELEBRATES DIAMOND JUBILEE OF PAKISTAN

The alma-mater of founder of Pakistan Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah organised different events in connection with the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations of Pakistan. The celebrations commenced from August 4, 2022, with holding inaugural ceremony in the Sir Shahnawaz Bhutto Auditorium by Directorate of Students Affairs and Counseling (DSA). Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor presided over it. After the ribbon cutting cer-



emony, the Vice Chancellor shared the contributions made by the Sindh Madressatul Islam in the creation of Pakistan through its alumni, particularly Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah. About SMIU, Dr. Sahrai quoted Syed Ghulam Mustafa Shah, former Vice Chancellor, University of Sindh, and former Federal Education Minister, that “Sindh Madressatul Islam is a child of Sindh and mother of Pakistan.” Dr. Sahrai informed the participants that SMI played a crucial role in the life of Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah which is why he never forget this institution even during writing his last Will. Nations should not forget their heroes, history, culture and traditions. He emphasized young generation to work for development of the country being a ‘youth energy.’”

He declared Pakistan is a fortunate country on the planet of earth where all four seasons are experienced while almost half countries in the world do not have such weather system. This system also supports economy of Pakistan through crops and other natural resources. Thus, we have to utilize our natural resources for development and progress of the country and young generation have to play their decisive role for betterment of people. The Vice Chancellor also praised the role of Dr. Asif Ali Wagan, Director Directorate of Students Affairs in planning series of events to celebrate 75 years of the country’s creation.

Dr. Zahid Ali Channar, Dean and Director of Post Graduate Studies, said academicians have a great respon-



presented tableaus on national songs. Dr. Asif Ali Wagan, Director DSA in his welcome address said participation of students in national days bring them close to their heroes, the history of their own country and the nation.

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai stressed upon students to follow footsteps of Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah, who had shown his great association with his alma-mater on many occasions. "You are future leaders of Pakistan, hence you must go through lives and struggle of the leaders who created Pakistan," Dr. Sehrai said .

Another program in connection with the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations was held on Friday, 12th August in the Sir Shahnawaz Bhutto Auditorium, which was organised by the DSA. Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor SMIU, was invited as the chief guest on the occasion. Faculty and students of SMIU and teachers and students of SMIU Model School participated in it. Students delivered speeches and





14TH AUGUST CELEBRATION

On 14th August, a grand ceremony was held in premises of SMIU to mark the independence Day of Pakistan. The flag hoisting ceremony was held at the Main Building by Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor SMIU. The ceremony was attended by the deans, chairperson, heads of different sections, faculty and other employees. To mark celebration, a cake was cut by the participants. Addressing the participants, Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai said independence day and freedom fighters are remembered in the history of a nation and the country with a great respect. Likewise, we should remember those leaders and workers who selflessly fought for our freedom and a country.



Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai further said our elders gave great sacrifices for creation of Pakistan and we, the later generations, are enjoying benefits of the freedom. “But freedom brings a responsibility too, hence our responsible role and error free character will guarantee the development, progress, and prosperity of the nation,” he said and added free nations value their freedom. We must also go through our history, culture, identity and values, that will lead us to the right direction to progress.

The Vice Chancellor was of the view that we

all, individually as well as collectively, should show seriousness and sincerity to our responsibilities and follow the principles of Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah, which were ‘Faith, Unity and Discipline.’

Referring to Sindh Madressatul Islam, the Vice Chancellor said that the institutions has produced and groomed father of the nation Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah. Even today, SMIU holds same values and academic culture that was in the past, and almost all employees of SMIU, faculty members, officers and other employees, fulfil their responsibilities with dedication.

SINDH MADRESSATUL ISLAM UNIVERSITY CELEBRATES ITS 138TH FOUNDATION DAY



Sindh Madressatul Islam University commemorated its 138th foundation day in the Sir Shah Nawaz Bhutto Auditorium on Thursday, September 1, 2022, with simplicity due to the present day sorrowful conditions of people of the country created by torrential rains and flood in the entire country.

It was the first time in the history of SMIU that neither cake cutting ceremony nor any students related activities were conducted on the occasion. While addressing the ceremony, Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor, expressed his sorrow over hard times the country were going through due to natural calamities. Sindh and other provinces of the country had been badly affected by heavy rains and floods. Thus, SMIU's foundation was commemorated in a very simple but elegant ceremony.

The Vice Chancellor announced to donate his two days' salary for rain and flood affected people and SMIU's Endowment Fund respectively. He advised to SMIU employees to voluntarily donate for rain affected families, whatsoever they could. "If any of you wants donate one-day salary, half day salary, few hours or one-month salary, it's up to you, but must support rain and flood victims," he suggested.

Paying rich tribute to the founder of SMI, Dr. Sahrai said Khan Bahadur Hassanally Effendi was a real son of the soil and an unsung hero of the land who established a modern educational institute for the nation as he was fully aware about the challenges the nation was facing in 19th century in the British colonial rule and had

to face in coming days. "Unfortunately, a large number of our literate people are unaware about the role and services of Khan Bahadur Hassanally Effendi," Sahrai said and further added that we must explore and share his great contribution towards modern education specially with our young generation to motivate them for the service of the country.



The Vice Chancellor was of the view that when a child's birth brings a lot of happiness for parents, but when an institution is built it brings happiness for a nation. However, the institutions do not have a natural end like a human beings but they grow with the passage of time.

He said we are custodians of SMIU, and its legacy, hence our sincere and honest efforts were needed for its progress and development. He opined that stable educational institutions produce good results and good students, but the unstable institutions fail to serve the nation accordingly. Hence stability and strength of SMIU must be given priority.



Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai said he was emotionally attached with SMI because of his father's association with the institutions. Mr. Taj Muhammad Sahrai Memon was a noted research scholar, historian and academician of Sindh and also an alumnus of SMI.

He also lauded efforts of Director Directorate of Students Affairs and Counselling Dr. Asif Ali Wagan and his team for organizing the event.

Earlier, Dr. Asif Ali Wagan in his welcome address congratulated SMIU's students, faculty and staff members on the SMIU's foundation day and termed the SMIU a proud institution of the country.

Dr. Zahid Ali Channar, Director Post Graduate Studies talked on the co-relation between education and economy and Ms. Nabila Kanwal, Principal of SMIU Model School reviewed the role of SMIU and its Model School in the quality education.



On the occasion, students of the SMIU Model School delivered speeches in English, Urdu and Sindhi languages in which they highlighted role of SMI's founder Khan Bahadur Hassanally Effendi, SMIU's alumnus Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah, and Sindh Madressatul Islam, in creation of Pakistan.

Alumni of SMIU Sohail Khan Jadoon and Moomal Bughio also narrated their success stories in persons. However, there were alumni who were not physically available, hence, their success stories were shared by SMIU Model School Principal to the audience.

The ceremony was attended by the deans of different faculties, chairpersons, heads of various academic departments, Academic Advisor to the Vice Chancellor, staff members and students.



SMIU FLOOD RELIEF CAMP



Torrential rains and floods of the year of 2022 badly affected all provinces of Pakistan but Sindh suffered with an unbearable loss of property, other valuables, human lives and livestock. Millions of people became homeless, they lost their everything and then sought refuge in camps set up on roadsides and other safe areas. They migrated to cities also. Observing these pathetic conditions of affected people of the province SMIU and its employees set up relief camps in the premises of the campus on September 1st 2022. Employees and students of the university donated food items, drinking water, clothes, grocery and other necessary items. Vice Chancellor Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai visited



the relief camp and donated some amount. Also, Registrar Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Shaikh and Advisor to VC Dr. Abdul Hafeez Khan donated some amount.

Later on, the collected items were sent to the affected people. Some of them were donated to Prof. Dr. Mohammad Ismail Kumbher, a social activist, for rain affected people of district Badin.



SMIU STUDENTS JOIN CAMP HIMALAYAS

The Camp Himalayas was a unique blend of outdoor education and peacebuilding process coupled with leadership experience. It was an event of 500 youth from 40 universities across Pakistan in 8 camps in Ma-Noor Valley. Four male and three female students from various departments of SMIU represented the university and completed their leadership fellowship in the month of August 2022.



This kind of extensive leadership training was an experience, where the participants go through a journey that transforms them into ambassadors of peace and a new beginning for society to counter violence and extremism in Pakistan by spreading the message of peace and harmony through several trained peace leaders, where people from different regions celebrate their cultures along with celebrating being Pakistani.



ORIENTATION DAY FOR FALL 2022



About 1500 students got enrollment during the admissions for the session of Fall 2022 at SMIU. It is very much encouraging that about 2500 students had applied for admission in SMIU but they all couldn't avail the op-

I.T, Prof. Dr. Zahid Ali Channar, Dean and Director Post Graduate Studies, Mr. Mansoor Ahmed Khuhro, Incharge Chairperson Department of Artificial Intelligence, Mr. Waheed Ahmed Abro, System Administrator, Ms. Zonaira Jalali, Manager Students Affairs and other concerned persons welcomed students at the Alma-Mater of Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah and introduced them with the respective departments and facilities, which are available for students.



Later on, students went round Khan Bahadur Hassanally Effendi Library, Radio and TV Studios, I.T. Tower, Incubation Center, classrooms and other sections.



portunity to become a part of this historic institution. The orientation program for newly enrolled students was held on Thursday, and Friday, September 22nd & 23rd 2022 at the auditorium.

Prof. Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh, Dean Faculty of



SMIU FACULTY AND STUDENTS ATTEND ONLINE HEC CEREMONY



The Higher Education Commission (HEC) Pakistan, in collaboration with the Profound Vision Japan launched FiTE (Foreign IT Engineers) launched a recruitment web portal-<https://fite.jp>, to bridge ICT engineer gap between Pakistan and Japan. In this connection a ceremony was held at the HEC Secretariat, Islamabad. on September 28, 2022. Dr. Mansoor Ahmed Khuhro, Incharge Chairperson of Department of Artificial Intelligence and students of Department of Software Engineering, Department of Computer Science and Department of Artificial Intelligence participated online. Chairman HEC Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed was the chief guest of the ceremony.

According to a report the “chairman HEC said 163 out of 244 Pakistani universities offer IT-related programmes, adding that 108 universities offer Engineering programmes. He maintained that over 40,000 Pakistani students are currently graduating in IT. The Profound Vision Japan says, Japan needs around 800,000 IT engineers by 2030 to meet its market needs.”

The ceremony was attended by CEO Profound Vision, Nobou Shiobara, Former Ambassador of Pakistan to Japan, Imtiaz Ahmed, Director General Japan External Trade Organisation (JETRO), Kazu Yamaguchi, and other dignitaries from Pakistani and Japanese business and commerce fields.



BLOOD DONATION CAMP: SERVING HUMANITY

By Sadaf Khalid



SMIU organized a blood donation drive on November 4, 2022 which was a joint effort of SMIU, Indus Hospital and Blood Center. The core objective of the drive was to teach individuals significance of blood donation and its effects on society.

In this respect, the Community Service Society and Directorate of Students Affairs and Counselling jointly held an awareness session in Sir Shahnawaz Bhutto Auditorium. Which was conducted by Mr. Ahmad Ghani Chohan, Senior Donor Recruitment Officer, Blood Donor Mobilization, Indus Hospital and Health Network. In his talk, Mr. Chohan informed that donation of blood was fundamental requirement for a safe life and that everybody was ought to add to society and give blood at regular basis and take care of them-

selves too. After his talk, a documentary by Indus Hospital on the topic was screened. Different queries shared by students were answered in detail such as how frequently one should donate blood; what sorts of blood donations are conceivable? Is giving blood good for health? What were the different blood types, and which blood types were often required?

Later on, a blood donation camp was set up at SMIU on November 7th and 8th. The donation of blood by students was very appreciated and exceptionally valued by the Indus Medical Blood Center. Their focal person told SMIU Chronicle team that the blood was given to patients in emergency clinics battling for the lives in diseases like thalassemia and this was just the beginning.



“Blood donation is indispensable for patients infected with different diseases such as thalassemia, cancer growth patients, and in accidents.” He further informed that “we should to donate blood in every four months, under supervision of health experts. Whoever donates blood need to maintain healthy life so that he/she could be a potential donor of blood to save lives.” says Hamza, a student from SMIU who regularly donates blood.

SMIU OBSERVES WORLD TEACHERS' DAY



SMIU celebrated World Teacher's Day on 5th October 2022 with a befitting manner. Vice Chancellor Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai presided over the event, which was organised by the Department of Education of SMIU in collaboration with the DSA, in the auditorium.

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, in his address said social development and economic growth of a country and a nation is directly linked to literacy rate, and a teacher plays decisive role in transformation of the society. Dr. Sahrai said almost 99 percent of the developed countries have achieved prosperity and progress due to their increased literacy rate.

He was of the view that teachers must be given their due status, respect and value, as they are producing learned people who are contributing towards development of the country. Furthermore, the vice chancellor said, if we have to go shoulder to shoulder with the developed world then we have to give importance to a teacher and education.

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai further said teachers are game changers, hence they could change the destiny of a nation and shape a new civilized society through imparting quality education to young generation. He was of the view that he feels proud being a teacher and being a son of a teacher



Dr. Jamshed Halepoto, Dean Faculty of Business Administration, Dr. Zahid Ali Channar, Dean and Director Post Graduate Studies, Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC, Ms. Khushboo and Mr. Ajab Ali Lashari, Lecturer SMIU and students also spoke on the occasion. They all highlighted the services and importance of a teacher and education for the nation and country.

On this occasion, a theater was performed by a group of students as a tribute to their teachers. Theme of the play was the flood that had affected major parts of Sindh during the torrential rains and flood of 2022. It was shown in the play that a teacher performs his duty despite the tragedies they, and their family members, go through due to different reasons. A student had played a most effective role during these testing time, and whose family too have lost their house and property, due to torrential rains. Some students paid a tribute to teachers by singing songs. The event ended with presenting souvenirs to the Vice Chancellor and teachers of the university.



Mr. Taj Sahrai, who was a noted archaeologist, historian, and recipient of the Pride of Performance Award. He had also founded a modern school in Dadu city named "Talib-ul-Moala High School."

Praising the role of SMIU's teachers the Vice Chancellor said since the establishment of SMI in the 19th century, its teachers have played a very significant role in the society and they have produced great personalities like founder of Pakistan Quaid-e- Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah and others.

Dr. Sahrai opined that each and every person of the country must think about his/her role and also teachers must review their performance. He said we have to work for capacity building of primary teachers, then we can improve learning process of students up to higher education level.





SMIU CELEBRATES EID MILAD-UN-NABI (PBUH)



SMIU celebrated Eid Milad-un-Nabi (PBUH) with religious spirit on October 13, 2022 at the auditorium. Students of the university and SMI Model School participated in it. Dr. Umair Raeesuddin, Asstt. Professor of Allied Faculty talked on Seerat-Un-Nabi (PBUH).

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor in his speech said that our Holy Prophet Hazrat Muhammad (PBUH) was the Rahmatul-lil-Alameen and His teachings are about love, peace, justice and harmony in the world. Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai said we must follow the Seeratul Nabi (PBUH) and His teachings to create a harmonious world.





THREE-DAY MODEL UNITED NATIONS ACTIVITIES

It was one of the great events of SMIU's recent past. The Model United Nations in SMI University (MUNISM) had organised three day events at SMIU in collaboration with DSA from Friday, October 14, 2022 to Sunday, October 16, 2022. Entire campus was looking like a fest as students had set up stalls of different things. Delegates from other institutions of the country had also organised very vibrant, informative and entertaining programs. A musical program was also a part of the activities.



Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai stressed upon the students that they besides other current issues of the world must talk on destruction and devastation of Pakistan specially its Sindh province caused by torrential rains and floods. "Almost half of the population of Sindh has been affected from it. Education process specially in rural areas of the province is also disturbed largely," the Vice Chancellor said and added that infra structure has been destroyed and buildings of

Mr. Wafa Mansoor Buriro, a young research scholar and faculty member of SMIU was patron of the MUNISM. Besides him Director Students Affairs Dr. Asif Ali Wagan and Director ORIC Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani had put their all efforts behind its success. Students of MUNISM had actively participated in all events.

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor SMIU inaugurated the event. Thereafter, in his speech he said the Model United Nations (MUN) has played very historic role in nurturing leadership skills of students worldwide since 1912, much before establishment of the United Nations. He said the MUN has made student community strong in the world and has brought them close to the United Nations through their activities.





schools have been collapsed too, thus students must talk on such issues. He further said SMIU is also thinking to play its role in restoration of academic activities in flood affected areas.

The Vice Chancellor congratulated Mr. Wafa Mansoor Buriro, lecture of English Department and patron of MUNISM, Dr. Asif Ali Wagan, Director of Directorate of Students Affairs and Counselling and Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC for organising a most meaningful program for students.

Earlier, Mr. Wafa Mansoor Buriro in his welcome address said the main objective of MUNISM was to enhance leadership and citizenship skills of students, because they have to buildup society in future. He also thanked the honorable Vice Chancellor Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai for extending sup-

port for organising this mega event. He also thanked Dr. Asif Ali Wagan and Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani for their cooperation.

Dr. Asif Ali Wagan in his speech appreciated organisers and said that this kind of events are packed with knowledge, from where students learn a lot. He thanked the Vice Chancellor for his kind of encouragement. Deans, chairperson, sectional heads, faculty, staff members and students attended the program in a large number.

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MALAYSIAN EDUCATIONIST DR. ROSMINI OMER DELIVERS LECTURE



cluding remarks welcomed the guests from Malaysia and said that SMIU has academic linkages with some Malaysian institutions and that will be further strengthened. He suggested that Dr. Rosmini Omer and Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC of SMIU should sign a MoU about cooperation in the fields related to education. He said we prefer to establish link-

Dr. Rosmini Omer, Dean of Azman Hashim International Business School, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM) delivered a lecture on “Organizational Development and Cross-Culture Management” on October 21, 2022 at the Senate Hall. The ORIC had organized it.

In her lecture she talked on digital destruction and digital organization and its basic concept. She said organizations are creating challenges by change. Also, entry, diagnosis, feedback, solution, evolution, human process, strategy, techno structural initiatives and human resource management are essential parts of the organizational development. She said organizational transformation and cultural building, strategic planning, change management, organizational capability building and organizational design and restructuring also help in organizational development.

Quoting organizational structure of SMIU she said we must be proud of our history and SMIU inherits its great history as founder of Pakistan Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah had received his early education from here, that is a matter of pride for Pakistan and also for SMIU. She said this institution has become able to complete its 137 years of academic services, and that could be possible because of its best organizational structure and development. She said good leaders have good followers. We have to bring changes in business, people and society. Also there are numerous opportunities but along that there are threats too.

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor SMIU in his con-



ages with foreign universities. Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani delivered welcome speech and Dean Dr. Jamshed Adil gave vote of thanks. Souvenirs were exchanged on the occasion. Later on, Dr. Rosmini Omer and her team’s members include Dr. Noor Aizza Mohammad Zamil and Dr. Obaid Rashdi Syed visited various sections of SMIU. They went round the Jinnah Museum, Radio and TV Studios, computer labs, incubation center and I.T Tower.

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS SEMINAR

SMIU in collaboration with the Pakistan Olympics Association (POA) and Colgate Palmolive Pakistan organized a Breast Cancer Awareness Seminar on October 26, 2022, at its auditorium. Dr. Rufina Soomro, Head of Department of General Surgery, Liaquat National Hospital Karachi was the guest speaker and Dr. Shahnaz Memon, former Senior Medical Officer of Department of Health, Government of Sindh was the chief guest. Representatives of POA, SMIU's female faculty and staff members and girl students, Director Directorate of Students Affairs and Counselling and others attended the seminar in a large number.

On the occasion, female health experts informed that 109 women die every 24 hours in Pakistan due to breast cancer which was the alarming situation in the



country. Therefore, entire nation specially media should play an effective role in spreading awareness among women about breast cancer.

Dr. Rufina Soomro said there are limited facilities for screening and early detection of breast cancer even in the big cities of Sindh let alone other parts of the province which are rural and are completely deprived of such facilities. She informed that majority of rural women of Sindh are not aware about this kind of threat to their lives this diseases poses. Thus, the educated population of Sindh must play their role to spread awareness among their female members about breast cancer.



She was of the view that print as well as electronic media can play a major role in spreading awareness among women, but in rural areas of Sindh, such information can be passed out to women through radio transmission as it was still in usage there.

Speakers were of the view that backward mindset of people has been creating hindrance in sharing information regarding breast cancer among women. Even male members of families would not pass such information to their women due to the topic being taboo in the society.

They urged upon educated female and male members of the society to spread awareness about breast cancer among women in their respective areas.

Ms. Fatima Lakhani, Chairperson POA Women Sports Commission in her opening remarks talked on the health awareness and suggested that female and girls must be aware about their health problems. Regular checkups can help in preventing them from breast cancer. Syed Waseem Hashmi, POA Member and an esteemed alumnus of SMIU presented vote of thanks. Seminar followed question-answer session. Ms. Zonaira Jalali conducted the proceedings of the seminar.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP YOUTH CONFERENCE HELD



The Entrepreneurship Youth Conference was held at SMIU on November 3, 2022, which was attended by business tycoons of Karachi city. Vice Chancellor SMIU, Prof. Mujeeb Sahrai presided over the event. The conference was organized by Entrepreneurs Den in collaboration with SMIU in the auditorium of the university. Speakers emphasized on the coordination and cooperation between academia and industry to produce entrepreneurs that could lead the nation and the country for development in this most competitive world.

Prof. Sahrai remarked that there was no lack of talented youth in the country, but for getting support from them the industrial class and businessmen should come forward and invest youth talent in their respective areas of business and trade for the progress of the country. "Receive the students as customers and



send off them as quality products," Dr. Sahrai further added that since the last twenty years, the universities had changed their priorities and now these were giving preference to market oriented courses.

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai further said we had to learn from natural events as COVID-19 had made the world digitalized and floods and torrential rains of the current year had compelled us to think that how one can work in these conditions. He stressed upon the faculty of SMIU to send students to different industrial zones as they could physically observe manufacturing process there.

Ms. Huda Garib, CEO, Founder, and Lead Trainer at e-

Magine, during her speech shared her life experiences and struggles through which she went through as an entrepreneur. She developed different ideas but failed to mature at different levels, she did not dishearten herself but rather refined those ideas and finally launched Lead Trainer. Hence, she advised students not to be afraid of trying, failing, and trying.

Later, Mr. Hamza Tabbani, ECO of Tabbani Group, discussed different hurdles people face in their lives and advised students not to give up. He further advised students to imagine and pursue their dreams because without dreams one cannot be successful. Dreams provide a destination and consistency requires creating a roadmap to pursue those dreams.

Mr. Faraz ur Rehman, President Korangi Association of Trade and Industry, said his family entered in business in 1964 and faced major crises but they never abandoned their struggle. They worked hard that brought success for them in later days. Only those shall be successful in life that starts business after matriculation examination.



Prominent entrepreneur Tania said when she entered in the field of entrepreneurship her parents did not permit her to do so, but she was determined to achieve some goals in life through entrepreneurship. She suggested students must set their goals clear and move ahead with determination.

Mr. Junaid Naqi, CEO of Prestige Apparel, advised students that they must be positive in all aspects of life, without positive thinking one could not succeed. Youth was in majority in our country hence it should be engaged in business instead of giving free hand to remain engaged in TikTok related activities.

Mr. Abdullah Akhtar, CEO of Schole International Academy, said young people must believe in their abilities and knowledge that would be main factor of their success.

Chairperson of Department of Business Administration of SMIU, Dr. Saima Tabassum, also shared her views and urged students to learn from the experiences of success stories of people who had been there in the conference.

Earlier, Dean Dr. Jamshed Adil welcomed the guests and said SMIU works on the line to bring the industry and academia closer and this conference was also one of such efforts.



Ms. Ayesha Motiwala, CEO Motiwala, Mr. Bilal Talib, CEO California Real Estate and Builders, and other prominent industrialists, SMIU's deans, chairpersons, directors, sectional heads, faculty and staff members and students attended the conference.

ORIENTATION SESSION FOR VISITING FACULTY



SMIU's Faculty of Management, Business Administration and Commerce organized an orientation session for newly appointed visiting faculty members of SMIU at the Talpur House, an academic block of the university. During the session Mr. Muzafar Ali Shah, Coordinator Department of Business Administration,



introduced the participants with faculty, teaching procedure, requirement and the academic environment of the university through presentation. Question-Answer session was also held. A documentary on SMIU was also played on the occasion.



AWARENESS SESSION ON EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES IN USA HELD

SMIU's Directorate of Students Affairs and Counsellign organised an awareness session on the subject of "How to Apply for Study in the USA" on November 22, 2022 at its auditorium. The session was held in connection with USA's International Education Week. Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor SMIU was the chief guest on the occasion.

Sahrai on providing him the opportunity to visit the historic institution of SMIU and address the students.

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai in his speech thanked Mr. Lee McManis for making SMIU's students aware about the educational opportunities available in USA. He said the students of SMIU must avail these opportunities being offered by the USA government. He was of the view



Mr. Lee McManis, Public Affairs Officer at USA Consulate Karachi in his speech said the USA is committed to provide educational opportunities to Pakistan's students in its best universities on merit basis, without any nepotism or favour.

He further said USA offers scholarships for its nine short term and long term academic programs to students of all social backgrounds at amid to produce leaders and also make them aware to the culture and values of USA. He said the USA offers equal opportunities of education to talented students



that these academic programs actually offer world exposure to the students to see different cultures and people of different nations. Dr. Sahrai said SMIU's Directorate of Students Affairs and Counselling and US Consulate should organise mutual programs in the future.

Earlier, Mr. Bilal Rizvi, Exchange Coordinator talked on different educational programs for students as well as for faculty including undergraduate scholarship, Fulbright Scholarship, Global UGRAD program, Sister 2 Sister program and others. Dr. Zahid Ali Channar, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences of SMIU welcomed the guests.

On the occasion question-answer session was held. In the end, Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai gave away shields of SMIU to the guests. Mr. Ali Chauhan, Education Advisor of US Consulate, deans, chairpersons, faculty and officers of SMIU attended the session.



of diverse populations. He urged upon the students of SMIU to avail these opportunities during their study here at SMIU and also after completing their education. He thanked to the Vice Chancellor of SMIU Dr. Mujeeb

SEPA CERTIFIES SMIU'S ENVIRONMENTAL LAB



research contribution and revenue generation. Now the Environmental Laboratory of SMIU will be used for commercial purpose. Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai appreciated the role of officials of the SEPA for considering valuable position of SMIU's Environmental Lab. He congratulated the team of the Environmental lab of SMIU including Prof. Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh, Dean Faculty of Sciences and IT, Dr. Imran Ali, Head of the Department of Environmental Sciences, Mr. Abdul Majeed Pirzada, Department Coordinator and Dr. M. Hashim Zuberi, Laboratory Incharge for bringing the lab to the level where it could contribute in the society.

The Environmental Laboratory of Sindh Madressatul Islam University's Department of Environmental Sciences has achieved a milestone by receiving an approval of analyzing liquid effluent waste, portable water and noise by the Sindh Environmental Protection Agency (SEPA), Government of Sindh. In this regards SMIU received certificate from the SEPA, issued on November 23, 2022.

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor SMIU has said that the certified laboratories from the SEPA have a valuable contribution for environmental monitoring,



RESEARCH WORK SEMINARS



SMIU's Directorate of Postgraduate Studies organized three seminars of MS final students of the Department of Education in the Senate Hall. Mr. Faheem Ahmed and Mr. Mohammad Imran Rana had conducted their research work for MS under supervision of Dr. Munir Moosa, Assistant Professor of SMIU and Mr. Abdul Karim Azad Samejo had done his research work under supervision of Mr. Ajab Ali Lashari, Lecturer of the said department.

The subject of research work of Mr. Abdul Karim Azad was "Early Childhood Care: Primer Development," while Mr. Faheem Ahmed's subject was "Mental Health Education Training on the Wellbeing of Secondary School Students." Similarly, Mr. Mohammad Rana's research work was based on the subject of "Challenges Faced by



Physically Challenged Youth at the Academic Institutions and Workplaces in Karachi city."

Seminars were declared successful by the academicians and they appreciated young researchers for their research work and dedication.



ELECTION OF STUDENTS' SOCIETIES

Annual Elections of 08 Students' Societies of Sindh Madressatul Islam University was held on Wednesday, December 13, 2022 for the term of 2022-23 under supervision of Directorate of Students Affairs and Counselling of SMIU. The societies were: Arts Society, Science Society, Community Service Society, Debating Society, Character Building Society, Sports Society, Music Society and Literary Society.

Dr. Asif Ali Wagan, Director Directorate of Students Affairs and Counselling (DSA) was supervising the election process. The DSA had set up booths for each society near the Khan Bahadur Hassanally Effendi, where students freely exercised their right of vote. The democratic environment of the day was presenting a look of festivity.

leadership qualities on different occasions. He hoped that the newly elected office bearers will equally concentrate on their study and co-curricular activities.



Vice Chancellor SMIU Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai congratulated the newly elected office bearers of SMIU Students Societies and said all the societies of SMIU are playing very positive and healthy role in providing opportunities to students to showcase their talent, abilities, creativity and

SMIU CELEBRATES CULTURAL DIVERSITY

Sindh Madressatul Islam University, which has an honour being the Alma Mater of Founder of Pakistan Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah, organised a cultural day with the title of “Colors of Pakistan: Celebrating Our Cultural Diversity” on Tuesday, December 14, 2022 at SMIU. Mr. Mohammad Ismail Rahoo, Provincial Minister of Sindh’s Universities and Boards along with Vice Chancellor of SMIU Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai inaugurated the event, which was organised by Directorate of Students Affairs and Counselling (DSA) of SMIU.

Students were clad in cultural dresses. This is why, amazing colors of our whole cultural identities of provinces of Pakistan had made SMIU most beautiful and colorful. Life was seemed live during this festivity at SMIU.



Addressing the moot at SMIU’s Sir Shahnawaz Bhutto Auditorium, Mr. Mohammad Ismail Rahoo said people living on both sides of Indus River in Pakistan, from Kashmir to Arabian Sea, do possess same culture of Indus Valley Civilization, that now brings closer to all people of Pakistan to each other. He said our culture and civilization is combined product of people since centuries.

The minister opined that ancient Ved were written on banks of Indus River and now spirit and enthusiasm of students shown during their performance on their respective cultural songs shows that our young generation





is closely associated with their culture that will benefit country in many areas including promoting harmony in the country.

Mr. Mohammad Ismail Rahoo was of the view that presently we are passing through difficult days, but our culture, cultural values and centuries old traditions are binding us with each other in our joyful and sorrowful times.

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor SMIU in his speech said cultural diversity enhances tolerance, love and brotherhood in the society. Therefore, it was essential for SMIU to promote cultural diversity through this kind of events as young generation is the best ambassador of the



culture. Dr. Sahrai said Sindh inherits a great civilization of Indus Valley and amazingly, we all including experts of archeology found specially drainage system of Mohen Jo Daro better than today's constructions, during recent torrential rains.

Dr. Sahrai said five thousand years ago, our people had introduced agriculture in the world. Besides, peace is our culture as no weapon was found from Mohen Jo Daro, instead, a dancing girl was found from it. Therefore, young generation must show love for their culture that brings us together.



He expressed gratitude to Mr. Mohammad Ismail Rahoo on attending the event. Similarly, he praised the role of DSA's Director Dr Asif Ali Wagan and his team for organising the most beautiful event. Dr. Sahrai praised the performance of students too.

Earlier, Dr. Asif Ali Wagan, Director DSA in his welcome address thanked Mr. Mohammad Ismail Rahoo and Vice Chancellor Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai for supporting and gracing the event by their presence. He said the basic objective of organising this event was to spray message of love and brotherhood in the country through cultural diversity, which is a need of the hour. Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Shaikh, Registrar, presented vote of thanks.

Before it, students of SMIU performed on tableaux



depicting respective cultures of all provinces of Pakistan. The inaugural ceremony was attended by deans, heads of various departments, faculty and students in a large number.

After attending the ceremony Mr. Mohammad Ismail Rahoo along with Vice Chancellor Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Dean Dr. Zahid Ali Channar, Dr. Jamshed Adil, Director DSA Dr Asif Ali Wagan and other officials visited five cultural halls set up by students in lawn and backdrop of SMIU's Main Building and the building of Hassanally



Effendi Library. These cultural halls were depicting respective cultures of all provinces of Pakistan including Sindh, Punjab, Balochistan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and Gilgit-Baltistan. Cultural relics including traditional food, fabrics, furniture, musical instruments, cot, relhi, Ajrak, topi, handicrafts and other things were displayed in the halls. During the visit students offered food items to the guests. The provincial minister and vice chancellor of SMIU praised the efforts of students and said today SMIU has shown all beautiful cultural colors of Pakistan under one roof.

Thereafter, different cultural programs were held in the auditorium, where poetry recitation, singing and other cultural traditions were presented by different students' groups. One of them was rituals of Sindhi marriage, that received a great applause from audience.

In fact, the message of these all activities was that "unity is in diversity."

VICE CHANCELLOR APPRECIATES ROLE OF STUDENTS' COUNCIL



On that occasion, Prof. Sahrai appreciated spirit and efforts of former office bearers of the Students Council for interests of SMIU's students and the university. The Vice Chancellor



The Directorate of Students Affairs and Counselling (DSA) organised a farewell party for the former office bearers of the Students Council on December 20, 2022 at a local hotel.

Vice Chancellor, Prof. Mujeeb Sahrai, Director DSA Dr. Asif Ali Wagan, Deans Dr. Aftab Ahmed Shaikh, Dr. Jamshed Adil Halepoto and Dr. Zahid Ali Channar, Director Finance Mr. Ghulam Ali Surhio, Registrar Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Shaikh, Director ORIC Dr. Aamir Iqbal Umrani, Controller Examinations Mr. Furqan Iftikhar, Additional Director Planning & Development Ms. Uzma Batool, Director PR Anwar Ali Abro, Sports Officer Mr. Kashif Ali, Senior Manager Student Affairs Ms. Quratulain Memon, Manager Student Affairs Ms. Zonaira Jalal, and patrons of the students societies include Ms. Khushboo Rafiq (Patron Art Society), Ms. Wajeeha Naeem (Patron Community Service Society), Ms. Kiran Sheerazi (Patron Debating Society) and Ms. Ambreen Aziz (Patron Science Society) and former office bearers of students societies attended the farewell party.



expressed that “During their one-year tenure, students’ societies organised most important events including a mega event of Students’ Week.” He further added that council supported the administration to provide healthy academic environment with creative activities to its students. Dr. Asif Ali Wagan thanked Vice Chancellor Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai and other guests for attending the farewell party.

A SESSION ON SELF-HEALING



Sometimes, in the hustle and bustle of life, we forget to appreciate the beauty around us and within ourselves. SMIU Art Society with the support DSA had offered an opportunity to students of SMIU to experience some meditation techniques through the session of “Tamarkoz,” which was conducted by Ms. Nargess Murtaza from MTO Tamarkoz. It was an exquisite experience to take out some moments for yourself through self-healing.

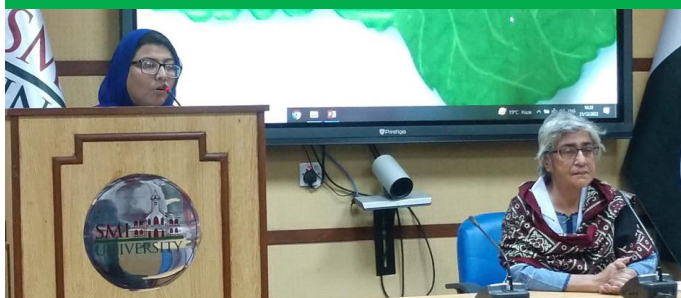
The session was held on November 11, 2022 at the Inner Courtyard of SMIU, in which students of SMIU participated. Then a session of question-answer was held in the Senate Hall.



NARGIS LATIF DELIVERS LECTURE ON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

SMIU's Department of Environmental Sciences in collaboration with the ORIC and DSA of the university organized a session on SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT as a GYM activity for environmental sustainability, on December 21, 2022. Noted social activist Ms. Nargis Latif, CEO of GUL BAHAO delivered lecture on the subject.

She enlightened students of SMIU that how segregated solid waste including plastic, wood, metal and glass



has a potential to reuse it as a raw material to process new sustainable material for victims of disaster like floods.

During the lecture students expressed keen interest for reuse, reducing and recycling domestic waste of their houses on local level. Not only solid waste, domestic wastewater can be utilized for watering parks, gardens and lawns. Waste of vegetables, fruits and gardens can also be used as cattle feed, as fertilizer after sun drying. A question-answer session was also held on the occasion.



STUDY FIELD VISIT BY SMIU STUDENTS

The Department of Environmental Sciences of SMIU in collaboration with DSA and ORIC, had arranged a study field visit for students to the Solid Waste Management site located on Superhighway as a GYM activity on Friday 23-Dec 2022. Team members of Gul Bahao demonstrated the students how they are converting plastic and thermopile waste into making Chandi Ghar, swimming pool, furniture and other things. These materials are low coat, durable and easy to shift from one place to other according to the requirement in case of any emergency in the country like floods and earth quakes.



Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai's Message on birth anniversary of **QUAID-E-AZAM MOHAMMAD ALI JINNAH**

The Alma-Mater of Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah-Sindh Madressatul Islam University was illuminated on the night of December 24th, one day before the 146th birth anniversary of the founder of Pakistan. On the special directives of Vice Chancellor Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai the Department of Works and Services of the university illuminated the Main Building of the university, where Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah had studied.

On the occasion Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor, in his statement congratulated the entire Nation on the birth anniversary of an illustrious alumnus of SMI and father of the Nation Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah, on 25 December.

Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai said that Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah had received his early education from Sindh Madressatul Islam (SMI) from July 4, 1887 to January 30, 1892. He had the great love and reverence for his Alma-Mater- SMI, that is why he had bequeathed one third of his property to SMI through his Last Will written in 1939. He had also visited SMI on June 21, 1943 and had inaugurated college section at SMI.

Dr. Sahrai said, to lay foundation of an institution is a great achievement but to lay foundation of a country is the greatest achievement and our Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah created a new Country-Pakistan for us. Hence, the Nation in general and specially students of SMIU, must act upon the thoughts, ideology, struggle, moral values, honesty and sincerity of Quaid-e-Azam Mohamad Ali Jinnah and work for development and prosperity of the country and the Nation.

A SESSION ON PEACE AND TOLERANCE



In an effort to strengthen peace and tolerance in the campuses, SMIU's ORIC department organised a training session on December 28, 2022 for students of different departments of the varsity. Causes and forms of extremism at higher education campuses were discussed in the session. Dr. Amir Iqbal Umrani, Director ORIC and Mr. Wafa Mansoor Buriro, Lecturer of English Department conducted the session.

He said in the modern world, it is necessary for students to understand the events and prepare themselves in appropriate way.

Mr. Wafa Mansoor Buriro told the audience that our society is divided into many fractions including religious, sectarian, ethnic, tribal and class differences. He taught the students how they effectively play their role in reducing intolerance, and extremism in the society. He engaged stu-



Dr. Amir Iqbal Umrani highlighted aims and objectives of the session. He said lack of social engagement is creating doubt, intolerance and distrust among young people. It is necessary to engage, train and create a network of youth for peace, tolerance and inclusivity from all segments of society.

dents through group participation and other activities also. This activity was held under the MoU signed with Shaor Foundation and SMIU. The aim of these sessions was to promote multi-cultural and interfaith environment at higher levels.





A SESSION ON VOICE AGAINST TOBACCO

The faculty members of the SMIU conducted training session on December 28, 2022 for students on controlling tobacco-use and empowering Pakistan's youth to take ownership of their health through positive policy and awareness. The training session was part of the Indus Hospital & Health Network's initiative "Voices Against Tobacco". SMIU and the Voices Against Tobacco (VAT) have signed a MoU to initiate dialogue and debate among students of the varsity about importance of tobacco control.

Ms. Khushboo Rafiq said usage of tobacco and nicotine products is on rise in Pakistan. Five percent of youth in Pakistan are using some form of e-cigarette or vape. At least 1 in 5 tobacco vendors display novel products e.g. VELO in stores. She highlighted that there are no regulations or restrictions on production, advertising, sale and health warnings by use of tobacco and electronic cigarettes. Cigarette smoking is a known cause of at least 25 diseases, including lung and other cancers (bladder, cervical, esophageal, kidney, laryngeal, oral, pancreatic and stomach, and acute myeloid leukemia), heart disease, stroke, chronic obstructive



In the first phase, VAT officials conducted Training of Trainers (ToT), who were selected from the teachers of SMIU. In the next phase, trainers conducted training of students from various departments. Mr. Khowaja Fahad Jawed, Lecturer of Department of Computer Science and Ms. Khushboo Rafiq, Lecturer Department of Media and Communication Studies conducted the training session for students. They were briefed about the hazards of tobacco and told them that it was their responsibility to avoid from fatal habit of usage of tobacco. "We have to save our young generation from tobacco use as it destroys lives specially of young people;" the trainers told the audiences.

Trainer Mr. Khowaja Fahad said the students of universities are at risk of smoking initiation. Smoking is leading cause of preventable disease, disability and death worldwide.

pulmonary disease, acute respiratory illnesses, and adverse reproductive effects including sudden infant death syndrome. She said smoking kills one-third to one-half of all lifetime users, and smokers die an average of 15 years earlier than nonsmokers. She further said that in 2010, tobacco killed 6 million people, 72 percent of whom reside in low- and middle-income countries. Tobacco smoke, which is known to be one of the harmful substances in cigarettes, contains more than 7000 chemical compounds. In the end, trainers gave answers to the questions raised by trainees.



**ENTRY TEST FOR
ADMISSION SPRING 2023**



Sindh Madressatul Islam University conducted entry test for admissions for Spring 2023 on 31st December 2023. A large number of male and female students appeared in it. Dr. Jamshed Adil Halepoto, Dean and Convener of Admission Supervisory

Committee, Dean Dr. Zahid Ali Channar, Advisor to Vice Chancellor on Academic Affairs Dr. Abdul Hafeez Khan, Controller Examinations and Admissions Mr. Furqan Iftikhar, Registrar Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Shaikh and Mr. Abdul Waheed Jatoi of I.T Section visited the test centers.



While talking on the occasion, Dr. Jamshed Adil Halepoto said SMIU's success was evident from the fact that a large number of students had applied for admission but due to a limited number of seats all registered students could not get a chance to get enrollment in SMIU. He said Sindh Madressatul Islam University is a just 10 years old, but it has proved as a most modern and quality university of the country, that is why, every time, a large number of students' desire to have admission in SMIU. He congratulated the admission committee on doing best arrangements for the test.

SPORTS *Activities*



SMIU ORGANISES HEC INTERVARSITY ZONE-L VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Sindh Madressatul Islam University's Sports Section of Directorate of Students Affairs organised the HEC Intervarsity Zone-L Volleyball (Men) championship 2022-23 in the collaboration with Higher Education Commission, Islamabad at KPT Sports Complex on Thursday, December 29, 2022. Teams of four Universities of Zone-L including Hamdard University, SZABIST, Dewan and host SMIU University played in the championship. The team played seven (07)

matches including the final match on a single league basis. Teams of SMIU and SZABIST played inaugural ceremony match. Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Shaikh, Registrar, SMIU was the chief guest. Mr. Muhammad Kashif, Sports Officer of SMIU has organised and supervised the championship being the Organizing Secretary of the championship. The SZABIST won the championship by defeating Dewan University in final.





Following students of SMIU's different departments were part of the volleyball team.

S. No	Name of Student	Father's Name	Student ID#	Department
1.	M. Usman Qureshi	Rafiullah Qureshi	BAI-20S-028	AI
2.	M. Ahmed Siddique	Irfan Siddique	CSC-22F-184	CS
3.	S. Hamza Hassan	Tanveer Hussain	BSE-20F-184	SE
4.	Zahid Ali Shah	Ali Murad Shah	BUS-20S-124	BA
5.	Nawaz Rasool	Ghulam Rasool	CSC-20S-144	CS
6.	Abdullah Owais	Owais	ACC-21S-002	BA
7.	Qasim Ali Khan	M Pervaiz	BUS 21S 084	BA
8.	Kamil Hussain	Mirza Ali	BIT-22F-005	IT
9.	Tauseef Ahmad	Fateh Muhammad	BUS-21S-105	BA
10.	M. Nouman Rasool	M. Shakeel Ahmad	CSC-20S-052	CS
11.	Ali Abbas	Riaz Hussain	BCB-22S-003	CS
12.	Owais Ahmed	Qadir Bukhsh	ACC-21S-009	A&F



STUDENTS' Corner

ROLE OF CONTENT MARKETING IN BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

By Sakina Zohair Madh



Content marketing is the practice of generating and disseminating valuable and relevant content to attract, engage and retain a clearly defined audience to drive profitable customer action. With the rise of digital media, content marketing has become an integral part of any business strategy. It is an effective way to reach potential customers, establish brand credibility and drive traffic to a website. Content marketing is not just about creating content, but it also involves a strategic approach to distribute, promote and measure the effectiveness of that content. It encompasses a wide range of formats including blog posts, videos, infographics, podcasts, and more.

The emergence of social media platforms and the increasing use of mobile devices have further expanded the reach and impact of content marketing. Businesses can now reach out to their target audience on a global scale and creates a more personalized experience for their customers. However, with the increasing competition in the digital space, it has become essential for businesses to create high-quality, engaging, and relevant content to stand out in the crowd.

Top Trends in Content Marketing in 2023:

As the digital landscape continues to evolve, so do the trends in content marketing. In 2023, we can expect to see a focus on personalized and interactive content, the use of more video content, and the integration of artificial intelligence to improve the overall user experience. Additionally, there will be a greater emphasis on using data and analytics to measure the success of content marketing campaigns.

Interactive content like quizzes, polls, and surveys will become more prevalent as they are more engaging and provide valuable insights into customer preferences and behavior. Video content will continue to grow in popularity as it is more engaging, shareable, and easy to consume. The integration of artificial intelligence will help to optimize content and improve the overall user experience by providing personalized recommendations and improving the searchability of content.

The use of data and analytics will play a crucial role in the success of content marketing campaigns. Businesses will need to measure the effectiveness of their content and make data-driven decisions to optimize their strategy. This will involve tracking metrics such as website traffic, engagement, and conversions.

The best content marketing services should include several key elements. These include a clear understanding of the target audience, a content calendar to plan and organize content, a diverse range of content formats, and a focus on creating shareable and engaging content. Additionally, businesses should have a plan in place to measure the success of their content marketing campaigns and adapt as necessary.

To understand the target audience, businesses should conduct market research to identify their demographics, pain points, and preferences. This information will be crucial in creating content that resonates with them and addresses their needs. A content calendar will help to plan and organize the content in advance, ensuring consistency and relevance.

Many different types of content can be included in a content marketing strategy. Some of the most popular types include blog posts, social media posts, infographics, eBooks and whitepapers etc.

There are several places where you can find the best content-writing services in Pakistan. When choosing a content writing service, it is important to do your research and find a reputable company or writer with experience in your industry. You should also look for samples of their work and ask for references. It is also important to clearly understand your expectations and goals, as well as the scope of work, timelines, and costs.

Consequently, content marketing is essential to any business strategy in today's digital landscape. Trends in content marketing are constantly evolving, and businesses need to stay up to date with the latest trends to remain competitive. Developing a strong content marketing strategy is essential for reaching and engaging with a target audience and driving traffic and conversions.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION IN PAKISTAN

By Tahseen Gadit



As a Pakistani citizen, it is encouraging to see the progress being made in sustainable development and innovation in our country. In these times of environmental and economic challenges, there are now several initiatives and projects that are working towards a more sustainable future.

One of the most promising areas of sustainable development in Pakistan is the growth of renewable energy. With strong potential for solar and wind power, Pakistan is now home to several large-scale renewable energy projects, such as the Quaid-e-Azam Solar Park, which is one of the world's largest solar power projects at a single location. These projects not only help to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels and combat climate change, but also create jobs and stimulate economic growth.

Another area where Pakistan is making progress is sustainable agriculture. With a growing population and increasing pressure on our natural resources, it is vital that we find ways to produce more food with less land, water, and energy. There are now various initiatives in Pakistan that promote sustainable farming practices, such as agroforestry, conservation agriculture, and integrated pest management. These practices not only help to increase crop yields and reduce environmental impacts but also improve the livelihoods of small-scale farmers.

In addition to these sustainable development initiatives, Pakistan is also becoming a hub for innovation and entrepreneurship. With a growing number of incubators, accelerators, and venture capital firms, young people are now able to turn their ideas into reality. The Government's Start-up Pakistan initiative is a good example of the same which is promoting entrepreneurship culture in the country.

To truly achieve sustainable development and innovation in Pakistan, it is essential that government, private sector,

and civil society organizations work together. The government has a crucial role to play in creating a conducive environment for sustainable development and innovation by providing policies, regulations, and financial incentives to support sustainable initiatives. However, the private sector also has a crucial role to play. They have the resources and expertise to invest in sustainable development and innovation projects, and they can also serve as role models for others by implementing sustainable practices in their own operations.

Students and entrepreneurs, in particular, have a critical role to play in the sustainable development and innovation of Pakistan. They can lead the way in finding new and innovative solutions to environmental and economic challenges. They can also serve as role models for others, showing that it is possible to create sustainable and profitable businesses. It is a positive step that universities and institutions are now offering courses and programs on sustainable development and innovation, providing students with the knowledge and skills they need to make a positive impact.

In conclusion, sustainable development and innovation in Pakistan is a complex and multifaceted challenge, but one that we can and must rise to meet. We have the potential to become a leader in this field, but to do so, we must invest in sustainable development and innovation, and work together across sectors and industries to create a more sustainable future for Pakistan. As students and entrepreneurs, we can play a vital role in this process. By educating ourselves on sustainable development and innovation, and by taking action to create sustainable solutions, we can help to shape a brighter future for Pakistan. We must take the initiative to work with the government and private sector to achieve sustainable development and innovation in Pakistan. Together, we can build a sustainable future for our country.

SMIU Alumni

MAHNOOR PERVAIZ



Ms. Mahnoor Pervaiz completed her Bachelor's degree from SMIU in Business Administration in 2018. During her four year's study, she became one of the prominent students of the university. While talking to SMIU Chronicle team, she shared that SMIU opened door to many life-changing opportunities which she cared to mention. She said that, "First, SMIU presented me with a golden chance to be one of the student for 'Future Leader Program' under which I had been to United Kingdom and visited world's most famous universities and attended seminars and meetings to know about British Education System. Moreover, under the 'National Leadership Program', I had been to Islamabad twice and met prominent and esteemed personalities of country. Apart from that, SMIU had been a house of opportunities for me, I won the elections of Student's Society twice and worked for betterment of students throughout my journey. Along with all these occasions, quality education and qualified teachers of SMIU were the biggest pillars behind creating a confident educated human being."

After completing studies, she started working in Corporate Sector and within 2 years, she had been promoted as an Assistant Manager of Business Development Department. She pointed out that the learnings from SMIU have helped her a lot in humanizing her practical as well as personal life.

SOHAIL KHAN JADOON

Mr. Sohail Khan Jadoon completed his Bachelor's degree from SMIU in Computer Science in 2018. He also remained the President of Sports Society of SMIU in 2017-18. While he was in university, he had a clear vision of developing a software company and to provide IT services. Now, he has established a software company named Startlex Solutions which is providing IT services. The company has clients from more than twenty countries around the world. He aims to establish best IT Services Company of Pakistan and to uplift youth in the IT sector by providing training internships and job opportunities. He has also launched a design agency for creative design work namely 'Jadoon designs'.



While talking to SMIU Chronicle team, he said, "I want to give the message to my university students that, "Be the best of yourself on every single day! The best investment you can do is on your skills. Be determinant towards your goals in life and push your boundaries."

NOOR-UL-AIN



Ms. Noor-ul-Ain completed her Master's degree from SMIU in Social Sciences and applied for Master's program at The University of Alabama, USA and got admitted in 2021. She gave credit of her achievements to her family and teachers of SMIU. While talking to SMIU Chronicle team, she conveyed her message to SMIU students that, "Just remember, the only way you can fail is if you give up. Every time you fail, you come one step closer to success. When you look back on your life, don't have regrets! Believe in yourself and believe in your future! You will ultimately find your way."

By Khushboo Rafiq

Faculty Members *Studying Abroad*

STUDYING ABROAD, A ROLLER COASTER OF FANTASY AND REALITY

By Nosheen Hussain, Italy

Sitting almost 6500 km away from the city of lights, while writing my thoughts on studying abroad, I am constantly thinking, where should I start from? Let's divide it into two phases, expected pleasures and unexpected troubles.



While packing the luggage for a foreign land, you only think of the positives, meeting new people, traveling, exploring culture, food, fun, freedom, and unlimited exposure, which are all true. But we don't foresee non-stop documentation, rental agreements, language barrier, homesickness, biryani craving (unbeatable), cooking, cleaning, buying groceries, managing finances, and the main task i.e. study!



Rather than saying hello, yes, thank you, and welcome, I become fluent in ciao, si, grazie, and prego. I actually now claim that I know the actual pronunciation of pizza. 'Daal chawal' and 'Biryani' do not serve as regular food. Pizza and pasta take pride. Believe me, saying 'Bella ciao' and feeling 'Bella ciao' are two different things. And the moment of looking at the Colosseum* for the first time is no less than finding a lost treasure, particularly when one loves history.



I came to Italy in January 2020 to pursue PhD in Business and Behavioral Sciences, just before Covid-19 hit the world. It seems like I planned to experience Covid-19 in a different country all alone, but it went well. I realized that I could afford my company quite well.

I enjoy Italian celebrations and their holidays. I know what they do and eat on Christmas, national day, Good Friday, and all Saint Day. But at the same time, I miss home during Ramazan, Eid, birthdays, and family events. It all comes with a package.

Am I discouraging you from sitting on this roller coaster ride? Absolutely not! I would be the one to tell you; please go for it! We all have different circumstances, but if your situation allows you to spend a year or two abroad, you definitely should say YES! We have to learn a lot from the professional work ethic, honesty, gender equality, and technological advancements prevailing in developed societies. Do you know what the best part of





the story is? Leaving your comfort zone will not only make you independent, but it will help you ‘unlearn and relearn’. There is no better way to do it!

If you are reading this article, chances are more that you are planning to study abroad. With all the information available to you via the internet, you must have faced one problem, how to start?

Make sure to spend a couple of hours every day towards your goal. Preparing documents, applying, getting acceptance, visa process and finally packing will take at least a year; please have patience! Here is what you need to do:

- Verify all your documents from relevant boards, Matric and Intermediate certificates from their respective boards, and degrees from HEC (do it soon because this process takes time).

- If you are planning to apply in Europe, make your CV on Europass (<https://europa.eu/europass/it/create-europass-cv>)

- Appear in IELTS, TOEFL or other certifications required for your destination country. These certificates are valid for two years. It is always better to appear early to ensure you have enough time for the result as well as for re-attempt, in case you want to improve the score.

- It is better to get a language proficiency certificate from your department/institution until you take IELTS. Few universities accept them at an early stage to submit your application form.

- Shortlist the name of countries you are aiming to apply to, not more than 3. Don't force your efforts in many directions, even at a later phase; try to target only ONE country.

- Make an excel sheet (believe me, this excel

sheet is a must even if you hate it), and list down the institutions, programs, deadlines, and required documents (basic requirements are the same, so if you have prepared documents once, you can submit it everywhere) except SOP or any particular thing if they ask for.

- A Statement of Purpose (SoP) or letter of motivation is the most important document you need to work on; please spend some quality time on program description and tell them why they should select you, present the real you, your aspirations and motivation. Why you are the right fit?

- Get two recommendation letters from your teachers (ideally one from your thesis supervisor, not mandatory).

- Join relevant Facebook groups. ‘Scholarship network’ is a rich resource to get scholarship updates. Also, if you have decided on a country, let's say, Italy or Malaysia, join the FB group ‘Pakistani students in Malaysia’ or ‘Pakistani students in Italy.’ There are focused FB groups for all countries, where people are asking the same queries that you have, and seniors are responding to them. For beginners, these groups and information are helpful:

- Sign up for weekly scholarship newsletters at armacad.info, scholars4dev.com, scholarship-positions.com or check these websites quite often.

Opportunities are limitless, only if you are ready to invest your time in them!

In the end, let me teach you a little Italian here: Rome is Roma, Milan is Milano, and Venice is Venezia! Ciao dall'Italia, Buona Fortuna (Bye from Italy, Good Luck!).

** A giant oval amphitheater in the center of the city of Rome, Italy.*



MY PhD RIDE

By Vijay Kumar, USA

Currently, I am pursuing PhD in Mathematics at a renowned engineering institution, Clarkson University, in New York, USA. My research areas include the application of data science in epidemiology and air quality modeling and predictions. Recently, I was invited as session co-chair and received a travel grant from the American Association for Aerosol Research (AAAR) to present my work on air quality modeling at AAAR's 40th annual conference in Raleigh North Carolina. I received my Master's degree from NED University and a Bachelor's degree from the University of Sindh.



I always had an inherent urge to learn more about Mathematics and apply it in the real world problem solving. Therefore, I attempted the GRE for entrance to the US universities and availed the US-Pak Knowledge Corridor Scholarship to enroll myself in Clarkson University's

PhD program. My PhD program is jointly fully funded by Clarkson University and US-Pak Knowledge Corridor Scholarship.

When I joined PhD program at Clarkson back in 2018, I was the only graduate student from Pakistan. However, recently we have more than 30 graduate students. We have also formed the Pakistani Students' Association (PSA) at Clarkson University which helps new students with their initial settlement phase and promotes Pakistani culture on campus. I am working as a founding member and first President of PSA.



Considering my PhD journey, I suggest a few things to PhD aspirants/applicants. Since US universities do not require an MS for PhD admission, I would advise applying either after BS for a PhD or an MS degree in the USA. You have the same chances of admission even if you want to get an MS degree and go for industry. PhD overseas is harder than expected, it requires consistency and determination; however, nothing is impossible if you can devote yourself to that cause and remain persistent. If you fulfill MS/PhD admission standards for the US universities, you would become eligible for several scholarships, and can easily pursue your higher education goals.





Chairman HEC Pakistan Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed and Vice Chancellor SMIU Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai participated in a program of Aaj TV titled “Sawal Hey Pakistan Ka” on October 24, 2022. Host of the program was Mr. Rizwan Jaffar.



Dr. Abdul Hafeez Khan, Academic Advisor presenting a bouquet to chairman HEC Pakistan Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed during inauguration ceremony of Allama I.I. Kazi Library on October 26, 2022.



Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor SMIU was being presented a shield at Tabbani Group, Head Office, Karachi.



Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai, Vice Chancellor SMIU participated in the 16th International Conference titled “Role of Business in Digital Economy” as a guest of honour, while Dr. Tariq Rafi, Chairman Sindh HEC was the chief guest. The conference was organised by Ilma University on July 23-24, 2022 at its campus. Dr. Mansoor-uz-Zafar Dawood, Vice Chancellor of Ilma University is also seen in the picture.



An inspection team of Sindh Education and Literacy Department, Government of Sindh held a meeting with SMIU Vice Chancellor Dr. Mujeeb Sahrai on October 3, 2022 at his office, where they discussed the matters related to SMIU Model School. Principal SMIU Model School Ms. Nabeela Kanwal, teachers Dr. Akbar Ali Chandio, Ms. Tooba Effendi and officials of Finance Department of SMIU Mr. Ghulam Ali Surhio, Mr. Nisar Ahmed Memon, Tallal Hassan and Registrar Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Shaikh are also seen in the picture.



SMIU students at the food court on the occasion of the three day events organised by Model United Nations (MUNISM) in collaboration with DSA on 14th to 16th October 2022.



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By Faculty of Management, Business Administration & Commerce

2ND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON COMPUTING AND RELATED TECHNOLOGIES (IC-CRT)

By Faculty of Information Technology

1ST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MEDIA AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT (IC-MSD)

By Faculty of Social Sciences

1ST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON GREEN AND SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT (IC-GSE)

By Faculty of Sciences

1ST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON REIMAGINING APPLIED LINGUISTICS, EDUCATION AND PEDAGOGY (IC-RALEP)

By Faculty of Education and Faculty of Language and Culture

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- Cultural performances

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