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PRESTON UNIVERSITY & QAUID-E-AZAM UNIVERSITY Collaborate to Organize

“14TH INTERNATIONAL PURE MATHEMATICS CONFERENCE”

Minister of State for Science and Technology, Engr. Khurram Dastagir Khan inaugurates the referenced conference as Chief Guest. Says, mathematics is an extremely important discipline and there is a dire need to promote education in this vital area at all levels in the country.



Preston University and Quaid-e-Azam University joined hands to organize ‘14th International Pure Mathematics Conference’ in Islamabad. The referenced mega international event was held in the Capital in August 2013. The theme of the conference was ‘Algebra, Geometry and Analysis’. Engr. Khurram Dastagir Khan, Minister of State for Science and Technology presided over the inaugural ceremony of the 3-day conference as Chief Guest. Preston University was the co-organizer of the referenced conference. The Higher Education Commission (HEC), Pakistan Science Foundation (PSF), Quaid-e-Azam University and Pakistan Mathematical Society (PMS) were the sponsors.

Eminent mathematicians and scientists from top Pakistan universities and abroad participated and presented papers at the conference. The countries represented at the conference were Algeria, Bangladesh, Finland, China, Canada, France, Iran, India, Nigeria, Nepal, South Africa, Saudi Arabia, United Kingdom and the United Arab Emirates (UAE). [▶▶ Continued on page 7](#)

Dr. Abdul Basit, Chancellor Preston University Presides over National Rehabilitation Conference on “Ensuring Multidisciplinary Approach in Rehabilitation”

Organized by ISRA University

Addresses conference participants, faculty and management of Isra University and the distinguished guests present at the concluding ceremony as Chief Guest. Lauds the endeavors of Isra Institute of Rehabilitation Sciences, Isra University, Islamabad to organize National Rehabilitation Conference – ‘NRC 2013.’

The Chancellor of Preston University, Dr. Abdul Basit, presided over the concluding ceremony of National Rehabilitation Conference on ‘Ensuring Multidisciplinary Approach in Rehabilitation’ organized by Isra Institute of Rehabilitation Sciences, Isra University Islamabad. Addressing the participants of the conference, faculty and management of Isra University, as Chief Guest, he, at the outset, lauded the endeavors of



Isra Institute of Rehabilitation Sciences (IIRS) Isra University, Islamabad to organize NRC-2013. Dr. Basit also profoundly appreciated the contribution that Isra University continues to make towards the cause of higher education in the country. The meteoric rise of this university in the comity of respected institutions of higher learning in the country, he said, could unambiguously be attributed to the relentless efforts of the management and faculty of the university and its other team members.

Venting his views on the subject conference, Dr. Basit said that conferences such as the one organized by Isra Institute of Rehabilitation Sciences, Isra University on ‘Ensuring Multidisciplinary Approach in Rehabilitation’ [▶▶ Continued on page 7](#)

Gender Empowerment, Development and Management Division of Preston University Organizes 71st Workshop on

“WOMEN MANAGERS: ROLE OF YOUTH IN PROTECTING AND RAISING SELF-ESTEEM OF SENIOR CITIZENS”



The Gender Empowerment, Development and Management Division of Preston University organized the 71st workshop on “Women Managers: Role of Youth in Protecting and Raising Self-Esteem of Senior Citizens” in September 2013. The referenced workshop was held at the Islamabad Campus of Preston University.

Forty five participants from public and private sector organizations based in the twin cities of Rawalpindi and Islamabad participated in the Workshop. Dr. Firoza Ahmed, Professor/Dean Social Sciences and DG (HR), Gender Empowerment and Management of Preston University chaired and conducted the workshop. Dr. Shazia Khalid, Head of Department of Psychology, Preston University, Ms. Afreen Athar, Coordinator M. Phil/PhD Psychology and Ms. Tayyibah Yousaf, Intern Social Sciences Faculty was instrumental in coordinating the arrangements of the event.

Addressing the participants on the occasion, Dr. Firoza Ahmed said that the Workshop on “Women Managers: Role of Youth in Protecting and Raising Self-Esteem of Senior Citizens” organized for women managers, teachers and researchers was extremely important from the point of view of women administrators and managers who confront these issues at their workplace on day-to-day basis. Dr. Firoza Ahmed emphasized on the occasion that caring for senior citizens and team camaraderie are two extremely important elements that play significant role in the success of any initiatives launched for the welfare of senior citizens in the organization. In fact, these two important elements possess all the potential to consolidate organizations, she maintained.



Dr. Firoza Ahmed said it is a universal fact that organizations which have laid emphasis on elements such as caring, team spirit and love have attained their organizational goals successfully and vice-versa. It is, therefore, extremely important to consistently build up elements like caring, team spirit and love for each other, particularly the elderly, in the organization and in the local communities, she emphasized. Dr. Firoza further said that research training pertaining to senior citizens must be made to strengthen the program in their larger interest and also in the interest of the organization.



Board of Advanced Studies & Research (BASAR) holds 52nd Meeting

The Board of Advanced Studies and Research (BASAR), Preston University, organized its 50th meeting in Islamabad on June 14, 2013. The referenced meeting was presided over by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Anwar Hassan, Vice Chancellor Preston University, Kohat and Chairman BASAR. Members of BASAR were in attendance. The proceedings of the meeting commenced with recitation from the Holy Quran by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Rashid, Dean Faculty of Education, Preston University. After the invocation, the Chair extended a warm welcome to all the participating members of the Board and declared the 52nd BASAR meeting open.

The Chairman BASAR, at the outset, dilated upon the policy decisions and guidelines for conduct of the meeting, submission of synopsis and smooth

functioning of BASAR. Thereafter, the meeting commenced and various agenda items came up for discussion. Secretary BASAR, Prof. Dr. A.W. Baloch informed the house that the minutes of the first BASAR meeting were circulated among the members immediately after the approval of the Chairman. Some observations, he said, were made by himself and Prof. Dr. Muhammad Daud Awan, Advisor PQAD and Dean Faculty of Computer Science, Preston University. Later, Secretary to the Board, Dr. A. W. Baloch requested the House to approve the minutes of the 51st BASAR meeting. The House approved the minutes of the 51st BASAR meeting and the amendments proposed therein by Secretary BASAR and Dean Computer Science, Syed Shahid Afzal. The Dean, Faculty of Information Technology, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Daud Awan and Prof. Dr. Firoza Ahmed, Dean Faculty of

Social Sciences and DG (HR) Preston University seconded.

During the meeting, synopsis of some M.Phil students of Education, Economics and Mathematics were presented and discussed. Some of the synopsis presented before the house were approved, some were conditionally approved subject to suggested amendments and modifications, and a few were deferred with instructions to resubmit as advised by BASAR. Synopsis of a PhD Scholar in Management Sciences, Hafiz Ghufuran Ali was approved and that of PhD Scholar Haji Rehman was deferred for resubmission. Various other important academic matters and policy issues were tabled and discussed during the course of the 52nd BASAR meeting.

MoU

for academic collaboration
inked between

PINSAT- Preston University
& NCNST, China



Preston Institute of Nano Science and Technology (PINSAT) Preston University, Islamabad and National Centre for Nano Science and Technology (NCNST), Beijing, China inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for scientific and academic cooperation. The MoU was signed at a simple but impressive signing ceremony held at the Islamabad Campus of Preston University. Prof. Chen Wang, Director NCNST, China signed the MoU on behalf of NCNST and Prof. Dr. N.M. Butt, Chairman PINSAT, Preston University signed the MoU on behalf of PINSAT. Dr. Abdul Basit, Chancellor Preston University and the senior management and faculty of the university were also present on the occasion.

The MoU emphasizes the object of furthering scientific and educational cooperation between National Centre for Nano Science and Technology (NCNST), China and Preston Institute of Nano Science and Technology, Preston University, Islamabad, Pakistan. Some other vital areas of cooperation that the MoU accentuates are: (1) the signatories, operating within their respective sphere of competence, will promote and support cooperation between scientists for carrying out joint teaching and R&D activities. (2) NCNST, as mutually agreed, will extend all possible cooperation in making available

laboratory facilities in fields related to nanotechnology to the students and faculty of PINSAT. (3) NCNST and PINSAT will cooperate in arranging joint seminars, conferences workshops and undertake exchange of literature pertinent to the interest of the two institutions. (4) The MoU also stipulates that both NCNST and PINSAT will extend every possible help to each other in designing and developing teaching courses and practicals for schools, colleges and university students.

In his brief remarks on the occasion, Prof. Chen Wang, Director NCNST, China said that nanotechnology is the latest invention in the field of science and engineering and future of scientific and industrial development of any country would depend on this very important technology. Talking about the scientific and academic cooperation between NCNST and PINSAT-Preston University, he said it would provide both the institutions an excellent opportunity to mutually benefit from each others experience. The students and faculty of PINSAT would particularly benefit from this cooperation between the two institutions, he maintained.

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Preston University Karachi Organizes

ORIENTATION SESSION FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS



Preston University, Karachi organized an Orientation Session for prospective students aspiring to seek admission in various academic programs of the university during the Fall 2013 session. The referenced event was held in the newly constructed Auditorium of the university, located at Main Shahrah-e-Faisal, Karachi.

The Orientation Session was thronged by over 200 prospective students, flanked by their parents and guardians, seeking admission in the bachelors and masters programs, in different disciplines, being offered at the university. Corporate Executives aspiring to seek admission in the Executive MBA and MBA Weekend programs were also conspicuous by their presence at the session.

The Director General, Preston University, Karachi, Mr. Aftab Lodhi extended a warm welcome to the students and their parents and guardians to the event. On the occasion, Mr. Lodhi also briefly spoke about the history of Preston University and highlighted some of its major achievements since its inception in 1984. Manager Marketing, Preston University, Karachi, Mr. Ali R. Qureshi made a detailed presentation on the academic programs being offered by the university and also highlighted its academic policies and rules and regulations. The Vice Chancellor Preston University, Karachi Prof. Dr. Ibrahim Shah Bukhari also addressed the students on the occasion. Justice (R) Deedar Hussain Shah, Pro-Chancellor, Preston University in his concluding address to the students assured that Preston University, as always, would make every possible endeavor to provide them the best of education. The education imparted to the students at this university, he said with utmost conviction, equips them with knowledge and skills that ensure a bright career for them. They should, therefore, work hard and endeavor to derive full benefit from this great opportunity.





The Chancellor Preston University, Dr. Abdul Basit and Chairman Preston Institute of Nano Science and Technology (PINSAT) Islamabad term the selection of PINSAT students for the referenced study visit by DAAD as a landmark achievement. Express their profound gratitude to the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) for posing confidence in PINSAT students and selecting them for this important visit.

The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Islamabad selected twelve students of Preston Institute of Nano Science and Technology (PINSAT), Preston University, Islamabad for a two-week study visit to Germany. The ensemble of students selected for the referenced study visit was led to Germany by Mr. Haroon Asghar, a PINSAT faculty member.

To educate the selected students about Germany and the institutions they were to visit during the course of their stay in Germany, an orientation session was jointly organized by PINSAT and German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) at Preston University Auditorium in Islamabad. The inaugural ceremony of the orientation session was chaired by Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed, Executive Director Higher Education Commission (HEC), Government of Pakistan, as Chief Guest. Senior faculty, staff and students of Preston University attended the ceremony in large number. The Director of German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), in Pakistan, Dr. Ursula Saarbeck, was also conspicuous by her presence at the inaugural ceremony.

In his keynote address on the occasion, Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed at the outset profoundly congratulated the students of PINSAT on being selected by DAAD for a two-week study tour. ▶▶ Continued on page 8



German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) Selects Twelve PINSAT-Preston University Students for Study Visit to Germany



Peshawar Campus Commemorates "Universal Literacy Day"

Organizes seminar to highlight the importance of education in nation-building. Vice Chancellor, Preston University, Kohat presides over the event as Chief Guest. Persuasively reiterates the need to accentuate on education for successful attainment of country's socio-economic goals.



The Peshawar Campus of Preston University, Kohat, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa commemorated the 'Universal Literacy Day' with immense enthusiasm. To highlight the importance of education in nation-building a seminar was held at the university auditorium in September 2013. Vice Chancellor Preston University, Kohat Prof. Dr. Muhammad Anwar Hassan presided over the event as Chief Guest. The faculty, staff and students of the university as well as some distinguished scholars and educationists of repute participated in the seminar.



In his address on the occasion, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Anwar Hassan at the outset extended a warm welcome to all those present on the occasion. He expressed his gratitude particularly to the distinguished guests who took time out of their busy schedule to participate in the seminar. Venting his views on the subject, Dr. Anwar emphasized

that the success of any nation largely depends on the importance it attaches to education. He said no nation can attain sustained economic, social and political growth unless education is given a due place in its roster of national priorities. Nations which have attained significant progress in all spheres of national life have done so by assigning top priority to education, he said. Dr. Anwar emphasized that it is, therefore, essential that parents should ensure that their children are provided access to top quality education no matter how big a sacrifice they may have to make to attain this vital goal. The government must also give due importance to education because it is one of its primary responsibilities to educate the youth who are our national asset and the future leaders of this country.

Preston Represented at HEC Workshop for University Librarians



Huma Waseem Malik
Librarian,
Preston, Islamabad

The Higher Education Commission (HEC) organized a five-day Workshop on “Integrated Library System: KOHAQ and DSpace” for the University Librarians. The Workshop that was held at the Higher Education Commission, Islamabad kicked off on September 16, 2013 and continued through September 20. As many as 27 Librarians from public and private sector universities of Islamabad, Rawalpindi and Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK) participated in the referenced Workshop.

Ms. Huma Waseem Malik, Librarian, Preston University, Islamabad Campus represented Preston at the Workshop that was primarily organized by HEC’s Research and Development in collaboration with the Commission’s Learning Innovation Division.

The Workshop on “Integrated Library System: KOHAQ and DSpace” was spread over 17 sessions. The Director Library of HEC, Muhammad Javed Iqbal was instrumental in coordinating the whole activity. Mr. Sher Afzal, Chief Librarian, Bahria University,

Islamabad was the key resource person. He delivered 14 lectures on ‘KOHA and DSpace’. Lectures were also delivered on various other topics relevant to the interest of the Workshop participants by eminent personalities.

Commenting on the outcome of the Workshop, Ms. Huma Waseem Malik, Librarian, Preston University, Islamabad said that the Workshop provided all the participants an excellent opportunity to learn state-of-the-art skills and knowledge in the field of Information Technology. She said that it is essential for the librarians to have adequate knowledge and skills in the field of IT, as libraries in the universities all over the country are mostly computerized.

Professor Dr. Masoom Yasinzai, Vice Chancellor, Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad who presided over the concluding ceremony of the Workshop, as Chief Guest, appreciated the efforts of HEC in organizing the Workshop for librarians of public and private sector universities. He said that the Workshop conducted by HEC must have definitely played a significant role in augmenting the knowledge and skills of the participants who are now better equipped to manage their respective libraries in a professional manner.



Preston & FAFEN Organize Lecture on “Effective Parliament & the Role of Students”



Preston University hosted a lecture on “Effective Parliament & the Role of Students” at its campus in Islamabad in September 2013. The Free and Fair Elections Network (FAFEN) Islamabad was instrumental in organizing the referenced lecture. Senior Faculty and students of international relations department of the university participated. Representatives of FAFEN made elaborate presentations on the topic. Besides shedding light on the history of elections held in Pakistan, since its inception in 1947, they spoke in detail about the elections held in the country in May 2013. During the course of their presentations the speakers highlighted the significance of an effective Parliament in the development the country, and the role that the youth (students) of Pakistan could play in the attainment of this vital objective. On the occasion, they also explained the scope and activities of FAFEN in the realm of scrutiny of the Parliament and Provincial Assemblies of the country. Prof. Dr. Sohail Mahmood, Associate Dean and Head of the Department of International Relations, Preston University presided over the event. He also spoke on the subject expansively. The presentations were followed by a lively question and answer session. The students and faculty of the university participated in the session with immeasurable enthusiasm.

Quotable Quotes

“The Past is History, the Future is a Mystery, this Moment is a Gift - that’s why it’s called The Present.”

“To Live a creative Life, we must Lose our Fear of Being Wrong.”

“Love is like a butterfly, it gently goes where it pleases and pleases where it goes”

Preston Peshawar Campus Befittingly Commemorates “66th Independence Day” of the Country

Vice Chancellor Preston University, Kohat, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Anwar Hassan presides over the event as Chief Guest. Calls upon the nation to instill in themselves the motto of the founding father, Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah “Unity, Faith and Discipline”. The country, he said, is today passing through the most difficult times in its history. There is a dire need to establish unity and discipline in all our ranks and steer the country out of its current inordinately critical predicaments, he emphasized.

The Peshawar Campus of Preston University, Kohat commemorated the ‘66th Independence Day’ of Pakistan in a befitting manner. To mark the day, a get together was held at the university campus on August 21, 2013. Besides the faculty, staff and students of the university some eminent personalities of Peshawar participated in the event with immeasurable enthusiasm.

The program started with recitation from the Holy Quran, followed by welcome address by Mr. Liaquat Tabassum, Chairperson of Thinkers Forum Peshawar. Eminent among those who addressed the distinguished gathering were Mr. Nazir Hussain, Director Oxford College Peshawar and Dr. Dost Muhammad, Director, Sheikh Zaid Islamic Center Peshawar. They spoke about ‘Pakistan Movement’ and ‘Ideology of Pakistan’ respectively. Other distinguished personalities who spoke on the occasion were Dr. Salahuddin from Hamdard Shura, Dr. Sadiq-ur-Rehman Khattak, President Thinkers Forum, Mr. Fakhru Islam, Director Pakistan Study Center, University of Peshawar and Mr. Akhtar Sharif, former GM Wapda. Children of different schools of Peshawar



presented national songs and delivered speeches pertinent to the occasion.

In his brief address, the Vice Chancellor Preston University, Kohat Dr. Muhammad Anwar Hassan at the outset narrated a message of the Quaid ‘Hope, courage and confidence, let us mobilize all our resources, the Quaid said, in a systematic and organized way and tackle the grave issues that confront us with determination and discipline worthy of a great nation’. The Vice Chancellor urged the students to work very hard. He said 66 years ago when Pakistan came into existence the



Quaid visualized it as a modern, progressive and democratic state where energies would be utilized to give uplift to its people and eliminate the menace of corruption from the society. Unfortunately, however, the scenario is exactly the opposite today – welfare of the people is at the lowest ebb of the priority list and corruption in the society has become rampant, he said. Prof. Dr. Alay Ahmed, Dean Social Sciences, Preston University, Peshawar discussed the miracles of Hazrat Mujaddid-ul-Sani, Shaikh-ul-Hind, Mehmood-ul-Hassan and Hazrat Jaffer Shah Phulwari before presenting the vote of thanks.



Sumaira Rasool
Librarian,
Preston, Islamabad

Sumaira Rasool Participates in SDPI Training Workshop On “Advanced Searching and Citation Management using Mendeley Software” held in Islamabad

Sumaira Rasool, Librarian, Preston University Islamabad Campus participated in one-day training workshop for librarians on “Advanced Searching and Citation Management using Mendeley Software” organized by Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), Islamabad in collaboration with Pakistan Librarians Welfare Organization. The referenced Workshop was attended by a large number of librarians affiliated with various public and private sector organizations, universities, NGOs and the corporate sector.

The Workshop was inaugurated by Mr. Ahmed Salim, Senior Adviser, SDPI. In his inaugural remarks, Mr. Ahmed Salim at the outset welcomed the participants and the distinguished speakers to the Workshop. Talking about the importance of the Workshop, he said that sustained endeavors must be made to always keep our knowledge updated. This, he emphasized, is essential if we are to compete with today’s highly competitive world. Mr. Ahmed Salim said that we could achieve this vital objective by consulting latest books and effective use of libraries.

Eminent among those who made presentations on the occasion were Ms. Saira Hanif, Lecturer, University of Sargodha, Mr. Muhammad Farooq, Director ISD, Riphah International University and Mr. Zaheer Ahmed, Secretary, PLWO. They spoke on ‘Citation Management using Mendeley Software’, ‘Advance Searching Techniques’ and ‘Role of Professional Bodies in Meeting Overall Research Objectives’ respectively. Raja Muhammad Ibrahim, Chief Librarian, COMSATS in his concluding remarks emphasized on the need to equip researchers with advanced software to equip researchers with advanced software to excel in the field of research and development. He further emphasized that training programs for librarians are very important because well-trained librarians can facilitate the researchers in a better manner.

In his keynote address on the occasion, Chief Guest Engr. Khurram Dastagir Khan, Minister of State for Science and Technology at the outset expressed his gratitude to the organizers of the conference for inviting him to preside over a high profile international event such as the '14th International Pure Mathematics Conference'. He congratulated the organizers and sponsors of the conference for their endeavors to organize a conference in an area of vital importance like mathematics. He also extended a warm welcome to the foreign and local delegates to the conference for their participation in the event. Engr. Khurram Dastagir Khan emphasized on the occasion that mathematics is an extremely important field of education and there is a dire need to promote education in this area, at all levels, in the country. Further highlighting the importance of Mathematics in science and engineering, he said that Mathematics is a tool that provides a strong basis to all fields of modern education, especially science and engineering. Engr. Khurram Dastagir Khan said that the incumbent government is making every possible endeavor to promote the cause of state-of-the-art scientific education in the country. He expressed his profound appreciation to the Chancellor Preston University, Dr. Abdul Basit for his sustained support to this conference. The sponsors of the event were also immensely praised by him for their invaluable contribution.



Eminent among the other speakers who addressed the inaugural ceremony of the conference were Prof. Dr. Masoom Yasinzai, Vice Chancellor, Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad and Prof. Dr. Qaiser Mushtaq, President Pakistan Mathematical Society (PMS). They, at the outset, expressed their utmost gratitude to all the delegates for making it convenient to participate and present papers at the conference. Participation of the foreign delegates was particularly lauded by them. They expressed the confidence that their participation will significantly contribute towards successful attainment of the primary objective of the conference – 'learning and benefiting from each others rich and invaluable experience'.



provide an excellent platform to augment the knowledge of the participants by interacting with the experts and scholars who share with them their knowledge and expertise in the relevant field. He expressed the hope that the participants of this conference must have inordinately benefited from each others rich and valuable experiences. Highlighting the importance of Physiotherapy, Dr. Abdul Basit said that importance of Physiotherapy in today's volatile world cannot be over emphasized. This, he said, is a dynamic profession concerned with evaluation and rehabilitation of patients disabled by injuries

disease or pain. There is a dire need to focus upon research activities in this filed in order to meet the challenges, he emphasized.



In the end he expressed his gratitude to the management of Isra University for providing him the opportunity to preside over the closing ceremony of NRC 2013 and address the distinguished delegates to the conference and the faculty and management of the university. On the occasion he also congratulated Chairman NRC 2013, Dr. Naveed Babur and his dedicated team on the resounding success of the conference.



In his address, Dr. Abdul Basit, Chancellor Preston University at the beginning said that the all-weather friendship between China and Pakistan is exemplary. It is time-tested and has no parallel in the contemporary history of mutual friendship between nations, he maintained. About the accord for cooperation signed between NCNST, China and PINSAT-Preston

University, Pakistan. Dr. Basit said that it is an excellent initiative and it would go a long way in building a strong and mutually beneficial relationship between the two institutions.

Earlier, speaking on the occasion Prof. Dr. N.M. Butt, Chairman PINSAT extended a warm welcome to Prof. Chen Wang, Director NCNST, Beijing, China to Preston University. Talking about nanoscience and technology, he said that it is the technology of the future and successful scientific, industrial and economic development of any nation would largely depend on the promotion of this high profile technology. He expressed his confidence that the accord for mutual cooperation inked between NCNST and PINSAT will augur well for both institutions and its ultimate beneficiaries.



He also congratulated PINSAT and Preston University on this landmark achievement. On the occasion, Dr. Mukhtar also lauded the dedicated endeavors of Dr. Abdul Basit, Chancellor Preston University, to promote the cause of higher education in the country. He advised the selected students to take full advantage of the great opportunity that has come their way and try to learn as much as they could during this important visit.



In his brief address on the occasion, Dr. Abdul Basit, Chancellor Preston University at the outset expressed his utmost gratitude to Prof. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed, Executive Director HEC for gracing the inaugural ceremony of the orientation session by his distinguished presence. He also expressed his gratitude to Dr. Ursula Saarbeck, Director (DAAD) Islamabad for her efforts to arrange this important tour for PINSAT students.

In her address, Dr. Ursula Saarbeck, Director DAAD, Islamabad said that during the course of their tour the students will get an opportunity to visit not only some of the leading institutes of nanotechnology in Germany but also visit some of the leading German industries and the old Castle in Stuttgart and the old Pinakothek in Munich which displays some of the finest pieces of European artwork from the middle ages to the 19th century. She immensely congratulated the students on being selected for the tour.

Earlier, in his welcome address Prof. Dr. N.M. Butt, Chairman PINSAT extended a warm welcome to the Chief Guest, Prof. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed and Dr. Ursula Saarbeck to the inaugural ceremony. On the occasion, he profoundly eulogized the efforts of Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed towards the cause of education in the country. He also lauded the efforts of Dr. Abdul Basit, Chancellor Preston University for his dedicated and outstanding contribution towards the cause of higher education in Pakistan. He particularly appreciated his decision to establish the Preston Institute of Nano Science and Technology (PINSAT) Islamabad. He commended the efforts of Dr. Ursula Saarbeck, Director DAAD, Islamabad for her efforts to help promote education and research in Pakistan, and thanked her for the efforts she made to arrange/sponsor the study visit of twelve PINSAT students and a PINSAT faculty member to Germany.



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