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Honourable Governor Punjab and Chancellor Engr. Muhammad Baligh ur Rehman said that the government is committed to

exhibition of works of art at the College of Art and Design. In his address, the Governor Punjab said that the schemes to promote

play their role in promoting knowledge based economy by getting acquainted with the latest curriculum and technology. He said

needs, significant progress in global rankings, development activities, Congratulations to Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob on



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Vice Chancellor presenting shield to Honourable Chancellor

transform the beloved homeland into a knowledge-based society. Universities are centers of higher learning that have a responsibility to prepare our students to face global challenges. The Governor Punjab expressed these views while addressing a large gathering of teachers and students at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. During his visit, he inaugurated the new building of the Faculty of Computing at the Islamia University Bahawalpur. The Governor Punjab inaugurated the rainy season tree planting campaign as well as an

education, including scholarships, fee waiver scheme and laptop supply program, have been immediately revived. The laptop scheme is in fact a great effort to expand the scope of research and quality education in the country and access to information technology. He asked the students to turn their educational activities into finding answers to individual, regional and national issues. Just as the nation is making sacrifices for their education, let them also contribute to the collective development and prosperity. Teachers should

that the land of Bahawalpur and Cholistan is full of philanthropy and love of Khawaja Ghulam Farid. Bahawalpur has been a center of knowledge and civilization. Educational institutions here have established national and international recognition. The Governor commended the recent achievements of the University including the provision of thousands of admissions, the extraordinary increase in the number of new faculties and teaching departments, the launch of programs tailored to market

the establishment of new campuses especially Hasilpur Campus and promotion of agricultural research. On the occasion, Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob in his welcome address thanked the Governor for coming and said that all the achievements of the university were made possible by the hard work of the faculty and staff and the support of the government. He said that the full support of Governor Punjab Muhammad Baligh ur Rehman and Chief Minister Punjab Hamza Shahbaz was very much appreciated



Honourable Governor Punjab Engr. Muhammad Baligh ur Rehman and Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob along with faculty members and students

for using the system of increasing rainfall with the help of modern technology to make the 6 million acres of Cholistan desert cultivable. Currently, the university is working on development projects worth Rs. 12 billion from government grants,

public-private partnerships and its own resources. Earlier, in a briefing on the occasion of inauguration of the Faculty of Computing, the Vice Chancellor said that the project costing Rs. 374.6 million would play a key role in the promotion

of information technology education. Under the project, 38 new classrooms and 40 laboratories and offices will be set up. During his visit, Governor Punjab also visited College of Nursing, Faculty of Management Science,

Amphitheater and University Solar Park. The Governor also attended the Oath Taking Ceremony of the Student Societies at the Main Auditorium and distributed Rolls of Honor among the 9 best performing students.



Glimpses of the Honourable Chancellor's Visit



Honourable Governor Punjab Engr. Muhammad Baligh ur Rehman inaugurating Faculty of Computing building



Vice Chancellor presenting a souvenir to Honourable Chancellor



Tree plantation by the Honourable Chancellor



Group photo at University College of Art and Design



Honourable Governor Punjab Engr. Muhammad Baligh ur Rehman visiting University College of Nursing



Honourable Governor Punjab Engr. Muhammad Baligh ur Rehman visiting Faculty of Management Sciences



Group photo at amphitheater arena

## Honourable Chief Minister Punjab Approves Rain Enhancement Project of IUB

Honourable Chief Minister of the Punjab, Hamza Shahbaz gave inprinciple approval to the Islamia University of Bahawalpur's project to increase rainfall over cholistan Desert. In this regard, a special online meeting was attended by the Chief Minister of Punjab and Provincial Secretaries. From Bahawalpur, Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Commissioner Bahawalpur Division Raja Jahangir Anwar, Deputy Commissioner Bahawalpur Irfan Ali Kathia and other officers were present. Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob briefed in detail about the plan to increase rainfall in Cholistan through the system. The Chief Minister Punjab termed the project as significant in the context of growing population and national food security. He



Honourable Chief Minister of the Punjab Hamza Shahbaz chairing the meeting to approve rain enhancement project of IUB

directed the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and provincial departments to implement meteorological technology system project on a trial basis. He said that this project of artificial rain should also be tested in Lahore for elimination of smog. It was informed in the briefing that the

implementation of this project would increase the rainfall rate in Cholistan up to 500 mm which would create a special agro-economic zone on an area of 6.5 million acres. The project will significantly increase livestock along with land resettlement in Cholistan. The project will benefit the national

economy to the tune of 10 billion and the locals of Cholistan will be prosperous. On this occasion, the Punjab Chief Minister praised the Vice Chancellor of Islamia University Bahawalpur, Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob and the scientists for presenting a project of national importance.

## High Court Judges Discussed Civil and Economic Rights in Pakistan



A view of the conference

A conference on Civil and Economic Rights in Pakistan was held at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. The book "Corporate Governance and Institutional Investment" by senior jurist Dr. Malik Muhammad Hafeez was also unveiled on the occasion. Honorable Judges of Lahore High Court Bahawalpur Bench Mr. Justice Jawad Hassan, Mr. Justice Anwar ul Haq Pannu, Mr. Justice Waheed Khan, Mr. Justice

Islamia University of Bahawalpur, Mr. Muhammad Ameer Khan District and Session Judge Bahawalpur, Mr. Suleman Baig District and Session Judge Bahawalnagar, Muhammad Ashiq Khan District and Session Judge Rahim Yar Khan, President High Court Bahawalpur Bench, Dr. Mohammad Mumtaz Civil Judge High Court Research Officer, Hasnain Ahmad Anwar Research Officer, Shahid Hussain

Aftab Hussain Gillani, Dean Faculty of Law, Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Dr. Abou Bakar Treasurer, Mr. Rizwan Majeed Director Students Affairs and IT, Prof. Dr. Asif Naveed Ranjha, Director Advanced Studies and Research Board, Muhammad Ahmed Jabbar, Vice President Bahawalpur Chamber of Commerce, Pro. Dr. Rao Imran Habib, Chairman Law Department,

Associations, Representative of Bahawalpur Chamber of Commerce and Industry, dignitaries of the city, teachers and students participated. Senior Justice Lahore High Court Bahawalpur Bench Mr. Justice Jawad Hassan during his address said the concept of basic human rights was first introduced on earth in the sermon of Hazrat Muhammad (PBUH). He first made the Charter of Medina with eight tribes. He



Unveiling of the book

Anwar Hussain, Mr. Justice Sultan Tanveer Ahmed, Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice-Chancellor the

Senior Additional Registrar High Court, Mr. Irfan Ali Kathia Deputy Commissioner Bahawalpur, Prof. Dr.



Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob presenting shield to Honourable Justice Mr. Jawad Hassan

Civil Judges Bahawalpur, Rahim Yar Khan, lawyers of Bahawalnagar, High Court Bar and District Bar

said that the laws of the United Nations were derived from Islamic law which was revealed to us 1400

years ago. The Supreme Court always took care of civil rights and gave rights to the people. The Supreme Court held a regular two-day conference on the water issue and people from all walks of life spoke about the water situation. We are the guardians of the rights of this country and nation. Dr. Malik Muhammad Hafeez deserves congratulations on the publication of this book and this book is useful for both the business community and the students. The purpose of attending this seminar is to tell the students what steps the judiciary is taking to give people access to justice. Bahawalpur High Court will be 275 years old next year and Islamia University Bahawalpur will also complete its 100 years in 2025. These two institutions are of utmost importance. Topics in corporate governance and institutional investment are important to both the business community and business students. Businesses should be made easier for people. He said that courts

in Pakistan are independent and continue to operate even in the difficult circumstances of Corona. He said that the constitution of Pakistan is the guarantor of the rights of the people. He said that there are many business opportunities in Pakistan and Bahawalpur is also very important in terms of business. He said that the rating of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur has improved a lot and the credit for this goes to Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice-Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. It was a pleasure to come to the university and meet the students. Justice Anwar-ul-Haq Pannun said that the purpose of this conference was to share our experiences with the students. Justice Anwar-ul-Haq Pannun said that it was an honor to come and address the forum of the university and it was an honor to have the book of Dr. Malik Muhammad Hafeez at his alma mater. We have not been able to give a teacher the respect and dignity he deserves in

society. In Pakistan, economic and civil rights should be given to all and the system of local government should be strengthened. District and Sessions Judge Bahawalpur Amir Muhammad Khan said that we combine civil rights with human rights and we should look at them separately. A District and Session Judge, with the help of Deputy Commissioner Bahawalpur, he set up a rehabilitation center at Bahawal Victoria Hospital and worked for the welfare of the people. District and Session Judge Bahawalnagar Suleman Baig said that the charm and fragrance of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur have beautified the region. Society cannot develop unless the rights of the weak are protected. The judiciary bar and bench are a wall between the oppressor and the oppressed. Bahawalnagar district ranks first in wheat production and second in cotton production in Pakistan. District and Session Judge Rahim Yar Khan Muhammad Ashiq Khan said it was an honor

to speak on social rights at the university forum. Our schools do not even provide drinking water and sewerage for the children. The situation is similar in Cholistan and remote areas. Dr. Muhammad Hafeez Malick's book is very useful in terms of investment and business law. Earlier, Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur, welcomed all the distinguished guests. He said that Hafeez Malick started his career at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and is now celebrating his achievement. It is with the love and compassion of the esteemed Justices that they have started a training program for the students of our institution. The number of faculty members in our law department has increased to 18 and we are working to further improve this faculty.

## CONFERENCE ON CIVIC & ECONOMIC RIGHTS IN PAKISTAN & BOOK LAUNCHING CEREMONY

"Corporate Governance & Institutional Investment" Written By Dr. Malik M. Hafeez



Group Photo of the participants

## Vice Chancellor Meets with Honourable Ahsan Iqbal, Federal Minister for Planning, Development and Reforms



Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob exchanging views with Honourable Minister for Planning Development and Reforms Ahsan Iqbal

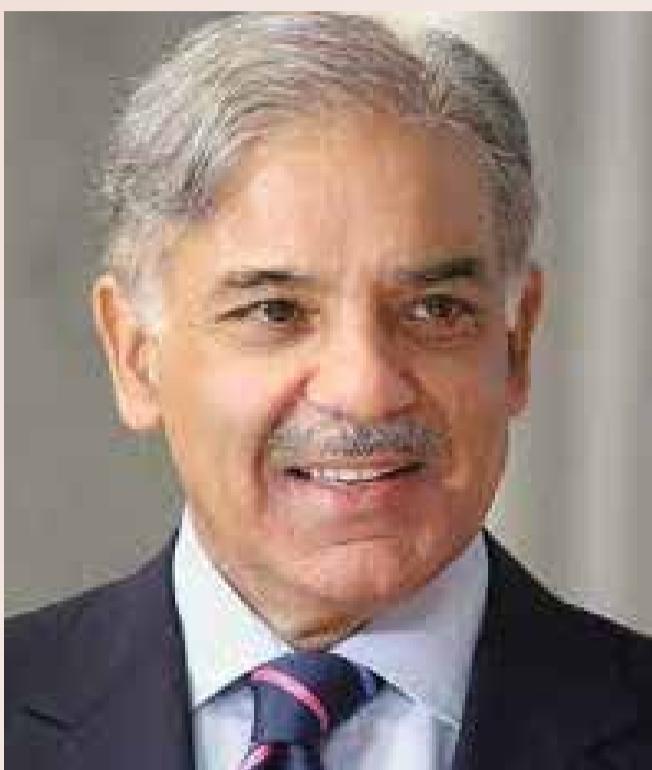
Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor attended the turn around Pakistan conference organized by the Ministry of Planning and Development in Islamabad. The conference was inaugurated by the Prime Minister

of Pakistan Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif. On the occasion, Vice Chancellor had a special meeting with Honourable Ahsan Iqbal, Federal Minister for Planning, Development and Reforms. The Vice Chancellor apprised the

Federal Minister about the ongoing development projects at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur at a cost of over Rs. 12 billion. He also discussed with the Federal Minister a special development package of Rs. 4 billion for the

University from the Federal Government and requested the Federal Minister to provide special assistance for the implementation of this most important package for the educational development of Bahawalpur Division. The Vice Chancellor said that the Islamia University of Bahawalpur is a large university with 60,000 students which is playing an important role in the social and economic development of the region. The university has an urgent need to expand its infrastructure in view of the growing number of faculty and students. For this purpose, there is a special need to implement the development package announced by the government. The Vice Chancellor also invited Ahsan Iqbal to visit Islamia University Bahawalpur. Federal Minister Ahsan Iqbal said that he would soon visit the university and meet the teachers and students besides reviewing the ongoing teaching, research and development activities in the university.

## IUB Students Praise Educational Friendly Statement of His Excellency Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif, Prime Minister of Pakistan



His Excellency Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif Prime Minister of Pakistan

The students of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur have praised the education friendly statement in the inaugural statement of the Prime Minister of Pakistan Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif

and expressed happiness over the announcement of educational promoting policies, revival of laptop scheme, provision of technical education and scholarships. The students including Hamad Javed, Abdul Rafi, Muhammad Imran, Abdul Rahman Bin Shafqat, Aqib Razzaq, Mohsin Sattar, Ameer Hamza, Amara Tanveer, Sonia Mehak and Jamshid Iftikhar said in a statement that Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif had given top priority to education sector during his tenure as Chief Minister. New universities were established throughout the province. A state-of-the-art university Khawaja Farid University of Engineering and Information Technology Rahim Yar Khan was established in Bahawalpur division. Cholistan University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences and Government Sadiq College Women University Bahawalpur were also established during his time. Laptops were made available to thousands of students through the Laptop Scheme, which accelerated research activities and gave young people access to the resources available for research activities around the world. The availability of scholarships through the Punjab Education Endowment Fund has opened the doors to education for students. Students of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur received thousands of laptops as well as scholarships

worth crores of rupees from PEEF Scholarships. Billions of rupees were refunded to the students of South Punjab on priority basis under the fee refund scheme. The Prime Minister of Pakistan Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif in his statement while announcing his commitment to education has announced to use all the resources for this sector. This is a testament to the bright future and stable Pakistan for students from all over the country including Bahawalpur. Students hope that the Islamia University of Bahawalpur being the largest university in South Punjab will benefit from these educational friendly policies. The students hoped that the Islamia University of Bahawalpur which is the largest university in South Punjab where a large number of students from all four provinces are being adorned with education and this historic university will set new milestones of development due to these education friendly policies.

## Honourable Federal Minister for Industries and Production Makhdoom Syed Murtaza Mahmud appreciates Extraordinary Achievements of the IUB

Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob called on Federal Minister for Industries and Production Makhdoom Syed Murtaza Mahmud. On this occasion, the Vice Chancellor briefed the Federal Minister about the teaching and research achievements of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. He said that in terms of number of students and teachers, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur is one of the largest universities in the country. Students from Bahawalpur, Rahim Yar Khan and Bahawalnagar districts as well as South Punjab and Sindh Balochistan are also benefiting from the university. He also apprised the Federal Minister about the expansion of Rahim Yar



Honourable Makhdoom Syed Murtaza Mahmud Federal Minister for Industries and Production exchanging views with Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor

Khan Campus, establishment of new departments and other facilities. The campus is providing graduate and postgraduate level educational facilities to thousands of students in Rahim Yar Khan District. The

Federal Minister appreciated the extraordinary achievements of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur in various fields. On the occasion, the Vice Chancellor also briefed the Federal Minister the steps

taken to enhance the academic and industrial ties with the Chamber of Commerce of Bahawalpur, Rahim Yar Khan and other chambers of commerce of the country

## IUB Solar Park Working in Full Capacity



A view of 2.5 MW Solar Park at Baghdad ul Jadeed Campus



Governor of the Punjab and Chancellor Engr. Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman said on the efforts made by the IUB for the sustainability of environment and protection were commendable. In this regard, establishment of a Consortium for the Protection and

sustainability of the Environment with the participation of 57 universities was a welcome step. He said that the Punjab government was taking special interest in the project of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur for resettlement through artificial rains in Cholistan.

Establishment of student societies at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur was a good initiative. These student societies would showcase the leadership skills of the students as well as help in their character building. He expressed these views during his meeting

with Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob on the occasion of his visit to the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. The governor said that the teaching, research and development activities of the university and the steps taken for the welfare of the students and

employees were praiseworthy. On this occasion, the vice chancellor gave a detailed briefing to the governor on various university matters. The meeting was also attended by Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar, Registrar Prof. Dr. Moazzam Jamil and industrialist and political leader, Rana Muhammad Tariq and Mian Shahid Iqbal. He praised the architecture of the new building of the College of Art and Design and emphasized on the promotion

of art and craft. The new building of the Faculty of Management Sciences was constructed as a result of a special development package during the previous tenure of Engr. Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman as the Federal Minister of Education. He also visited the newly-built amphitheater. The Governor was also told that the university's solar park was functioning at its highest power-generation capacity, generating 13,000 units of electricity. The

governor also expressed his delight at the launch of the first nursing college of its kind in any public-sector university and had a detailed discussion with the faculty and students on teaching activities and practical training. He also inaugurated the Inter-university Consortium for Climate Change web portal on this occasion. The Governor also visited the university health centre where he was briefed about the hepatitis-free campus campaign. Later, he addressed a

large gathering of teachers and students at the main auditorium of the Baghdad-ul-Jadeed Campus. On this occasion, office-bearers of student societies were sworn in, and the best performing students of the year 2021 were awarded the roll of honour.

## Vice Chancellor Visits Aeronautical Complex Kamra to Strengthen IUB Aviation Program



Air Marshal Muhammad Mughees Afzal, Chairman Pakistan Aeronautical Complex, Kamra presenting a memento to Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor

Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur said that the IUB is an emerging university globally where thousands of students are improving their skills in the most important disciplines of modern times. The Vice Chancellor expressed these views during a meeting with Air Marshal Muhammad Mughees Afzal, Chairman Pakistan Aeronautical Complex, Kamra. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob said that for the practical training of teachers and students of Aviation Sciences department established in the university, links are being developed with great institutions like Pakistan Aeronautical Complex so that the technical skills of the students would be enhanced. Welcoming

the Vice Chancellor, Air Marshal Muhammad Mughees Afzal appreciated the establishment of the Department of Aviation Sciences and Management in the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and assured full cooperation from his institution. It is worth mentioning that Islamia University Bahawalpur started the Department of Aviation Sciences and BS Aviation Management and BS Aircraft Maintenance programs have been launched. The launch of degree programs by Islamia University Bahawalpur in the aviation sector is being hailed as an important step by the public and private sectors. This development will give a new direction and development to the aviation sector in South Punjab.

## Seminar on Higher Education in Pakistan



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Nizamuddin, Founding Chairman PHEC and Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor addressing the audience



The Islamia University of Bahawalpur under the leadership of Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor is showing extraordinary progress in every field. In a short span of three years, the performance of every department of the university, increase in volume and improvement in the quality of education is exemplary. These views were expressed by the Founding Chairman of Punjab Higher Education Commission, former Vice Chancellor University of Gujarat and Pro Rector Superior University Lahore Prof. Dr. Mohammad Nizamuddin (Sitara-e-Imtiaz) while addressing a large gathering of teachers and students at the main auditorium of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. He said that he has been visiting the Islamia University of Bahawalpur from time to time since 2008. The

present Vice-Chancellor is bringing about a new revolution in the infrastructure and development

of the University for which the entire community of the University deserves congratulations. He said

that the extraordinary increase in the number of faculty and students is a very encouraging step in the



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor presenting a souvenir to Prof. Dr. Muhammad Nizamuddin, Founding Chairman PHEC

field of higher education. It is a great achievement to maintain the quality of education in the university. He is very happy to see the performance of more than 50 student societies in the university. He said that Pakistan is the 5<sup>th</sup> largest country in the world in terms of population and will soon be ranked 4<sup>th</sup>. Pakistan is also a nuclear power and there are about 215 universities in the country operating in the public and private sectors. He said that the proportion of young population in Pakistan is the highest in the world and this is our real potential. Pointing out three factors, he said that access to higher education and expertise in the relevant field was very important. Only 12% of the youth in Pakistan have access to college level, 29% in India, 39% in Turkey and 59% in Malaysia. We

have 26 to 28 million children not going to school. One of the reasons is lack of transport. In Pakistan, the constitution declares the right to education to be mandatory for all but the relevant facilities are not being provided for it. Pakistan has the highest number of school dropouts. We have mosques in every village where it can be converted into a school by providing two teachers. The majority of young people are unable to pay their fees. On the other hand, the availability of teachers is also an issue. The Higher Education Commission plans to provide education under the online distance learning policy. Allama Iqbal Open University and Virtual University are working in distance education. All universities should encourage this so that access to education is made as much as possible and easy. He said that

along with the quality of education, acquisition of relevant technical skills is also very important for which a degree is very important. In order to increase the quality of education, instructive lectures in the classroom as well as discussions and two-way communication should be encouraged. A teacher training center should be set up in every university and teachers should be continuously trained. Speaking on the occasion, Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob said that the arrival of an academician like Dr. Muhammad Nizamuddin at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur is very encouraging for the university. Dr. Muhammad Nizamuddin's model of higher education is the best fit for higher education promotion in the country. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur was established in 1925 and in 1975 it got the status

of a chartered university. We are committed to making it one of the 100 best universities in the world. Rapid steps are being taken to achieve this goal. The number of faculty has increased from 400 to 1400, departments have increased from 48 to 132 and teaching is going on in more than 300 educational programs. The university is moving towards self-sufficiency and the annual budget has increased from Rs 2,800 million to Rs 9,500 million. The university has achieved international status and is playing a significant role in the development of the region. Earlier, Dr. Muhammad Nizamuddin attended a special briefing at the Vice Chancellor's Office in which he was briefed on teaching, research and development projects.



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Nizamuddin and Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor along with participants and organizers of the seminar

## IUB Ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> among 65 Universities in Pakistan in the SCIMAGO International Institutional Ranking 2022

The Islamia University of Bahawalpur is fast emerging university on the national and global horizon. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur under the leadership of the Vice Chancellor started participating in the world rankings from 2019 and quickly made its place among the largest and best universities in the world. According to a ranking report

issued by Scimago International Institutional Ranking 2022, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur has once again become prominent on the global horizon. Scimago has ranked universities around the world in terms of different subjects according to which Islamia University Bahawalpur is ranked second, third and fourth among 65 universities in Pakistan in

Philosophy, Library and Information Science, Civil Science, Veterinary and Animal Science and Zoology respectively. In the societal rankings, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur is seventh in Pakistan and 16<sup>th</sup> in the research rankings in Pakistan. It should be noted that these success are the result of the practical steps of Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob

whose far-reaching measures will become even more pronounced in the years to come and it is certain that the Islamia University of Bahawalpur will be among the top 100 universities in the world. Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob appreciated the efforts of Quality Enhancement Cell and other teaching and administrative departments of the University.

### SCIMAGO Ranking 2022 The Islamia University of Bahawalpur The SCIMAGO Institutions Rankings (SIR) 2022

Sr. No.	Subject Area	Position in Pakistan (Among 65 Institutions Ranked)	Position in World (Total 4364 Institutions Ranked)
1.	Library and Information Science	3	411
2.	Veterinary	6	475
3.	Animal Science and Zoology	6	437
4.	Soil Science	4	369
5.	Arts and Humanities	9	651
6.	Philosophy	2	447

## Book Launching Ceremony of Muslims Under Sikh Rule in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century

The Book launching ceremony of Muslims under Sikh rule in the Nineteenth Century held at Ghulam Muhammad Ghotvi Hall, Abbasi Campus, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur presided the ceremony while the author of the book Dr. Robina Yasmeen, Associate Professor, Department of Pakistan Studies briefed about various chapters of the book highlighting importing facts about the Sikh rule and condition of the Muslims. Prof. Dr. Aftab Hussain Gillani, Dean Faculty of Law and Chairman Department of Pakistan Studies, Prof. Dr. Iqbal Chawla, former dean faculty of Arts and Humanities, University of Punjab Lahore and Faqir Saifuddin, Director Faqir Khana Museum, Lahore presented reviews on the book. Dr. Ismat Durrani, Chairperson Department of Persian



A group photo of the participants

and Advisor IUB Literary Society conducted the event. The book also examined the relationship between Muslims and Sikhs who went through many ups and downs and suffered greatly at the end of British rule in India. The book described the social, economic,

political and religious conditions of the Muslims during the Sikh period. It is also a fact that there was bloodshed and violence between Muslims and Sikhs at the time of partition which left an indelible mark forever. However, in history no specific cause of quarrel and

conflict between the two nations has come to light. The book states that Maharaja Ranjit Singh gave opportunity to cultivate secular traditions. The event was attended by a large number of teachers, officers, researchers and students.



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor giving shield to Dr. Rubina Yasmin



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor unveiling the book of Dr. Rubina Yasmin

## 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Education

The First International Education Conference held at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. Delegates from various universities of Australia, Turkey and Pakistan are participating in the conference organized by the Department of Education, Faculty of Education, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. Inaugurating the conference, Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur said that in today's world, knowledge is the real power which is being transmitted through modern means of information and communication. Thanks to the latest developments and innovations in information and communication, geographical boundaries have been erased and nations have come closer to each other. Educational institutions, especially universities, have become very important in this changing age of information transmission. The development of means of transmitting information has become very important in teaching, research and mental nurturing and personality building of students. As a result, the quality of education is providing a



A View of inaugural ceremony

favorable environment for global competition. Islamia University Bahawalpur has been playing a significant role in the promotion of education for over a century. Due to the collaboration and collaboration of the university with national and international universities, sciences are gaining new dimensions. Prof. Dr. Irshad Hussain, Dean Faculty of Education, Focal Person of the Conference, said that Islamia University Bahawalpur has achieved a prominent position among Pakistani universities in the field of education. The Department of Education is playing a significant role in training teachers and promoting state-

of-the-art teaching methods. He thanked Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, Islamia University, Bahawalpur for the special patronage and cooperation in organizing the conference and appreciated the participation of various national and foreign delegates. Dean Faculty of Online and Distance Education Prof. Dr. Akhtar Ali, Prof. Dr. Shahida Sajjad, Prof. Dr. Uzma Qureshi, Prof. Dr. Riaz-ul-Haq Tariq, Prof. Dr. Rafaqat Ali Akbar, Prof. Dr. Nasir Mahmood, Prof. Dr. Khalid Khurshid, Prof. Dr. Sarwat Sultan, Prof. Dr. Nasreen Hussain, Miss Sajida Ali, Prof. Dr. Neil Taylor, Prof. Dr. Khalid Ibrahim Bulbul, Prof. Dr. Usman Kose, Prof.

Dr. Penelope Baker, Prof. Dr. Ozlem Cakir and Prof. Dr. Onur Koksal also addressed the conference. The chief guest of the closing session was Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar. The conference was attended by 15 keynote speakers from Australia, Turkey and Pakistani universities and a total of 100 papers were presented. In his address, Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar said that the faculty of education is of great importance in terms of quality of education, curriculum and capacity building of teachers. The participation of local and foreign delegates in the Education Conference is a welcome

sign and teachers and students will benefit from their presence. Focal Person Prof. Dr. Irshad Hussain Dean, Faculty of Education said that efforts are being made for the

implementation of the conference and through various workshops, recommendations for education promotion are formulated and communicated to the policy

makers. He thanked the Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob for the special patronage and cooperation in organizing the conference and said that the

recommendations made by the delegates would be conveyed to the concerned authorities at the provincial and federal level.



A group photo of the conference participants



Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar, Pro Vice Chancellor giving shield to Prof. Dr. Irshad Hussain

## Mehfil e Qiraat and Hamd-o-Naat



The participants of Mehfil e Qirrat and Hamd o Naat

IUB Qiraat and Naat Society, Directorate of Students Affairs, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur organized Mehfil e Qiraat-o-Hamd-o-Naat at Ghotvi Hall Abbassia Campus, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. Mr. Rizwan Majeed, Director Students Affairs participated as Guest of Honour. Mehfil e Qiraat-o-Hamd-o-Naat started with the recitation of Holy Quran by Member IUB Qiraat and Naat Society Hafiz Muneef, followed by the recitation of naat

by Senior Vice President IUB Qiraat and Naat Society Aqsa Khadim. Mehfil e Qiraat-o-Hamd-o-Naat was divided into three segments, Qiraat, Hamd and Naat. Students from different departments of university participated in the Mehfil e Qiraat-o-Hamd-o-Naat. Hafiz Muneeb ur Rehman, Hafiz Imran, Muhammad Asim, Hafiza Memoona Ashraf and Shaista Shaheen recited Qiraat, Faizan Riaz, Muhammad Usman recited Hamd and Noshaba Sadique, Aqsa

Khadim, Hifza Munawar, Abdul Shakoor Haidri, Umair Jilani, Usama Razzaq, Sufyan Sarwar, Syed Muzamil Abbas recited Naat on that occasion. Rizwan Majeed in his address, appreciated the efforts of IUB Qiraat and Naat Society under the mentorship of Dr. Muhammad Saeed Sheikh, Advisor, IUB Qiraat and Naat Society. He urged to keep the momentum going and to organise such events where students are provided with a platform to showcase their talent.

Dr. Muhammad Saeed Sheikh, Advisor, IUB Qiraat and Naat Society in his address, comprehended and appreciated the efforts of reciters and elaborated the role of IUB Qiraat and Naat Society is playing right after the establishment of IUB students societies under the leadership of Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob. Event ended with the distribution of certificates among performers and organizers of Mehfil e Qiraat, Hamd and Naat.



Glimpses of the event



## 56<sup>th</sup> Death Anniversary of His Highness Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi-V



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor along with participants of the event

The Islamia University of Bahawalpur organized a seminar at the Ghulam Muhammad Ghotvi Hall, Abbasia Campus on the occasion of the 56<sup>th</sup> death anniversary of the last ruler of the State of Bahawalpur, Mohsin-e-Pakistan His Highness Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi-V. Commissioner Bahawalpur Division Raja Jahangir Anwar was the Chief Guest. While addressing the event, Commissioner Bahawalpur said, he was very happy that the Islamia University of Bahawalpur paying homage to a humanitarian and education friendly personality. He said that he had read a lot about Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi-V and the State of Bahawalpur but personally saw his services in practice. He said that Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi-V is our national hero and we will try to increase the scope of his anniversary celebrations in coming years. Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi-V is Mohsin of Pakistan and the great nations remember their benefactors. His Highness Crown Prince Nawab Bahawal Khan Abbasi said it was very welcome to pay tribute to the services of his elders by the administration of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi-V settled a large number of refugees from India in Bahawalpur after the partition of India and provided them resources. Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi-V worked on economic prosperity including agriculture, livestock, health, education, recreation and many others. He provided financial support to Pakistan after its formation and gave full support to Quaid-e-Azam Muhammd Ali Jinah. He said he wanted to work closely with the Islamia University of Bahawalpur to highlight the life and services

of Sadiq Dost. He is grateful to Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob Vice Chancellor who worked hard to highlight the services of Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi-V. He supported the Vice Chancellor's suggestion that the university would work on a documentary and serial on the life and services of His Highness Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi V. Sahibzada Usman Daud Abbasi said that contribution of Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi V in welfare of people in terms of education, health and agriculture

Muhammad Ali Jinah in running it after the establishment of Pakistan. He said the Islamia University of Bahawalpur has set up Sadiq Chair to pay homage to the services of Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi-V and to further his efforts. We would also like to work on a documentary and serial on the life and services of His Highness Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi-V. He said that we will spread the services of Mohsin Pakistan all over Pakistan so that people know what he has contributed for this country. Former parliamentarian

the steps taken by the Islamia University of Bahawalpur for Nawab of Bahawalpur. Honorary Director Sadiq Chair Prof. Dr. Shahid Hassan Rizvi highlighted the establishment and aims and objectives of the Sadiq Chair of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. Vice Chancellor Gomal University Dera Ismail Khan Prof. Dr. Iftikhar Ahmed, Prof. Dr. Saeed Ahmed Bazdar Dean Faculty of Physical and Mathematical Sciences, Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Dr. Raheela Khalid Qureshi Chairperson Department of



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor presenting shield to Raja Jahangir Anwar Commissioner Bahawalpur Division

development has no match. Addressing the function, Vice Chancellor the Islamia University of Bahawalpur Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob said Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi-V pays homage to his services. He established many educational and welfare institutions not only in Bahawalpur but also across the country, including the establishment of Jamia Abbasia. He was a far-sighted ruler who not only dedicated his state to Pakistan but also supported Quaid-e-Azam

Syed Tabish Alwari paid rich tribute to the great leader of Nawab of Bahawalpur Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi-V. It is very difficult to cover his services. I am happy that the Islamia University of Bahawalpur is acknowledging the services of such benefactors of Pakistan and paying tribute to them. Dean Faculty of Law Prof. Dr. Aftab Hussain Gilani briefed the participants in detail about the historic steps taken during the reign of Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi-V while

Arabic, Dr. Nasir Hameed Director Information Bahawalpur, Registrar Prof. Dr. Moazzam Jamil, Controller of Examinations Prof. Dr. Sajjad Ahmad Paracha, Dr. Muhammad Tahir, Deans, teachers and a large number of students participated. At the end of the ceremony, the guests were also given honorary shields by the university.

## The 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Emerging Trends in Physics



Speakers of the 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Emerging Trends in Physics

The first International Conference on Emerging Trends in Physics 2022 held at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. The conference was attended by delegates from Sweden, China, Saudi Arabia, USA, Brazil, Australia, Korea and Pakistani universities. Inaugurating the conference, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob said that the Islamia University of Bahawalpur is setting

Prof. Dr. Saeed Ahmed Buzdar, Dean, Faculty of Physical and Mathematics Science, said that this is the first international conference organized by the Institute of Physics. According to the vision of Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, the Department of Physics has been developed and given the status of Institute of Physics in order to create a capable workforce in the latest fields of physics which will play

Mathematical Science Prof. Dr. Saeed Ahmed Buzdar thanked all the delegates for attending the conference. Conference Secretary Dr. Saba Saeed said that the international experts participating in the conference informed our teachers and students about the latest research in the field of physics. The 1<sup>st</sup> international conference on emerging trends in Physics ended with a splendid ceremony. Prof. Dr. Zakaria Butt,

and certificates were distributed among the poster prize winners, all the speakers, sponsors and faculty of the Institute of Physics which made this conference a success. In the two days of the conference, many international and national speakers presented their valuable research work. Students got a great opportunity to interact with the renowned physicists from all over Pakistan and learn from their experiences. The talks presented



Group photo of delegates

up an Institute of Physics at a cost of Rs. 1.2 billion. He said that the Department of Physics is one of the most popular departments in the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. Recently this department has been developed and given the status of the Institute. The Department of Physics is part of a mega project funded by the federal government. He said that in the last three years the university has made remarkable progress in all fields especially the number of students has increased from 13,000 to 60,000 and the number of teachers has increased from 500 to 1200 and development and non-development budget has increased from Rs. 4 billion to Rs. 20 billion. Hundreds of graduates have also found employment opportunities through the new teaching assistants positions. The undergraduate level curriculum has been developed in a comprehensive manner like the universities of the developed countries of the world.

a significant role in the scientific development of the country. He thanked a large number of domestic and foreign scientists for attending the conference and also thanked the leadership of the Vice Chancellor for its special patronage. On this occasion Vice Chancellor Gomal University Prof. Dr. Iftikhar Ahmed addressed and described the achievements of teaching and research of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur as unprecedented. Among the keynote speakers on the first day were Prof. Dr. Zakaria Butt, Dr. Altaf Nizami, Prof. Dr. Khawaja Rafiq and Dr. Mikael Syvajarvi. The concluding session on the second day of the conference was chaired by Prof. Dr. Zakaria Butt. Prof. Dr. Vanderlei Salvador, Dr. Adnan Ali, Dr. Hamidullah, Dr. Muhammad Tahir, Dr. Hidayatullah Khan, Dr. Muhammad Imran and Dr. Lotte Fog addressed the gathering. Dean Faculty of Physical and

Prof. Dr. Sheikh Aftab Ahmad, Prof. Dr. Noor ul Huda Khan and Dr. Khalid Mahmood were the guests on the occasion. In their concluding remarks all the worthy guests appreciated the efforts of the Institute of Physics to hold such a successful conference. Adding to their remarks they mentioned that they enjoyed their stay at Islamia University of Bahawalpur and looking forward to come again and enjoy such events. Speaking on the Prof. Dr. Saeed Ahmad Buzdar, Director Institute of Physics and Dean Faculty of Physical and Mathematical Sciences thanked all the guests, speakers, participants, sponsors and conference organizing team for their effort to make this conference a success. He further added that the Institute of Physics will hold this event every year in the first week of November and is looking forward to welcome such a large Physics community once again. In the end, souvenirs

during the conference covered many different fields Physics and for that purpose parallel sessions were dedicated to different emerging field of Physics including medical physics, nano-materials, energy storage devices and condensed matter physics. The poster session held at the second day of the conference, where students got a chance to share their research work with other students and experts. Different scientific companies and conference sponsors displayed their stalls. Guests enjoyed the light and sound show along with the visit of Noor Mahal. Institute of Physics is grateful to worthy vice chancellor, Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob for his support for the conference. Furthermore, Institute of Physics is thankful to the other departments of the university including the management of guest house, transportation, IT, electrical division, security and estate care for their support.

## Vice Chancellor's Message on Youm-e-Takbeer

Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor said May 28, 1998 was a historic day on which Pakistan conducted successful nuclear tests and made its mark on the world. He talked on the occasion of Youm-e-Takbir in Radio Pakistan's special program. He said this was necessary because India had detonated a nuclear bomb a few weeks ago and wanted to establish its hegemony in the region. It was imperative for Pakistan that the country for which the nation had sacrificed for 25 years should be exposed to the world. This was a very important decision after which the world as a nuclear power imposed many sanctions on Pakistan but the whole world came to know that the defense of Pakistan has become invincible. It has been proved that whenever our nation sets its destiny, no power in the world can stop it from achieving this goal.

This time on the day of Takbir, we

pledge to make Pakistan an Islamic welfare state for the purposes for which it was established. We will all work together to make this dream a reality and build Pakistan into a great Islamic welfare state. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, who was awarded the Tamgha-e-Imtiaz by the Government of Pakistan for creating SONAR software for Pakistan Navy, further said that a strong defense is the only guarantee of peace and nuclear energy. Different uses can be used not only for bombs but also nuclear power is the ability to help treat various diseases. It can be used to generate energy, such as power plants. The acquisition of nuclear power is used for the well-being of humanity, such as cancer and other diseases treated with nuclear radiation. Similarly, nuclear power plants are used to generate electrical energy.



Chaghi Mountains during the nuclear tests

## IUB and District Administration Join Hands on Production, Demand, Supply and Pricing Mechanism of Essential Commodities

Commissioner Bahawalpur Division Raja Jahangir Anwar said that the collaboration and cooperation of the academia and the administration can produce the best results in resolving various issues relevant to public. A meeting of a special committee set up to determine the availability and pricing mechanism of production, demand and supply of essential commodities was held. Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob Vice Chancellor also attended the meeting on invitation of Commissioner Bahawalpur. Commissioner Bahawalpur said that under the leadership of Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob projects have been started in the university which are in line with teaching and research and national requirements which are highly commendable. Commissioner Bahawalpur said that Bahawalpur is a clean city and the adjoining Cholistan and rural areas are rich in agricultural and livestock resources. He said that the university has highly specialized experts in various fields and they also have research data available which can be utilized by the administration to monitor the



Raja Jahangir Anwar Commissioner Bahawalpur Division and Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor attending the meeting

production, supply and demand of various commodities and their availability in the market. The meeting was attended by Additional Commissioner General Liaquat Ali Gillani, Additional Deputy Commissioner General Bahawalpur Aamir Khichi, senior officials from Agriculture, Livestock, Food and Statistics Departments. The meeting was attended by the university officials included Dr. Ali Azam, Economist, Dr. Muhammad Ali Raza, Director, International Cropping Research Center and Rizwan Majeed, Director, Information Technology. It was decided at the meeting that the said committee

would review the supply of essential conditions on scientific basis. Necessary statistics will be collected in this regard and recommendations will also be made to rectify the deficiencies in the marketing system. Earlier, a briefing was given to Commissioner Bahawalpur on Weather Generator Technology, the latest project of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur to increase rainfall in Cholistan. It was informed on the occasion that millions of acres of land in Cholistan could be converted into green lands and agro-economic zones by increasing rainfall. With this project, the current rainfall ratio in

Cholistan can be increased from 120 mm to 300 mm, which can add 2 to 3 billion dollars to the agricultural economy by growing Rabi and Kharif crops. Commissioner Bahawalpur said that this project is of great importance in terms of food security and agrarian economy. On this occasion, Commissioner Bahawalpur was also apprised about the research done by the University on Bahawalpur Air Quality Index. In addition, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur will also take part in various projects for the beautification of Bahawalpur city.

## Scottish Scholarships Distribution Ceremony

Scholarships worth Rs. 30 million were distributed among the students of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur by the British Council. In a special ceremony held

at the Main Auditorium Baghdad ul Jadeed Campus, the Director of British Council Sindh, Balochistan and Punjab Michael Houlgate along with Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof.

Dr. Athar Mahboob and Director Financial Assistance Prof. Dr. Ghulam Hassan Abbasi distributed scholarships. In his address on the occasion, the Director

British Council said that the administration and students of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur had shown great enthusiasm for the scholarships that is why 81



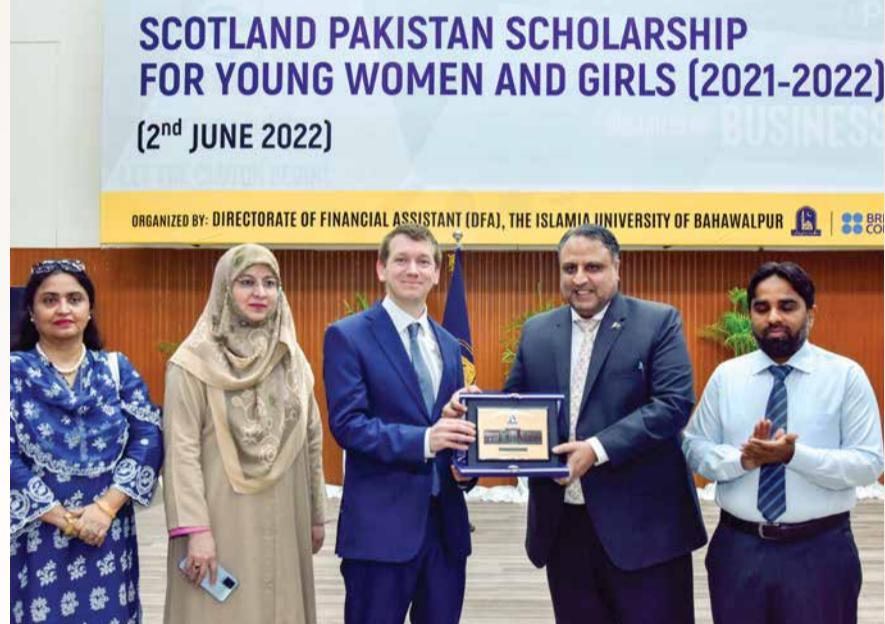
Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor along with scholarship recipients

out of 296 scholarships across Pakistan were given to the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. This year, a total of 21,000 applications were received from all over Pakistan. The performance of female

15,000 female students in Pakistan have benefited from scholarships this year, of which 13,000 belong to schools and 2,000 to universities. Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor said that scholarships for

laptops to 71 female students. We are grateful to the British Council for the extraordinary support and assistance of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. Earlier, the Director of the British Council was briefed

College regarding the Hepatitis Campaign of the University. The focal person of the campaign Prof. Dr. Asif Naveed Ranjha and Senior Medical Officer Dr. Muhammad Usman Cheema while



Glimpses of the ceremony

students of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur is commendable. The British Council gives great importance to the role of education in the social and economic development of Pakistan. In this regard, disadvantaged sections of the society, women and minorities are provided stipends on priority basis. Financial support for these stipends was provided by the Government of Scotland. In all,

full financial support are welcome for our female students. At present, scholarships worth Rs. 80 crore are being provided to 17,000 students of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur by the Government of Pakistan, Government of Punjab, British Council and other agencies. Director Financial Assistance Prof. Dr. Ghulam Hassan Abbasi said that last year also the British Council had provided scholarships and

on cotton and inter-cropping technology research in the Vice Chancellor's office. With the increase in rainfall in Cholistan, the establishment of Agro Economic Zone and the discovery of the archeological heritage of the Hakra civilization by the Department of Archeology were also informed. The Director of the British Council was also briefed on the ongoing activities at the Engineering

giving a briefing on the occasion said that hepatitis screening of 60,000 students and faculty members of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur in collaboration with District Health Authority and Punjab Government and last year the university was declared free Hepatitis University.



Inauguration of the Hepatitis Free University Camp



Vice Chancellor and Director British Council visiting the auditorium gallery

## Times Higher Education Ranking-IUB Secures 12<sup>th</sup> Position in Pakistan

The Islamia University of Bahawalpur secured 12<sup>th</sup> position in Pakistan and fourth position in teaching parameters according to the rankings of Asian universities released by Times Higher Education. Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob Vice chancellor congratulated the faculty members and students on their success. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur has been ranked among 301 to 350 universities in Asia. IUB has shown remarkable improvement in citation, industrial income, international outlook, research and teaching. Director Quality Enhancement Cell Prof. Dr. Asadullah Madani said the

ranking included 829 universities from across Asia. 42 universities from Pakistan were included in the ranking and the Islamia University of Bahawalpur got 12<sup>th</sup> position. He said that due to the visionary steps taken by the Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob for the enhancement of research and teaching, the IUB gained prominence in the world rankings and will soon be in the top 100 Universities in the world.

Times Higher Education Impact Ranking 2022 The Islamia University of Bahawalpur			
Score in 2021: 46.4		Score in 2022: 53.5	
S. NO	SDG	Position in Pakistan (Among 63 Institutions Ranked)	Position in world (Total 1406 Institutions Ranked)
1	No Poverty	6	301
2	Zero Hunger	3	201
3	Good Health and Well Being	6	801
4	Quality Education	8	601
5	Gender Equality	6	601
6	Clean water and Sanitation	4	401
7	Affordable and Clean Energy	6	401
8	Decent Work and Economic Growth	4	401
9	Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure	4	601
10	Reduced Inequalities	4	601
11	Sustainable Cities and Communities	2	401
12	Responsible Consumption and Production	5	401
13	Climate Action	6	401
14	Life Below Water	4	401
15	Life on Land	4	401
16	Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions	3	601
17	Partnership for Goals	4	601
<b>OVERALL RANKING</b>		<b>5</b>	

The Islamia University of Bahawalpur has been ranked at 5th position and included in the top 500 universities of the world on the basis of its performance in achieving the goals of sustainable development in the recent rankings of Times Higher Education

## Honourable Governor of the Punjab and Chancellor Engr. Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman Terms Higher Education Sector One of the Top Priorities of the Government



Honourable Governor of the Punjab Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman along with Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor at Governor House Lahore

Honourable Governor of the Punjab and Chancellor Engr. Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman said that higher education sector is one of the priorities of the government and rapid steps are being taken to provide quality education to remote areas. The development and expansion of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur is commendable and soon the campus of the university will be established in Hasilpur. The Governor Punjab expressed these views during a meeting with Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob at Governor House Lahore. He said that along with enhancing the quality of education, it was very important to provide

access to higher education to the youth. The present government wants to bring higher education opportunities to the doorsteps of the youth by opening university campuses in far-flung areas. In this regard, the steps taken by the Islamia University of Bahawalpur for the establishment of Ahmadpur East and Liaquatpur campuses are good initiatives. He asked the Vice Chancellor to prepare an immediate plan for setting up a university campus in Hasilpur as well. On the occasion, the Vice Chancellor apprised the Governor of Punjab about the details of the plan to increase rainfall and establish an agro-economic zone in Cholistan

through the latest meteorological system. The Governor Punjab said that the plan put forward by the Islamia University of Bahawalpur for increasing the rainfall rate over an area of 6.6 million acres of Cholistan is very useful. On the one hand, this project will significantly increase the agricultural area and it will be easier to deal with the challenges facing food security, on the other hand, the locals of Cholistan will also be prosperous. He said that all possible help would be provided by the Chancellor's Office to make the special system of increasing rainfall practical. On the occasion, Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob

briefed the Governor of Punjab about the research being done in the field of agriculture. He said that soybean and maize cultivation project with the help of strip intercropping technology has been developed with the help of Sichuan Agricultural University of China. The project will save billions of rupees in foreign exchange spent on poultry feed and edible oil imports. That is why this project has been included in the main projects of CPEC. In cotton research, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur has achieved international status and the varieties of cotton introduced by the university are being cultivated on 50% of the area. The Vice Chancellor also apprised the Governor of Punjab about the ongoing teaching and development activities in the university. He said that preparations for the upcoming convocation were underway and requested the Governor Punjab to preside over it. On this occasion, the Vice Chancellor also extended a special invitation to the Governor of Punjab to attend the National Seerat Conference. Governor Punjab Engr. Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman said that he would soon visit the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and take personal interest in the development and welfare of the university.

## Pakistan Academy of Engineering Artificial Intelligence Consortium Opens Job Opportunities for IUB Students in International Job Market

The Pakistan Academy of Engineering Artificial Intelligence Consortium will provide job opportunities to engineering and IT students of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur in the global job market. In this regard, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the two institutions. Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and Engr. Brig. Naseem Akhtar Khan Executive Secretary signed the



A view of the MoU signing ceremony on behalf of their respective institutions. In his message on

agreement in an online meeting

the occasion, Musharraf Z. Khan FCA said that Pakistan Academy in collaboration with Engineering Artificial Intelligence Consortium and the Islamia University of Bahawalpur will work for manpower development to provide immense opportunities in the global market for students in the field of Information Technology especially Artificial Intelligence. Pakistan Academy of Engineering Artificial Intelligence Vision 2025, Made in Pakistan, a symbol of

quality and dignity, aims to turn Pakistani students into the world's best artificial intelligence experts. The agreement with the Islamia University of Bahawalpur will be a milestone in the progress of this vision and a game changer for Pakistani youth. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur, said that the agreement is a testament to the extraordinary development and guarantee of high quality education of the Islamia

University of Bahawalpur and a testament to the qualifications and capabilities of our graduates. This platform will give our graduates access to the world's IT and engineering industry and will help Pakistan to better position itself in the global competitive race. The Pakistan Academy of Engineering Artificial Intelligence Consortium will also provide job internships and training to students of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur so that our graduates can see

the best performance in the global market. In this regard, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur's Directorate of International Linkages, Directorate of Career Counseling and Directorate of IT will play its role in providing, selecting and training graduates. Dr. Masood from Australia, Dr. Zubairy from USA, and Brig. Dr. Naseem Akhtar A. Khan from Karachi participated in this event through online sources.

## Four Day Selection Board Meeting

A four-day selection board meeting was held at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur chaired by Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob. Board members included Prof. Hameed Raza Siddiqui, Member Syndicate, Dr. Mazhar Saeed, Chairman Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education Bahawalpur, Dr. Muhammad Afzal, Member Provincial Assembly and Member Syndicate, Registrar Prof. Dr. Moazzam Jameel, Additional Registrar Arif Ramooz and subject experts from different universities. Interviews were conducted with candidates for the Department of Livestock, Biochemistry and Biotechnology for the post of Professor. Candidates from the Department of Parasitology were interviewed for the post of Professor and Associate Professor, while Department of Education, Educational Training, Special Education, Social Work, Economics, Media Studies, Public Administration, Applied Psychology, Public Health, University College of Art and Design, Urdu, Urdu & Iqbalat, English Linguistics, Epidemiology, History & English Literature were interviewed for Post of lecturer. It is insignificant that three years ago, the total number of full-time teachers in the university was only 431. In addition, there were a number of complex issues with teacher development and recruitment. For more than five years, there were no recruitments in the lecturer cadre at the university. As a result of this policy, the number of young and fresh faculty in the university faculty has dwindled and the reliance on part-time teachers has become more than



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor chairing the selection board meeting

necessary. Due to the retirement of senior teachers, the number of full professors was reduced to 12. As a result, the available number of Deans and Leadership Faculty was greatly reduced. Similarly, the number of associate professors was much less than required. Due to which senior faculty was not available to run the chairperson and other administrative matters. A large number of assistant professors were inadvertently posted on TTS. Selection boards were not held due to which there was a lot of uneasiness among the teachers. According to the TTS rules and regulations of the faculty posted at TTS, the promotion process was severely hampered and there were many complications due to which the teachers posted at TTS were suffering from severe mental and psychological stress. Due to this the number of teachers was very low and the students to teacher ratio were very poor. On the direction of Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor the

Islamia University of Bahawalpur a coherent and comprehensive plan to solve this complex issues regarding hiring of teachers were designed and adopted with innovation. In this regard, after completing the selection board and receiving applications through advertisements, hold successive selection board meetings to select the teachers. By increasing the number of full professors and associate professors in the first phase gradually and 50 and 100 reserved numbers respectively. Associate lecturer BPS-17 was introduced among the teachers by approving the cadre syndicate and about 6,000 applications were processed through a competitive process to appoint around 300 associate lecturers. The search for PhD teachers and their long term career introduced by approving a two-year initial contract appointment scheme under IPOP by the Syndicate. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur introduced Teaching Assistant

Scheme. The scheme not only made available part-time teachers at reasonable cost but also solved the problem of financial assistance for needy and deserving MPhil and PhD students. More than 10,000 applications were received through advertisements for recruitment and posting of lecturers in all departments on a large scale and after a tough competition, with the help of examination and selection board, selection and appointment of 300 highly qualified and young teachers as lecturers was made. The selection and appointment of 60 PhD certified teachers especially for the sub-campuses of Bahawalnagar and Rahim Yar Khan of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur was carried out. Thus, not only MPhil classes were introduced in the sub-campuses but also the quality of education and teaching in the sub-campuses was brought on par with the main campus. As a result of these day and night efforts, which are still going on, the number of full-time teachers has increased to 1,200, of which more than 700 are PhD certified. With the current teacher recruitment process, the number of full-time teachers will increase from 1,400 in the next two months to 1,500 by the end of 2022, with approximately 1,000 PhDs expected to be certified. At the same time, it is important to note that the total number of students will exceed to 70,000 in 2022. In addition to full-time teachers, about 1,200 part-time teachers will also be part of the teaching staff of the Islamia



A view of selection board meeting

University of Bahawalpur. This appropriate and large number of teachers will guarantee the quality of the educational process and the best training of the students. In

view of the above facts, it would not be out of place to say that in a short span of three years, Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor the Islamia University

of Bahawalpur has completed the process of hiring of teachers required to bring the Islamia University of Bahawalpur in the forefront of the world academic

horizon. It is only a matter of time before these measures will surely play a key role in bringing the Islamia University of Bahawalpur at institutional level.

## Vice Chancellor visits National Press Club Islamabad

Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia of University Bahawalpur, said that alumni are an asset of the University, with the help and cooperation of which the pace of development of the university can be accelerated. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur is a 100 year old University from which the graduates are spread all over the world including Pakistan. Their help and cooperation is very important in the development of the University. The Vice Chancellor expressed these views while addressing a gathering of journalist alumni at National Press Club Islamabad. President of Federal Union of Journalists Shahzada Zulfiqar, President National Press Club Islamabad Anwar Raza, Dr. Sadia Kamal, Saghir Chaudhry, Naveed Akbar Chaudhry, Rana Adnan, Farrukh Ejaz, Naveed Azhar, Fahad Ahmad Missan, Tariq Ali Virk, Muhammad Faraz Malik, Shahzad Ahmed Khalid, Director Press Media and Publications, Dr. Azhar Hussain, Director Alumni were present on the occasion. The Vice Chancellor said that alumni



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor along with the National Press Club Members

members can raise their voice in the capital for their motherland in their respective fields, especially in the press media. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur is a fast growing University in which the number of students has increased from 13 thousand to 57 thousand in the last three years, the number of teachers has increased from 450 to 1200. The University has increased the number of faculties

from 7 to 15 and new departments have been set up to suit the needs of the market and the country. To this end, projects worth Rs. 12 billion are being implemented by the federal government, provincial government and public-private partnership and from their own resources. Alumni can be very effective for timely funding of these projects. Dr. Azhar Hussain, Director, Alumni, said that the

Alumni Network has provided a platform to alumni around the world and so far 14,000 alumni have registered. Rana Adnan, the focal person of the event, thanked the Vice Chancellor for attending the event and for his encouragement. Shields were also distributed among the alumni members on the occasion.



Glimpses of the Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor's visit to the National Press Club Islamabad

## Vice Chancellor Talks to Media Persons at Islamabad

Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur said that with the increase in rainfall in the Cholistan Desert, a special agro-economic zone could be established with a special weather generated system. There will be a benefit of Rs. 10 billion to national economy. The Vice Chancellor expressed these views while talking to media persons in Islamabad. He said that the scientists of the Islamia University Bahawalpur

provincial governments and can be implemented in practice with the attention and support of the government. Annual rainfall level can be increased from 100 mm to 600 mm. He said that Islamia University Bahawalpur agricultural research, especially marketing of different varieties of cotton seeds, has resulted in the cultivation of university varieties on 50% of the area under cotton cultivation in the country. These types are effective against low water, high

University has recently been set up which is working on a special project for the discovery of 7000 years old archeological sites of the Haktra civilization in the Cholistan Desert. He said that the number of students in Islamia University Bahawalpur is 57 thousand which will reach close to 70 thousand in the current semester and it will become the first big university in Pakistan where there are more than 2000 teachers out of which 1000 are PhD teachers. He said

the University School of State Sciences. The Punjab government has started measures to provide land for campuses in Hasilpur and Liaquatpur. He said that the Prime Minister of Pakistan during his tenure as Chief Minister had given crores of scholarships and laptops to Islamia University Bahawalpur which he hoped would increase. The start of active admission in the university has stopped. Admission of 17000 new students is expected this year thanks to



Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob along with Journalist in a press conference at Islamabad

have devised a meteorological system for increasing rainfall which can lead to ionization by increasing the humidity in the air. The Cholistan region was actually a lush region centuries ago and turned into a desert due to the depletion of the river Haktra and the scarcity of water. The project could transform the country's agricultural economy and greatly improve the country's overall economic situation. The plan has been proposed to the federal and

temperature and various diseases. The revival of textile industry will benefit Rs. 10 billion to national economy. The Punjab Government and China have included Islamia University Bahawalpur's intercropping technology project in the CPEC project. With the help of agricultural resettlement and livestock, the national GDP can be increased by 3%. The ecofriendly Agriculture method will be ensure. The Vice Chancellor said that the Archeology Department of the

that Islamia University Bahawalpur is among the top 350 universities in Asia according to Times Higher Education in the world ranking. Development projects worth Rs. 1200 billion are being worked on in the university. With the cooperation of Punjab government, 2.5 MW solar energy project has been completed which is providing electricity to a large campus of the university. Bahawalpur has four new academic blocks and four new hostels and plans for

modern online system. The IT department of Islamia University Bahawalpur has started successful testing service. Other public and private institutions, including MEPCO, conduct tests at Islamia University Bahawalpur for their new assignments. Due to all these factors, it has become the largest and fastest growing university in the country.

## PTV's Capital View Program

Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur said that there is a need for further enhancement in research. It is especially needed in higher education institutions such as Universities. He said that the Islamia University of Bahawalpur is located in an agriculture zone. The Vice Chancellor expressed these views in the Capital View program of Pakistan Television. He said that the Islamia University of Bahawalpur Agricultural Research, especially marketing of different varieties of cotton seeds, has resulted in growing varieties of the university on 50% of the area under cotton cultivation in the country. These types are effective against



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor participates in the Capital View program of Pakistan Television Islamabad

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economic situation. The plan has been proposed to the federal and provincial governments and can be implemented in practice with the attention and support of the government. The annual level can be increased from 100 mm to 600 mm. He said that the number of students in the Islamia University of Bahawalpur is 57 thousand and there are more than 2000 teachers out of which 1000 are PhD teachers. The previous operational budget of the university was 7,000 million, of which 5,000 million was the University's own income. Today, the University's budget includes 8,000 million from the University's own resources. Referring to the federal

budget, the Vice Chancellor said that the recurring budget of higher education has not been reduced in spite of financial constraints which is a very good step of the government to increase recurring budget in higher education and especially development budget which 67% has been increased. He said that where there are university research proposals, the government should provide funds to such universities. The need of the hour is for us to solve the problems of teaching and administrative matters through public-private partnership, which is possible only through research.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on High Energy Physics and Artificial Intelligence



A view of 2<sup>nd</sup> International High Energy Physics and Artificial Intelligence Conference

The Second International Conference on High Energy Physics and Artificial Intelligence was organized by the Department of High Energy Physics of the Institute of Physics at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. The conference was presided over by eminent physicist of Pakistan Prof. Dr. Saeed Ahmed Buzdar, Dean Faculty of Physical and Mathematical Sciences, Director of Institute of Physics. Addressing the

inaugural function, he said that it is a great endeavor for scientific research, scientific awareness and scientific economics. The honor of organizing this conference goes to Dr. Muhammad Shoaib Baloch, Assistant Professor, Institute of Physics, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. This award was given to the Institute of Physics Islamia University of Bahawalpur in the whole of South Punjab for its work

for the promotion of high energy physics. Notable among them are Dr. Ashfaq Ahmed, National Center for Physics, Islamabad, Dr. Rizwan Khalid, Lahore University of Management Sciences, Dr. Mehr Ali Shah, European Council for Nuclear Research Switzerland, Dr. Ghulam Jilani Janjua, Department of Artificial Intelligence, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and Dr. Saleh Mohammad, National Center

for Physics. The main topics of this conference were Dark Matter, Dark Energy, Super Symmetry, Meter and Antimatter. To unravel these mysteries, scientists created a scientific marvel at CERN. We call it the Large Hadron Collider (LHC). The data obtained from LHC Accelerator is studied through Artificial Intelligence. The conference was attended not only by faculty members of the Institute of Physics, students but also students and teachers from different universities of Pakistan. In the concluding remarks of the conference, Dr. Muhammad Shoaib Baloch, Dr. Faisal Iqbal and Dr. Altaf Hussain thanked the guest speakers and encouraged the organizers for their excellent performance.



Participants of the International Conference on High Energy Physics and Artificial Intelligence organized by the Institute of Physics

## The 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Machine Perception and Artificial Intelligence

The first International Conference on Machine Perception and Artificial Intelligence (ICMPAI-2022) was organized by the Department of Artificial Intelligence, Faculty of Computing, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. The two day conference was attended by experts from universities and IT institutes in Pakistan, UK, South Korea, Malaysia and Italy. On this occasion, Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the

Islamia University of Bahawalpur said in his address that the world is now in the age of artificial intelligence and e-computer technology is very easy and economical. Artificial intelligence has made difficult and complex tasks easier. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur is also focusing on this modern technology. The University has more than 8000 students studying in the Faculty of Computing and it has

become the largest faculty of the University. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur is building links with the world's largest companies in the field of artificial intelligence so that our IT graduates can get jobs in higher institutions. Recently, an agreement has been signed with the Pakistan Academy of Engineering and Artificial Intelligence and in the first phase, 100 graduates of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur will be made part of the world's

largest companies. He said that if the world's largest companies set up their centers in Pakistan, our graduates will be able to get more jobs. Islamia University Bahawalpur has more than 650 PhD faculty members out of which more than 250 are foreign qualified. Dean Faculty of Computing Prof. Dr. Muhammad Hussain Tahir appreciated the participation of national and international delegates in the conference. IT



A group photo of faculty and students participants of the conference

Director Rizwan Majeed said that the artificial intelligence projects created by the students were a testament to their dedication and technical prowess. Conference focal person Dr. Muhammad Fahim Mushtaq, Chairman, Department of Artificial Intelligence, said that students are trained to

develop artificial intelligence programs that demonstrate artificial intelligence and provide them with problem modeling, classification and assessment. Department specializes in BS and MS specialization in Intelligence Systems, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Pattern Recognition

and Image Processing. On this occasion Dr. Osama Ijaz Bajwa, COMSAT Islamabad, Dr. Sajid Iqbal, Bahauddin Zakaria University Multan, and Sultan Mahmood Infinite Technology were addressed. On this occasion, the Vice Chancellor also inaugurated an exhibition of projects made by

students on the topic of Artificial Intelligence. These projects included models of artificial intelligence, robotics, the Internet of things, web programming and mobile applications.



Glimpses of the conference and project display

### Honourable Governor of the Punjab visits IUB Stall in Pakistan Agri Expo 2022 at Lahore

Honourable Governor of the Punjab and Chancellor Engr. Muhammad Baligh ur Rahman visited stall of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur in the Pakistan Agri Expo 2022 at Expo Centre Lahore. The Governor was briefed about the Islamia University of Bahawalpur tremendous research initiatives taken during the last three years under the leadership of Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor the Islamia University of Bahawalpur in agricultural sector aligned with national aspirations. The Governor praised the Islamia University of Bahawalpur research endeavors in Cotton, Intercropping of Maize and Soyabean, Bio-fertilizers and other areas contributing in agricultural economy bringing prosperity to farmers. Secretary Agriculture South Punjab Saqib Ali Atil, Dean Faculty of Agriculture and Registrar Prof. Dr. Moazzam Jamil and Focal Person Chairman Department of Plant Pathology Prof. Dr. Naveed Aslam Malghani were also present on the occasion.



Honourable Governor of the Punjab and Chancellor Engr. Muhammad Baligh ur Rahman visited IUB stall in the Pakistan Agri-Expo 2022 at Expo Centre Lahore

## E-Rozgaar Training Program Transition Ceremony at Governor House Lahore

Youth Affairs and Sports Department and Punjab Information Technology Board organized e-Rozgaar Training Program Transition Ceremony at Governor House Punjab. Honorable Governor of the Punjab, Engr. Muhammad Baligh Ur Rehman joined the ceremony as Chief Guest. Chairman P&D PITB, Ali Sarfraz Hussain, Secretary Youth Affairs & Sports Department, Asadullah Faiz, Secretary Higher Education Department, Najaf Iqbal, Secretaries from Government Departments, Vice-Chancellors from e-Rozgaar Partner Universities across Punjab, Director Colleges, Team from Youth Affairs & Sports Department, Punjab Information Technology Board, e-Rozgaar and high achievers joined the ceremony as guests. The ceremony started with the opening note of the Secretary of Youth Affairs & Sports Department. While addressing, he paid his kind regard to Governor of the Punjab for joining the ceremony. He formally welcomed Vice-Chancellors of universities for the Post-Project Continuation MoU Signing Ceremony. On this occasion Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob in his address said that e-Rozgaar center of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur was established on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020 which was completed in a short span of 7 months. A state-of-the-art center for unemployed youth has been set up which is



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur addressing in a ceremony of e-Rozgaar Training Program at Governor House Punjab, chaired by Honourable Engr. Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman Governor Punjab

providing higher education and employment opportunities not only in Bahawalpur but also for the youth in remote areas. These students are increasing their foreign exchange reserves not only for themselves but also for Pakistan. Success story of Saifullah from Mianwali, who got training from e-Rozgaar Program and earned PKR 2.5 crores, was played while high achievers of e-Rozgaar Training Program Rimsha Nawaz and Talha Ahsan were invited to share their success with the respected guests. Chairman P&D - PITB also addressed the audience. While addressing, he pointed out the importance of digital literacy and skilled youth for the future progress of Country. He also mentioned

that e-Rozgaar is empowering youth with digital skills and entrepreneurship. He appraised the PITB team for making the program a success. Vice-Chancellor Islamia University Bahawalpur, Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice-Chancellor Lahore College for Women University, Lahore, Ms. Prof. Dr. Bushra Mirza T.I. Vice-Chancellor University of Education, Prof. Dr. Talat Naseer shared their feelings and experience regarding e-Rozgaar training program and thanked Governor of the Punjab for giving them the opportunity to make the program sustainable. After that, in the presence of Governor of the Punjab, Chairman P&D - PITB, Secretary Youth Affairs & Sports Department, Director

General e-Governance PITB, Vice-Chancellors from Partner Universities signed the MoU for the transition of e-Rozgaar Training Program to self-sustainable model. Governor of the Punjab, Mr. Muhammad Baligh Ur Rehman addressed the audience at the closing of ceremony. He was amazed to see the success stories of e-Rozgaar Training Program and endorsed the stakeholders for successfully running the program over the years. As a Chancellor of Public Sector Universities of Punjab, he ensured to provide his support to all Vice-Chancellors for the smooth transition of the project.

## The 2<sup>nd</sup> International Seerat ul Nabi ﷺ Conference



Speakers addressing in the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Seerat ul Nabi (PBUH) conference

The second international conference on Seerat-un-Nabi was organized by Seerat Chair, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur at main auditorium. The conference was inaugurated by Commissioner Bahawalpur Raja Jahangir Anwar and presided over by Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar. Former Federal Minister for Religious Affairs Syed Hamid Saeed Kazmi, Prof. Dr. Hammad Lakhvi, Dean Faculty of Islamic Studies University of Punjab, Dr. Syed Aziz ur-Rehman, Regional Incharge Sindh Dawa Center Karachi and Prof. Dr. Sheikh Shafiq ur-Rehman, Dean Faculty of Islamic Learning, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur were present on the occasion. Commissioner Bahawalpur Raja Jahangir Anwar in his address said that Holy Prophet (PBUH) is the cause of creation of the universe and his life is a beacon of light for us. He said that the youth should

pledge that they would adapt their lives to the teachings of the Holy Prophet. He said that in the present age, contrary to the rumors, propaganda and social media facts, information should not be disseminated and in the light of biography, only what you see with your eyes and hear with your ears. He said that the Islamia

University of Bahawalpur is a center of knowledge and literature and besides the teaching activities held here, conferences and seminars are of international standard and for Bahawalpur the university is no less than an asset. Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar in his address said that Muslims should show unity and solidarity

and sincerely follow the teachings of the Holy Prophet (PBUH). Dean Faculty of Islamic Learning Prof. Dr. Sheikh Shafiq ur-Rehman said that due to the special patronage and attention of Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, various chairs have been functioning in the university and Seerat Chair has also become active after a



Dignitaries participated in the conference



Commissioner Bahawalpur division Raja Jahangir Anwar and Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar presenting shield to Dr. Sajeela Kausar, Director Seerat Chair

long time Conferences have been organized and in addition national level seminars and workshops are being held every month and this chair has become very active and is playing a very important role

modern requirements, research of Seerat-e-Taiba and Hadith-e-Nabawi has been published. Providing books in the library, conducting scientific and research reviews, training workshops,



Prof. Dr. Sheikh Shafique ur Rehman, Dean Faculty of Islamic Learning presenting souvenir to Hamid Saeed Kazmi, Former Minister of Religious Affairs

the Second International Seerat Chair Conference in the light of the etiquette of Seerat-un-Nabi in which scholars and researchers of the country are participating so that the intellectual guidance of

Multan, Dr. Hafiz Mohammad Sani Director Seerat Chair Federal Urdu University Multan, Dr. Abdul Ghaffar Sirat Chair University of Okara, Dr. Ali Tariq International Islamic University Islamabad,



A group photo of International Seerat Conference and Naat Ceremony

in the dissemination of Seerat-e-Pak. Director Seerat Chair Dr. Sajeela Kausar said that Seerat Chair was established in the Islamia University of Bahawalpur in 1987 so that Seerat writers could lead the country and nation in the light of their research and thought of Islam. The Seerat Chair is not only a center of excellence for research and study but also serves as a center for the Seerat Chair of other universities. Seerat Chair at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur in the light of

seminars and conferences on the Prophet's biography nationally and internationally. Writing and oral competitions on various topics were also organized for the students. An ideal library has been laid under the chair which has a vast collection of rare reference books related to Seerat-e-Taiba. Seerat Chair the Islamia University of Bahawalpur has organized two national and Eight international conferences. In keeping with its tradition, Seerat Chair the Islamia University of Bahawalpur organized

the Muslim Ummah is possible. The first session was moderated by Dr. Saeed Sheikh, Assistant Professor, Department of Quranic Studies. In the evening session Prof. Dr. Saleem Tariq Khan former Vice Chancellor the Islamia University of Bahawalpur, Prof. Muhammad Saad Siddiqui former Director Sira Chair and Institute of Islamic Studies University of Punjab, Maulana Dr. Muhammad Ragheb Hussain Naeemi Nazim Jamia Ulumia Lahore, Maulana Yasin Zafar, Prof. Dr. Idrees Lodhi Bahauddin Zakaria University

Dr. Shaukat Ali Agriculture University Faisalabad and other speakers. On the second day of the conference, sessions held at Ghulam Muhammad Ghotvi Hall, Abbasia Campus, chaired by Prof. Dr. Saleem Tariq Khan and Prof. Dr. Raheela Khalid Qureshi. A special Naat ceremony was organized at Ghulam Muhammad Ghotvi Hall, Abbasia Campus on the occasion of International Seerat Conference.



The participants of the Seerat ul Nabi (PBUH) Conference

## Honourable Governor of the Punjab Emphasizes to Encourage Local Soybean Production

Honourable Governor of the Punjab Engr. Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman emphasized to reduce the rising import cost and encourage local soybean production to reduce import cost in a meeting with Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and Director National Research Center for Intercropping IUB and Postdoctoral Officer of Sichuan Agricultural University Muhammad Ali Raza. Governor Punjab appreciated the efforts of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur in promoting soybean related inter-cropping technology in Pakistan and in view of excessive reliance on Pakistani imports for soybean supply. He expressed readiness to invest more in this sector. Maize soybean strip intercropping technology was introduced in Pakistan in 2018 from Sichuan Agricultural University. This advanced Chinese technology makes the best use of available space to grow crops on the same area of land that is



Honourable Governor of the Punjab Engr. Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman exchanging views with Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and Dr. Muhammad Ali Raza about Intercropping Technology.

equivalent to soybean production. An additional 'bonus', which has been helping Pakistan reduce soybean shortages and reduce soybean imports for the past four years. This season, the total display area of corn and soybean strip intercropping technology in Pakistan has exceeded 400 acres, which is about 2.67 times more than last fall. In addition, more crop varieties are being added to the intercropping system

including wheat, soybean and sugarcane, soybean intercropping. Demonstration plots are now being harvested, which is expected to yield promising results soon. Dr. Muhammad Ali Raza said that last season more than 200 farmers used our technology and this number is still increasing day by day. Farmers are quite satisfied with the results. They are contacting us and want to adopt more ground technology. Most importantly, this season a

new intercropping specific soybean line has been developed by Dr. Muhammad Ali Raza and Dr. Zaheer Ahmed, in-charge Soybean Lab for Agricultural University Faisalabad (UAF). It is learned that the new line of soybean can easily produce soybean at 480 to 720 kg per acre in intercropping system, whereas production of other varieties of soybean is reduced to only 200 to 400 kg per acre.

## Delegation of Pakistan Veterinary Medical Council Visits IUB

A delegation of Pakistan Veterinary Medical Council visited the Faculty of Veterinary and Animal Sciences and called on Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. Dr. Khalid Mansoor, Dean, Faculty of Veterinary and Animal Sciences gave a detailed briefing to the members of Accreditation and Ecology Committee on extra-curricular activities and regular accreditation of Doctor of Veterinary programs. The delegation was led by Prof. Dr. Masood Rabbani, President Pakistan Veterinary Council. The Committee commended the performance of the Veterinary Faculty as a whole, especially the establishment of a Central Diagnostic Laboratory and various Animal Farming Centers.



Delegation of Pakistan Veterinary Medical Council visiting the Faculty of Veterinary and Animal Sciences



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor along with delegation of Pakistan Veterinary Medical Council

## Delegation of Pakistan Engineering Council Visits IUB

A delegation of Pakistan Engineering Council visited the Faculty of Engineering and reviewed the re-accreditation of B.Sc. Computer Engineering, Electronic and Electrical Power Engineering programs. On this occasion, Dean Faculty of Engineering, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Amjad briefed the delegation about the extra-curricular activities, laboratory and placement activities. He said that due to the special interest of Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob along with the improvement of infrastructure in the Faculty of Engineering, a new faculty has also been added. The delegation included Engr. Prof. Dr. Shahid Masood, Convener, Engr. Prof. Dr. Asif Masood, Engr. Prof.



Delegation of Pakistan Engineering Council visited Faculty of Engineering, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur

Dr. Pradeep Kumar, Engr. Prof.  
Dr. Ehsan Ahmed, Engr. Prof. Dr.

Muhammad Qaiser, Prof. Dr. Asghar  
Saqib, Engineer Dr. Aon Ishaq and

Engineer Muhammad Kashif.

## Civil Military Relations Seminar in Bahawalnagar Campus



The participants of Civil Military Relations Seminar organized at Bahawalnagar Campus

A seminar on Civil Military Relations was organized at Bahawalnagar Campus of the Islamia University

of Bahawalpur. Maj. Gen. Tabassum Habib, H.I.(Military) presided over the seminar along with Brig. Ali

Zahid and other Army officers. Dr. Rafaqat Ali Bajwa, Director Campus, faculty members,

administration and students of various departments were also present on the occasion. Maj. Gen. Tabassum Habib is one of the highly professional officers of the Pakistan Army and performing his duties as Commanding Officer Infantry Division Okara. He was commissioned in 1991, Command and Staff College, Quetta. He graduated from National Defense University Islamabad and King's College UK and studied at Kennedy School and Harvard University USA. Addressing the seminar, the special guest Maj. Gen. Tabassum Habib apprised the participants of the realities in the context of Pakistan Army's services to the country and highlighted the role of Pakistan Army in the context of domestic and foreign issues facing Pakistan. Major General Tabassum Habib said that the young generation is a precious asset of God-given Pakistan and stressed that all should unite and play their positive and constructive role in the development of Pakistan.

## Seminar on Pharmacy Education and Practice in Pakistan

Department of Pharmacy Practice, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur organized a one-day seminar on Pharmacy Education and Practice in Pakistan. The symposium was chaired by Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar, Pro-Vice Chancellor and Dean Faculty of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences. Prof. Dr. Furqan from Punjab University Lahore and Prof. Dr. Azhar Hussain, Director Hamdard University, Islamabad Campus spoke on government institutions related to pharmacy education and profession, drug related laws, drug testing laboratories and public and private hospitals and community pharmacies. Dr. Muhammad Atif, Chairman,



Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar, Pro Vice Chancellor giving certificate to a faculty member

Department of Pharmacy Practice and Director, Research, Islamia University of Bahawalpur, said that the participation of experts from

Pharmacy Council and Pharmacists Association in the symposium would be very helpful for teachers and students in understanding the

role of Pharmacy in Pakistan. The participants emphasized that the education, training and skills of pharmacy in Pakistan should be

brought in line with international standards so that the workforce in this field can perform at the international level.



Participants of the seminar

## IUB Announces Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi V Library Corner for District Press Club Rahim Yar Khan



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and Chaudhry Javed Iqbal, President District Press Club Rahim Yar Khan signing MoU document

Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur said that Rahim Yar Khan Sub-Campus is playing an excellent role in the social and economic development of the area. The Vice Chancellor also visited the Press Club Rahim Yar Khan a few days back. On this occasion President Press Club Rahim Yar Khan Chaudhry Javed Iqbal, Secretary General Bilal Habib-ur-Rehman, Prof. Dr. Moazzam Jamil, Registrar, Prof. Dr. Abu Bakar, Treasurer, Prof. Dr. Sajjad Ahmad Paracha, Controller of the Examination, Razish Liaquat Puri Senior Journalist, Social Media Expert Khawaja Shoaib Al Hassan, Shehzad Ahmed Khalid Director, Press Media & Publications and

Director Alumni Affairs Dr. Azhar Hussain were present. The Vice Chancellor appreciated the University Alumni Network and said that Alumni of the university are being contacted across Pakistan and so far 14,000 alumni have been registered in it and Rahim Yar Khan also has a significant number of graduates of Islamia University Bahawalpur who want to build and develop their mother of knowledge and want to work for it. The Vice Chancellor said that the sub-campus of Islamia University Bahawalpur Rahim Yar Khan was established in 2005 and in 2019 there were 1000 students in this campus but today this number has increased to 6000. The number of academic programs has also been

increased and about 30 programs are being taught. Last year 25 programs were being taught but this year 6 more new academic programs have been added. Another highlight is that over the last three years, the campus has received a great deal of attention, with more than 60 full-time lecturers and associate lecturers, and about 35 PhD holders, qualified assistant professors. It used to employ mostly visiting faculty members but now about 90 to 100 percent are full time faculty members. Teaching and research activities have been increased. Departments and students have been strengthened. Student

on the basis of the university's long association with the Rahim Yar Khan Press Club. Similarly, for the children of the members of Rahim Yar Khan Press Club, a scholarship was also approved by the Syndicate which will be given on merit basis. Similarly, under an MoU, Islamia University Rahim Yar Khan Sub Campus and Rahim Yar Khan Press Club are jointly setting up Al-Sadiq Corner at Rahim Yar Press Club which is a leading corner where students and journalists can enjoy their Thanks to this, not only books and newspapers but also information regarding the admission of Islamia University Bahawalpur will be provided. He



President Press Club Rahim Yar Khan Ch Javed Iqbal presenting lifetime membership of press club to Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob Vice Chancellor the Islamia University of Bahawalpur

societies which were earlier operational in the main campus now have about 11 societies also operational in the sub-campus. He said that Rahim Yar Khan Campus often interacts with civil society and local government. Scholarships are being given to the needy children of the members of the first Bahawalpur Press Club, especially

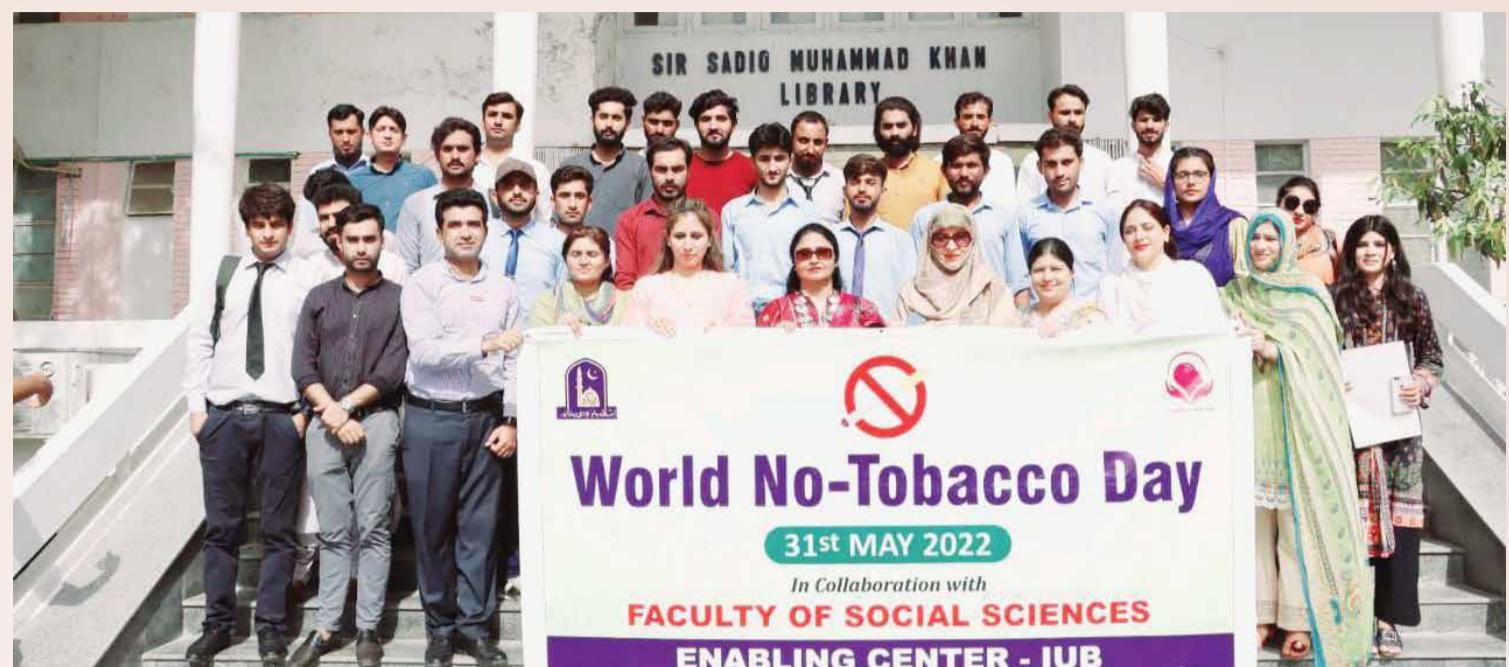
vowed to hold a Media Professionals Conference in association with the Press Club to reiterate the role that the media can play in tackling higher education channels. On the occasion, President Press Club Rahim Yar Khan presented the shield of lifetime membership of the Press Club to the Vice Chancellor.



Vice Chancellor the Islamia University of Bahawalpur Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob along with a delegation from District Press Club Rahim Yar Khan

## World No Tobacco Day Seminar

An awareness seminar was organized by the Faculty of Social Sciences Islamia University Bahawalpur in connection with the Enabling Center on World No Tobacco Day. Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, said that the theme of this year's No Tobacco Day is Environmental Protection. According to the World Health Organization, the tobacco industry is rapidly affecting the environment and causing ecological imbalances, threatening the entire ecosystem. He said that Islamia University Bahawalpur Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob conducts awareness seminars and activities on various international days so that the students, teachers and the community could be sensitized. On the occasion of World No Tobacco Day, the general public should be made aware of the harmful effects of smoking and the environmentally friendly activities of the businesses involved in this



Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti, Prof. Dr. Shazia Anjum and other faculty members and students participating in the awareness walk in connection with World No-Tobacco Day at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur

business. Healthy environment and life is the right of the people and future generations need it. Smoking causes 8 million deaths worldwide each year, including 1.2 million non-smokers. Prof.

Dr. Shazia Anjum Dean Faculty of Sciences, Prof. Dr. Nasreen Akhtar Chairperson Department of Special Education, Director Enabling Center Dr. Samar Fahad, Kulsoom Akhtar Additional Director Enabling

Center and Dr. Sheikh Safina Siddique Senior Medical Officer Medical and Health Division also addressed on the occasion.

## Seminar on Media, Law and Ethics



Senior Judges Mr. Justice Sardar Ahmed Naeem, Mr. Justice Jawad Hassan, Mr. Justice Anwar-ul-Haq Pannu, District and Sessions Judge Amir Mohammad Khan and other speakers addressing the seminar

Directorate of Community Broadcast Radio, TV & Film and Department of Law, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur organized one day informative seminar on Media Laws and Ethics. Senior Judges of Lahore High Court Bahawalpur Bench graced the seminar. The Law Department and the Directorate of Community Broadcast Radio, TV & Film jointly organized a one-day seminar at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur on the ethics of the Law Department and the Department of Mass Communication Law in Pakistan. Senior Judges Mr. Justice Sardar Ahmed Naeem, Mr. Justice Jawad Hassan, Mr. Justice Anwar-ul-Haq Pannu and District and Sessions Judge Amir Mohammad Khan guided the students and teachers in the field of Journalism Laws. The ceremony was inaugurated by Professor Dr. Muhammad Shehzad Rana, the purpose of the seminar was to educate the students of Media Studies and Law about the Laws of Media Laws and Ethics, so that the young generation can fulfill their duties in practical life by knowing the rules and

regulations. Prof. Dr. Rao Imran Habib, Chairman, Department of Law, IUB, in his introductory address highlighted the aims, objectives and importance of the seminar. Senior Judge Lahore High Court Bahawalpur Bench Bahawalpur Justice Sardar Ahmed Naeem stressed on the need for students to develop reading habits and communication skills. Justice Jawad Hassan, who is an

authority on Media and the Mass Communication Laws in Pakistan, said that familiarity with the laws of his department helps us in carrying out our professional duties. Justice Anwar-ul-Haq Pannu and District and Sessions Judge Amir Mohammad Khan delivered keynote address on the occasion. Ali Hassan Rizvi, Lecturer in the Department of Media Studies, spoke on the implementation of

journalistic laws. Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar, Pro Vice Chancellor, thanked the distinguished guests and said that the arrival of senior judges in the university and sharing of experiences has in fact led to an increase in the knowledge of students and faculty. He thanked the distinguished guests on behalf of Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob and welcomed the liaison between the judiciary



A group photo of the participants of the seminar

and educational institutions. The seminar was attended by Mr. Shahid Hussain Additional Registrar, Dr. Muhammad Mumtaz Civil Judge and Research Officer High

Court Bahawalpur Bench, faculty members of Department of Law and Media Studies and a large number of students. Dr. Ismat Durrani, Advisor IUB Literary Society and

Chairperson Department of Persian and Dr. Asif Nadeem, Assistant Professor, Department of Education moderated the seminar. At the end, commemorative shields were

distributed among the participants and distinguished guests.

## IUB Participates in Conference on SDGs and Sustainable Tourism



A view of the MoU signing ceremony

A delegation of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur participated in 3 day conference on SDGs and Sustainable Tourism arranged by SDGs Academy (Pvt.) Ltd in Swat, KPK. The IUB delegation was led by Director Career Counseling and Placement Center, Shahid Durrani with active representation of Directorate of Sustainable Tourism (DoST), Salman Qureshi and faculty members of Department of Tourism including Dr. Hameed Murtaza and Kalsoom Akhtar. Sustainable Development

Goals (SDGs) is global agenda being carried out by all countries of the World under United Nation's umbrella with 17 goals set to achieve till 2030 in order to make the World a peaceful and better place to live. During opening session of the conference, MoU was also signed between IUB and SDGs Academy. Shahid Durrani, Director Career Counseling and Placement Center signed the MoU on behalf of the Vice Chancellor, IUB. The MoU will benefit both organizations on their efforts

with regards to SDGs in terms of knowledge sharing, consultation and exchange of information, national/international trainings & certification programs and establishment of SDGs excellence labs. The conference had several sessions of keynote talks, intellectual & panel discussions and informal social interactions around the broader agenda for learning and knowledge sharing. In his keynote talk, Director Career Counseling and Placement Center, Shahid Durrani talked about significance

of conference, recent growth of IUB and IUB's initiatives on SDGs and Tourism and student's career counseling. All the participants, experts, dignitaries, panelists and students applauded the rapid growth of IUB in recent years and showed great interest in learning from experiences. The delegation very well presented and showcased the brand name of IUB as hub of winter tourism and it's out of box initiatives on sustainable tourism and growth. The members of delegation participated in several keynote talks, panel discussions, moderating and notes taking activities. Mr. Salman Qureshi, Director DOST, in a panel discussion highlighted role of IUB in promoting tourism, sustainable initiatives and impact on society. Dr. Hameed Murtaza, Assistant Professor and Kalsoom Akhtar, Lecture while representing department of Tourism and Hospitality Management (DTHM) moderated the sessions and interacted with experts for mutual learning and development. Director of Iqra National University (INU) Swat interacted with IUB delegation and showed great interest in learning from IUB experiences of establishing tourism department and related initiatives. Similarly, the University of Swat too expressed their interest in collaboration with IUB and future opportunities of cooperation and MoU.

## Training Workshop on PASTIC Developed Tools



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor addressing in th training workshop

A Two-Day Seminar and Training Workshop on "PASTIC Developed Tools: Roadmap for Open Science and Training Workshop on PASTIC Koha Cloud" organized by the Department of Library & Information Science, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur with the collaboration of Pakistan Scientific & Technological Information Centre (PASTIC), Islamabad at Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Library, Baghdad ul Jadeed Campus. Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob (T.I.) Vice Chancellor was the Chief Guest of opening ceremony, and Prof. Dr. Akram Sheikh, Director General, PASTIC was Guest of Honor. Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences welcomed the guests and participants, in her opining address and highlighted the transformation and achievements of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and importance of PASTIC efforts for resource sharing and skill development of LIS professionals. She thanked the

PASTIC for collaborative programs with The Islamia University of Bahawalpur. Prof. Dr. Akram Sheikh, Director General, PASTIC briefly introduced the PASTIC projects, particularly Consortium of Science & Technology and Research & Development Libraries of Pakistan (CSTRDLP), PASTIC KOHA Cloud, and PakCat. He mentioned that PASTIC is committed to work with the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. Honorable Eng. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob (T.I.) Vice Chancellor IUB, appreciated the

efforts of Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti, Dean Faculty of Social Science, for organizing the seminar and training workshop for capacity building of LIS professionals and upgradation of libraries standards. On the second day a Training Workshop was held on "PASTIC Koha Cloud". Syed Habib Akhter Jafri, Principal Librarian, PASTIC briefly introduced the project of "PASTIC Koha Cloud" Mr. Aamir Rasul, Assistant Professor, DLIS, IUB and Mr. Irfan Tahir, Assistant Librarian, IUB were the resource persons of the training

workshop. All the participants did a hands-on-practice on different modules of PASTIC Koha. Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, addressed to the participants in the closing ceremony and distributed the shields to resource persons and certificates among the participants of training workshop. The participants of training workshop were faculty members, LIS professionals and PhD, M.Phil scholars.

## Workshop on Exploring E-Commerce Dynamics



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor and Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti addressing the participants the workshop

A one day Design Thinking Workshop Exploring the E-commerce Dynamics was jointly organized by UNDP Pakistan, DARAZ, and the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. The purpose of this workshop was to engage relevant stakeholders to understand the needs and challenges faced by micro and small businesses in going digital, and to solicit solutions from relevant stakeholders on how to utilize e-commerce for economic growth and sustainable development, while ensuring that no one is left behind. Vice-Chancellor, Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, was the Chief Guest of the Event, and said that e-commerce can help reducing poverty, inequality, unemployment, and can help lead towards inclusive economic growth. Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, and Focal Person for the event gave the introductory remarks and highlighted the scope and benefits of the collaboration among UNDP, DARAZ, and IUB in promoting E-commerce in the region, and the potential of the local market and products

such as traditional and cultural homemade products, that can capture the wider market through digital platforms like Daraz. She ascertained that e-commerce can support Pakistani and specifically South Punjab artisans to reach international customers. In her welcome remarks Ms. Amara Durrani, welcomed the academia, traders, and the participants for taking part in the event. Mr. Tony Hulton, Group Head, Corporate Affairs DARAZ, highlighted the significant role of Daraz in providing access to millions of buyers. The event was attended by Mr. Shoaib

Iqbal Syed, Secretary, Planning and Development South Punjab, Mr. Tony Hulton, Group Head Corporate Affairs, DARAZ, Mr. Ahmed Ali Jabbar, Senior Vice President, Mr. Syed Abeer Haider, Secretary General, Bahawalpur Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Ms. Sumaira Malik, Member IUB Syndicate, Ms. Shehla Ehsan Member Ex Committee Director PHA, Mr. Adil Mukhtar, Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP), Mr. Shahzad Ahmed Khalid, Director, Press Media and Publication and Focal Person Kamyab Jawan Markaz, Prof. Dr. Asif Naveed

Ranjha, Chairman, Department of Social Work, Dr. Abid Rasheed Gill, Head of Department Economics, Dr. Salman Bin Naeem, Associate Professor, Ms. Meeran Jamal, Gender and Social Protection Analyst, UNDP, Mr. Umar Haroon, Head Market Place, DARAZ, Mr. Kamran Pervaiz, DARAZ, and representatives from Bahawalpur Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Women Chamber of Commerce, Sanatzars, E-Rozgar, Trade Unions, BISP, NRSP, LPP, Civil Societies, and Welfare Organizations.



Participants of the Workshop

## Vice Chancellor Visits Cotton Research Area of National Cotton Breeding Institute

Engr Prof Dr Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur visited the research area of National Cotton Breeding Institute at Baghdad ul Jadeed Campus. He took keen interest in glyphosate resistant cotton trials and appreciated the growth and development of cotton crop. First spray of glyphosate was carried out on 25 day crop and excellent results were attained as no weed plants could survive. Director National Cotton Breeding Institute Prof Dr Muhammad Iqbal briefed the Vice Chancellor about the success achieved in developing this unique variety which would help revive



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor visiting the Cotton Research Area of National Cotton Breeding Institute

cotton as cost of production of this crop will be reduced with maximum efficiency in weed control. Prof Dr Muhammad Iqbal further added that studies on nutrient uptake

and residual effect of herbicide will also be carried out in the Soil Microbiology laboratory. Prof Dr Shazia Anjum, Dean Faculty of Sciences, Prof Dr Moazzam Jamil,

Registrar, Prof Dr Tanveer Hussain, Director Cholistan Institute of Desert Studies and other senior faculty members were present on this occasion.



A view of cotton fields at University Agriculture Farm

## Series of Seminar Organized by IUB Character Building Society



Speakers of the seminar series organized by the IUB Character Building Society

IUB Character Building Society organized a series of seminars on Capacity Building Program which was based on raising awareness regarding Basic Core Values, which were delivered in every faculty of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. The Deans of Faculties delivered exclusive lectures to their students in which they covered topics such as respect, responsibility, selflessness, commitment, consistency, tolerance, intelligence, truthfulness etc. All the deans of different faculties praised the efforts of IUB Character Building Society, appreciated the mentorship of Advisor IUB-CBS, Dr. Noveen Javed and the Leadership of their President Mr. Zain Abdullah.

The cabinet members gained a lot of learning from these seminars and an environment of good Character was promoted throughout in The Islamia University of Bahawalpur. 1<sup>st</sup> Episode of Capacity Building Program happened in Faculty of Arts and Languages in which Prof. Dr. Jawed Hassaan Chandio, Dean Faculty of Arts and Languages delivered an exclusive lecture on core values of respect. 2<sup>nd</sup> Episode of Capacity Building Program held in Faculty of Law in which Prof. Dr. Aftab Hussain Gillani, Dean Faculty of Law delivered an exclusive lecture. 3<sup>rd</sup> Episode of Capacity Building Program held in Faculty of Management Sciences and Commerce in which Prof. Dr. Jawad Iqbal, Dean Faculty of Management

Sciences and Commerce and Mr. Mohsin Mateen delivered a session about Core Values of Institute of Business Management Sciences and Administrative Sciences. 4<sup>th</sup> Episode of Capacity Building Program held in Faculty of Pharmacy in which Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhter, Pro Vice Chancellor, Dean Faculty of Pharmacy and Dean Faculty of Medicine and Allied Health Sciences delivered an exclusive talk on core value Consistency. 5<sup>th</sup> Episode of Capacity Building Program held in Faculty of Engineering in which Engr. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Amjad, Dean Faculty of Engineering and Qari Dr. Abdul Sattar, Senior Khateeb Masjid delivered a session about basic Core Values of human character. 6<sup>th</sup> Episode of Capacity

Building Program held in Faculty of Chemical and Biological Sciences in which Prof. Dr. Shazia Anjum, Dean Faculty of Chemical and Biological Sciences delivered a talk on core value selflessness. 7<sup>th</sup> Episode of Capacity Building lecture series held in Faculty of Education in which Prof. Dr. Irshad Hussain , Dean Faculty of Education delivered a talk about core values of tolerance. 8<sup>th</sup> Episode of Capacity Building Program held in Faculty of Islamic Learning in which Prof. Dr. Shiekh Shafiq ur Rehman, Dean Faculty of Islamic Learning delivered a n exclusive lecture about core value of truthfulness.



Participants of the seminar series of Character Building Society

## 13,282 units of electricity worth Rs. 571,040 generated from University Solar Park

The Islamia University of Bahawalpur's 2.5 MW solar power plant is supplying electricity to its maximum production capacity. 13282 units of electricity worth Rs. 571,040 were generated from University Solar Park and this success of University Solar Park was also informed by Vice Chancellor the Islamia University of Bahawalpur Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob to Chancellor IUB and Governor of the Punjab Engr. Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman. Honourable Chancellor was glad to know the performance of IUB Solar Park. The solar energy project of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur was set up in collaboration with the

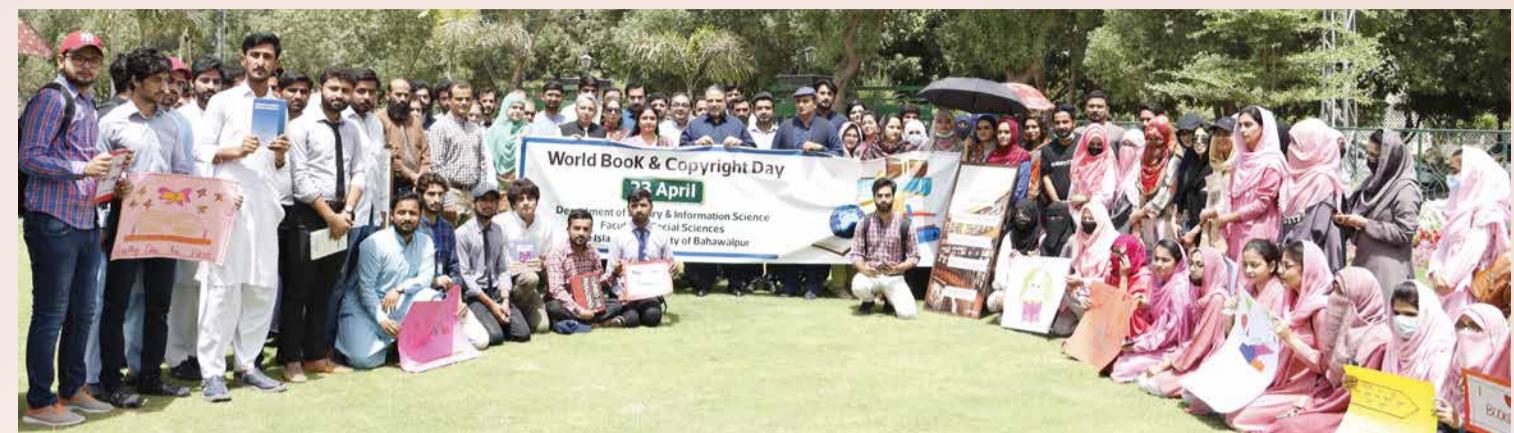
Department of Energy, Government of the Punjab and has been generating electricity since last year. Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob appreciated the performance of Engr. Faizan Farhat and his staff members.



Engr. Faizan Farhat along with his staff members at Solar Park, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur

## World Book and Copyright Day Observed

World Book and Copyright Day is a celebration to promote the enjoyment of books and reading. Each year on April 23 celebrations take place all over the world to recognize the significance of books and copyright. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur observed World Book Day & Copyright Day, in this regard, an awareness walk was carried out from the Department of Library & Information Science to the Vice Chancellor Secretariat. On this occasion, Vice Chancellor, Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob (T.I.) highlighted the important role of book reading to acquire information and knowledge. He asserted that books are a great source to create a link between the past and the future, a bridge between generations and across cultures. It also enlightens our mind and boosts our knowledge.



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Dr. Asif Naveed Ranjha faculty members and students participated in Wold Book and Copyright Day awareness walk

Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, shed light on importance of celebrating World Book Day & Copyright Day in the current era. She highlighted the need to promote the book reading culture in our society for developments and creativity. She also urged that parents should play

their effective role in promoting the reading habits among children. Prof. Dr. Asif Naveed Ranjha, Chairman, Department of Social Work, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Saleem, Chairman, Department of Applied Psychology, Dr. Abid Rasheed Gill, Head, Department of Economics, Dr. Samar Fahad, Director Enabling

Center, Dr. Shahzad Karim, Librarian, faculty members of the Faculty of Social Sciences, library professionals, and a huge number of students participated in the awareness walk by holding different play cards to highlight the importance of "Book Reading" and "Promoting Book Culture".

## World Immunization Week

Health Care Society, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur observed World Week by organizing National Symposium on Immunization (NSI-2022) with the theme 'Long Life for All' and highlighting the importance of vaccination and global health issues. Inaugural session started with the address and welcome speech of Prof. Dr. Muhammad Asadullah Madni, Advisor IUB Health Care Society. In his address, he said immunization issues can be resolved with proper immunization campaigns throughout the country. He said IUB Health Care Society and especially students are performing an exceptional job in spreading the awareness word and eventually creating a strong advocacy for developing the healthcare, as much as possible. Chief Guest,



A view of National Symposium on Immunization organized by IUB Health Care Society, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur

Dr. Khalid Mahmood Arian, District Health Officer (PS), Bahawalpur in his address, appreciated the tremendous progress the Islamia University of Bahawalpur is making especially in Hepatitis Free University. He admired the efforts of IUB Health Care Society in this regard. He asserted that

to maintain a healthy nation is absolutely inevitable in order to make progress. Guest of Honor, Prof. Dr. Qaiser Jabeen, Chairperson Department of Pharmacology, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur highlighted the importance of immunization. Senior Medical Officer and Co-Advisor, Dr. Safeena

Siddique, talked about how immunization campaigns should play a role in the post COVID-19 era. Dr. Shiraz, World Health Organization (WHO) Representative in Bahawalpur Division, highlighted the role of doctors, pharmacists in immunization, nursing homes, clinical pharmacists and pharmacists in academia. Immunization has been very crucial in recent times considering the pandemic. It has affected the sustainability of life and when talking about sustainability and quality of life, Health Care Society and the Islamia University of Bahawalpur are all out in spreading awareness. Better and on time immunization leads to a better quality of life.



A group photo of the participants of seminar of World Immunization Week

## Action Plan Meeting on Climate Change

A delegation of Inter-university Consortium on Climate Change, Sustainability and Conservation (CCSC), the Islamia University of Bahawalpur, under the leadership of Eng. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, had Action Plan Meeting hosted by the Mr. Bader Munir, ex-Chairman Task Force, Ministry of Forest, Wildlife and Fisheries, Government of Pakistan. Prof. Dr. Talat Naseer Pasha, Vice Chancellor, University of Education, Lahore, appreciated

the initiative of consortium from the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and agreed to be part of the consortium. He kindly offered to host next consortium meeting at University of Education, Lahore. Core Team Prof. Dr. Shazia Anjum, Dr. Wajid Nasim Jatoi and Prof. Dr. Asif Naveed Ranjha presented idea and so far development and future needs and opportunities on consortium with various participants from public

and private sector organizations. Mr. Ashiq Ahmad Khan, focal

person consortium /Scientific Representative, Islamabad,



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor the Islamia University of Bahawalpur along with participants of Inter-university Consortium on Climate Change, Sustainability and Conservation during a meeting at Lahore

guided to establish governing body, implementing bodies and their TOR's for better and smooth functioning of consortium. Patron-in-Chief consortium, Engr. Prof. Dr.

Athar Mahboob (TI), consortium team to develop the web portal of consortium to link with IUB website. Mr Ghazanfar Ali Langah, Ex-Director, Forest, Wildlife and

Fisheries, Government of Punjab Dr. Saleem Sarwar, Principal Engr., SMEC-Australia. Mr. Mubarak Ali Sarwar, CEO, AGAHE, Pakistan, Dr. Asif Saeed (National University of

Computer and Emerging Science, Lahore, also participated in the discussions and appreciated the initiative of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur.

## Inter-university Consortium on Climate Change, Sustainability and Conservation team visits COMSTECH Secretariat

Inter-university consortium on Climate Change, Sustainability and Conservation (CCSC), team, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur, visited COMSTECH Secretariat Islamabad and had a meeting With Prof. Dr. Muhammad Iqbal Choudhary, Coordinator General COMSTECH. He was briefed by Prof. Dr. Shazia Anjum, Patron Consortium about idea of Inter Universities Consortium on Climate Change, Sustainability and Conservation initiated by IUB having more than 35 public and private institution and organization signatories. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Iqbal Choudhary praised efforts of Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and team for CCSC

formation and endorsed the idea of separate web portal of consortium for better linkage development and work showcasing of partner universities and organizations. COMSTECH team also briefed the CCSC team about web portal of COMSTECH consortium for excellence. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Iqbal Choudhary assured his full support for CCSC initiatives and use of COMSTECH venue for Consortium events in Islamabad. A delegate of Inter-university Consortium on Climate Change, Sustainability and Conservation (CCSC), the Islamia University of Bahawalpur, under the leadership of Prof. Dr Shazia Anjum also had meeting with Dr Bashir Ahmad, Director, Institute (CEWRI) Climate, Energy and



Prof. Dr. Shazia Anjum, Dean Faculty of Science along with Prof. Dr. Muhammad Iqbal Ch during her Visit at COMSTECH Secretariat Islamabad

Water Research Institute (CEWRI), National Agricultural Research Centre (NARC), Islamabad, Dr. Arshad Ashraf (Focal Person) signed the agreement of Consortium

during meeting. Prof. Dr. Asif Naveed Ranjha and Dr. Wajid Nasim Jatoi presented consortium shield to Dr. Bashir Ahmad.

## 1<sup>st</sup> National Conference on Sustainable Development Goals



Ehsan Sadiq Additional IG South Punjab, Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor and other dignitaries addressing to participants of the Conference

The First National Conference on Sustainable Development Goals was jointly organized by the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and SDG Academy at Main Auditorium, Baghdad ul Jadeed Campus, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. Experts gave briefings on achieving development goals. On this occasion, the chief guest Ehsan Sadiq Additional IG South Punjab in his address said the convening of a conference at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur for the goals of sustainable development of the United Nations is very encouraging step from academia. The police department also undergoing reforms, in this regard the relationship between the police and the general public has improved and the overall friendly culture promoted. Punjab Police is striving for public service and

for this purpose liaison with the academia and other institutions enhanced. Former Director FIA Ammar Jafery said implementation of sustainable development goals is essential for good governance. Speaking on the occasion, Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur said in the light of the Sustainable Development Goals, efforts are being made for the social and economic development of the region. In this regard, in the recent ranking of the Times Higher Education, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur included in the list of top 400 universities around the world with 17 Sustainable Development Goals, 169 targets and 232 indicators. With regard to climate change, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur worked to implement a special project

of rain enhancing to settle 6.5 million acres of land in Cholistan using modern technology. This will increase the average rainfall in the area from 100 mm to 400 mm annually and add 10 billion dollars to the agricultural economy. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur cotton varieties cultivated on 50% of the area, which will boost the national economy and textile industry. Intercropping technology with Chinese universities combining corn and soybeans will save valuable foreign exchange by reducing edible oil imports. The Vice Chancellor said with global thinking, we believe in act at local level, that is why the Islamia University of Bahawalpur become one of the top 1000 universities in the world. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur teaching and research is going on more than

300 disciplines, including health sciences and environmental subjects. On this occasion, experts said we cannot join the ranks of developed countries until we achieve the 17 Sustainable Development Goals set by the United Nations for the world. These include poverty alleviation, better nutrition for children and people of all ages, promotion of agriculture and over-production of modern farming methods, promotion of a healthy society, quality education and continuing lifelong learning. Gender equality and empowerment of women, provision of clean water, sanitation and decontamination of the area, enabling and promoting access to affordable energy for all through modern methods, promotion of economic productivity, child labor and child labor. Ensuring the elimination of labor, building resilience to natural disasters, promoting industries with modern technology, reducing inequalities at national and international levels, protecting human populations through local participation and potential disasters, productivity improving practices, preventing product waste, keeping water, soil and air in a clean environment free from densities, taking steps to avoid climate change and



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor presenting a shield to Ehsan Sadiq Additional IG South Punjab during the conference

its effects, conserving water resources, preventing water wastage and keeping it free from pollution. To make the oceans environment healthy and beneficial and to keep them clean, land to all countries protecting against climate change, preventing deforestation and over-growing deserts and increasing forests,

protecting wildlife, protecting the natural beauty of the mountains, building a peaceful society, access to justice making it possible for the individual, promoting the rule of law, eliminating corruption and bribery, promoting transparency in institutions, strengthening and ensuring a global partnership for sustainable development,

these initiatives make Pakistan a prosperous and developed country. Prof. Dr. Saeed Ahmed Buzdar Dean Faculty of Physical and Mathematical Sciences in his special address, described the performance of the university in terms of sustainable development goals. The Director Career Counseling and Placement Center

and focal person Shahid Afzal Durrani extended special thanks to Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob and SDGs Academy focal person Ammar Jaffery for organizing the conference.

## The Chinese Embassy Praises Efforts of IUB Researchers

The Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Pakistan in a tweet appreciated the efforts of Dr. Muhammad Ali Raza, Director, Intercropping Technology, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur for the promotion of intercropping technology. Dr. Muhammad Ali Raza grew corn and soybean belt compound plant technology in the same field, which resulted in tremendous yields of both crops. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur under the leadership of Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor had signed a special agreement with Sichuan Agricultural University, China for the promotion and collaboration of inter-cropping technology. Maize and soybean belt compound technology could be a game changer for Pakistan's economy and save valuable foreign exchange spent on edible oil imports. That is why this project, which plays an important role in the country's agriculture and economy, has been included in the CPEC projects. In this regard, Intercropping Technology Institute has been set up at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur, where research on intercropping technology is being conducted in collaboration with Chinese universities, which is being appreciated nationally and internationally.



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Muhammad Ali Raza adopts corn-soybean belt compound planting technology developed by Sichuan Agricultural University, China. The technology makes double high yield of corn& soybean become reality. Agricultural cooperation enhances domestic supply& saves foreign exchange reserves.



An image of a tweet from the Chinese Embassy

## IUB Observes International Day of Biodiversity

The International Day for Biological Diversity, celebrated worldwide on May 22 to increase understanding and awareness of Biodiversity issues. On directions of Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur, the Environmental Protection Society, Directorate of Students Affairs the Islamia University of Bahawalpur organized a tour of students to Biodiversity Park of the University near Fort Derawar under the supervision of Dr. Muhammad Abdullah, Society Advisor and Director IUB Biodiversity Park. The Environmental Protection Society organized thrilled activities centered on "building a shared future for all life" at Biodiversity Park and all members participated enthusiastically and observed the Biodiversity of Cholistan desert. Nests were installed in IUB Biodiversity Park by Environmental Protection Society for the birds

use and to observed variety and population of birds. In Cholistan to overcome severe water shortage, mud posts were placed randomly in IUB Biodiversity Park for birds so that they can drink water easily. By the use of plastic bottles they conveyed a message that plastic bottles can be reused to decrease the environmental pollution which is caused by plastic. Different plants were planted in IUB Biodiversity Park to preserve the indigenous

plants of Cholistan Desert. Ripened seeds were collected from different plants from IUB Biodiversity Park for seed bank and to preserve the native plants diversity. Seeds of indigenous plants of Cholistan were spread over sand dunes to grow the plants in natural climate. Waste which can contaminate the environment was collected from fields to reduce pollution and to protect the Biodiversity. Plants were tagged in Biodiversity Park

by the Society so they can be identified easily. The society members also visited Fort Derawar and closely observed the historical culture and traditions of desert locals. As Cholistan desert is facing a severe shortage of water. IUB Environmental Protection Society distributed purified water among the local Cholistani people.



A group photo of students tour to Biodiversity Park of the University near Fort Derawar

## Chinese Delegation visits IUB

A Chinese delegation Mr. Max Ma, President Tang Chinese International Education and Research (Pvt.) Ltd. and Mr. Wang Duochun, Chief Representative of China Jinchuan Group for Mine and Minerals Business visited the Islamia University of Bahawalpur on a special invitation by Prof. Dr. Hafiz Muhammad Asif, Principal University College of Conventional Medicine. The delegation visited different teaching and non-teaching departments of the university and highly appreciated the infrastructure and facilities. In a joint meeting cum dinner with the Vice Chancellor, Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar, Deans, Directors and Principal Officers possible collaboration in traditional Chinese medicine, agriculture, engineering and information technology were discussed. Chinese delegation offered scholarships in Technical



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor the Islamia University of Bahawalpur along with Chinese delegation, faculty members and officers

and skills-based education programs. They said the institutions may collaborate in 210 technical education programs which are already being offered in Chinese Universities. Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob highly appreciated their cooperation and

directed the concerned to introduce these educational programs in IUB for the empowerment of youth of Pakistan. Prof. Dr. Jawad Iqbal, Dean, Faculty of Management Sciences, Dr. Abid Shahzad, Director International Linkages and Prof. Dr. Hafiz Muhammad Asif

were nominated to communicate between the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and Chinese officials. At the end of meeting, Vice Chancellor presented shields and university souvenirs to Mr. Max Ma and Mr. Waung Dauchun.

## World Autism Day



A view of awareness seminar on World Autism Day

The Department of Special Education organized an international awareness seminar on World Autism Day at the Main Auditorium Bagdad ul Jadeed Campus, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur Under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Nasreen Akhtar, Chairperson Department of the Special Education. Dean Faculty of Education Prof. Dr. Irshad Hussain, Prof. Dr. Nasreen Akhter, Chairperson Department of Special Education, International Speaker Dr. Harpareet Kaur Dhair from California USA, Dr. Shaheen Pasha Chairperson Department of Special Education University of Education

Lahore, Dr. Hina Fazil Assistant Professor, Department of Special Education Punjab University Lahore, Dr. Samar Fahad Director Enabling Center, Usama Munawar Project Officer HHRD Bahawalpur, Dr. Zeeshan Akhtar Al-khidmat Foundation Pakistan, Nadeem Akhtar President Bahawalpur Deaf Welfare Association and Sports Society and Principal and teachers from various Special Education schools and departments of Punjab participated this event and delivered speeches in the awareness seminar. They talked about the importance of diagnosis of Autism Spectrum disorder

symptoms and treatment. They also suggested that Autistic children should be treated differently than special children. The role of stakeholders, parents, family, society, institutions and political system in the management of the autism spectrum disorder was also discussed. Dean Faculty of Education Prof. Dr. Irshad Hussain Baloch praised Prof. Dr. Nasreen Akhtar and the Department of Special Education for organizing such an event.



A view of participants of the seminar



Glimpses of seminar on World Autism Day

## Letter of Understanding Signed



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor the Islamia University of Bahawalpur exchanging MoU document with Dr. Asghar Ali, Executive Director, Association for Bio-risk Management Pakistan

A letter of understanding was signed between the Faculty of Veterinary and Animal Sciences and the Association for Bio Risk Management Pakistan regarding biosafety and biosecurity in

laboratories. The LoU was signed by Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and Dr. Asghar Ali, Executive Director, Association for Bio-Risk Management Pakistan.

Focal Person Prof. Dr. Muhammad Mansoor Khalid, Dean Faculty of Veterinary and Animal Sciences and Dr. Abid Shehzad, Director International Linkages were also present on this occasion.

In the spirit of the agreement, steps will be taken by both the institutions regarding bio-safety measures while working in the laboratory. The Association for Bio-Risk Conservation will regularly collaborate on bio-safety and security in the faculties and laboratories of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and provide necessary training to the faculty members in this regard. In this way, measures regarding bio-safety in the laboratories of the Faculty of Veterinary and Animal Sciences will be reviewed and safety devices will be provided to the researchers. Recently, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur has been ranked sixth position in Pakistan in the field of veterinary in the Scimago ranking and has been ranked 475<sup>th</sup> in the world in veterinary education.

## Webinar Organized at Department of English Linguistics

The Department of English Linguistics, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur organized a webinar on Conquering Fallacies Critical Thinking in Linguistics. The speakers of the webinar included Dr. Muhammad Akbar Sajid, Assistant Professor at Department of English, NUML, Multan Campus and Dr. Muhammad Din, Assistant Professor at the Department of English, Govt. Post-Graduate College, Burewala. Ms. Aisha Ilyas, Associate Lecturer at the Department of English Linguistics, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur was the focal person of the webinar. The session was chaired by Dr. Shahid Nawaz, Assistant



Participants of webinar organized by the Department of English Linguistics, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur

Professor at the Department of English Linguistics, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. After the talks of the speakers Dr. Riaz Hussain, Head, Department of

English Linguistics, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur gave concluding remarks. He stressed the importance of conquering fallacies with the help of better

cognitive strategies. The webinar was attended by the English Language Teaching Assistants and students from different institutes of the Southern Punjab.

## Seminar on Human Rights

Department of Social Work and Department of Sociology organized a seminar in collaboration with Human Rights Ministry Islamabad at Ghulam Muhammad Ghotvi Hall, Abbasia Campus, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. Aziz Iqbal, Deputy Director Human Rights and Adeel Akbar, Assistant Director Human Rights talked on working of human rights ministry, legislations for child rights, women rights and status of human rights regarding human rights. They aware the students about Zenab Alert App and human rights



Speakers addressing the participants of the seminar on Human Rights

portal. Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences appreciated efforts of Human Rights Ministry for awareness

program at the University. Prof. Dr. Asif Naveed Ranjha thanked delegation from Ministry of Human Rights and offered future

collaboration and assistance for human rights research and projects in South Punjab.

## Awareness Session of Scope of E-Commerce An Art of Entrepreneurship

The Department of Economics organized an awareness session on "Scope of E-commerce an Art of Entrepreneurship" in collaboration with the E-commerce Success Pakistan. Department of Economic in alignment with the vision of the Vice-Chancellor, Engr. Prof. Dr.

Athar Mahboob and Dean, Social Science Prof. Dr Rubina Bhatti is always in the quest to bring emerging topics over the discussion table and equip students with the latest trends and techniques. In the emerging global economy, e-commerce and e-business have

increasingly become a necessary component of business strategy and a strong catalyst for economic development. The session was led by Usama Jamshed City lead ESPand Muhammad Shahid ESP BWP chapter coordinator. The session's main objective was to introduce

students to the hidden potential in e-Commerce and how they can use this tool to solve societal issues like unemployment, poverty, and inflation and play their part in the country's economic development. They explained how different online platforms like DARAZ, Amazon and

it could be effectively utilized to generate income. Various success stories were also shared to motivate students to be living examples. The

discussion was interesting enough to grab students' attraction and open new horizons for them. The session ended with a question-

and-answer session and concluding remarks from Dr. Abid Rasheed Gill HoD, Economics. He encouraged the students to invest their time

in learning the most updated and relevant skills. He also assured to repeat this activity regularly in other departments.



Department of Economics the Islamia University of Bahawalpur organized e-commerce and e-business seminar

## Startup of Clutch Phase I



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Jawad Iqbal, Dean Faculty of Management Sciences and Commerce and other speakers addressing in Seminar

Business Incubation Center, the Islamia university of Bahawalpur organised a Startup Clutch Phase 1. Business ideas from different fields were registered in this event. In the opening ceremony of startup clutch, Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur appreciated efforts of Prof. Dr. Jawad Iqbal, Dean Faculty of Management Sciences and Commerce and also encouraged

students to develop more business ideas to earn for themselves and as well as provide employment opportunities for others. Prof. Dr. Jawad Iqbal addressed the audience with the motivational message about the bright future of the coming generation if they grab this opportunity and start their own business. He said the Islamia University of Bahawalpur is providing a free space and mentorship to those students who

will join Business Incubation Center with their unique ideas. They will not only polish their business ideas but will also provide the investment opportunities. Mr. Mohsin Mateen, Assistant Professor/Deputy DSA, and guest speaker Mr. Rameez Hussain, Industrialist and CEO Luxury Hotels also shared their thoughts with students. In the first session registered startups presented their ideas in front of jury members which was the pitching

session and then shortlisted startup prototypes were displayed outdoor in the evening at the amphitheater. In outdoor session food stalls, cultural and musical performances were arranged for the students. At the end of the event, winners of BIC Startup Clutch Phase-1 were awarded with shields and cash prizes.



Glimpses of the event

## Seminar and Awareness Walk on World Environment Day

Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur said the planet is our home and it is our responsibility to pass it on safely to future generations. The Vice Chancellor expressed these views in a seminar and awareness walk in Institute of Agro Industry and Environment the Islamia University of Bahawalpur on the occasion of World Environment Day. He said the United Nations celebrates World Environment Day every year and raises awareness for the protection of the environment so that steps can be taken for the preservation of the natural environment. The theme for this year of World Environment Day was Just One Earth: Individual and Collective Efforts Needed to Protect and Survive Life on Earth. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur formed



Participants of the seminar and awareness walk of World Environment Day

the inter-university consortium for conservation and survival on environment. The consortium aims to bring together experts and resources from national and international universities for environmental protection so that this major challenge can be tackled effectively. Dr. Ghulam

Hassan Abbasi, Director Institute of Agro-Industry and Environment and Director Financial Assistance said the institution is rapidly achieving its goals and national and international organizations are joining it to raise awareness and enhance research on environment issue. The award was presented

to the Islamia University of Bahawalpur under the leadership of Vice Chancellor Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, who is leading universities around the world for the survival and protection of the environment. The participants said food and fruits produced in the natural environment are better than genetically engineered commodities. Improper use is a major cause of natural disasters. All members of the society should take steps for the breeding and protection of animals, birds, plants and trees in the national interest. Due to global warming, the rainfall rate in Pakistan is decreasing significantly. Vehicle, factory fumes and deforestation are increasing greenhouse gas emissions, resulting in changes in the biological balance, including Pakistan's agricultural system.



Students planting trees at Bagdad ul Jadeed Campus

## IUB Observes Global Parents Day

An interactive session was held with the students on Global Parent's Day at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur to appreciate the parents throughout the world, and raise the significance of Parents rights and reverence. Emphasis was also laid to recognize the selfless care, love and motivation by the Parents. Parents have vital roles in the harmonious personality development and character building of their children, and thus contribute towards a healthy and inclusive society. The seminar was joint effort of Directorate of Enabling Centre and Faculty of Social Sciences, IUB. Prof. Dr.

Rubina Bhatti, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Dr. Shazia Anjum, Dean Faculty of Chemical and Biological Sciences, Prof. Dr. Nasreen Akhter, Chairperson Department of Special Education, Director Enabling Centre, Dr. Samar Fahd, Additional Director Enabling Center, Ms. Kalsoom Akhtar and Dr. Sheikh Safeena Siddique, Senior Medical Officer, Medical and Health Division illuminated the audience with their valuable thoughts. Participants included faculty members and students from various departments of the university. In the end, the participants of the awareness seminar had an



Participants of awareness walk on the occasion of Global Parents Day held at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur

awareness walk to highlight the significance of parents rights and respect. Later on, the participants

signed the promotional banner to raise awareness.

## Vice Chancellor Welcomes Allocation of Funds for Higher Education in the Federal Budget

Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur said the announcement made by the government in the budget to provide maximum resources in the field of higher education is a welcome step. The Vice Chancellor expressed these views in the current affairs program of Radio Pakistan Bahawalpur. He said the higher education sector has a key

role to play in the development of the country. Our universities play an important role in social and economic development. The provision of maximum funds for teaching and research is actually necessary for the development of the country. He said the Islamia University of Bahawalpur has achieved a unique position on the national and global horizon in the last three years due to its excellent

teaching, research and excellent infrastructure. At present more than 57 thousand students are studying in the university. Teaching and research is going on in more than 300 subjects. In the last admission campaign, the university received more than 125,000 applications and admitted 13,000 students. Admission campaign has also started this year and for the convenience of candidates,

admission centers have been set up in other cities and towns. Responding to a question, he said the Khawaja Farid chair has been made active so that the teachings of the great Sufi poet could be highlighted nationally and internationally. Similarly, research on various aspects of the former state of Bahawalpur is being carried out through Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi V Chair. Earlier, when

the Vice Chancellor reached Radio Pakistan Bahawalpur, received by Station Director Khalid Iqbal and Controller News Punjab Sajjad Pervez. The Station Director briefed the Vice Chancellor on current affairs, entertainment programs and broadcasts. The Vice Chancellor appreciated the role of Radio Pakistan in the educational and social development of the region. The Vice Chancellor also visited the special gallery set up at Radio Pakistan Bahawalpur where memorabilia of famous artists are displayed. On this occasion, he was also informed about the history of Radio Pakistan Bahawalpur.



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor participates in current affairs program of Radio Pakistan, Islamabad

## Art Exhibition on Climate Change

A special exhibition on Climate Change was organized at University College of Art and Design, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur. The purpose of the exhibition was to make people aware of the harmful effects of global warming. In the same way, the beauty of spring was to be highlighted in the change and intensity of seasons. Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur accompanied by Dean Faculty of Arts and Languages Prof. Dr. Javed Hassan Chandio visited Hakra Art Gallery. Students briefed about their work. On this occasion, the Vice Chancellor said it is the endeavor of our students who have given a message to make the environment clean and green by making different items from waste material. Earth is the best place for human beings to live and nowadays due to climate change its effects are also being felt in Pakistan. It is



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor along with Prof. Dr. Javed Hassan Chandio, Dean, Faculty of Arts and Languages inaugurating the art exhibition on climate change

our responsibility to plant as many trees as possible and do our part to reduce the heat. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur is playing its full role in this regard and large-scale tree plantation campaign continues throughout the year. On this occasion, Dean Faculty of Arts and Languages Prof. Dr. Javed Hassan Chandio said the message given by our students is basically

to improve the environment. Our region is undergoing through rapid climate change, due to which the intensity of heat is increasing. Therefore, we need to improve the environment by planting as many trees as possible to provide a better environment for the next generation. Principal University College of Art and Design Maria Ansari said our students were

trained in the workshop and many useful items are made using the material. Climate change is affecting our crops and agriculture. In this regard, we need to do more to improve the environment on the Earth. Prizes were also distributed among the students who secured positions at the end of the exhibition.



Group photo of participants with the Vice Chancellor



Art work display

## Exhibition of Department of Physiotherapy

Department of Physiotherapy, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur organized an exhibition at Khawaja Farid Campus. The purpose of the exhibition was to educate students about human anatomy. Students were introduced to the structure of the human body and the usefulness of different organs with the help of different models. The exhibition was inaugurated by Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar, Pro Vice Chancellor and Dean Faculty of Pharmacy, and Faculty of Medicine and Allied



Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar, Pro Vice Chancellor inaugurating the exhibition

Health Sciences. The Pro Vice Chancellor said the students have worked hard and come up with new ideas. This will be very helpful in the future of the students and the

practical work is long lasting. It will also build a lot of self-confidence in the students and increase their awareness. Dr. Sabahat Gul, Head Department of Autonomy Quaid-

e-Azam Medical College, Prof. Dr. Asadullah Madani Chairman Department of Pharmaceutics, Prof. Dr. Qaiser Jabeen, Dr. Ayesha and Dr. Afifa were present on the

occasion to guide the students and described the clinical and functional significance of different models.



Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar, Pro Vice Chancellor interacting with students during the stalls visit

## IUB signs MoU with College of Tourism and Hospitality Management

The Islamia University of Bahawalpur is taking steps for teaching, research and practical training in the field of hospitality management to promote tourism in the region. According to the vision of Vice Chancellor, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Department of Tourism and Hospitality Management and Directorate of Sustainable Tourism were established to make Bahawalpur a tourist hub. In this regard, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Islamia University of Bahawalpur and College of Tourism and Hospitality Management in a special ceremony held in Lahore. Prof. Dr. Jawad Iqbal, Dean, Faculty of Management Sciences and Zaheer Ahmed Chief Operating Officer signed on behalf of their respective institutions. Under the agreement, the two institutions will cooperate on the hospitality



A View of MoU signing ceremony

Iqbal Sindhu, Dr. Imran Rashid, Hameed Murtaza and Salman Qureshi were also present on the

occasion.

## IUB to Promote Facilities for Special Students



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor the Islamia University of Bahawalpur exchanging views with Secretary Special Education Punjab Rai Manzoor Nasir

Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor the Islamia University of Bahawalpur along with Additional Registrar Bilal Irshad called on

Secretary Special Education Punjab Rai Manzoor Nasir in his office. On this occasion, the Secretary Special Education briefed the Vice

Chancellor about the facilities provided to special children. He said that education facilities are being provided to 38 thousand

special students by the Government of the Punjab and monthly stipend is praiseworthy step. The support of universities for the higher education of these children is a welcome step. Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob Vice Chancellor said the Islamia University of Bahawalpur is a friendly University for special students. There is a special quota for these students for admission in all the departments of the university and the education and accommodation of special students in the Islamia University of Bahawalpur is absolutely free and pick up and drop service is also provided to these students at their door step by the University. Secretary Special Education Rai Manzoor Nasir termed the facilities provided by the Islamia University of Bahawalpur to special students exemplary.

## Seminar on Project and Risk Management

The Department of Operations and Project Management is one of the 94 new departments established in the University. The department has special importance for large scale construction projects in South Punjab especially for motorways, airports and energy and irrigation projects. A seminar on Project and Risk Management was organized under this department. Chairman of the Department Dr. Muhammad Shafiq, Additional Director Planning DHA Bahawalpur, Muhammad Umair and Chief Executive Standards, Ahmad Raza Qureshi spoke on the occasion. Meanwhile, a training workshop on safety standards of Aviation Quality Assurance ISO was organized by the Department of Operations and Project Management. On this occasion, Quality Assurance Manager Allama Iqbal International Airport Lahore Rizwan Mahmood gave a special lecture. Dean



A group photo of participants of seminar on Project and Risk Management held at the Islamia University of Bahawalpur

Faculty of Management Sciences and Commerce Prof. Dr. Jawad Iqbal and Chairman Department

of Operations and Project Management Dr. Muhammad Shafiq thanked the guest speakers

for their special presence in the workshop.

## Vice Chancellor Visits National Institute of Health Islamabad

Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor the Islamia University of Bahawalpur visited National Institute of Health Islamabad and met with Executive Director Major General Prof. Dr. Aamer Ikram. Dr. Fazal Mahmood, Director Health Project the Islamia University of Bahawalpur was also present on the occasion. During the visit, health education, training and technical cooperation were discussed between the two institutions. On this occasion, cooperation in research from the Islamia University of Bahawalpur in preparation of snake and venom serum for antidote of snake venom was also discussed. The Vice Chancellor also visited the Biological Screen Laboratory and observed its preparation. It was stated in the briefing that



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor along with Executive Director of National Institute of Health Prof. Dr. Maj. Gen. Aamer Ikram (SI) M at Islamabad

70% of the antidote for the bite of venomous snakes is prepared in the same laboratory and the

remaining 30% is imported. On this occasion, mutual cooperation and collaboration was ensured from

both sides.



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob, Vice Chancellor visiting National Institute of Health