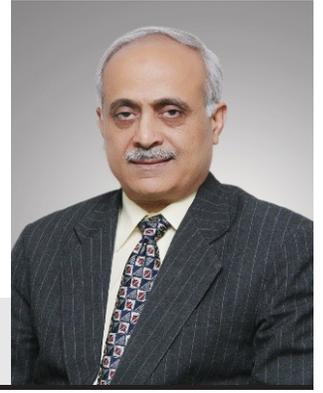




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Preface

Story of an organization is really a story of men and women who compose it, run it and make it what it is. Promoting the legacy of mother institution, UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari takes this initiative. It is my honour to publish the first ever news bulletin of UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari and I am glad to tell you that the first edition of this quarterly news bulletin, “Uni-Communications” is in your hands now.

Some facts related to this first news letter would be in order. It is rather an extended version of a 4-monthly news bulletin and is a bilingual piece. This quarterly news bulletin would be a primary source of developing a regular contact with reader. This news bulletin would also be a vehicle for sharing news and information about academic and extra-curricular activities. It also includes information about the policy developments in the institution. Its purpose is highly communicative, thereby, providing informative and authentic news to its readers.

Special thanks to Mr. Adeel Janjua for providing the information and assistance for producing this bulletin. We hope our valued readers would find it interesting and useful.

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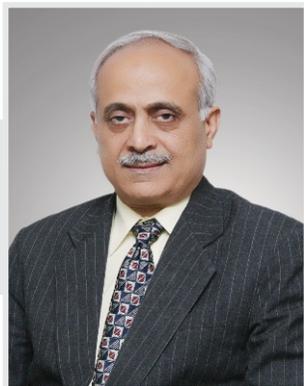
In the name of Allah, the most beneficent, the most merciful

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Message from the Vice Chancellor

“Pakistan is an agricultural land. Every patch of land, be it a metropolitan or a rural, takes its part in economic development. In today's scientific and economic-driven age, it is not possible to focus the metropolitan, while ignoring the suburban and rural areas. Our purpose, therefore, is to make all the possible advancements to access those agricultural areas, which are, somehow, overlooked. The goals behind launching UAF Sub-Campus, Burewala/Vehari are, by no means, little. We are not here for the sheer promotion of academics, but also to ensure the translation of theoretical knowledge into practical application. There is a need to incorporate modern techniques and resources for the advancement of agricultural sector. Innovative research methods and quality education help improve upon the obsolete yet currently in practice farming practices. The area of UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari Chak No. 427/EB has been deliberately chosen for this purpose. Keeping in view the importance of “Value Addition” in global economy, especially in South Asian region, UAF is playing a prominent role in bringing new varieties, production methods and food processing technologies to the agriculture sector. Along with helping the economy, we are also providing growers with opportunities to receive better return for their produces.

At this preliminary stage of institutional development, the initiation of Public Relations and Publications department in UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari is the reflection of the dynamic approach of the current administration. We cannot make ourselves accessible to the community without such efforts. It is an effort to connect agrarians, farmers, students and young researchers. Moreover, I am hopeful that this quarterly News Bulletin entitled “Uni-Communications” would act as a catalyst for positive change in the world of information.

(As an educationist of distinction, Prof. Dr. Iqrar A. Khan, Vice Chancellor, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad has played a leadership role in the establishment, development and recognition of various institutions of UAF throughout the country. UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari is one such effort. He has recently taken charge as the Vice Chancellor of MNSUA, Multan. His aim is to provide not only a quality education to the remote, rural and backward areas of the province, but also to help flourish the agricultural sector.)



Message from the Principal/Project Director

“Achieving excellence is the prime aim of my team, working day and night at UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari. UAF, our mother organisation has gained international recognition through its remarkable contributions in the field of agriculture and beyond; for which all the teaching and non-teaching staff members deserve great recognition and appreciations. We would like to carry on this legacy by embracing the global standards of education and research.

Being Project Director, my primary role is to meet the deadlines given by Government of Punjab and to complete the project in a best possible manner. I must appreciate my team of engineers, sub-engineers and other supporting staff for all their commitment and sincerity for successful accomplishment of project.

Being Principal, I am very confident that UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari will continue to strive high in imparting quality education and beneficial research under the inspirational leadership of worthy Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Iqrar A. Khan, who is the harbinger of dynamism and change. On personal accounts, I regard him as my mentor who is very kind and always committed to exhort others by leading them in forefront. Dedicated efforts are being made by our qualified faculty to bring this Sub-Campus to the academic front-line. Resource mobilization through competitive grants is the pride land mark of the faculty. Several research projects funded by national and international organisations are being carried out successfully. Various outreach activities mentioned in the current volume of “Uni-Communications” speak a lot about the dedication and vision of campus staff. Provision of short courses and consultancy services by faculty members is an admirable step for agricultural growth and community interaction in the region.

Creation of Public Relations and Publications (PRP) Department in UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/ Vehari is a great honour and privilege for me. For that I must recognise the founder Incharge Mr. Adeel Janjua for all his untiring efforts to make Sub-Campus recognised at local as well as national levels by highlighting the efforts and achievements of staff members. Present Incharge Ms. Sadia Nazir is trying to finish the incomplete agenda with better pursuits and enthusiasm. In the end, I must thank the efforts made by our friends at UAF for the betterment and uplifting of UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari.”

(Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana is presently working as Principal/Project Director of UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari. He is working hard in executing the project at Chak No 427/EB, for its completion in due time. As an exemplary administrator, he has brought innovations in undertaking project through his rich experience and personal dedication. Besides effectuating numerous academic and valuable research procedures, he is introducing extra-curricular activities in the campus with an aim to provide not only a productive academic environment but healthy minds as well.)

Honourable Chief Minister Offers Ravishing Opportunity to Vehari and its Vicinity

Keeping in view the growing number of male and female students in the field of higher education, multiple academic institutions are being founded in divergent domains of Punjab. Being one of the top ranking universities in Pakistan, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad suggested the establishment of UAF Sub-Campus in Burewala/Vehari. Its foundations were laid by eminent Chief Minister, Mian Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif on February 13, 2013. Funds of Rs. 541 million were provided by Punjab government for the implementation of the plan. Since the project completion is set for June 2015, multiple blocks including the administrative block, the

academic block, boys and girls hostel, library, community centre, medical centre, faculty residences and guest house



Chief Minister Mian Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif and Prof. Dr. Iqrar A. Khan, Vice Chancellor University of Agriculture Faisalabad are present at the inaugural ceremony of UAF Sub-Campus Burewala.

are under-construction as per execution plan. Following Chief Minister's desire, Prof. Dr. Iqrar A.

Khan, Vice Chancellor, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, immediately hired faculty. Meanwhile, Government of Punjab released orders to commence regular academic sessions in RAEDC building, and its research farm in Vehari. The regular session has been effective since September 2013. Hence, at the present moment, the collective strength of enrolled students in UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/ Vehari has reached 202 with increased propensity towards considering the top ranking university as first priority. Academic research and upgraded cultivation procedures are being carried out in research farms, considering the latest trends in agriculture.

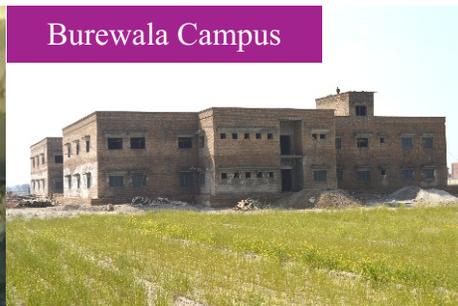
Progress in the Construction of Burewala Site and Role of Faculty Members

The construction work is being carried out quickly to meet the deadline of the project. Two faculty members along with one research officer are posted at the construction site of Burewala with defined duties. Engr. Muhammad Tuseef Asghar (Lecturer Agri. Engineering) is the incharge water-supply, interior water course designing, farm machinery and site incharge for construction. Ahsan-ul-Haq (Lecturer Forestry) is the

incharge nursery for development of plants for campus. Engr. Zeshan Munir Niazi (Research Officer Agri. Engineering) is the incharge roads. All three faculty members are trying their best to perform the duties. With increase in construction work, Engr. Mazhar Iqbal (Lecturer Agri. Engineering) was added to the strength of Burewala site faculty. He was also given the charge of different construction sites including administration and academic block. Currently visiting faculty hostel and implement shed are complete and functional while admin-academic block, boys' hostel, residences (BPS 1-14) and TST road are near completion.



Burewala Campus



Mr. Ahsan ul Haq, Lecturer Forestry is planting 'Conocarpus' which can be seen along the boundary wall of the campus. It was the first plant grown on the land of campus.

Vehari Campus



Setting up the Public Relations & Publications Department

The University maintains well-organized Public Relations and Publication services for promotion of the institution, to highlight the achievements of the university scientists, scholars and students in print and electronic media. The department is bifurcated into 'Public Relations' and 'Publications'. Dr. Asif Khan has been assigned with duties of Incharge Public Relations and Mrs. Sadia Nazir took over the charge as Incharge Publications, while Miss Huda Farooq, Event Manager is working in co-ordination with PRP. The department has following domains:

- (i) Public Relations
- (ii) Information and Pictorial Publicity Section (IPPS)
- (iii) Media Cell
- (iv) Corporate Communication
- (v) Event Management.

This department aims at publishing scientific journals, books, calendars, prospectus, leaflets, and bulletins. The PRP department of the university is responsible

for issuing handouts, pictorial publicity regarding functions and ceremonies arranged by the various university departments. The PRP department also aims to provide information about the infrastructure of university disciplines as well as admission schedule pertaining to various degree programs.



Dr. Asif Khan, Lecturer Food Technology and Incharge Public Relations.

Entitlement of News Letter and University Magazine

News letter, entitled “Uni-Communications”, gets published quarterly to update the staff and students about ongoing university activities, quotations, vacancies, PhD thesis/synopsis defence, scholarships and tender notices etc. The title of the news letter, “Uni-Communications” and university magazine, “Beas” (after River Beas), were proposed by Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana after a unanimous decision taken by the faculty.

The Old Bed of Beas River is an abandoned watercourse in Punjab,

Pakistan (Asia), located at an elevation of 101 meters above sea level. As UAF Sub-Campus is in district Vehari, which lies in Nili Bar between Ravi and Sutlej rivers, hence, the title of the magazine is chosen in memory of the abandoned Beas River. It is an act of recalling and renewing not only the dying customs, but dying rivers and places as well. It carries an emotional knot in the form of literary over-lapping of the title of the magazine itself.

Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana constituted advisory board for Beas, which included Prof. Dr. Iqar A. Khan as Patron-in-Chief, Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana as Patron, Dr. Sajid Mehmood Nadeem as Convener,

Mrs. Sadia Nazir as Secretary, Dr. Fakhar-ud-din Razi and Dr. Naeem Mushtaq as members. The editorial board for the magazine has been selected by advisory board. It includes Abid Ali as Chief Editor, Mahmood-ul-Hasan as Editor English, Mohsin Latif as Editor Urdu and Jamal Ameer as Editor Regional Languages. The magazine will accept writings in National (Urdu), International (English) and regional (Punjabi, Saraiki) languages. It will be published in June this year.

Falsafa-e-Hayat Series; Invoking Panoramic Perspective of Life

In context of the series of seminars on Falsafa-e-Hayat, the occasion of Youm-e-Ashur was observed in November with great religious spirit and devotion. It carries a panoramic outlook of life in a broader spectrum. Professor Haji Muhammad Ali Zaidi, Head of

Islamiyat Department, Govt. Islamia Post Graduate College, Vehari shared his views on Shahadat-e-Imam Hussain (RA).



He highlighted the sanctity of Moharram-ul-Haram, and enabled the audience to widen their understanding on the nobility, patience and determination of Hazrat Imam Hussain (RA). Later, Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana addressed the faculty members, students and administrative staff and further highlighted the value of Youm-e-Ashur.

Acknowledging the Rights of Minorities- A Fervid Celebration of Christmas

On the occasion of Christmas, event for Christian employees was organized in December 2014. Chaudhry Nazir Arain, MNA Burewala graced the occasion with his presence. All faculty members and administrative staff also participated in the event. While addressing the Christian community, Chaudhary Nazir Arain said that Islam teaches the lesson of peace and harmony which should be

practised in our country as it is also a dire need of the hour. He also appreciated the support extended by Christian employees in the growth of the campus. While addressing the Christian community, Dr. Rajwana further added, “Islam permits freedom of expression and does not believe in imposing faith. It talks about complete protection of rights of minorities. The faculty members, students, and administrative staff belonging to different communities are serving this campus without any discrimination. They are enjoying a conducive and unbiased working environment.”

Wheat Sowing Ceremony

On the occasion of wheat sowing ceremony, Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Principal/ Project Director, UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari visited farm adjacent to the campus. In his address to the students and the staff members, he talked about the establishment of farm and its productive results in near future. According to Project Director, the establishment of farm would help to provide a golden opportunity to emergent scientists from Southern Punjab. Different methods of wheat sowing were discussed for better production. Methods like bed sowing, ridge sowing and drill sowing must be incorporated for saving water. Moreover, these methods yield more

production with less use of water. The main focus of the address was innovative methods of cultivation in relation to wheat sowing.



Candles are lit and one-minute silence is being observed to mourn the unsympathetic massacre of innocent children.

Denunciation of Peshawar Incident- Another Black Day in History

A remembrance prayer was offered for the innocent martyrs of horrific Peshawar Incident, which took place on 16 December, 2014. One-minute silence was observed to mourn the unsympathetic massacre of innocent children. Candles were lit and a prayer ceremony was held for the victims of the incident. The Principal was quoted as saying, “Country is mourning over the horrible incident in Peshawar. The terrorists killed innocent children who went to school for a brighter future in terms of education and enlightenment. We stand with the grieving families of Peshawar.” He was heartbroken and mournful at this unfortunate incident.



Dr. Rajwana is addressing the faculty members and students at this mournful occasion and a remembrance prayer is being offered for the innocent martyrs of horrific Peshawar Incident.

Prof. Dr. Iqrar A. Khan Entrusted Dr. Rajwana with the Academic and Administrative Duties of MNSUA

Principal/Project Director Dr. Rajwana took the charge of MAN-SUA in February 24, 2015. He is assisting Prof. Dr. Iqrar A. Khan, Vice Chancellor of Mohammad Nawaz Shareef University of Agriculture (MNSUA), Multan in performing the academic and administrative duties. Dr. Rajwana

has largely contributed to the uplift of agricultural sector. Keeping in view his services in the field of agricultural research, he has been assigned with this duty by Prof. Dr. Iqrar A. Khan who has recently taken charge as Vice Chancellor of MNSUA. While addressing the faculty members in

MNSUA, Dr. Rajwana talked about the role of the institution in promoting agricultural research and economy. He talked about the progress of agricultural education. The education in the field of agriculture must be up-dated and modernized, he added.

Mass Vaccination Campaign (MVC)

Mass Vaccination Campaign was jointly organized by District Live Stock Department and UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari in January 2015. It was headed by Dr. M. Rashid Waqas (for Tehsil Vehari), Dr. Mudassar Nazar (for Tehsil Burewala) and Mr. Shauket Zaman Khan (for Tehsil Mailsi) and assisted by SAAS with the motto “every single cattle, buffalo, goat, sheep must be vaccinated for specific diseases”. Mian Saqib Khurshed, MPA; Mr. Sardar M. Ashiq Dogar, Additional Secretary, Livestock & Dairy Development; Mr. Shahzad Sabir, EDO Agriculture Vehari and Dr. Mansoor, Director Livestock, Multan graced the event.



Mian Saqib Khurshed, MPA; Mr. Sardar M. Ashiq Dogar, Additional Secretary, Livestock & Dairy Development; Mr. Shahzad Sabir, EDO Agriculture Vehari and Dr. Mansoor, Director Livestock, Multan are present at the occasion.

Short Courses

Multiple short courses have been launched to keep the students abreast of the development in agriculture. A short course entitled “Reclamation of Salt Affected Soils” has been launched and started by Dr. Sajid Mehmood, Associate Professor Soil & Environmental Sciences and Dr. M. Rashid Waqas, Lecturer Soil & Environmental

Sciences. Another short course has been managed and directed by Dr. Asif Khan, Lecturer Food Technology and Mrs. Sadaf Shakoor, Lecturer Home Economics. Moreover, a short course on “Livestock Care & Natural Resource Management” is conducted by Dr. Mudassar Nazar, Lecturer Veterinary Sciences.

Literary and Cultural Forum (LCF)

“Literary and Cultural Forum” (LCF) has been activated at UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari by the office of the Senior Tutor. Initially LCF has three clubs; namely, “Qirat and Naat Club” , “Writing and Debating Club” , and “Art and Culture Club”.

All Students are encouraged to become

members of these clubs. The members of each club would elect their cabinet. The prime goal behind these clubs is to help students improve and polish their talent and skills in the relevant fields.



Dr. Muhammad Naeem Mushtaq
PhD Agronomy (Japan)
Assistant Professor & Senior Tutor

The academic staff of UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari paid an official visit to Muhammad Nawaz Shareef University of Agriculture, Multan in March. The basic goal behind the visit was to activate the process of research in the field of agriculture. Subject specialists were divided into multiple academic groups for planning joint projects as per director's advice. According to Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, such future prospects would explore the areas of mutual research and other academic and co-curricular possibilities between the employees of two esteemed organizations.

An Official Visit to MNSUA; A Joint Project Plan



A group photo of academic staff of UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari and MNSUA at MNSUA, Multan.

Society of Agricultural and Allied Sciences (SAAS)



SAAS was founded on 5th of April, 2014. If it could be explained in a single statement then it must be acknowledged that this is a society of the students and for the students. Each student belonging to this institute is an executive

member of this society. Prof. Dr. Iqrar A. Khan is its Patron-in-chief while Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana is its Patron. Dr. Muhammad Rashid Waqas, Lecturer Soil and Environmental Sciences is the convener of the society.

The chief mission of SAAS is to develop scientific knowledge and inter-personal skills among the students. The society organizes seminars, conferences, workshops, symposia, etc for promotion of scientific and literary activities among the students.



Group photo of SAAS members, Dr. M. Rashid Waqas, convener of the society and principal/project director, Dr. Rajwana.

Career Choice Surveys

Career choice is one of the most important and turning point in the life of students especially after higher secondary school examination in Pakistan. The main objectives of this survey were:

- To explore the degree preferences among students both at undergraduate and postgraduate levels.
- To find out obstacles of students to achieve higher education
- To highlight student's preference for specific

institutions for higher studies

- New degree program which should be launched in universities

The study was conducted in six districts of Southern Punjab (Vehari, Lodhran, Pakpattan, Bahawalpur, Bahawalnagar and Khanewal). From selected districts, subsequent tehsils (Vehari, Burewala, Mailsi, Kehror Pacca, Arifwala, Hasilpur, Khanewal and Chishtian) were selected. From each selected tehsil one government postgraduate and one private institute was selected randomly. A randomly selected

sample of 100 undergraduate students were interviewed in each tehsil comprising of 50 male and 50 female students from each selected institute. Total sample size of this study was 1385 students comprising of 740 undergraduates and 645 postgraduates. Data were collected by using structured questionnaire. The data were processed by using SPSS 17. Regarding the obstacles towards their higher education are concerned, majority of the students reported financial, transport and accommodation as their major problems.

Admission Campaign for New Degree Programmes

On the basis of results of the career choice survey, new degree programs namely, BS (Computer Science), BBA (Agri. Business), M.Com, MSc (Computer Science) and MBA Executive (1.5 years) have been initiated at the Sub-Campus. While B.Sc. (Hons.) Agri. Sciences., B.Sc. (Hons.) Home Economics and MBA Regular (3.5 years) are already running programs

in the campus. Admission campaign has been launched by Dr. M. Asif Khan, Incharge Public Relations. Admission campaign team includes Dr. Nasir Nadeem, Dr. Naeem Mushtaq, Mr. Rana M. Saleem and Mrs. Sadaf Shakoor. The team is covering different districts and tehsils (Bahawalnagar, Khanewal, Pakpattan, Arifwala, Melsi, Kahrora Pakka, Bahawalpur, Burewala and Vehari) for the advertisement of new degree programs.

Learning Management System (LMS)

UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari has adopted current modes of learning system. Learning Management System (LMS) is a web-based application. LMS is a Platform for on-line interaction between students and teachers. They can access LMS from any location or place. By facilitating the students through LMS, faculty members can upload lectures, class attendance, class assignments, recommended books, website links, and manually enrolled class students in the course. Students can download class lectures, class assignments, books and view their attendance of the course.

An Awareness Program about “Protection against Harassment of Women at Workplace Act 2010”

In January 2015, An Awareness Program about “Protection against Harassment of Women at Workplace Act 2010” was arranged in collaboration with Women Ombudsman Punjab. In her address to the faculty members, Miss Bushra Khalid, Executive Director, Women Ombudsman Punjab, threw light on the multiple ways of Harassment, the means of prevention and legislative stand upon it. Most significantly, harassment is not a sheer physical act rather a mode of psychological behaviour. Hostile forms of psychological behaviours which cause harassment could be eye contact, body language and use of code words. The law has an obvious stand upon it. An inquiry committee should be formed with in the campus to tackle such type of issues.



Miss Bushra Khalid, Executive Director, Women Ombudsman Punjab is addressing the faculty members at UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari.

Security Awareness Lecture on “Campus Emergency Preparedness”

Security awareness lecture on “Campus Emergency Preparedness” has been arranged for students by the state department of the institute. Owing to increasing threats faced by educational institutes, an awareness program about “Safety Measures against Terrorism” was also arranged by DCO office. All faculty members gathered to get awareness about safety measures they can take at individual level. However, there is a need to implement high security alert as an institutional policy.

Institutes were advised to practise emergency exercises to help faculty and students encounter such kinds of attacks. Hence, hectic and long training sessions were arranged for security staff of the institute.



Dr. Sajid Mahmood Nadeem, Associate Professor Soil & Environmental Sciences Director Student Affairs (DSA)

Livestock Seminar

A one-day seminar on “Livestock Management for Enhanced Productivity” was conducted by UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari on 16 March, 2015. Its primary focus was on creating awareness about modern technology among livestock farmers. The production of silage and the use of phosphorous in livestock food are necessary factors for livestock management in order to enhance productivity. Dr. Mudassar Nazar was the focal person of this seminar. He is currently working as a lecturer in the department of veterinary sciences. In his inaugural address to the technical session, he talked about the importance of livestock in relation to the alarming situation in the present scenario. According to him, the decreasing productivity

is the result of negation of proper livestock management.

Mr. Mumtaz Manais was the chief guest of the occasion. He is the progressive farmer and chairman PAMCO. Dr. Fiaz Yaseen, Product Development Manager Salemor, Lahore; Dr. Hafiz Haseeb Ahmad National Sales manager Nawan Laboratories, Karachi; Prof. Dr. Ghulam Muhammad, Subject Specialist, Clinical Medicine and Surgery Department UAF; Dr. Qamar Bilal, Associate Professor Livestock Management Department, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad and Dr. Ghulam Mustafa, Marketing Manager Pioneer Seeds, Sahiwal were among the eminent guests of the technical session.



Mr. Mumtaz Manais, Chairman PAMCO and Principal/Project Director Dr. Rajwana are addressing the live stock farmers at UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari.



Mr. Mumtaz Manais, Chairman PAMCO and Principal/Project Director Dr. Rajwana are visiting the stalls. Dr. Mudassar Nazir, Lecturer Veterinary Sciences is also accompanying them.

2nd Annual Sports and Literary Festival (2015)

A 3-day sports and literary festival has been organized by the Senior Tutor office, Sports Office and SAAS in March 2015. Students actively participated in numerous literary and sports competitions. The festival features qirat, naat, debating, singing competitions, football, cricket, badminton, volleyball, Athletics and cycling.

Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana appreciated the efforts made by Senior Tutor office, Sports office and SAAS. He distributed prizes among the winners.



Glimpses of 2nd Annual Sports and Literary Festival (2015)

Achieve Your Goals; Sky is the Limit- Success Story of Rabia Faridi

It was the 2nd event of “Falsafa-e-Hayat Series” held in March. Miss Rabia Faridi was invited by UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari to share her views on “Achieve Your Goals; Sky is the Limit”. Miss Rabia Faridi has got the honour to deliver speech on “Woman Empowerment and

Education” in 69th session of side line program at the platform of United Nations. She has got Youth Courage Award 2014. Miss Rabia Faridi shared her success story with students and faculty members of UAF Burewala/Vehari campus. An informal question answer session was arranged with Miss Rabia Faridi for girls. So, they may overcome their fear to come up to the stage and speak.



Miss Rabia Faridi is addressing the faculty members and students at UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari.

Felicitations to ORIC (Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization) UAF

Principal/Project Director, Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana and all the staff members of UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari felicitate Prof. Dr. Asif Ali, Director ORIC UAF and his team on scoring the first position in the UAF category in Agri-Exhibition held at UAF from March 20, 2015 to March 26, 2015. We admire ORIC for winning overall category trophy in the same exhibition. We appreciate the strenuous efforts made by ORIC for participation of UAF in world-wide rankings of universities. Though the institution was already making its mark in the field of research, but its recognition as 85th best university in QS World University Ranking in Agriculture and Forestry; 25th best university

for campus sustainability and environmental friendly university management in UI Green Metric World University Ranking, 2014; and 97th best university in NTU ranking, 2014; is the fruitful result of untiring efforts made by the Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad. Moreover, HEC 3rd Party Evaluation Team surveyed to measure the performance of Offices of Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC) at different universities in Sind and Punjab in 2013. It ranked ORIC, UAF as the best functional office in Punjab and Sind. We wish ORIC the very best of luck in their future endeavours.



Prof. Dr. Asif Ali, Director Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC) UAF

(A brief introduction to ORIC: Newly emerging international practices invoked HEC to operationalize a new system of transforming scientific knowledge into applications beneficial to society. This newly emerged research management in the institute is primarily responsible for promoting closer co-ordination between researchers in a university and other segments of society. As this research management is to be

under-taken by ORIC, hence, it was established in UAF in 2011. Its mission is to support strategic research directions and policies increasing external research funding, promoting entrepreneurship, technology-transfer and commercialization activities and support the local and national economy with promoting cross-cutting and multi-disciplinary research initiatives.)

Visit of National Agriculture Education Accreditation Council, Higher Education Commission (NAEAC-HEC)

HEC paid a visit to UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari. Different subject specialists, Prof. Dr. Bismillah (Agronomy), Dr. Anjum Akbar (Horticulture) and Dr. Muazzam Jameel (Soil Sciences) from different universities were accompanying Mr. Naseer Alam Khan, Secretary National Agricul-

-ture Education Accreditation Council, Higher Education Commission. While addressing the faculty members, they exchanged their views about the quality education. They were much satisfied by the dedicated work of faculty members and administration at UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari.



Dr. Muazzam Jameel, Subject Specialist Soil & Environmental Sciences and Dr. Sajid Mahmood Nadeem, Associate Professor, Soil & Environmental Sciences are exchanging views about the current policies of National Agriculture Education Accreditation Council, Higher Education Commission



Annual Dinner of Girls Residing in the Hostel

Tired with daily routine, students feel relaxed and happy when they have some entertainment. Annual dinner was organized by UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari in March. The hostel girls participated in the event very actively. Worthy female faculty members chaired the event. It featured multiple competitions mainly, singing competition, modelling and Bait-bazi. The competitions were, then, followed by dinner. Students were very enthusiastic for the event. According to students, such events are necessary to keep them active and energetic for their routine work.

Huda Farooq, Research Officer/Event Manager

Book Fair 2015 and Bus Inauguration Ceremony

UAF Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari exhibited the first ever book fair. It was held for 2 days. Prof. Dr. Iqar A. Khan, Vice Chancellor UAF was invited as chief guest. After inauguration of the ceremony, the worthy Vice Chancellor addressed the media and faculty members and highlighted the importance of books. Faculty

members, students and residents of Vehari got much benefit out of this book fair. At the occasion of book fair, a bus inauguration ceremony was also arranged. During the bus inauguration ceremony, Prof. Dr. Iqar A. Khan, Vice Chancellor UAF talked about proper maintenance and care of motor pool system in the campus.



Prof. Dr. Iqar A. Khan is addressing the media at the occasion of book fair while Project Director, Dr. Rajwana is accompanying him



Bus inauguration ceremony

Group photo of faculty members at the occasion of book fair.

Wheat Harvesting Ceremony

SSP Ghulam Jaffar inaugurated wheat harvesting on April 28, 2015 in research farm adjacent to UAF Sub-Campus functional in RAEDC building, Vehari. While addressing the staff members and students, Principal/Project Director Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana ensured the procurement of better yield of wheat per acre.



A photo of wheat harvesting

DCO Vehari Laid Down the Foundation Stone of Jamia Mosque, UAF Sub-Campus, Burewala

In March 2015, Jawad Akram, DCO Vehari visited the Burewala Campus which is under construction. He laid down the foundation stone of Jamia Mosque, UAF Sub-Campus Burewala. It would be the first Jamia Mosque

in this area. It has a capacity to accommodate 500 prayer observers. Ch. Mushtaq, EDO Agriculture was also present at occasion. He appreciated the efficiency of civil work and encouraged to enhance the pace of work.



DCO Vehari, Jawad Akram is laying down the foundation stone of Jamia Mosque, UAF Sub-Campus, Burewala

Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for Students

On the recommendation of the Principal UAF, Sub-Campus Burewala/Vehari, Director Students Affairs has formulated standard operating procedures for students to ensure conducive

environment at the campus. According to these SOPs, students are advised to come in the campus with proper dress code and refrain from any immoral activity in the campus. No person can use abusive

language. Smoking is strictly banned in the campus and hostels. The vigilance committee is formed to pay surprise visits in the campus and other informal students gathering places.

Faculty Achievements



Dr. Sajid Mahmood Nadeem, Associate Professor, Soil & Environmental Sciences won two HEC funded research projects. The major object of one project is to utilize the salt affected soils with new technology that is the application of beneficial bacteria. The second project is about

improving maize growth in water limited conditions by application of microbes. According to him, the successful completion of these projects will enable us to improve the yield of wheat and maize grown on saline soils and also the areas facing water shortage. Dr. Sajid also recently published two research papers in well reputed high impact factor journal. The title of these papers are “The role of mycorrhizae and plant growth promoting rhizobacteria (PGPR) in improving crop productivity under stressful environments” and “Physiological response of mung bean to rhizobium and pseudomonas based biofertilizers under salinity stress”.



Dr. Muhammad Abubakkar, Assistant Professor, Plant Breeding and Genetics, has recently won highly competitive and prestigious international project funded by International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), USA and Pakistan Strategy

Research Institute (IFPRI), USA and Pakistan Strategy Support Program (PSSP). The project is entitled “Improvement in the Socio-economic and Health Status of Female Cotton Pickers under the Changed Scenario of *Bt* Cotton Adoption in the Cotton Belt”. The major objectives of this project are to suggest specific areas of intervention to upgrade the socio-economic and health conditions of female cotton pickers and to provide outreach training sessions for awareness creation among female cotton pickers and to incentivize them to improve their family conditions.

زرعی یونیورسٹی سب کمیونس بور یوالا ادہاڑی میں گندم کی فی ایکڑ پیداوار کے نام سے سیمینار کا انعقاد

اعلیٰ تعلیمی اداروں کا قیام ایسی محفوظ سرمایہ کاری ہے جس کا حال اور مستقبل میں فائدہ ہے۔ سیمینار سے خطاب وائس چانسلر زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد ڈاکٹر اقرار احمد خان نے کہا ہے کہ زرعی یونیورسٹی سب کمیونس بور یوالا ادہاڑی اس علاقہ کی ترقی اور خوشحالی کا ایک روشن باب ہے یہ بات انہوں نے ریڈک میں قائم زرعی یونیورسٹی سب کمیونس بور یوالا ادہاڑی کے زیر اہتمام گندم کی بہتر پیداوار پر منعقدہ ایک سیمینار سے خطاب کرتے ہوئے کہی انہوں نے کہا کہ اعلیٰ تعلیمی ادارے ایک ایسی محفوظ سرمایہ کاری ہے جس کا مستقبل میں فائدہ ہے ان اداروں کے تعلیم یافتہ افراد ہی ملکی ترقی کی کلید ہیں انہوں نے کہا کہ حکومت نے فیصلہ کیا ہے کہ ہر ضلعی ہیڈ کوارٹر پر آئندہ چار سالوں میں مکمل یونیورسٹی یا کسی بھی یونیورسٹی کا سب کمیونس قائم کیا جائے گا ڈاکٹر اقرار احمد نے کہا کہ نئے اعلیٰ تعلیم اداروں کے قیام سے ہی ہم اپنی نئی نسل کی تعلیمی ضروریات کو پورا کر کے اپنے مستقبل کو محفوظ کر سکتے ہیں۔ پرنسپل زرعی یونیورسٹی سب کمیونس بور یوالا ادہاڑی ڈاکٹر اشتیاق احمد رجوانہ نے کہا کہ یہ کمیونس علاقہ میں خواتین سمیت تمام افراد کی ضروریات کے مطابق زرعی اور انکناک ترجیحات کو طے کرنے کے لیے کوشاں ہے۔ میاں خاقان خورشید نے خطاب کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ زراعت کا فروغ ہماری معیشت کے استحکام کا خاص نام ہے ادارے کی ضروریات کے لیے ہر ممکن اقدامات کیے جائیں گے۔ ممتاز خان میمن نے کہا کہ پاکستان میں گندم کی فی ایکڑ پیداوار میں اضافہ ناگزیر ہے۔ ڈاکٹر عابد محمود ڈی جی ایوب ریسرچ سنٹر فیصل آباد، ڈاکٹر محمد حمید حسین ڈاکٹر یونیورسٹی گندم ایوب ریسرچ سنٹر پروفیسر ڈاکٹر احسان اللہ چہل چہلہر میں شعبہ ایگری ڈومنی زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد، پروفیسر ڈاکٹر یلیمن سواک سائنسز، ای ڈی اوزراعت و ہاڑی شہزاد صاحب چوہدری نے سیمینار سے خطاب کرتے ہوئے گندم کی پیداواری عوامل پر سیر حاصل معلومات فراہم کی۔



گندم کی فی ایکڑ پیداوار کے نام سے کیے گئے ایک روزہ سیمینار کی کچھ تصاویر

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زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد سب کمیونس بور یوالا ادہاڑی میں محفل میلاد النبی ﷺ، گلہائے عقیدت پیش

زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد سب کمیونس بور یوالا ادہاڑی میں جشن ولادت حضرت محمد کے حوالے سے محفل میلاد کا انعقاد کیا گیا۔ جس میں تمام فیکلٹی، ایڈمنسٹریٹیشن اور سٹاف ممبران نے شرکت کی۔ اس محفل میلاد میں اڈاپٹو ریسرچ کے فارم میجر ڈاکٹر لیاقت نے بطور مہمان خصوصی شرکت کی۔ پروگرام کا باقاعدہ آغاز تلاوت کلام پاک سے کیا گیا۔ بعد ازاں قرآن خوانی بھی کی گئی قرآن خوانی کے بعد ڈاکٹر لیاقت نے نعت رسول مقبول پیش کی۔ نیز متعدد سٹاف ممبران نے بھی آنحضرت کی خدمت میں نعت کا ہدیہ پیش کیا۔ اور آنحضرت کی زندگی اور اسوہ حسنہ پر روشنی ڈالی۔ پرنسپل پروفیسر ڈاکٹر اشتیاق احمد رجوانہ نے آپ کے اسوہ حسنہ اور سنت نبوی پر تقریر کی۔ 12 ربیع الاول کے موقع پر پروفیسر ڈاکٹر اشتیاق احمد رجوانہ نے کہا کہ سرور کونین ﷺ کی ذات و چہ تجلیات کائنات ہے۔ اور آپ ﷺ کی سیرت طیبہ کو اپنی زندگی کا محور بنا کر سرخرو ہو سکتے ہیں۔ انہوں نے آپ کی مختلف سنتوں کا ذکر کیا جس میں ایک سنت بکریاں چرانے والی سنت پر عمل کرنے کی خواہش کا اظہار کیا۔ پروگرام کے اختتام پر ڈاکٹر لیاقت نے آنحضرت کی شان میں درود و سلام پیش کیا جس میں تمام شرکاء نے بھی حصہ لیا اور ساتھ ہی پشاور کے شہداء کے لواحقین کیلئے دعا اور فاتحہ خوانی بھی کی گئی۔

طلبہ کے اعزاز میں تعارفی تقریب

زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد کے سب کمیونس بور یوالا ادہاڑی میں نئے سال 2014 میں داخلہ لینے والے طلبہ کے اعزاز میں تعارفی تقریب منعقد کی گئی تقریب کا آغاز تلاوت قرآن پاک سے ہوا جس کے بعد نعت رسول مقبول ﷺ پیش کی گئی۔ پرنسپل ڈاکٹر اشتیاق احمد رجوانہ صاحب نے مہمان خصوصی کی حیثیت سے شرکت کی۔ مختلف شعبہ جات کے اساتذہ نے اپنے اپنے شعبہ سے متعلق نئے آنے والے طالب علموں کو معلومات فراہم کی۔ پرنسپل جناب ڈاکٹر اشتیاق احمد رجوانہ صاحب نے سٹوڈنٹس کو اپنی دانشمندانہ سوچ سے مستفید کیا اور سٹوڈنٹس کو تلقین کی کہ وہ دل لگا کر محنت کریں۔

زرعی یونیورسٹی سب کمیونس بور یوالا ادہاڑی میں پی ایچ ڈی فیکلٹی ممبران کی تعداد میں اضافہ

زرعی یونیورسٹی، سب کمیونس بور یوالا ادہاڑی میں PhD ڈگری ہولڈرز کی تعداد 8 سے بڑھ کر 10 ہو گئی ڈاکٹر انارنا بنیامین 2004-ag-1388 نے شعبہ پلانٹ پتھالوجی میں پی ایچ ڈی کی ڈگری مکمل کی، جس کا

عنوان "Characterization of Molecular and Epidemiological Factors in Relation to Resistance against Mungbean Yellow Mosaic Virus Disease and its Management" ہے۔

ڈاکٹر محمد راشد وقاص 2003-ag-2368، نے شعبہ سوائل اینڈ اینوائرنمنٹل سائنسز میں پی ایچ ڈی کی

ڈگری مکمل کی جس کا عنوان "Phyco-remediation of azodye-contaminated waste water" ہے۔ پرنسپل اپرا جیکٹ ڈائریکٹر نے دونوں فیکلٹی ممبران کو مبارکباد پیش کرتے ہوئے

کہا کہ وہ مزید محنت کرتے ہوئے اپنے تحقیق کے ثمرات عام کسانوں تک پہنچائیں۔



کیو ای سی ڈیپارٹمنٹ زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد کی بورے والا و ہاڑی میں کی جانے والی ایک روزہ ورکشاپ کے دوران ٹی گروپ فوٹو

تحصیل میونسپل ایڈمنسٹریشن و ہاڑی کے زیر اہتمام چاندنی پارک میں پھولوں کی نمائش کا انعقاد

تحصیل میونسپل ایڈمنسٹریشن و ہاڑی کے زیر اہتمام چاندنی پارک میں پھولوں کی نمائش کا انعقاد ہوا جس میں مختلف نجی و سرکاری اداروں نے شرکت کی۔ زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد سب کیپس بورے والا و ہاڑی نے پرنسپل اپراجیکٹ ڈائریکٹر اشتیاق احمد رجوانہ کی زیر سرپرستی اس نمائش میں حصہ لیا۔ سب کیپس کے اسٹیٹ آفس، ڈیپارٹمنٹ آف ہارٹیکلچر سائنسز، سوسائٹی آف ایگریکلچر اینڈ الائیڈ سائنسز اور دیگر طلبہ و طالبات نے کیپس کی نمائندگی کرتے ہوئے مختلف اقسام کے پھولوں کی مختلف انداز میں سجاوٹ کی۔ زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد سب کیپس بورے والا و ہاڑی کے پرنسپل اپراجیکٹ ڈائریکٹر اشتیاق احمد رجوانہ نے طلبہ اور اساتذہ کی حوصلہ افزائی کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ سب کیپس مستقبل میں بھی اس طرح کے پروگرامز میں حصہ لیتا رہے گا، ڈی سی او، و ہاڑی نے بھی نمائش کے سٹازز کا دورہ کیا اور اس سلسلے میں یونیورسٹی کی کاوشوں کو سراہا۔ اس مقابلہ میں زرعی یونیورسٹی سب کیپس بورے والا و ہاڑی نے دوسری پوزیشن حاصل کی اور ضلعی انتظامیہ کی جانب سے ستائشی اعزاز سے بھی نوازا گیا۔

کیو ای سی ڈیپارٹمنٹ کا زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد کے سب کیپس بورے والا، و ہاڑی میں ایک روزہ ورکشاپ کا اہتمام

۱۹ اپریل بروز جمعرات کو زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد سے کیو ای سی ڈیپارٹمنٹ نے زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد کے سب کیپس بورے والا، و ہاڑی کا دورہ کیا اس دورے کے دوران انہوں نے تعلیم کے معیار کو بہتر بنانے کے لیے ایک روزہ ورکشاپ کا اہتمام کیا۔ اس سیشن کی صدارت ایسوسی ایٹ پروفیسر ڈاکٹر ساجد محمود ندیم نے کی جبکہ اسٹنٹ پروفیسر ڈاکٹر ناصر ندیم صاحب نے فوکل پرسن کے فرائض سر انجام دیئے۔ کیو ای سی کے ریسرچ آفیسر ڈاکٹر محمد سلمان نے طلباء اور طالبات اور فیکلٹی ممبران سے خطاب کرتے ہوئے تعلیم کے معیار کو بہتر بنانے کے لیے چیک اینڈ بیلنس کے طریقہ کار کی اہمیت کو اجاگر کیا۔ ایچ ای سی کی طرف سے ماضی میں بہت سے کیو ای سی ڈیپارٹمنٹس کا قیام عمل میں لایا گیا ہے۔ اُن کا کہنا ہے کہ زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد کے سب کیپس بورے والا، و ہاڑی میں تعلیم کے معیار کو بہتر بنانے کے لیے ایچ ای سی کی طرف سے جاری کردہ اصول و ضوابط کو نافذ کرنا ضروری ہے۔ کیو ای سی ڈیپارٹمنٹ کے ڈپٹی ڈائریکٹر ڈاکٹر شہباز نے اپنی تقریر میں اس بات کو واضح کیا کہ نہ صرف اُستاد بلکہ طالب علم بھی کارکردگی کو بہتر بنانے کے اس طریقہ کار میں تعاون کر سکتا ہے۔ اُن کا کہنا ہے کیو ای سی کی بنیاد اور کامیابی کا دار و مدار دور اندیش قیادت پر ہے۔ اُنہوں نے زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد کے سب کیپس بورے والا، و ہاڑی میں تعلیم کے معیار کا جائزہ لینے کے لیے طلباء سے چند سوالات کیے جس کا طلباء نے بھرپور انداز میں جواب دیا۔ طلباء زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد کے سب کیپس بورے والا، و ہاڑی کے تعلیمی معیار سے بہت مطمئن نظر آئے۔ طلباء و طالبات اور فیکلٹی ممبران اس ورکشاپ سے بھرپور طریقے سے مستفید ہوئے۔ ڈپٹی ڈائریکٹر ڈاکٹر شہباز کا کہنا ہے کہ زرعی یونیورسٹی فیصل آباد کا کیو ای سی ڈیپارٹمنٹ آئندہ بھی ایسی ورکشاپ کا انعقاد کرتا رہے گا۔

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