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## Quality Assurance sustainability leads to Universities ranking and development: VC UoP



Vice Chancellor University of Peshawar Prof. Dr. Muhammad Asif Khan posing along with participating faculty after Quality Assurance Orientation

By Wasiq Billa

Peshawar: The faculty members are the bedrock of Universities overall development and planning phase and University will ensure local, national and international standards to take university to new heights.

This remark is made by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Asif Khan University of Peshawar at the conclusion of one day orientation regarding quality assurance at the Convocation Hall. This was the rare occasion at the University of Peshawar when more than 400 faculty members are gathered to attend the said orientation.

The Vice chancellor UoP said that diversity of ideas, skills and talent is need to protected and empowered

at the university level. He opined that faculty development is core issue at each and every university but especially at younger universities of KhyberPakhtunkhwa that has neither role models, nor senior faculty members that can show the way of achieving success and excellence. He remarked that quality assurance processes must be ensured to take university to new phase of development.

Earlier, the pioneer of establishing quality enhancement cells at KhyberPakhtunkhwa, Muhammad Taimoor Khan as resource person said that the departmental, institutional and national level quality assurance processes must complement one another to ensure meeting local and national standards. He said that in

order to raise educational standards bi-monthly surveys and assessment must be carried at the semester level.

The Quality Enhancement lead at IMSciences, Dr. Bisharat Hameed call upon participants to create and imbibe social responsibility and services delivery mechanism to broaden the impact of students learning outcomes.

He said that projects in Higher education institutions don't need to have financial viability but rather a resource for society contribution; but it must have come in black and white at the quality assurance level.

He brought to the knowledge of participants about Quality Management concept has come through "manufacturing world".

He called upon the worthy facul-

ty members that a new discourse must start at the university level of Quality process by the top level management. He called upon academia to raise the international research journals output through contributing to world class 'W' and 'X' journals. He said that standardizations like ISOIQMS and Lean-sixsigma in vogue to enhance quality enhancement and saving wastage at the academic level.

The pro-vice chancellor, Prof. Dr. Muhamamd Abid while giving an exhaustive lecture on accreditation processes and designs called upon the participants to ensure timely completion of accreditation process that is in vogue in the country.

He shared the benchmarks of faculty strength at the one year take semesters and two take semesters. He

explained that accreditation process entails program, curriculum and infrastructure development.

On this occasion, QEC Director Dr. Muhamamd Syed Ashahd Halimi promised that under his directorship faculty will be facilitated the most.

He underscored the need of will and commitment on the part of faculty members to strengthen QE practices.

Deputy Director Akhtar Ameen while sharing welcoming remarks apprised the participants that University of Peshawar is now among the top 300 Universities of Asia according to 'Times Higher Education' ratings.

He revealed that it's high time for current administration to bolster the QE process.

## Girls Clinch First Three Positions of Pharmacy

By Jameel Hassan

Peshawar: Pharmacy Department first year result has been declared on Thursday Feb 8, 2018, where all three positions went in favor of girls. The old trend was repeated as no boys listed their names in the top three.

Talking to CampusBulletin, Sayeda Masooma Zaidi who secured first position scoring 802 marks out of 1000 expressed her feelings of joy.

She added that her teachers worked so hard with her resulting in her first position.

Masooma explained that she was studying 13 hours a day that paid off. Hafiza Ambreen Bibi, who came

second getting 799 marks was over the moon. She dedicated her achievements to her parents; Moreover, Ambreen added that it was her dream to get position in Peshawar University which came true.

Third position holder Arooj Fatima who scored 795 Marks was looking so happy and excited on her milestone.

Arooj thanked her teachers and give the credit of her position to her teachers for their efforts and hard work.

All position holders belong to Peshawar City while there was no other girl who could enlist her name in positionholders from other cities.

## Tribute paid to Professor Salma Shaheen

By Adnan Khan

Peshawar: Noted Pashto literary figures praised the services of ex-director of Pashto Academy for the uplift of Pashto language here at University of Peshawar during a seminar in connection with honoring of Prof. Dr. Salma Shaheen. Academics and literary personalities turned up in large number on this occasion to shower kudos for the contributions of a feminist writer Dr. Salma Shaheen for Pashto literature. Dr. Sher Zaman Seemab said that around 14 books in Pashto and Urdu being written by her. He added that she was recipient

of a numbers of awards and commendations certificates. Salma was the first female director of the Pashto academy. Talking to Campus Bulletin Prof. Sher Zaman said that Salma Shaheen services for Pashto literature is of great importance, especially, her book 'Roohi Sandaray' which is compilation of Tappay ( a genre of Pashto folk -lore poetry). He went on to say that she gave voice to lower strata of society. In her address, Salma shaheen said she took pride in herself being feminist writer to speak her mind and heart freely. " I advised my young fellows to work hard to serve the real purpose of public cause," she added.

Chief guest and celebrated Pashto female writer Zaitoon Bano showered praises on her contributions. She said that Salma Shaheen being a dauntless writer encouraged young women to use their pen for their just rights. "Salma Shaheen scaled heights of success of as a Pakhtun writer. Her poems, short stories and prose describe her high standards of her thoughts," added Ms. Bano.Pashto academy director Prof. Nasrullsh Jan Wazir, Feroz khan Afridi, Prof Noorul Amin Yousufzai,Dr Farkhanda Liaqat, Dr Khalid Khan, Saidwali Khial Mo-mand, Shahada Sardar and Liak Zada Liak also spoke on the occasion.

## University of Peshawar in THE's 350 Asia Best Universities

Peshawar: The Times Higher Education has enlisted University of Peshawar for making in to THE's Asia Top 350 Universities in Asia. According to the ranking details available, Quaid-e-Azam University is enlisted in Top 100, Comsats University is at 125 while the University of Peshawar is in 300 list.

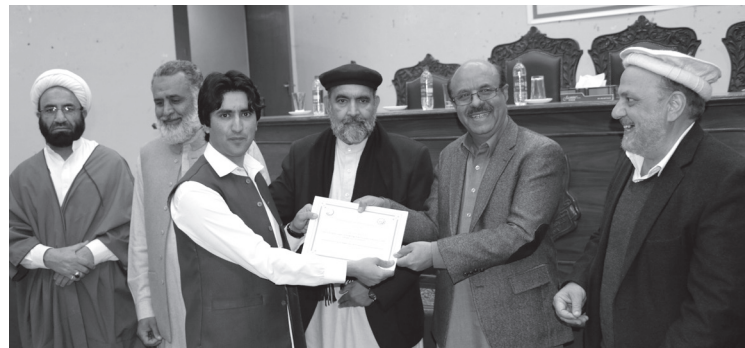
In a complimentary communication to the office of University of Peshawar, THE regional Director, Ritin

Malhotra had officially invited the University of Peshawar to attend the summit in Shenzen, where the ranking details have been unfolded already a week ago.

The ranking has done on the basis of factors staff-to-Students ratio, PhD-to bachelor's ratio, PhDs-awarded-to-academic staff ratio, Industry income per staff member. The other factors delineated are papers per staff member, International co-authorship,

research reputation, research income, and teaching reputation.

The ranking unfolding summit will explore the current hubs of excellence and rising stars in the region; the Universities that are sustaining the cities in the 21st century; the idea of universities as catalysts and connectors for innovation; and how universities can lead the "fourth industrial revolution".



The VC UoP along with chairman Council of Islamic Ideology is distributing certificates during the Symposium at Shaykh Zayed Islamic Centre here on Thursday.



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## Revisiting Campus Bulletin

Campus Bulletin issue is an outcome of current administrations' vision. It's always the students, faculty and administration union that works and leaves a trail. The weakest or missing links have no place to stay. The bulletin sprouts and fades with the interest and disinterest of either of the parties involved.

The student centric approach that is now seems to be the mantra of current administration is workable. Effective in the sense that student must be made to realize that troika needs to be vitalized. Hence, communication process must be open,

helping and negotiable among the three.

Campus Bulletin having an age of one and half decade has the sagacity to serve this purpose. In letter and spirit, students must be given freedom to pen down their thoughts and peers must be patient enough to see the tit bits of optimism.

Eventually, the professional side of the craft will be ensured and the best side of Journalism will be churning out. Nonetheless, it's the beginning and sees how community befits it in the larger context of academics and community service.

## I am standing on the shoulders of the giants

By Amir Ayub

I looked at the sky, suddenly a smile appeared on my face. I remembered my childhood days. I used to think that sky is blue with white spots. When I looked at it in the open ground I thought it curved towards the earth. At night time the color changed and stars appeared, again white but small dots.

With the passage of time when I read more I came to know the sky is blue and the white spots are not a part of it, it is actually clouds. And there is distance between clouds and sky. When I read more I came to know that the sky is actually black and the blue color is the limit of our sight and I realized why the sky is touching the Earth when I looked at it in an open ground. With continuous reading many questions raised in my mind. If sky is black and we see the blue color, why it change at night time?

When I came to know about the stars, so where they lost during day time? How far are they? How up the sky is?

These questions lead me to read more. I started reading the books of scholars, philosophers and astronauts, that what are their views

about the questions I got? With reading their books I came to know about sun light, movement of the Earth, Day and night exchanging, moon phases, other planets and stars and its positions. With the passage of time I followed NASA research books where they used to discover new stars and planets. And now I reached to the universe.

Further studying about Universe I found a research that, a rocket of NASA discovered a black hole in universe, when they wanted to enter in that black hole their rocket was unable to cross it, they contacted to their head quarter and they pushed them with another powerful rocket and succeed. Across that black hole they found another universe same in which we are. And more researchers said that, in that universe there are 7 black holes. They are further researching to find more universes.

I have not visited to another universe but I visited it through research books. The writers might not be alive but their souls are leading us to see farther and to discover more.

Therefore Aristotle said, "I can see farther because I am standing on the shoulders of the giants".



## Sensationlization in electronic media of Pakistan

By Adnan khan

In this modern day and age media has taken center stage. In globalized village, human beings survival depend on information ranging from political to wide array of other fields including local news, entertainment news, and scientific news to name a few. Media caters to society demands of information in the various forms of news. Entertainment is part and parcel of media; thus cannot be ignored. More than often, the blend of these two as 'Infotainment' provides information i.e. sugar-coated with vibes of entertainment.

Media critics have defined parameters within which media organizations have to work. Founding philosophers who work extensively on media role in a society like Walter Lippmann has it, that media must only report facts in its original form. However, John Dewy followers advocate for opinionated news facts.

But, what one may say about sensationalization of news that is so rampant in Pakistani media, especially, in electronic media that one can mistake it for exaggeration. Is it following Dewys' school of thought; the answer is a big no. Sometimes; making ado out of nothing. Reporting news in spinning way has a very negative impact on community, particularly, on teenagers. Youngsters imbibe and internalized violent tendencies

as news contents showcasing action thrillers on screens. It ruins credibility of a news outlet; audience slowly loose interests in it and zip to other channels. Media fails to play its role what desired to be in civilized society.

In attempt to ascertain the causes of 'endemic sensationalism' Dr. Faizullah Jan, Chairman Department of Journalism and mass communication said while talking to Campus Bulletin that in order to garner more audience news reports should be made interesting. It must have well researched script encircling all aspects of a news story or else it would be a confusing stuff.

To a query he said," A news story should be designed in such a way that it has links with common man life. When element of 'so what' clearly answered it definitely will have impact on audience."

Moreover, he was against of music and sound effects laying over news was not conveying its original message effectively. Elite class will lose interest in this crater level of news reporting. And there by media will fail to get its message across to high echelon – the concerned quarters, Dr.Jan added.

Campus Bulletin reached former TV producer who now teaches at University of Peshawar, Journalism and Mass communication assistant professor Ali Imran said with the advent of social media the circle of me-

dia has broadened. He argued that people use social media for gossip and chatting. There is no editorial function at work so there was plenty of space for whimsical stuff but for a media organization which indulging in sensationalism is sheer example of Tabloid journalism, he added. The current media executives having interests in crime, sex, celebrity, scandals, controversy and underplays the serious nature of news, Ali explained.

"Mushrooming growth of news channels which are in run for ratings; using novice tactics like sound effects on news items, over-appealing visual graphics and glamorous female newscaster in an attempt to catch wider audience" he added that is a symptom of our ailing news industry.

Expert in field of broadcast journalism Bangash said that by analyzing TV news bulletins from 2002 to 2018 elements of sensationalism reported to be as sky high. He was of the view that making hype out of news is of no importance showing whimsical attitude of electronic media.

He added," Maturity and soberness will come as time passes on; broadsheet journalism will take grounds because it the only standard journalism of serious nature that stays cool and successful in the longer run; All is not lost, things will be turn for good with academia input and people experiences" he hoped.

“It takes 20 years to build a reputation and five minutes to ruin it. If you think about that, you’ll do things differently.”--Warren Buffett

## READING IS FADING?

By Aneel Wadud

In the entire developed world, reading is the integral part of their culture because it aids to expand and increase the mind, imagination as well as the creative side of an individual. Its access enhances vocabulary and expressions in both writing and spoken. It play's a significant element in edifying a fine personality. This is a function to facilitate awareness in today's society. Crossing the central library of Peshawar University, I, thought that why not to grab a book. As I entered the library; it seems to be like a graveyard where

graves were there but on one to cry on. The books were roofed with layers of dust, as there is no body, who may have touched them since ages. I got this idea that reading is vanishing day by day. I saw the librarian, asked him what could be the possible reason that the students are not even entering the library. He said that the students are least interested in book reading and they are more interested in enjoyment. He further added even though some rare books are present in the library of UOP which are unavailable to be found online and other library's or book shops. Library

has 1,58000 volumes in addition to 696 precious manuscripts of oriental languages. He went on to say that technology has somehow plundered the book reading trend; these are the few basic reasons why the library is being deserted.

While asked from students of different departments one of the student said that the library is scary and boring that's why I don't go there. The other said the library is not fully equipped. Some said that there is abundance of books on the internet and it is easy to access on your smart phone, no need to go to a li-

brary when you have a library in your phone and when it's a click away. Another said the new science fiction novels are not available and I am not interested in history or old novels.

"People these days became thieves because they don't read and as one wise man says if you want to write a paragraph; read at least five pages. When a person doesn't read its means, he won't be able to evaluate things critically. So, the folks do copy paste which is a crime." says, Ejaz Khattak, a senior faculty member at Khyber Medical College.

"There is no value for knowledge,

there is care for money only and not for gaining enlightenment. This is state of yours society. There is no culture of reading, so, as to open up mind of a student, we being as teachers have to make them inquisitive. Critical thinking should be developed in them so, that they might search for answers in books" says Dr. Faizullah Jan from Journalism department.

"Reading habit should be developed among the youngsters so, that they have a point of view to see things differently than a basic matriculate passed individual" , mr. Na-deem adds from Khyber law College.



# Who is responsible for Bunking?

By Zoona Javed

Bunking a class has almost become a trend and status symbol for students of various educational institutes these days, Bunking class is well thought-out to be a cool mania to do with each student. The delight of scuttle out of class and missing those uninteresting lectures is something we studious students will never obtain flipside, observed during a survey, although it's very unfortunate when it comes to an academician but students who decide on this activity call it a fun. Some people are of the view that lack of disciplinary actions and penalties to student, on the part apprentice multiplies the grace of class bunking. I was stunned to see the students outside class while the teacher was inside delivering the lecture and then we complaint that the teachers don't take the classes and our courses are not finished etc. The real eye-opener was that the

students were laughing when asked why are you not taking the class and roaming outside. Thought to ask the students about this certain issue many of the students told why they bunk the class? "The teachers are extremely biased and sometimes they do favoritism that's why I bunk", says Amjad (Department of Zoology) "The students in KP are fond of smoking and to meet that urge they leave the class", says Usman (department of English) "I bunk my class to roam around with friends" says Laiba (Department of journalism) "Modern technology should be used by the teachers as it is modern era so that student's doesn't loses interest" Anon (Department of political science) "To spend time with friends as recess is short" says Maria (Department of English) "The administration sends the forms very early that's why people don't take their classes as many of the students are hostilities and they are free so they go back to

their villages-even now the strength of class is very low as out 50 five are present and even teachers don't take classes", Ali (Islamia College) "Teachers teach as they are beating us with words -taunting all the time", says Shanzay (Islamia university) "Teachers sometimes are very vindictive if they don't like someone or some student hasn't submitted their assignments on time they started taking rancor, this is my reason bunking class", says (Department of Political science) "It's our university life we should enjoy through bunking the class with friends", says Nadia (Islamia university) "Whenever the teacher asks us to do the presentation we bunk the class", Basit(Khyber law college) "Some Teacher's teaching methodology is not good at all",- says Anon (Department of political Science) "I bunk my class because the lectures are very boring usually", says Faiza (Jinnah college for women) "We are habitual of not taking

classes this is because in political Science department we have two classes in a week of 2.5 hour that is extremely yet boring so I will suggest that if the class is of 1 hour daily that will be a very bog favor on us", Anon(Department of political Science) "Important piece work or emergency at home is my reason for bunking", says Ibad ur rehman (Department of Journalism) "Language is the problem that the accent of the teacher is not understandable", Anon (Department of political science) "Friendly environment should be provided by the teacher so that the student can easily access the teacher" "Modern technology should be used by the teachers as it is modern era so that student's doesn't loses interest" Anon (Department of political science) After the many opinions of the students I took teachers' views on class bunking. "A student should never bunk a class otherwise he is very irre-

sponsible", Ejaz khattak from Khyber Medical College added. "The most important thing as far as learning is concerned that a student should be motivated towards the subject they are enrolled. They will always shun the books and subject asked to study. As far as classroom environment is concerned the idea of motivation should be brought by the teacher so, that the students don't bunk the class", Riaz Hussain from English Department Islamia University recalls from his experience. "Teachers are failed to inspire students these days because when we were students: we wanted to be like our teachers but now days nobody idealizes the teachers The method of examination should be transformed as the students don't need to take classes and with reading books or handouts one can pass the exam", says Dr. Faizullah Jan chairman Department of Journalism regrets while describing bunking.#

# CHINA STUDY CENTER UNIVERSITY OF PESHAWAR: An Introduction

Contributed By Aamir Ayub,  
Mashal Ayaz and Amna Ehsan

Peshawar: Prof. Dr. Zahid Anwar director China study center, University of Peshawar, said while talking to the campus bulletin that center is focusing on issues considered important both for Pakistan and China. The wide range of research activities of the center Includes not only to Chinese society, economy, political system, History, Cultural, Civilization, but to strenghten Pak China relations, Pak China joint Projects, CPEC, one built one road (OBOR).

He further said, that center strives to strengthen institutional linkage with Chinese Universities and think tanks. Under the linkages development program, it is focusing to augment institutional interaction with Chinese counterparts in areas of mutual interests. Through initiating scientific research China study center adds momentum to friendship and co-operation between People's Republic of China and Islamic republic of Pakistan.

While answering a question about the strength of the students, he replied that it is actually a think tank where strategic studies are provided and the basic mandate of this center is to conduct research. The nature of work is different here from other departments. He went on to say, that China study center signed MOU regarding Confucius institutes with China universities, which provides the Chinese Language course HSK, but this is delayed because of the recent terrorist attack on Directorate of Agriculture Training center, Peshawar and two other attacks in Karachi and Quetta in which one Chinese student and two Chinese teachers were killed.

About the upcoming project the Director of China study center said that they are planning to start a workshop for post graduate students in which experts will come and guide the students. They will give trainings and tell them about Chinese history, Chinese economy, Chinese politics, development in china, Pak China relations, China in global international politics. This workshop will be of one week.

Answering a question about the connection of CPEC and China study center, He further added that this



H.E. the Chinese Ambassador Yao Jing at the memorial plaque along Vice Chancellor UoP at China Study Centre.

center is due to CPEC project and due to this center; we are connected to the Chinese universities. In this Centre, the Chinese language will be taught to Pakistanis to channelize communication between the two.

Centre is the opportunity for the people to get employment in CPEC projects. CPEC has decreased the efforts of isolating Pakistan through frantic India diplomatic efforts.

About one road one belt (OROB) he said that this is a dream project of China to connect Europe, Asia and Africa. China wants the revival of Silk Road in the shape of OROB.

So, China wants to make relationship strong with Pakistan because that road will pass through 50 Muslim countries, so they will be able to know more about Muslim's cultures, History, spiritual values, and because of these circumstances China wants to create interfaith dialogues with Pakistan.

He underlined that the North West University at Xion, China said that they will also establish Pakistan study center, where Pakistani languages especially the languages spoken at KP, will be taught and the teachers will be paid handsomely.

He also said that the North West University will also give scholarship to Pakistani students. He further added that CSC is not only a language center it is a research center where books will be published, conferences, workshops, trainings will be held as well. CSC will accommodate a Confucius institute for teaching Chinese language and Higher education will be at the level of M.Phil. and Ph.D.

He said academic council meeting is held every year and we have made our documents ready for making this space credible for higher studies. About basic language courses, Mr. Zahid Anwar said that basic courses will be start at certificate level.

The Director of China Study Center said that the new ambassador Mr. Yao Jing is so co-operative and he said that they will give scholarships to students and will support all our departments; it will make the relation between Pakistan and China more strong.

He also informed about centre upcoming events that they are organizing especially a Chinese food festival in which they will involve the students of Home Economics, Jinnah college and the students of Peshawar University."Cooking competition of Chinese food as well as cultural events and Chinese martial arts events will be hosted too", he added.

The main problem Mr. Zahid Anwar underlined that is of security. He said that there upcoming events are delayed just because of security concern.

In the end, Director said that they have a positive support of federal government, provincial government, Chinese embassy, and specially the University of Peshawar.

He said they are facing a lot of difficulties but still they are hopeful.

# Food Street of Peshawar University

By Zoona Javed

Around 8 o'clock in the Morning University of Peshawar's (UOP) "Medina market" came alive with the sound of chirping of birds, sizzling of eggs in the hot frying pan and the delicious smells wafting out from the various food shops.

Medina Market is considered as the food street of UOP. There are numerous eateries in this very market where on low price one can eat to the brim. The food stalls outside the market also gathers the attention of the students of nearby departments and visitors as stalls are of French fries and Pakoras which are world famous snacks and every other individual is a potato lover.

The food is mouthwatering while the prices are very nominal; this is the beauty of Peshawar University where a student from a very humble background can enjoy the food as it is tasty yet economical. There is a huge variety of cuisines under one roof they have traditional Pakistani food (Biryani, chicken karahi , fried liver and beef tikkas etc) , Chinese food (chowmein veg and non-veg both and egg fried rice served with Manchurian) and appetizers like Chana chaat, fruit chaat , samosas and Kachalo pera etc) and the most famous amongst the youth fast food (Burgers , sandwiches, shwarma and doughnuts etc)the huge variety of breakfast is available as well.

Every time one visit this place can see the hustle bustle in the market because of the host elites. In the cock-crow the students living in the hostels and even day scholars are reluctant to cook as in hurry for the classes so, they head towards this 'food street' and enjoy Anda paratha ,Aloo paratha or naan chana with doodh pati. Not just breakfast but lunch and dinner is also served with love and care. There are juice stalls as well where campus specialty guava and banana mix and orange and banana decorated with almonds is loved by everyone. The seating area catches the eyes of folks around as it is near road side where many of the departments are located. Upon asking one of the waiters about the visitors "the students are our priority as they are away from home" says,

Farhan khan. When consulted the students and visitors Why medina market? What this place is for you?

"Medina Market my food fantasy as it is cheap and lip smacking" says (student of Political Science)

"This is my second home because the cook is just like my own uncle I call him Kaka and the waiters are like my friends, we are a small family as whenever we meet; we greet each other with hug and I ask for the food like I used to ask my mother back at home",says Hassan (Student of International Relations department)

"The food is fresh and served with warmth", says Noman (Student of Islamia University)

"Best part of my day is passed here, chatting and eating with friends", says Amjad (Agriculture university)

"I am a foodie and this place is my temple", says Aneel Wadud (Student of journalism and mass communication)

"The food is good but the concerned authorities are not taking care of cleanliness and while eating in open air the beggars are perturbing the visitors so this matter should be also brought in to notice", says Bilal (student of Islamia college, Peshawar)

"We want to enjoy the food but street dogs are roaming around openly so these should be removed rapidly.",says Shehlal Ali (Student of Jinnah college for women)

After all these suggestions being a responsible spectator and visitor of Medina market consulted Director of Administration who looks into all these matters as one of the student asked about the cleanliness and beggars issue so when asked he said we are working on this matter already and soon we all will see a difference for sure. He further Added that Peshawar University's spotlessness is our first priority and regarding that beggar issue we will make sure eliminate that issue as well. Also talked to Aftab Messiah who is responsible for cleanliness and hygiene of campus he said that we are short of cleaning staff and Medina market is not the only place for us to clean but I will try to maintain the cleanliness there so that the visitors enjoy the food comfortably.#

Upcoming!  
Campus Bulletin will come up with results of different disciplines in the next issue on the same page



# Farhat Abbas graduates from Pashto deptt as fireball passion

By Adnan khan and Ikram Musazai

Peshawar: Farhat Abbas ,hailing district Shangla, bagged first position in Pashto department in annual examination result, declared here on 4th of February. He attributed his success to prayers of his parents and dedicated works of his teachers.

Talking to Campus Bulletin he said students were seeking admissions in other departments in order to earn a decent livelihood, but due to natural flair for Pashto I had taken admission in Pashto literature .He said,“As literature is a hard subject but I have heart in it”. He further added that he want to strive for uplift of Pashto language.

He appealed KhyberPuktunkhawa government that Pashto should be made mandatory in curriculum from nursery to 12 grades. He called upon incumbent authorities that good and healthy culture activities like drama arts, poetry symposia, and theatrical play should be arranged, so that Pashto language would gain popularity among youth. He shared with this scribe ,that “ Pashto is our mother tongue but nobody bothers to take care of the downfall of our mother tongue . Governmental support is missing which is main cause of this deteriorating conditions .Developed nations like America, German and French etc raised to the pinnacle of glory due to their sheer dedication and love for their language”.

To a query, he said that lack of

ensor board in the province was the main reason of cheap level of dramas and films production. He added, that “ we have playwrights of par excellence like Gohar Naveed, Noor ul Bashr and Laiq Zada Laiq etc and others should be given chance ,only then elite class would take interest in Pashto renditions”. He advised Pashto speaking community that these are testing times for us. We should clearly differentiate between friends and foes. He added so called custodians of Pashto language done a lot of harms to Pashto language,” How could culture be promoted when there are scores of uncultured and illiterate has taken reins of Pashto media industries and to me its signify death of Pashto”. He said.

Responding to a query on lack of progressive literature in Pashto , he retorted that “ I strongly disagree that as we do have icons like Salma Shaheen as a contemporary and progressive literary writer, Ghani khan as a mad philosopher and poet, in prose like Qalandar Mommand to name a few ,these are classic icons of Pashto literature”.

“There is no dearth of progressive writers but when one writes something out of bounds, taboo- free write-ups, people start calling them offensive and this is the dilemma. There is no place for liberal thinking that is pathetic”, he ended his interview with this argument with Campus Bulletin.

## Activity on health and hygiene promotion at UMS

Peshawar: The department of Social Work University of Peshawar in collaboration with Helping Hand for Rehabilitation and Development Islamabad, and University Model School, has organized one day activity of health and hygiene promotion.

Dr. Muhammad Ibrar Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work briefly described the objectives of the activity while Dr. Ilyas, Director Paraplegics Centre Peshawar discuss the overall objectives of the HHRD. In the end Principle UMS thanks the participants and the organizers.



## CDC Conducts Workplace Psychology Workshop

By Sara Ali

Peshawar: Career Development Center (CDC) organized a two-hour seminar on Workplace Psychology for the students of College of Home Economics, University of Peshawar on 15th February, 2018 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm in College of Home Economics. This informational seminar covered general explanation of psychology, factors causing psychological problems, difference between depression and anxiety, personality disorders, types of personalities in workplace, how to deal with co-workers, and psychological stigma. Participants were taught different exercises to combat stress in their daily life.

32 students attended the seminar and considered it very useful and expounding. Ms. Saba Ambreen, currently enrolled in diploma course in Department of Psychology University of Peshawar, educated the students on these topics and taught them how to deal with certain psychological issues in daily life. Students discussed their individual psychological problems, family problems, and lack of interest in study and daily routine and got handy solutions from the speaker.

Participants felt extremely motivated and asked for more sessions like these to learn and implement suitable professional practices in their workplace and social settings.

## KhyberPakhtunkhwa’s first DNA testing lab starts operation.

By Ibad ur Rahman Shah

Peshawar: The first-ever DNA laboratory is ready to start operations after a delay of two years owing to non-appointment of staff and procurement of investigation kits from abroad at Khyber Medical college here.

As opposed to Punjab Forensic Science Agency (PFSA), which was built at a cost of Rs 4 billion, the facility at KMC has been established by spending Rs 4.5 crores only.

Punjab’s lab has also been getting equipments and machines from Austria and other agencies while the KP’s lab was set up from its own resources. The provincial secretary Health Abid Majeed inaugurated the lab at KMC.

The lab incharge, Jameel said that the department was established in 2015 but due to owing non-appointment of staff and procurement of investigation kits from abroad; it was delayed. He added there is no political issue for the delay of two years,

the work was started after 2015.He further added that it is the normal time period which it takes to start, the kits cost about Rs4.5 crores.

The secretary said that those services were recently upgraded by spending Rs six crores. He said that so far DNA specimens were sent to Lahore. “Now onwards, there will be full-fledged DNA facility, which would improve investigations and assist police and courts in cases relating to bomb attacks, killings, sexual assaults and age determination,” he added.#

## Poor Students keep their fingers cross till next year deadline

By Manzar Abbas & Saqlain Kazmi

Peshawar: A letter from higher education commission has been circulated among all the universities of KhyberPakhtunkhwa according to which two years program of B.A/B.Sc and M.A/M.Sc are going to be closed in 2018 and in 2020 respectively, Deputy Controller Examinations University of Peshawar has said.

While talking in an interview with Campus Bulletin, Fazal Aman further said, the fresh enrollment will be stopped in 2018 for B.A/B.Sc program and in 2020 for M.A/B.Sc program but those students who have already have enlisted in enrollment, University will give them several chances according to the previous rules.

Regarding two years program value,” those students who already have

done two years program, the value of their degrees will be remained same, he said”.

He further added, this step will make a huge impact on financial state of the program.

While answering a question about “alternative program “ he elaborated that UOP has setup a committee, who is taking up this issue, who will also see that what alternative should be taken for replacing this program for needy students who cannot afford to pay fees.

He said, UOP has not taken final decision about this issue, yet. “The final decision will be taken soon”, he added.

When it comes to students, all of them had different point of views about phasing out of these two degree programs.

Some students were in the favor of this phaseout while most of the stu-

dents were against of this step which is taken by HEC.

A student of Islamia college Shahzeb khan said, “I really appreciate the HEC for this step”. He explained that this step will increase the value of degree and its good sign for those students who is looking to go abroad for doing job because in foreign two years degree program do not consider us ; so it will help them to find a good job for them.

Waqas Ahmad who is a private student and only potential bread winner for his family said that, “It’s not a really good step, those students who can not take admission regularly because of their financial problems, how they will continue their education”.

He further said education is basic right. So, HEC ought to make education easy for all and not to deprive us of this life-time opportunity.#

## University of Punjab lifts 41<sup>st</sup> HEC All Pakistan Inter-Universities Football Championship Trophy

Peshawar: University of Punjab trounced defending champion University of Central Punjab 4-0 to lift the trophy at Hostel I ground University of Peshawar on Friday afternoon.

Vice Chancellor University of Peshawar Prof. Dr.Muhammad Asif Khan and chief guest provincial minister Mian Jamsheed Uddin Kakakhel graced the occasion along with Deans of University of Peshawar.

University of Punjab displayed best tactics and stamina in the entire final round being played at University of Peshawar campus grounds. Most pundits predicted their win from the early start of the tournament. The

scorers from the University of Punjab were Amir Golden, Zeeshan Siddiqui, Shahbaz Tariq and Moazam ali.

The University of Punjab were awarded cash prize of 32,000 Rs, while runner up UCP and third finalist UoS (University of Sargodha) gets 27,000 and 18,000 respectively.

The Vice Chancellor lauded the services of Directorate of Sports lead, Behre Karam for hosting teams in final round with traditional hospitality.

Speaking on the occasion, the Vice chancellor University of Peshawar said that commencement and conclusion of the tournament in Peshawar is very encouraging and reassuring for our students. He thanked all

the allied departments of University of Peshawar for making the tournament a success.

The chief guest said that successful event like this shows the present government is building peace and order in the province at last.

Qazi Asif was the match official in the final while Mr.Aziz ullah Khan acted as observer of the match on behalf of Higher Education Commission.

Some 18 teams participated in the final round of tournament on knockout basis at University of Peshawar campus.



Participants of one Day Workshop Workplace Psychology at CHE.