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Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan Appointed as Pro Vice Chancellor of UoS

The Governor of Punjab and Chancellor of the University of Sargodha has appointed Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan as the new Pro Vice Chancellor of the University of Sargodha. Serving as Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan brings extensive experience in academics, research, and administration. He has officially assumed office and commenced his duties. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas congratulated him, wishing him success in his new role.



VC Presents Souvenir to CM for Advancing Digital Learning and Empowering Students

On the occasion of the laptop distribution ceremony at the University of Chakwal, Vice Chancellor of the University of Sargodha and University of Chakwal, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, presented a souvenir to the Honorable Chief Minister of Punjab, Maryam Nawaz Sharif. The event highlighted the Chief Minister's initiative to empower students through digital learning, with laptops being distributed to enhance educational access and support technology-driven academic development.

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یونیورسٹی آف سرگودھا میں عشرہ شانِ رحمت العالمینؑ کے موقع پر محفل میلاد اور مقابلہ جات کا انعقاد



یونیورسٹی آف سرگودھا میں عشرہ شانِ رحمت العالمینؑ کے سلسلہ میں ایک شاندار محفل میلاد مصطفیٰ ﷺ کا انعقاد کیا گیا، جس میں وائس چانسلر پروفیسر ڈاکٹر قیصر عباس نے بطور مہمان خصوصی اور پروفیسر ڈاکٹر مسعود سرور اعوان نے مہمان اعزاز کے طور پر شرکت کی۔ اس روح پرور تقریب میں یونیورسٹی کے ڈیز، ڈائریکٹرز، تدریسی و انتظامی شعبہ جات کے سربراہان، اساتذہ اور طلبہ و طالبات کی بڑی تعداد نے شرکت کی۔

محفل کا آغاز طلبہ کے پُر کیف نعتیہ کلام سے ہوا، جس نے حاضرین کو عشقِ رسول ﷺ کی فضا میں سرشار کر دیا۔ محفل سے خطاب کرتے ہوئے وائس چانسلر پروفیسر ڈاکٹر قیصر عباس نے کہا کہ رسول اکرم ﷺ نے ہمیشہ امن، سلامتی، بھائی چارے، باہمی اتحاد، نظم و ضبط، اصولوں کی پاسداری اور حقوق العباد کی ادائیگی کا درس دیا۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ نبی کریم ﷺ نے انسانیت کو اولین درجہ دیا اور واضح کیا کہ رنگ، نسل اور زبان کی بنیاد پر کسی کو برتری حاصل نہیں ہے۔ وائس چانسلر نے زور دیتے ہوئے کہا کہ اسلام کی اصل روح انسانیت کا احترام اور دوسروں کی مدد ہے، اور طلبہ و طالبات کو تلقین کی کہ وہ اپنی زندگیوں میں باہمی تعاون، برداشت اور احترام کو فروغ دیں تاکہ ایک پرامن اور خوشحال معاشرہ قائم ہو سکے۔

پروفیسر ڈاکٹر فیروز الدین شاہ نے سیرت النبی ﷺ کے مختلف پہلوؤں پر روشنی ڈالی اور طلبہ کو نصیحت کی کہ وہ علم حاصل کریں اور کسی بھی معلومات کی اشاعت سے قبل تصدیق کریں کیونکہ یہی شیوہ نبویؐ ہے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ آج کے دور میں سوشل میڈیا پر بغیر تصدیق کے معلومات پھیلا کر معاشرتی بگاڑ کا سبب بن رہا ہے، اس لیے نبی کریم ﷺ کی سنت پر عمل کرتے ہوئے اس روش کو ترک کرنا ضروری ہے۔

تقریب کے اختتام پر وائس چانسلر نے عشرہ شانِ رحمت العالمینؑ کے سلسلہ میں منعقدہ نعت، قرأت اور اردو تقریری مقابلوں میں نمایاں پوزیشن حاصل کرنے والے طلبہ و طالبات میں نقد انعامات اور اسناد تقسیم کیں۔ مقابلہ حسن قرأت میں شعبہ اسلامیات کے زین العابدین نے پہلی، شعبہ عربی کے عدنان ظفر نے دوسری اور غلام احمد رضا نے تیسری پوزیشن حاصل کی۔ مقابلہ حسن نعت میں شعبہ ذوالوجی کی غلام سکینہ نے پہلی، شعبہ ابلاغیات کی حجاب فاطمہ نے دوسری جبکہ شعبہ پنجابی کے محمد عارف نے تیسری پوزیشن اپنے نام کی۔ اردو تقریری مقابلہ بعنوان "سوشل میڈیا کی تعلیم و تربیت میں ریاستی ذمہ داریاں: سیرت النبیؐ کی روشنی میں" میں بایو ٹیکنالوجی کی طالبہ حمنا اعظم نے پہلی، شعبہ پنجابی کے حامد علی نے دوسری اور شعبہ ذوالوجی کی غلام سکینہ نے تیسری پوزیشن حاصل کی۔ قبل ازیں، انسٹیٹیوٹ آف آرٹ اینڈ ڈیزائن کی جانب سے عشرہ شانِ رحمت العالمینؑ کے سلسلہ میں خطاطی کی نمائش بھی منعقد کی گئی، جس میں طلبہ و اساتذہ نے اپنے فن اور تخلیقی صلاحیتوں کا مظاہرہ کیا۔



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UoS Global Engagement & International Partnerships 2025

The University of Sargodha (UoS) expanded its global engagement through high-level visits and strategic collaborations. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas represented Pakistan at the SCO Digital Economy Forum in Tianjin, participating in key panel discussions and the launch of the Digital Economy Universities Alliance. On the sidelines, he met with leaders from Nankai University to sign an Intent of Cooperation promoting faculty exchange, joint research, and digital education initiatives. UoS also strengthened Pak-China scientific collaboration by inaugurating the Joint Lithium Battery Research Centre with Zaozhuang School of Technology and advancing plans for its first-ever overseas campus at Qizi Bay, Hainan, formalized through a historic Letter of Intent with the Changjiang Li County Government. Additionally, the Vice Chancellor briefed the Pakistan Consulate in Guangzhou on the campus project, receiving full support for its implementation.

UoS VC Represents Pakistan at SCO Digital Economy Forum in Tianjin



Participates as Key Panelist; Joins Launch of International Digital Economy Universities Alliance

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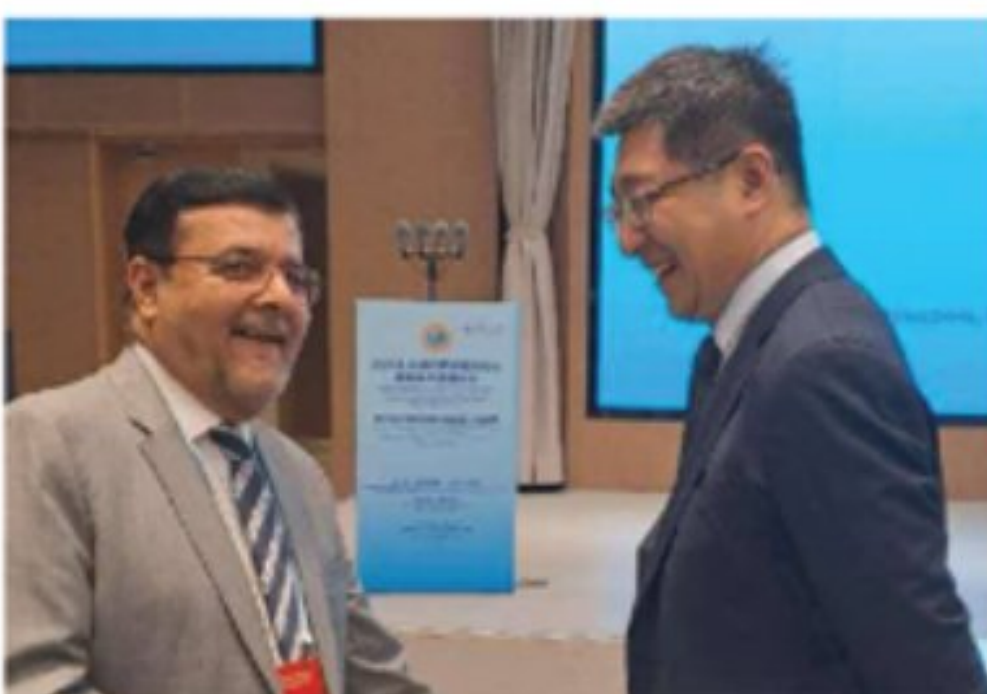
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participation in the launching ceremony of the Digital Economy Universities Alliance, an international consortium designed to strengthen cooperation among universities on digital transformation, research collaboration, and capacity building.

The representation of UoS at this global platform underscores the university's expanding international footprint and its commitment to advancing digital education and global engagement.



Strengthening Academic Diplomacy Across China

The University of Sargodha (UoS) has signed a landmark mutual collaboration agreement with Zaozhuang School of Technology, marking a significant step forward in Pak-China cooperation in science, technology, and vocational education.

As a key outcome of the partnership, both institutions jointly inaugurated a Lithium Battery Research Centre, a state-of-the-art facility dedicated to advancing energy storage technologies and fostering applied research. The initiative represents a major milestone in UoS's commitment to expanding research-based industrial collaborations with Chinese institutions.

UoS, Zaozhuang School of Technology to Launch Joint Lithium Battery Research Centre



Looking ahead, the agreement's next phase outlines the establishment of a joint Lithium Battery Manufacturing Unit in Pakistan. This development is expected to enhance industrial-academic linkages, support technological innovation, and build local capacity in one of the world's fastest-growing tech sectors.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas led the UoS delegation, accompanied by Prof. Dr. Ijaz Asghar Bhatti, Director External Linkages, and Prof. Dr. Tahir Mumtaz Awan, Director of the Pakistan Institute of China Studies and Host Director, Confucius Institute at UoS. Leadership from both sides reaffirmed their shared com

mitment to long-term cooperation in scientific research, vocational training, and technology-driven development. The partnership underscores a deepening Pak-China academic alliance and positions UoS as a key contributor to cutting-edge innovation in sustainable energy solutions.



UoS, Nankai University Explore New Avenues of Academic Collaboration



On the sidelines of the 2025 SCO Digital Economy Forum, Vice Chancellor University of Sargodha (UoS), Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, met with Prof. Dr. Chen Yulu, President of Nankai University, to discuss emerging opportunities for academic cooperation.

During the meeting, both leaders exchanged views on strengthening institutional linkages in key areas such as digital education, faculty development, and collaborative research. The discussion culminated in the signing of an Intent of Cooperation, marking an important step toward future joint initiatives between the two universities. The agreement aims to foster faculty exchange programs, co-developed research projects, and academic activities that support knowledge-sharing and innovation across both institutions.

Souvenirs were exchanged as a gesture of goodwill, reflecting a shared commitment to deepening educational and cultural ties. The meeting highlighted UoS's growing engagement in international academic networks and its dedication to building strategic partnerships that enhance global learning opportunities for students and faculty.



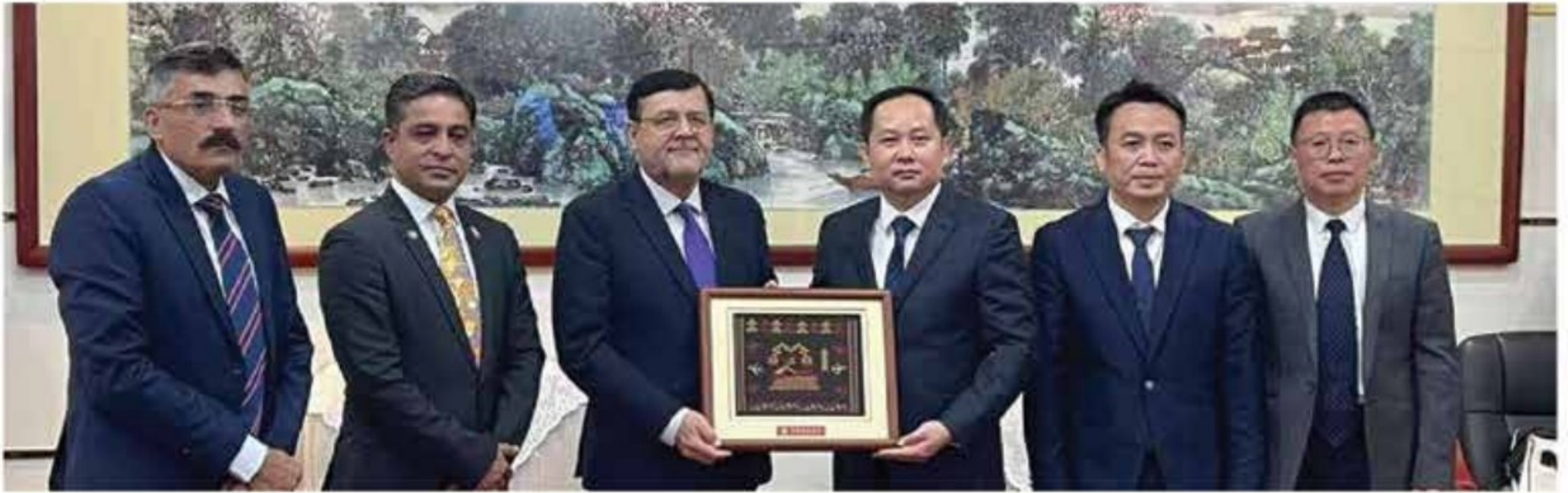
UoS Delegation Briefs Pakistan Consul General in Guangzhou on Proposed Overseas Campus

A university delegation led by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas met with Mr. Sardar Muhammad, Consul General of Pakistan in Guangzhou, to discuss the establishment of the University of Sargodha's overseas campus in Hainan Province, China.

During the meeting, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas briefed the Consul General on the objectives, progress, and strategic significance of the proposed joint campus at Qizi Bay, being developed in collaboration with the Changjiang Li County Government. He highlighted how the initiative would strengthen academic exchange, research collaboration, and educational ties between Pakistan and China.

Consul General Mr. Sardar Muhammad appreciated the vision behind the project and assured full support and facilitation from the Consulate for its successful implementation. He also commended the University of Sargodha's proactive role in expanding Pakistan's academic footprint in China.

UoS Signs LOI to Establish First-Ever Pakistani Overseas Campus in China



The University of Sargodha (UoS) has signed a Letter of Intent (LOI) with the Changjiang Li Autonomous County Government in Hainan Province to establish a joint overseas campus—the first initiative of its kind by any Pakistani university in China. The LOI was formalized during an official ceremony attended by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas and Chief Mayor of Changjiang Li, Mr. Liang Ming. Both sides affirmed their commitment to fast-tracking the project through close and sustained collaboration.



Chief Mayor Liang Ming welcomed the UoS delegation and praised Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas for his forward-looking vision in strengthening Pakistan-China educational cooperation. He described the initiative as a milestone that would significantly deepen bilateral academic relations. Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas expressed gratitude for the warm hospitality extended by the county government and reiterated UoS's dedication to fostering cross-border education, research, and cultural exchange. Both parties agreed that the signing of the LOI lays a solid foundation for a long-term strategic partnership between the two nations.



UoS Inaugurates State-of-the-Art Nursing College to Strengthen Healthcare Education



The University of Sargodha (UoS) marked a significant milestone in healthcare education with the inauguration of its Nursing College on Monday. The ceremony was graced by Minister of State for National Health Services, Regulations, and Coordination, Dr. Malik Mukhtar Ahmad Bharath, as the chief guest, alongside MNA and Member Syndicate Mansoor Azam Sindhu, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan, deans, directors, and heads of Vice

academic and administrative departments. Dr. Malik Mukhtar Ahmad Bharath also visited the classrooms, laboratories, and modern facilities of the newly established Nursing College, highlighting Pakistan's acute shortage of trained nursing professionals. Addressing the gathering, he emphasized that nursing forms the backbone of the healthcare sector and commended UoS for its rapid growth in academics and research, describing the university as a leading hub of higher education in the region.



Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas said that the Nursing College is equipped with modern medical equipment and state-of-the-art academic and practical training resources to prepare students for impactful roles in the healthcare sector, both nationally and internationally. He announced that a modern hospital would soon be established at UoS in collaboration with China, further strengthening healthcare education and services.

During his visit, the Minister also explored the Multipurpose Hall, Waheed Wain Incubation Center, UOS TV, Wazir Agha Library, gymnasium, and cafeterias, praising the infrastructure, modern facilities, and vibrant academic environment. The Minister lauded the university's ongoing contributions to advancing higher education and research, noting that initiatives like the Nursing College are pivotal in addressing national needs while fostering global academic excellence.



**Dr. Malik Mukhtar Ahmad Bharath
Minister of State, National Health Services,
Regulations, and Coordination**

// The government is dedicated to strengthening healthcare education, and the University of Sargodha's Nursing College is a prime example of how academic excellence can meet the nation's growing need for skilled healthcare professionals. **//**

University of Sargodha Launches Flood Relief Initiative to Support Affected Families



In response to the flash floods that devastated several regions of Pakistan, the University of Sargodha (UoS) has demonstrated strong institutional leadership by launching an extensive Flood Relief Initiative. A dedicated Flood Relief Camp was set up at the Administration Block to mobilize donations and provide urgent support to families displaced by the disaster.

The initiative was formally inaugurated by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, joined by Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan, senior faculty, and administrative staff. Speaking to the university community, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas underscored the importance of unity and collective responsibility in times of crisis. "Helping our fellow citizens in this time of need is not just a duty but a moral obligation. Together, we can bring hope to those who have lost everything," he remarked.

The university community responded with overwhelming generosity. Faculty members, administrative officers, and students contributed food, clothing, medicines, and other essential items, ensuring that the fundraising campaign gained momentum across all academic and administrative units.



Extending its efforts beyond the campus, UoS organized field relief operations in the flood-hit regions of Southern Punjab, including Muzaffargarh, Mochiwali, and Khan Garh. Through collective contributions, a total of PKR 4.5 million was raised. A dedicated team led by Director Sports Mahar

Ahmad Khan Haral distributed food supplies and essential goods to 760 families in these severely affected areas. During the operations, the UoS team met Deputy Commissioner Muzaffargarh Usman Tahir Jappa and District Police Officer Ghazanfar Abbas Shah, both of

whom appreciated the university's swift and coordinated response. The relief efforts were efficiently managed by Resident Officer Dr. Faheem Arshad, Director Students Affairs Dr. Mahmood ul Hasan, and Director Riaz Shaad Co-Curricular Forum Dr. Munir Gujjar.



New Funding Prospects for One Health Research Discussed

Prof. Dr. Ihtesham ur Rehman from the University of Lancashire visited the campus to discuss ongoing initiatives under the Interdisciplinary Research Center for One Health. During his meeting with Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, both explored potential funding avenues and opportunities to expand collaborative research in areas linking human, animal, and environmental health. The discussion underscored the growing importance of One Health approaches in addressing modern challenges such as climate change, disease prevention, and sustainable development.

During his visit, Prof. Dr. Ihtesham ur Rehman also took part in a Tree Plantation Drive at the College of Agriculture. The activity, organized by the Department of Forestry in collaboration with students from City School Sargodha, aimed to promote environmental stewardship and campus sustainability. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas commended the efforts of the organizers, including Principal College of Agriculture Prof. Dr. Ijaz Rasool Noorka, as well as the enthusiastic participation of City School students.

Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas expressed that such initiatives are vital for cultivating environmental consciousness among youth and contribute to building a greener and healthier future. He emphasized that tree plantation activities not only beautify the campus but also serve as a practical reminder of collective responsibility toward protecting the environment.



UoS Strengthens Ties with University of Setif 1-Ferhat Abbas, Algeria

Dr. Seddik Khennouf, Dean of the Faculty of Nature and Life Sciences, University of Setif 1-Ferhat Abbas (USAF), Algeria met with Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas to expand international academic cooperation.

The visit included the formal signing of an Intent of Cooperation between the two institutions, marking the beginning of a promising partnership. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas and Dr. Seddik Khennouf exchanged views on strengthening academic linkages and agreed to work together on a comprehensive set of initiatives. Under the proposed collaboration, both universities will pursue joint research projects, faculty and student exchange programs, and dual or joint degree pathways to facilitate global learning experiences. The partnership will also include co-hosted workshops, seminars, and international conferences, enabling deeper intellectual exchange across disciplines.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas highlighted the importance of global academic networks in building research capacity and preparing students for emerging global challenges. Dr. Seddik Khennouf appreciated the warm welcome and expressed enthusiasm for developing long-term cooperation that supports innovation, academic mobility, and cultural understanding between Pakistan and Algeria.



9th Pakistan Industrial Expo 2025, Strengthens Pakistan-China Industrial Ties



The 9th Pakistan Industrial Expo 2025, jointly organized by the University of Sargodha (UoS) and Everest International Pvt. Ltd. opened with great enthusiasm at the Expo Center, Lahore. The event brought together leading industrialists, policymakers, entrepreneurs, investors, and academic leaders from Pakistan and China, reaffirming the growing strength of bilateral industrial cooperation.

Provincial Minister for Communication and Law Punjab, Malik Sohaib Ahmad Bharth, inaugurated the expo as the chief guest. He was accompanied by Vice Chancellor UoS, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas; Vice Chancellor University of Education Lahore, Prof. Dr. Akif Anwar; Pro Vice Chancellor UoS, Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan; Director Everest International, Mr. Wang Zehai; CEO Mr. Yousaf Fa; Manager Mr. Zorain Qeng; Pakistan Navy Commo



dore Shafiq ur Rehman and Commodore Mehtab Khan, along with deans, directors, heads of academic and administrative units of UoS. Also in attendance were renowned exporters, importers, Chinese company executives, and influential members of commerce and industry.

Showcasing products, technologies, and services from more than 200 Pakistani and Chinese companies, the expo aims to promote investment, enhance industrial collaboration, and highlight emerging opportunities in Pakistan's expanding industrial sectors. The event

serves as a dynamic platform where industry professionals, business owners, policy experts, and students can engage in meaningful dialogue, explore partnerships, and deepen cooperation.

Addressing the ceremony, Provincial Minister Malik Sohaib Ahmad Bharth stressed the urgent need for strategic investments to strengthen Pakistan's economy. He highlighted the country's geographic and economic advantages, noting that Pakistan remains an attractive destination for global investors. Commending UoS and Everest International for organizing the event, he said the expo reflects the long-standing friendship between Pakistan and China, calling China a steadfast partner with a history of mutual trust, support, and shared progress.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas underscored the importance of bridging the gap between academia and industry to fuel national development. He emphasized that industrial exhibitions provide a critical space for universities, students, and industry experts to collaborate, innovate, and generate business opportunities. He further noted that partnerships between Pakistani and Chinese companies can accelerate import-export activities, boost industrial output, and open new avenues for technological exchange. "For any nation to prosper, the connection between education and industry must be strong, meaningful, and future-oriented," he remarked. Director Everest International, Mr. Wang Zehai, highlighted the growing potential within Pakistan's trade sector, especially with the ongoing progress under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). He expressed confidence that continued Chinese investment would help uplift Pakistan's economic landscape and strengthen long-term bilateral trade relations.

Following the ceremony, the chief guest, vice chancellors, and distinguished guests visited multiple stalls at the expo, interacting with CEOs, directors, and investors from various Chinese and Pakistani companies. Discussions centered on investment prospects, joint ventures, technological collaboration, and future development projects.



Celebrating Partnerships Over Dinner

A special dinner was also arranged in honor of the national and international guests attending the expo. The gathering brought together distinguished personalities from academia, industry, business, and government, creating a vibrant space for meaningful conversations and future collaborations. The evening served as a warm gesture of hospitality by the University of Sargodha, offering an opportunity for guests to network, exchange ideas, and strengthen professional ties in an informal and welcoming environment.

UoS Celebrates 78th Independence Day with "Marka-e-Haq" Festivities



With the national flag flying high and patriotic songs echoing across the campus, the University of Sargodha (UoS) celebrated Pakistan's 78th Independence Day under the theme "Marka-e-Haq", reflecting national pride, unity, and a spirit of resilience. The event brought together students, faculty, administrative staff, and children in a vibrant display of patriotism.

The celebrations commenced with a Guard of Honor performed by the University Security Wing, followed by the ceremonial flag hoisting, led by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, accompanied by Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan, deans, directors, academic and administrative heads, faculty members, and students. A cake-cutting ceremony was also organized to commemorate the historic day.



Special prayers were offered for the country's peace, prosperity, and development, setting a solemn and inspiring tone for the celebrations. Students performed national songs and patriotic anthems, evoking deep emotions of love for the homeland among the attendees.

In his address, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas described Independence Day as a moment of reflection and renewed determination. He urged the university community to contribute sincerely to Pakistan's progress and stability. He also paid tribute to the Armed Forces for their sacrifices in safeguarding national sovereignty and lauded the success of the recent "Ma'rakah-e-Haq" operation, emphasizing the armed forces' dedication to national security and defense readiness.

Adding excitement to the occasion, the Directorate of Sports organized a series of activities, including basketball, football, and cricket matches, along with karate demonstrations, showcasing talent, discipline, and energy among the students.

The Independence Day celebrations at UoS not only highlighted national pride but also reinforced the values of unity, courage, and service, inspiring the university community to remain committed to Pakistan's development and collective progress.



Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas
Vice Chancellor, University of Sargodha

“ Independence is not just a celebration; it is a call to action. I urge the youth to lead with courage, serve the nation selflessly, and uphold the values of unity, integrity, and patriotism in every endeavor. ”

UoS Celebrates Confucius Day with Cultural Harmony and Cross-Cultural Exchange



The University of Sargodha (UoS) hosted a grand and memorable evening, the "Annual Dinner, Hajj & Umrah, and Employee of the Year Award 2024 Ceremony," to recognize and celebrate the unwavering dedication of its administrative staff from BS 1-16. The event, held in a spirit of gratitude and camaraderie, was graced by esteemed academic leaders, including Vice Chancellor of the University of Sargodha, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, Vice Chancellor of Emerson University Multan, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ramzan, Vice Chancellor, University of Education; Prof. Dr. Aqif Anwar, Vice Chancellor GCUF Faisalabad Prof. Dr. Rauf-I-Azam, Vice Chancellor MNS UET Multan; Prof. Dr. Muhammad Kamran, Vice Chancellor UVAS University; Prof. Dr. Muhammad Younas Rana, Vice Chancellor LCWU; Prof. Dr. Uzam Qureshi, Vice Chancellor GCWU Faisalabad; Prof. Dr.



Kanwal Ameen, Vice Chancellor GCWU Sialkot; Prof. Dr. Shazia Bashir, Vice Chancellor Thal University Bhakkar; Prof. Dr. Saeed Ahmed Buzdar, Vice Chancellor University of Jhang; Prof. Dr. Faheem Aftab, Pro Vice Chancellor UoS; and Prof. Dr. Mian Ghulam Yasin, as well as Deans, Directors, and Heads of academic and administrative units within the university.

The highlight of the evening was the generous distribution of "Umrah Packages" through a lucky draw, with 20 fortunate staff and faculty members receiving this heartfelt reward for their hard work and commitment. Additionally, 70 staff members were honored with the prestigious "Employee of the Year 2024" award, acknowledging their exceptional contributions to the university's growth and success. Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas expressed his gratitude to the administrative staff, stating, "Our administrative team is the backbone of this institution. Their dedication and tireless efforts



have been instrumental in elevating the University of Sargodha to new heights. Tonight, we celebrate their achievements and reaffirm our commitment to their well-being and professional growth."

The esteemed vice chancellors and guests lauded Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas for his visionary leadership and relentless efforts in elevating the University of Sargodha's national and international rankings. They commended his dedication to creating a dynamic and supportive environment that fosters a strong sense of community among staff and faculty.

The Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony 2024 will be remembered as a night of celebration, recognition, and a renewed commitment to academic excellence and community building. The event not only celebrated the achievements of individuals but also strengthened the university's ties with leading academic institutions across Pakistan.



UoS Illuminates Campus with Lanterns to Celebrate Mid-Autumn Festival

The Confucius Institute and Pakistan Institute of China Studies (PICS) at the University of Sargodha (UoS) celebrated the Mid-Autumn Festival also known as the Lantern Festival—with vibrant activities, cultural performances, and enthusiastic student participation. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas graced the occasion as the chief guest, accompanied by Prof. Dr. Tahir Mumtaz Awan, Host Director of the Confucius Institute and Director PICS, and Prof. Dr. Nasiruddin Khan, Host Director of the Confucius Institute at the University of Karachi. Students gathered in impressive numbers to immerse themselves in the festivities, creating a lively and welcoming atmosphere. One of the most memorable highlights was the release of sky lanterns, symbolizing hope, harmony, and shared aspirations between the people of Pakistan and China. The glowing lanterns illuminated the night sky, representing a beautiful fusion of tradition and unity.



The event also featured cultural performances that showcased the richness of Chinese traditions while strengthening the bond between the two nations. Through music, customs, and collective celebration, the Mid-Autumn Festival at UoS underscored the university's commitment to fostering global understanding and meaningful intercultural exchange.



PICS Inspires New Entrants with Orientation

The University of Sargodha (UoS) organized an engaging orientation program for its new entrants, aimed at familiarizing students with the campus, academic resources, and opportunities for personal and professional growth. The program provided an interactive platform for students from various disciplines to connect with faculty, peers, and university administrators.



Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas visited the Pakistan Institute of China Studies (PICS) during the orientation, inspiring new students to embark on their academic journey with enthusiasm, curiosity, and a commitment to learning. His interaction highlighted the importance of cross-cultural understanding, research, and innovation in today's globalized world. Students actively participated in campus visits and interactive sessions at PICS, exploring language programs, cultural activities, and academic initiatives. The visit offered a hands-on introduction to the institute's offerings, making the orientation both informative and engaging.

UoS Hosts Briefing on China Fellowship Program to Strengthen Academic Ties



The Pakistan Institute of China Studies (PICS) in collaboration with the Institute for a Community with Shared Future (ICSF), Communication University of China, Beijing, organized an informative session on the China Fellowship Program, marking a significant step in promoting academic collaboration and cultural exchange between Pakistan and China.

The event was attended by faculty representatives from various departments, along with distinguished guests Mr. Khalid Taimur Akram, Executive Director of the Pakistan Research Center for a Community with Shared Future (PRCCSF); Board Member Iqra Javiad; and Research Associate Yusra Nasir.



In his opening remarks, Prof. Dr. Tahir Mumtaz Awan, Director of PICS, emphasized the importance of international academic programs in equipping students with global perspectives. He noted that initiatives like the China Fellowship Program offer a platform for students to engage with pressing global issues while strengthening Pakistan-China academic and cultural cooperation. Mr. Khalid Taimur Akram provided a detailed briefing on the fellowship, highlighting that it is a six-month program available to BS students from the 6th semester onward and MS students at any stage. Conducted both online and physically, the program combines academic lectures with practical insights on themes such as the Belt and Road Initiative, the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor, regional connectivity, and bilateral relations. Fellows are required to submit articles every ten days, with selected work published nationally and internationally, providing recognition and enhancing professional profiles.



The session included an interactive question-and-answer segment, where participants explored how the fellowship fosters people-to-people ties, academic diplomacy, and research opportunities.

Concluding the session, speakers emphasized that the China Fellowship Program offers UoS students a transformative opportunity to expand intellectual horizons, engage in cross-border academic initiatives, and position themselves as future contributors to regional cooperation and global scholarship.

Digital Detox Summer Camp: A Transformative Journey of Learning, Culture, and Creativity



The Pakistan Institute of China Studies (PICS), University of Sargodha (UoS) concluded its Digital Detox Summer Camp for Kids, a three-week program designed to help young participants unplug from screens and reconnect with creativity, culture, and real-world experiences. The initiative offered an engaging, screen-free environment to promote healthy habits, confidence, and emotional well-being among children in an increasingly digital world.

A total of 18 children participated in the camp, which featured a thoughtfully curated blend of activities aimed at holistic growth. Participants explored Chinese language classes, traditional Chinese games, calligraphy, arts and crafts, and a vibrant Chinese Food Festival elements that fostered global awareness and intercultural appreciation. Interactive cultural discovery sessions further introduced children to the richness of Chinese traditions, broadening their worldview in a fun and engaging way.



Complementing cultural learning, the camp incorporated Islamic and ethical studies, regular Namaz, and spiritual reflection sessions to promote discipline and character development. Fitness activities held at the gym encouraged teamwork and physical well-being, while open mic events provided a lively platform for self-expression, helping boost communication skills and confidence.

A major highlight was the final exhibition, where parents were invited to view their children's creative projects, language progress, and cultural displays. Parents praised the initiative for encouraging positive behavior and reducing screen dependence. The camp concluded with a recreational tour, offering participants a joyful opportunity to relax, connect, and celebrate their achievements.

China Awards Rs 1 Million Scholarship Fund to UoS Students, Strengthening Educational Ties

The Consulate General of the People's Republic of China in Lahore has awarded a scholarship fund worth ₹1 million to support talented and deserving students of the University of Sargodha (UoS), reaffirming China's longstanding commitment to promoting educational cooperation with Pakistan.

The initiative is part of China's broader efforts under the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) to enhance academic exchange, capacity building, and people-to-people connectivity. For years, the Chinese Consulate has supported Pakistani universities through language education programs, research collaborations, and academic partnerships. This new scholarship continues that tradition by easing the financial burden on students and enabling them to pursue academic excellence without barriers.

On behalf of the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Tahir Mumtaz Awan, Host Director of the Confucius Institute at UoS, received the scholarship cheque from Wang Yaqiang, Vice Consul of the Consulate General of the People's Republic of China, Lahore. He was accompanied by Dr. Muhammad Irfan, Chairman, Department of Biotechnology.



UoS Holds Third National Conference on "Future of Education 2025" to Chart Strategic Growth



The University of Sargodha (UoS) organized its third National Conference on the "Future of Education 2025," bringing together eminent academicians, policymakers, and university leadership to review the institution's strategic plan and discuss the evolving landscape of higher education. The conference was presided over by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, while Prof. Dr. Rauf-I-Azam, Vice Chancellor of Government College University Faisalabad, attended as the Chief Guest.

In his inaugural address, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas highlighted UoS's remarkable progress over the past two years, emphasizing academic excellence, research, innovation, internationalization, and community engagement. He noted that the university's mission remains centered on fostering critical thinking, innovation, and leadership skills among students, equipping them to thrive in an ever-changing global environment.



Presenting key performance indicators, the Vice Chancellor announced a 63% improvement in the university's quality metrics, reflecting substantial growth in the Quality Enhancement Cell (QEC). In the domain of research, UoS recorded an unprecedented 119% increase in research productivity, earning the prestigious X-Category Research University ranking from the Higher Education Commission (HEC). "Our next goal is to achieve the W-Category, representing world-class research standards," he emphasized.



Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas also outlined major advancements in research and innovation, including the establishment of a fully operational Interdisciplinary Research Center for One Health, a joint laboratory with Zhejiang A&F University, China, a commercial lab testing facility, and a Business Incubation Center. Highlighting transformative infrastructure projects, he noted the launch of a 2.7 MW campus-wide solarization project, a new data center, an upgraded central library, and UoS Web TV, soon to expand into a satellite channel.

Significant international collaborations were also highlighted, including a state-of-the-art hospital and boarding school in partnership with China, the launch of UoS's

first overseas campus in Hainan Province, China, and the joint Lithium Battery Research Centre with Zaozhuang School of Technology, China. These initiatives, he explained, exemplify the university's commitment to global engagement and applied research that addresses national and international development challenges.



Prof. Dr. Rauf-I-Azam lauded the Vice Chancellor's visionary leadership, praising UoS for achieving substantial milestones within a short timeframe. He emphasized the importance of innovation, diversity of thought, and teacher accountability in strengthening Pakistan's higher education system. He cautioned against excessive uniformity, stressing that creativity and innovation are essential for universities to remain globally relevant. "Education is evolving, and to remain at the forefront, we must actively contribute to the global forces driving transformation," he said.



The conference also featured keynote presentations from the Deans and directors of various faculties and departments, including Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan, Pro Vice Chancellor; Prof. Dr. Aamir Ali, Dean Faculty of Sciences; Prof. Dr. Usman Minhas, Dean Faculty of Pharmacy; Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ilyas, Dean Faculty of Computing and IT; Prof. Dr. Ijaz Rasool Noorka, Principal College of Agriculture; Dr. Imran Ghaffoor, Director QEC; Dr. Uzma Shehzadi, Director Academics; Prof. Dr. Ahmad Raza Bilal, Director ORIC; Prof. Dr. Ijaz Asghar Bhatti, Director External Linkages; and Prof. Dr. Tahir Mumtaz Awan, Director PICS.



Each presentation highlighted recent achievements, ongoing initiatives, and future objectives, emphasizing alignment with the university's strategic vision. Topics covered included the integration of new technologies in teaching, promotion of research-led learning, innovation in curriculum design, and strategies to enhance global competitiveness.



UoS, Novocare International Hospital Forge Partnership to Boost Medical Training and Healthcare Services

The University of Sargodha (UoS) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Novocare International Hospital & Research Centre (NIH&RC) to enhance hands-on clinical training for students while providing subsidized, high-quality medical services to university employees.

The MoU was formally signed by Prof. Dr. Ahmad Raza Bilal, Director of the Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC) at UoS, and Mr. Muhammad Tahir Abbasi, Manager HR and Administration at NIH&RC. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, along with senior representatives from both institutions, witnessed the ceremony. Under this partnership, UoS and NIH&RC will jointly work on clinical internships, practical medical training, and collaborative research

projects. The agreement opens new avenues for students from business administration, medical, and allied health sciences to gain valuable real-world experience in a professional hospital setting. This exposure will enable students to align their academic knowledge with practical skills, ultimately enhancing their employability and professional competence.

Speaking at the signing ceremony, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas emphasized that the collaboration underscores the university's commitment to fostering strong academia-industry linkages. "Practical exposure is vital for student development. This partnership will not only strengthen their professional skills but also support the university's mission of producing industry-ready graduates," he stated.

UoS WWIC Signs MoU with ImpactX to Boost Student Entrepreneurship



The Waheed Wain Incubation Center (WWIC) at the University of Sargodha (UoS) has partnered with ImpactX to foster innovation, entrepreneurship, and creative excellence among students and alumni. The MoU was signed by Prof. Dr. Ahmad Raza Bilal, Director ORIC, and Muhammad Saleem Ahmad Ranjha, Co-founder of ImpactX, in the presence of Vice Chancellor



Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas and other dignitaries. The collaboration will launch joint training programs, mentorship initiatives, workshops, and resource-sharing activities to nurture entrepreneurial talent. ImpactX will support research, idea commercialization, and curriculum integration, while UoS will provide incubation and coworking spaces to help students and alumni trans-



form ideas into impactful ventures. Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas highlighted the significance of industry-academia linkages in shaping future innovators, while Khalid Mehmood Chaudhary, Chairman PVTC Punjab, encouraged incubators to take bold steps in entrepreneurship, inspiring a new wave of creative and business-minded students at UoS.



UoS, Ahad International Pharmaceuticals to Establish New Pharmaceutical Company

The University of Sargodha (UoS) has taken a landmark step in public-private collaboration by entering into a Joint Venture Agreement with Ahad International Pharmaceuticals Limited to establish a dedicated pharmaceutical company focused on the development, manufacturing, and distribution of high-quality pharmaceutical products. The agreement, formally approved by the University Syndicate and the Finance & Planning Committee (F&PC), was signed during a special meeting chaired by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas. The ceremony was attended by senior university officials and representatives from Ahad International Pharmaceuticals, marking a significant milestone in UoS's journey toward research commercialization and industry partnership. Under the agreement, the joint venture company will be established in accordance with the Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan (DRAP) Act, 2012, and the Drugs Act, 1976, ensuring full compliance with national regulatory standards. The new entity will focus on strengthening public health research, promoting pharmaceutical innovation, and contributing to the nation's healthcare landscape. Speaking at the occasion, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas highlighted that the initiative aligns with the university's vision of transforming research into practical solutions. He emphasized that the collaboration would create new opportunities for faculty, researchers, and students by integrating academic expertise with industry experience.

UoS Teams Up with QBS Karachi to Enhance Research and Innovation



The University of Sargodha (UoS) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with QBS Karachi to promote collaborative research, innovation, and capacity building in emerging technologies. The agreement was signed by Prof. Dr. Ijaz Asghar Bhatti, Director External Linkages UoS, and Mr. Faraz Ahmed, CEO of QBS, in the presence of Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas and senior officials from both institutions.

The MoU focuses on strengthening cooperation in research, development, and commercialization, while providing mentorship, internships, and career opportunities for students. It includes support for PhD and post-graduate research, industrial PhDs, MS theses, final-year projects, and capstone projects. Key initiatives also cover hiring research associates, faculty honorariums, promoting student and faculty startups, and joint work in advanced fields such as AI, cybersecurity, data science, robotics, IoT, UAVs, and IC design. Language training and certifications will also be provided for QBS personnel. Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas emphasized the significance of strong industry-academia linkages in addressing modern challenges and equipping students with future-ready skills.



UoS Launches Women's Health and Well-being Training Series

In observance of upcoming World Mental Health Day 2025, the Department of Psychology and the Counselling Centre, University of Sargodha (UoS) successfully organized a comprehensive training series focused on women's health and well-being. The three-day certificate program, titled "Sharing Knowledge about the Science of Women's Wellness and Well-being" emphasized breast health awareness, early detection, and preventive strategies. The program was inaugurated at MFKNBS by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas, who highlighted the pivotal role of academia in promoting women's health through research, policy advocacy, and community engagement. Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Dr. Najma Iqbal, Chairperson Psychology Department, and Director ORIC Prof. Dr. Ahmad Raza Bilal also attended, lending their support to the initiative.



The training was led by Prof. Dr. Mohammad Ilyas Khan, a Certified Lactation Consultant and Mamma Care Breast Specialist, who shared expertise on breast self-examination and preventive care. In a generous gesture, he donated the certificate and registration fees for UoS students, ensuring accessibility for all participants. The sessions were attended by more than 400 female students and faculty members from UoS and affiliated colleges.

Phase-II of Mental Health Week 2025, held from September 22–26, further reinforced the focus on "Physical Wellness and Well-being of Women." The week-long series featured awareness sessions, clinical workshops, interdisciplinary lectures, and certificate training programs, engaging departments such as Sociology, Criminology, Social Work, Education, and Food Science to connect women's health with broader social and nutritional perspectives. Dr. Tooba Ilyas Khan, Psychiatry Registrar at the Royal College of Psychiatrists, UK, also contributed to the sessions, enriching discussions on mental well-being.

Chairperson Prof. Dr. Najma Iqbal Malik expressed gratitude to the resource persons and participants, noting that the initiative marked the beginning of a sustained movement for women's health and mental wellness. Plans for future collaborations with SOS Village Sargodha and Fountain House Lahore were also announced, reinforcing UoS's commitment to community-centered health initiatives.





UoS Hosts "Rahmatul-lil-Alameen" (PBUH) Calligraphy Exhibition

The Institute of Art and Design, University of Sargodha (UoS), organized a calligraphy exhibition under the theme of Rahmatul-lil-Alameen to highlight the teachings of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) and his universal message of mercy, peace, unity, and harmony. The exhibition was inaugurated by

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas as chief guest, while Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Masood Sarwar Awan attended as guest of honour. Both praised the artists and students for their creative expression of devotion through the timeless art of Islamic calligraphy. Curated by Nadia Abbasi, the exhibition fea

tured more than 50 pieces by over 30 contributors, including local artists Imran Pasha, Basheer Haidar, Shahid Mahmood, Saleem Billa, MS Khan, Muhammad Tofail, and Rawal Bhatti. Faculty members, students, and alumni also showcased their works, illustrating Quranic verses and themes



from Seerat-un-Nabi (PBUH) with artistic finesse and spiritual depth.

Addressing the gathering, Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas said the life of the Holy Prophet (PBUH) remains an eternal source of guidance for humanity. He emphasized the importance of

such exhibitions in reminding society, particularly youth, of the Prophet's universal message of compassion, tolerance, and harmony. "Islamic calligraphy is not only a profound expression of our cultural and spiritual heritage but also a powerful medium to connect

hearts with the divine message," he remarked.

The event was attended by Director Institute of Art and Design Maryam Saif, faculty members, department heads, and a large number of students, who took keen interest in the artworks on display.

