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Preston University Organizes Reference in Memory of Col. Amjad Hussain



A Condolence Reference was held at Preston University, Islamabad to remember late Col. (R) Amjad Hussain Sayed, father of Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed, incumbent Chairman of the Senate Standing Committee on Defence and special panel on CPEC. The event was organized by Preston University at its Islamabad Campus in July 2017. The Archaeological and Historical Association of Pakistan (AHAP) collaborated. Eminent among the speakers who shed light on the life and achievements of Col. Amjad Hussain and paid glowing tributes to him were Mowahid Hussain Shah the illustrious progeny of late Col. Amjad Hussain, Lt. Gen. (R) Shujat Hussain, former Rector NUST, Prof. Fateh Muhammad Malik, former Rector IIU, Prof. Dr. Riaz Ahmed, Dr. Abdul Basit, Chancellor Preston University and Mr. Ghazanfar Mehdi, Chairman AHAP.

Talking briefly about their illustrious father late Col Amjad Hussain, his son Mowahid Hussain said his illustrious father Col. Amjad Hussain Sayed was an active worker of the Pakistan Movement. He was a frequent visitor to the residence of poet-philosopher of international eminence and a great leader of the Pakistan Movement Dr. Allama Muhammad Iqbal. This is where he also had the privilege and honour of meeting the father of the nation, Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah. He said, with a sense pride, that his father Col. Amjad Hussain was fortunate to have been selected by Allama Iqbal and sent to the historic 1937 session of the Muslim League. This session, in fact, proved to be the bastion where the Muslim League was reorganized under the very able and dynamic leadership of the father of the nation Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah, and the Pakistan Movement was launched.

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Preston University Kohat-Islamabad Campus and Pakistan Institute of Conflict and Security Studies ink MoU for Collaboration



Preston University, Kohat, Islamabad Campus has inked a MoU with Pakistan Institute of Conflict and Security Studies (PICSS) Islamabad for collaboration in areas of mutual interest and benefit to the two institutions. The MoU was signed at simple but impressive ceremony held at the Islamabad Campus of the University. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Anwar Hassan, Vice Chancellor, Preston University, Kohat signed the MoU on behalf of Preston University. Major General Muhammad Saad Khattak (R), Director General PICSS signed on behalf of his institution. Senior faculty and management of the University were conspicuous by their presence at the event.

The areas identified for mutual cooperation include any or all programs offered by both parties signatory to the MoU. Joint Research and Academic activities will be undertaken in areas of mutual interest subject to availability of funds and approval of each institution. As mutually agreed, terms of each activity/program, including budget for each program and activity, shall be discussed and agreed upon in writing by both parties prior to initiation of the program or activity. The MoU further stipulates that such joint programs and resulting agreements shall cogently specify specific responsibilities and obligations of each party.

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Preston University Karachi Organizes 12th Academic Council Meeting



The 12th meeting of the Academic Council of Preston University, Karachi was held at the main campus of the University in August 2017. The referenced meeting was chaired by Dr. Tahir Rajput, Vice Chancellor, Preston University Karachi. Members of the Academic Council and senior management of the University participated in the meeting. The following new members of the Academic Council: Prof. Dr. Muhammad Qaiser, former Vice Chancellor of the University of Karachi, Mr. Moin-ud-din Siddiqui, Director Confucius Institute, University of Karachi, and Prof. Dr. Muhammad Iqbal Bhangar, former Director National Institute of Excellence in Analytical Chemistry, University of Sindh were also conspicuous by their distinguished presence at the Council meeting.

While extending a warm welcome to all the members to the 12th meeting of the Council, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Tahir Rajput, Vice Chancellor, Preston University, Karachi updated them about measures taken by the management lately to improve the day-to-day functioning of the University. In this regard he informed the House about appointment of two new Deans and purchase of new books for the library. Dr. Rajput also updated the Council members about the accreditation process of various academic programs of the University. With the permission of the Chair, Major (R) Aftab Ahmed Lodhi, Secretary to the Academic Council presented the 15-point agenda before the house for consideration and decisions.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Vice Chancellor Preston University Prof. Dr. Tahir Rajput appreciated and thanked all the members for their invaluable participation in the meeting. He particularly eulogized the efforts and contribution of the new Council members Prof. Dr. Muhammad Qaiser and Mr. Moin-ud-din Siddiqui, and Major (R) Aftab Ahmed Lodhi, DG Preston University for their contribution towards inception of Chinese language classes at Preston University, Karachi under a MoU signed between Preston University, Karachi and Confucius Institute, University of Karachi.



Preston University Donates 2000 Books to Colleges and Universities of Balochistan

Preston University donated over 2,000 text and reference books to the Balochistan Peace Forum, a non-governmental organization (NGO), for distribution among the colleges and universities of Balochistan under the Forum's "Kitab Dost Balochistan" project. The books were formally handed over to Nawabzada Mir Lashkari Raisani, Chairman Balochistan Peace Forum at a simple but impressive ceremony held at Preston University, Islamabad in July 2017.

In his brief address on the occasion, Chief Guest Nawabzada Mir Lashkari Raisani, Chairman Balochistan Peace Forum expressed his profound gratitude to Dr. Abdul Basit, Chancellor Preston University and the faculty, staff and students of Preston University who generously donated books towards the "Kitab Dost Balochistan" project. He said the Balochistan Peace Forum has already donated over 30,000 books through this project, received from institutions and individuals across the country, to the colleges and universities of Balochistan. The books donated by Preston University will be a significant contribution towards the endeavors of the Forum to augment the book resources of the colleges and universities of Balochistan, he maintained. He said that the efforts made by Preston University to quickly build a large collection of books for the Kitab Dost Balochistan project is truly worthy of immense appreciation. The faculty, staff and students of the University truly deserve to be complimented for their generosity, he said. Nawabzada Lashkari Raisani expressed the hope that this donation will, in effect, form a basis for further donations of books to Kitab Dost Balochistan project by the faculty, staff and students of Preston University.



In his address Mr. Bilal Dar, an eminent journalist and expert on Balochistan Affairs shed light on the sense of deprivation that continues to prevail in the province due to callous attitude of those in the citadel of power in the country. He said the people of Balochistan, barring a few exceptions, are true Pakistanis and love Pakistan as much as we do. They, therefore, deserve to be treated with respect and at par with the other provinces of the country. He expressed his profound appreciation for the efforts of Preston University to put together a collection of over 2,000 books for the colleges and universities of Balochistan.

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Research Paper Published

A Research Paper titled "Green Synthesized Zinc Oxide Nanostructure through Periploca Aphylla Extract Shows Tremendous Antibacterial potential against Multidrug Resistant Pathogen" written by Prof. Dr. M. Saleem Sheikh, Head of Department (HoD), Physics and Electronics, Preston University, Kohat, Islamabad Campus, and others, has been published in the international Journal of Nanobiotechnology a prestigious Research Journal of the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET), the largest multidisciplinary professional engineering institution in the world, situated at Savoy Place in London, England.

Preston Islamabad Campus Organizes 31st Workshop on “Human Rights”



The 31st Workshop on 'Human Rights: Strategic Implementation and Prevention of Violations' was held at the Islamabad Campus of Preston University, Kohat in July 2017. The Division of Gender Empowerment, Management, and Social Welfare and Faculty of Social Sciences, Preston University organized the referenced seminar in collaboration with the Federal Ministry of Human Rights, Government of Pakistan. Prof. Dr. Firoza Ahmed, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, Human Resource, and Head Division of Gender Empowerment and Management, Preston University was principally instrumental in coordinating and organizing the Workshop in question. Senior officials of the Ministry of Human Rights, Government of Pakistan and representative of other eminent government and non-government organizations based in Islamabad and Rawalpindi participated in the seminar in large numbers.

The Workshop began with recitation from the Holy Quran, followed by welcome address of Chancellor Preston University, Dr. Abdul Basit read out on the occasion by Prof. Dr. Firoza Ahmed. In his welcome address Dr. Basit, besides welcoming all the participants to the Workshop also highlighted the importance of the Workshops that Preston University has been organizing on burning national issues. Talking about the contentious issue of Human Rights in Pakistan, Dr. Basit said Preston University is seriously engaged in promoting Human Rights activities for gender empowerment, management and development.



A number of presentations were made by experts in their respective fields of interest and expertise. Ms. Mashal La Raeb Khokar, a well known scholar, made a presentation on 'Early Dropouts'. Eminent intellectual and scholar Mr. Moosa Naved Hashmi based his presentation on the subject 'Lack of Equal Opportunities for People with Disabilities (PWDs)'. Mr. Khalid Naeem, CEO, SEDTA spoke about 'Human Rights in Islam'. All the presentations were thoroughly professional and thought provoking.

Following recommendations were made by the distinguished speakers at the conclusion of the Workshop: (1) Free educational institutes should be built in far-flung rural areas (2) Proper measures should be taken for sustained food and water supplies, especially in areas like Tharparkar (3) Awareness campaigns should be run for parents about the importance of education and (4) Child labor and domestic child labor should be criticized and banned on government and private level throughout the country, as Child labor leads to sexual abuse, drug addiction and terrorist activities.

Peshawar Campus of Preston University Kohat Marks “70th Independence Day” of Pakistan *with Jubilation*

Preston University-Kohat, Peshawar Campus commemorated the '70th Independence Day' of Pakistan with unparalleled jubilation. To mark the joyous occasion a seminar was held at the auditorium of Peshawar Campus on August 17, 2017. The Vice Chancellor of Preston University, Kohat Dr. Muhammad Anwar Hassan presided over the event as Chief Guest. Eminent among the speakers who spoke on the occasion were Dr. Naushad, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Islamia College Peshawar, Prof. Dr. Najeebullah from Qurtaba University, Peshawar.



In his welcome address on the occasion Prof. Dr. Anwar Hassan, VC Preston University, Kohat extended a very warm welcome to the distinguished Guest Speakers and expressed his gratitude to them for their participation in the seminar. He also warmly welcomed the faculty, students, and staff of the University who participated in the event in large numbers. Speaking on the subject,

Dr. Anwar said that it was truly a pleasure and honor for Preston University to celebrate the 70th Independence Day of the country in a befitting manner. He said, on this momentous occasion we would be failing in our duty if we do not elucidate and recognize the mammoth contribution of the father of the nation Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah and his cohorts towards the creation of Pakistan.

In their brief remarks on the occasion the distinguished Guest Speakers Prof. Dr. Naushad, Pro-Chancellor, Islamia College Peshawar and Prof. Dr. Najeebullah of Qurtaba University, Peshawar said Pakistan came into being after huge sacrifices made by the Muslims of the subcontinent, and due to the dynamic and very able leadership of our founding father Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah and other leaders of the Pakistan Movement who stood by him like a rock in this mission. They also shed light on how Pakistan emerged as an independent country in the map of the world, and also discussed its philosophical and ideological and geographical boundaries. Lecturer, Mr. Irtiza Alam Orakzai conducted the proceedings of the event and also briefly spoke about the importance of commemorating the Independence Day of the country. Sajjad, a student of the University also expressed his thoughts on the subject. During the course of the event a student named Ibad enthralled the audience by singing a popular national song.

Preston University Karachi Renews MoU with Confucius Institute, University of Karachi for Teaching Chinese Language to its Students



The Confucius Institute, University of Karachi, Pakistan renewed its MoU with Preston University, Karachi to teach Chinese language to the students of Preston. Renewal of the MoU was done at a formal signing ceremony held at the main campus of the University in September 2017.

Prof. Dr. Tahir Rajput, Vice Chancellor, Preston University, Karachi signed the renewed MoU on behalf of Preston University, Karachi. Dr. Li Yong, Director Confucius Institute, China and Mr. Moinuddin Siddiqui, Director Confucius Institute, Pakistan inked the MoU on behalf of Confucius Institute. The ceremony was largely attended by the Chinese faculty, senior management and students of the University.

The salient features of the MoU are: (1) The MoU has been renewed for a further period of four years and (2) The MoU undertakes to jointly launch Chinese language Credit/Non Credit Courses for students pursuing their studies at graduate and postgraduate level at the University.

The Chancellor of Preston University, Dr. Abdul Basit profoundly congratulated both parties signatory to the MoU executed to teach Chinese language to the students of Preston University, Karachi on the renewal of the MoU. He said China and Pakistan have been all-weather friends for decades. China's friendship with Pakistan has grown by leaps and bounds particularly during the past decade. CPEC has brought both the brotherly countries much closer, and learning of Chinese language by people living in our part of the world will help create better understanding between the two nations and bring them even closer, he emphasized.

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Reference in memory of late Col. Amjad Hussain

In their brief address on the occasion, Lt. General (R) Shujat Hussain, Prof. Fateh Muhammad Malik, Dr. Ghazanfar Mehdi, Prof. Dr. Riaz Ahmed paid glowing tributes to late Col. Amjad Hussain Sayed. They particularly eulogized his active participation in and contribution towards the Pakistan Movement.

Dr. Abdul Basit, Chancellor Preston University extended a warm welcome to Mr. Mowahid Hussain Shah, son of late Col. Amjad Hussain and the distinguished speakers and guests for their participation in the Condolence Reference organized in memory of late Col. Amjad Hussain Sayed. He said it was a great honor for Preston University to host and co-organize the Reference for a great personality of the stature of Col. Amjad Hussain. In his brief comments, he said from all that has been spoken about the person of Col. Amjad Hussain Sayed by his illustrious son Mowahid Hussain Shah, and the other distinguished speakers who paid glowing tributes to him, one could unhesitatingly conclude that Col. Amjad Hussain Sayed's personality was a rare amalgam of forthrightness, integrity, courage and moderation.

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Preston Islamabad and Pakistan Institute of Conflict and Security Studies ink MoU for Collaboration

It was mutually agreed that procedures for handling the intellectual property rights issue that may arise during the course of this collaboration shall be outlined in a separate document. It was also agreed that all terms shall be negotiated, on a mutual basis, prior to the start of the collaborative project in question and in accordance with the policies of each institution.

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Anwar Hassan, Vice Chancellor Preston University, Kohat and Major General Muhammad Saad Khattak (R), Director General PICSS in their brief remarks on the occasion said that the MoU inked for mutual cooperation between Preston University and PICSS will go a long way in promoting collaborative research, in areas of mutual interest, between the two institutions. It would also help in undertaking other programs and activities that would be beneficial for both the institutions and give boost to their research and academic activities, they further said.



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Preston Donates 2000 Books to Colleges and Universities of Balochistan



Earlier, in his welcome address Dr. Abdul Basit, Chancellor Preston University extended a warm welcome to Nawabzada Lashkari Raisani, Chairman Balochistan Peace Forum to the book donation ceremony and thanked him for his presence at the event. He said, books are a window to knowledge and every citizen of this country has the fundamental right to have access to this vital tool for acquisition of knowledge and education. He said Preston University considers it a privilege and honor to have been able to make a humble contribution of over 2,000 books towards Kitab Dost Pakistan, a project of Balochistan Peace Forum, for the libraries of universities and colleges of Balochistan. Dr. Basit said this is the least we could do for our beloved students studying in Balochistan universities and colleges.

Preston University Organizes Prize Distribution Ceremony to Award Prizes to Winners of the Sports Competitions held to Celebrate 15th Anniversary of HEC



program was declared runners up. In Table Tennis, Qasim Hussain of MCS program beat Muhammad Abdullah of BSCS program out-and-out and grabbed first position. Muhammad Abdullah was declared runners up in the Table Tennis Championship. The Football Championship was an inter-university championship. Eminent universities of Islamabad and Rawalpindi participated in this event. The teams of Quaid-e-Azam University (QAU) and the Institute of Space Technology (IST) Islamabad reached the finals of the championship. In the finals, QAU emerged victorious. Thus QAU was awarded first position in the Football Championship. IST was declared runners up.



An impressive ceremony was held at the Islamabad Campus of Preston University to distribute certificates of commendation and shields among the winners of different sports competitions organized by the University to mark the '15th Anniversary' of the Higher Education Commission (HEC). The sports events organized by Preston University in connection with the 15th Anniversary of HEC were Badminton, Table Tennis and Football competitions. The Badminton and Table Tennis competitions were interdepartmental competitions. In the Badminton Competition Muhammad Asim of BBA program performed outstandingly to win first position. Hussain Ahmed Khan also of BBA



Qazi Abid Iqbal, Deputy Director Sports Higher Education Commission graced the prize distribution ceremony as Chief Guest. In his brief remarks on the occasion he thanked the management of Preston University for organizing different sports events to commemorate the 15th Anniversary Celebrations of the Higher Education Commission. He congratulated the winners of different competitions for their outstanding performance. Earlier, in his welcome address Col. (R) Nadeem Ahmed, Director Sports, Preston University welcomed the Chief Guest Qazi Abid Iqbal, Deputy Director Sports Higher Education Commission and thanked him for his presence on the occasion. He also thanked Chairman HEC, Prof. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed for providing Preston University an opportunity to be a part of its 15th Anniversary Celebrations. Later, the Chief Guest distributed certificates of commendation and shields among the winners of different sports competitions.

Eminent Educationists take Stock of Status of Higher Education in Pakistan at a Panel Discussion held at Preston University



Education Commission (HEC). Eminent educationists engaged in imparting higher education at various public and private institutions of higher learning situated in the capital gave their candid views on the subject on the occasion. The panel comprised of educationists of renown Meritorious Prof. Dr. Mohammad Daud Awan, Dean Faculty of Computer Science, Preston University, Islamabad; Prof. Dr. Anis Ul Haq, Head of Department of Psychology, NUML University Islamabad; Prof. Dr. Mushtaq Ahmed, Head of Department of Management Sciences, Behria University Islamabad; Prof. Dr. Hafiz Ishaq, Head of Department of Management Sciences, Federal Urdu University Islamabad; Prof. Dr. Sahar Fazal, Head of Department of Bioinformatics and Biosciences, Capital University of Science and Technology, Islamabad and Prof. Dr. Samina Wahab, Head of Department of Management Sciences, COMSATS Wah. Mr. Shahid Naseem, Anchor/Newsreader Roze News Islamabad acted as a moderator of the event.

A high profile panel discussion was held at the Islamabad Campus of Preston University to debate the status of higher education in the country and the role played by the Higher Education Commission (HEC) in bolstering the higher education sector of Pakistan. The referenced event was organized by Preston University, Islamabad to mark the '15th Anniversary' of the Higher

Education Commission (HEC). Eminent educationists engaged in imparting higher education at various public and private institutions of higher learning situated in the capital gave their candid views on the subject on the occasion. The panel comprised of educationists of renown Meritorious Prof. Dr. Mohammad Daud Awan, Dean Faculty of Computer Science, Preston University, Islamabad; Prof. Dr. Anis Ul Haq, Head of Department of Psychology, NUML University Islamabad; Prof. Dr. Mushtaq Ahmed, Head of Department of Management Sciences, Behria University Islamabad; Prof. Dr. Hafiz Ishaq, Head of Department of Management Sciences, Federal Urdu University Islamabad; Prof. Dr. Sahar Fazal, Head of Department of Bioinformatics and Biosciences, Capital University of Science and Technology, Islamabad and Prof. Dr. Samina Wahab, Head of Department of Management Sciences, COMSATS Wah. Mr. Shahid Naseem, Anchor/Newsreader Roze News Islamabad acted as a moderator of the event.

Preston University Organizes Inter-Departmental Poster Competition to Mark the 15th Anniversary of HEC



An inter-departmental Poster Competition was held at the Islamabad Campus of Preston University. The referenced competition was organized by the university to mark the



15th Anniversary of the Higher Education Commission (HEC). Syed Zeeshan Ali Naqvi, Deputy Mayor Metropolitan Corporation Islamabad (MCI) presided over the prize distribution ceremony as Chief Guest. Mr. Sajid Munir, Director Lok Virsa Islamabad and Mr. Tayyab Nawaz Malik, eminent businessman and social worker were the Guests of Honor. The competition was adjudicated by Syed Najam-ul-Hassan Kazmi (TI), a miniature artist of eminence.

The poster designed by Ms. Naveen Shabab, student of BS Biotechnology program, was adjudged the best and was awarded first position. Second position was awarded to the poster designed by Ms. Saira Siddiqui, student of BSCS program. The poster designed by Ms. Mehwish Iftikhar, also of BSCS program was awarded third position in the Inter-departmental Poster Competition.

In his brief address on the occasion, the Chief Guest, Syed Zeeshan Ali Naqvi, Deputy Mayor Metropolitan Corporation Islamabad (MCI) expressed his gratitude to the Chancellor of Preston University, Dr. Abdul Basit for inviting him to preside over the prize distribution ceremony of the Poster Competition organized by the University to mark the 15th Anniversary of the Higher Education Commission (HEC). He praised the efforts of Preston University to provide its students an opportunity to demonstrate their talent in co-curricular and extracurricular activities, besides education.

Earlier, Dr. Allah Wadhayo Baloch, Registrar Preston University presented the welcome address. Prof. Dr. Mohammad Daud Awan, Dean Computer Science, Preston University presented the vote of thanks. They warmly welcomed the Chief Guest, Syed Zeeshan Ali Naqvi, Deputy Mayor MCI and expressed their gratitude to him, the Guests of Honor Mr. Sajid Munir and Mr. Tayyab Nawaz Malik, and Syed Najam-ul-Hassan Kazmi, judge of the Poster Competition for gracing the occasion by their distinguished presence. In his vote of thanks Prof. Dr. Mohammad Daud Awan also expressed his profound gratitude to the Sponsor of the event, Somtom Islamabad, a technology-based internet media company for their support in the organization of the Poster Competition. Later, prizes were distributed among the winners of the competition by the Chief Guest.



Preston University Organizes E-Gaming Competitions 'COD 4 & FIFA 17' to Mark the 15th Anniversary of Higher Education Commission (HEC)



Intra-Campus E-Gaming Competitions 'COD 4 and FIFA 17' were held at the Islamabad Campus of Preston University. The referenced competitions were organized by the Computer Science Department of Preston University, Islamabad to mark the 15th Anniversary of the Higher Education Commission (HEC). To award certificates of commendation to the winners of the two E-Gaming competitions a certificate distribution ceremony was held. Prof. Dr. Mohammad Daud Awan, Dean Computer Science and Advisor Quality Assurance, Preston University presided over the event as Chief Guest.

Atif Azhar of BSCS – 4th and Arif Manzoor of BS – IR 3rd semester secured first position in COD 4 Competition. Second Position was won by Mr. Naveed Ahmed BSCS - 6th semester and Muneeb Toor of BBA 4th. Winner of FIFA 17 was Mr. Saud Bin Riaz of BSCS 4th semester. Naeem Arshad Shah of BBA 6th semester was declared runners-up in the FIFA 17 Competition.

In his brief address on the occasion, the Chief Guest, Prof. Dr. Mohammad Daud Awan, Dean Computer Science and Advisor Quality Assurance, Preston University expressed his profound gratitude to the Chancellor of Preston University, Dr. Abdul Basit for providing the students of the Computer Science Department an opportunity to organize E-Gaming Competitions - COD 4 and FIFA 17 to mark the 15th Anniversary of the Higher Education Commission (HEC). He also eulogized the efforts of Preston University to always encourage its students to take part in co-curricular and extracurricular activities, besides education. Prof. Daud Awan assured the students of the Computer Science department of Preston University of his full support in the organization of such creative activities in future also.



Dr. Daud Awan congratulated the winners of the competition and highly appreciated their outstanding performance in the E-Gaming competitions. He particularly lauded the efforts of Ms. Munazza Mah Jabeen, Asst. Prof. Computer Science, Preston University and her team members who were instrumental in organizing the referenced competition.

Preston University Organizes Drama and Concert to Mark the 15th Anniversary of HEC



Anniversary of the Higher Education Commission (HEC). The senior management, faculty and students of the University attended both the events in large numbers.

The students of various academic programs of the University enthusiastically participated in both the entertaining events. The theme of the Stage Drama related to social issues with particular focus on education. The students who took part in the Stage Drama performed brilliantly. They did full justice to the theme of the Drama, and through their superb acting abilities held the audience spellbound. The audience profoundly appreciated the performance of each and every participant and gave them a big round of applause for their outstanding acting skills.



mesmerized the audience present on the occasion with their remarkable singing prowess. Their melodious renditions won the hearts of the jubilant audience who didn't miss any opportunity to put their hands together for them and acknowledge their splendid performances.

The efforts of the coordinators of the Stage Drama and the Musical Concert Ms. Sabina Khan Wazir, Program Officer, Preston University and Manager Events Mr. Ali were immensely appreciated by the Chancellor of Preston University, Dr. Abdul Basit and the senior management of the University. Their untiring endeavors to organize both the events in a befitting manner were particularly eulogized by the Chancellor.



Preston University organized a Stage Drama and Concert. The referenced events which were held at the auditorium of the Islamabad Campus of Preston were organized to mark the 15th



The Musical Concert that was held at the auditorium of the University was based on inspirational songs which included popular national songs as well. Students who took part in the concert



Preston University Organizes Management & Business Quiz Competition to Mark the 15th Anniversary of HEC



Muhammad Daud Awan, Dean Computer Science, Preston University presided over the event as Chief Guest. Dr. A W Baloch, Registrar, Preston University graced the occasion as the Guest of Honor.

The team comprising of Muhammad Talha Shah and Farrukh Akbar from MBA and BS programs performed outstandingly and grabbed 1st position in the Competition. The team comprising of Mardan Shah Bukhari and Sidra from MBA 7th was awarded 2nd position for its equally good performance. Nisar Ahmed and Noor Fatima of MBA 7th were ranked 3rd in the Inter-Departmental Quiz Competition organized by Preston to mark HEC's 15th Anniversary. The winners of the competition were awarded certificates of commendation by the Chief Guest, Prof. Dr. Daud Awan. Due to overwhelming response from the students 'BIZQUIZ' turned out to be a grand success. The audience present at the event enthusiastically participated in the random questions session held at the conclusion of the event and were given chocolates for taking part in the session. Active participation of the students in 'BIZQUIZ' was immensely appreciated by the Corporate Guests including Mr. Harris Butt, Director Operations E & A Services and Ms. Asima Bashir of SME Bank. Distinguished presence of representatives of the event sponsors "Eventie" was a source of great encouragement for the competing students. The efforts of Mr. Humayun Shuja, Director Entrepreneurship Development and Visiting Faculty Member, Preston University, Islamabad and Ms. Nazma Iqbal, Event Supervisor who were instrumental in organizing the Inter-Departmental Quiz Competition 'BIZQUIZ', to mark the 15th Anniversary of HEC, were profoundly appreciated by the Chancellor of Preston University, Dr. Abdul Basit.



Preston University organized an Inter-Departmental Management & Business Quiz Competition. The referenced competition was held at the Islamabad Campus of Preston to mark the 15th Anniversary of the Higher Education Commission (HEC). The Competition was titled 'BIZQUIZ'. Twenty six teams participated in it. Each team comprised of two members. Prof. Dr.



Students of PINSAT-Preston University Participate in Conference on Nanotechnology in Beijing



Nine students of Preston Institute of Nano Science and Technology (PINSAT) Preston University, Islamabad participated in "NANOTRIP-2017" at the National Center for Nanoscience & Technology (NCNST), Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing China from Aug 27 to September 8, 2017.

During their 13-day visit the students of PINSAT had the unique privilege of participating in the internationally acclaimed conference on Nanotechnology "China Nano 2017". Besides this, they also had the opportunity to attend a one-day Symposium arranged by the research students of NCNST. Several nations were conspicuous by their presence at the referenced Symposium. The significant aspect of this Symposium was that it was followed by hands-on-training for the participants on state-of-the-art equipment relating to fabrication and characterization of nanomaterials in various laboratories of NCNST. The students of PINSAT were given a befitting welcome on their return to the Institute after their participation in "NANOTRIP-2017". An impressive get-together was organized at the Islamabad Campus of Preston University on September 20, 2017. Mr. Zhao Lijian, DCM & Political Counselor of the Embassy of People's Republic of China graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Mr. Jia Wei Secretary (Science & Technology) of the Embassy of China was also present at the event. Dr. Abdul Basit, Chancellor Preston University presided over the function.



Dr. N. M. Butt, Chairman PINSAT presented a brief account of the activities of PINSAT on the occasion. He particularly highlighted the collaborative activities being undertaken with NCNST which includes acceptance of 3 graduates of PINSAT by NCNST for higher studies in MS/PhD every year and also participation of PINSAT students in the summer workshop organized by the Institute, every two years, with full financial support.

In his brief remarks on the occasion, Mr. Zhao Lijian, Deputy Chief of Mission (DCM) and Political Counselor, Embassy of China appreciated the efforts of Preston University and in particular of PINSAT for arranging such productive activities for its students. He emphasized that the Chinese government was giving utmost priority to science and technology, and there were great opportunities for students from Pakistan to pursue higher studies in China.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Abdul Basit, Chancellor Preston University congratulated the students who went to China and participated in the conference on Nanotechnology "China Nano 2017" and also in the Symposium. He assured the students that PINSAT-Preston University would continue to encourage collaborative programs with Chinese institutions. Dr. Abdul Basit expressed his confidence that CPEC would open the door for more collaborative exchanges between the two friendly countries.



Preston Mission Statement

“Preston is committed to providing university education of the highest quality for preparing students for professional careers, and promoting research and development. Its two-fold mission is to give students the opportunity for personal growth and development, skill enhancement and professional career advancement, and to create, sustain and promote research and development for expanding the horizons of knowledge.”

PRESTON UNIVERSITY CHARTER

Preston University, Kohat-NWFP is chartered by the Government of NWFP vide NWFP Ordinance No. LII of 2002. Preston University, Karachi is chartered by the Government of Sindh vide act V of 2004. Both, Preston University at Kohat and Karachi are fully recognized by the Higher Education Commission (HEC) the highest regulatory body of the Government of Pakistan in the field of Higher Education.

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