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In collaboration with Ball State University, USA, Isra Entrepreneurial society (IES) successfully organized, Innovative Pakistan | Business Plan Competition 2017. The event was held on 30th March, 2017 at Asadullah Kazi Auditorium. It was based on inter institute business plan competition for academic institutes and universities of Pakistan. The purpose of this competition was to bring a platform for those students who want to bring new investment ideas in the market that may contribute in economic growth and development of Pakistan.

The organizers and volunteers were the reason for the remarkable success of the event. The organizing team of Isra University included Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Dr. Qamarudin Mahar, Mr. Zafar Siddiqui, Mr. Riaz Ahmed Shaikh, Ms. Wafa Pathan, Mr. Ebbad Qureshi, Ms. Donia Bughio, Mr. Ahsan Ansari and Mr. Ahsan Shaikh. Event was judged by highly profiled experts who assessed teams based on their vast experience.

More than seventy plus teams registered for the competition from different provinces and cities from Pakistan. After

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Dear Readers,

Assalamu Alaikum! Isra News is an official organ of Isra University. This quarterly newsletter is designed to keep the Isra affiliated community well connected, and at the same time bring the readers up to date with the various co-curricular and extra-curricular activities taking place at the University along with the educational and social welfare programs. pursued by the parent organization, Isra Islamic Foundation.

In order to keep Isra News well populated, we rely on contribution of news items. from the community members. When sending news items, please make sure to include the essential elements of an event: what took place, whom it concerns the most, where and when it took place. You are encouraged to send your news items by email to the address given below.

Last but not the least, your news contributions are important to us, so help us keep the Isra community connected by contributing regularly to Isra News. We appreciate your interest and contributions, and hope that you will find Isra News to be informative and pleasant to read.

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must hold fast to the best of the past, and do more for the best of the future, said Prof. Dr. Asadullah Kazi, Chancellor, Isra University while presiding over its 14th Convocation of Isra University held on 28 January 2017 at its main campus in Hyderabad.

The Isra University conferred degrees to around 370 students belonging to Medical Sciences, Dentistry, Nursing, Vision Sciences, Physical Therapy, Management Sciences, Electronics,

Computer Science, Information Technology, Software Engineering and Telecommunications.

While talking about change, Prof. Dr. Asadullah Kazi said that we must get ready for globalization, which is like the river that has burst its banks. He advised that we must learn swimming or else we will be drowned. As a parting message to the students, he said, 'Work hard to achieve your goals. I want you to become great, as we





are optimistic in you. You are the leaders of tomorrow, so get yourself ready to address the challenges of the future.' He went on and reminded the students their goal as educated citizens, 'to uphold the image of your country, by letting the world know that we are a peaceful nation.'

Further in his address, he accentuated the importance of education and said that learning is a lifelong process that continues from the cradle to the grave. He urged the students to be competitive and participative in order to extend their knowledge. 'There can be no development without participation; and there can be no participation without communication, in this age of digital literacy,' he said.

On this felicitous occasion, Prof. Dr. Ghulamqadir Kazi, Vice Chancellor, Isra University in his address said that the main purpose of such events is not only to confer degrees on the students but also to honor those who have performed meritoriously.



In the light of a verse from The Holy Quran he said, 'Knowledge inculcates in a person sense of responsibility and accountability.' While expressing his expectations of the graduating batch he said, 'I hope that the graduating students of this University will demonstrate this purpose of the knowledge and will emerge as torch-bearers of truth and be paragons of virtue.'

In his address, he also shared the tremendous progress shown by Isra University and the various achievements made over the years. In his closing remarks, he congratulated the graduating students and expressed his good wishes for their future endeavors.

At the convocation, out of 370 graduates, 226 received degree for Bachelor in Medical Sciences, Dentistry, Nursing and Physical Therapy whereas, 25 post graduate degrees were awarded in different programs of medical and allied medical sciences. In



addition, 96 received degree for Bachelor and 17 for Master in Business Administration, Electrical Engineering, Computer Science, Electronics, Information Technology, Software Engineering and Telecommunications. Apart from this, 6 students were also conferred upon a PhD in Medical Sciences.

At the end, Prof. Dr. Asadullah Kazi awarded Gold and Silver Medals to the outstanding students for securing positions in their relevant Faculties and Departments. This year, Narjis Raza, a graduate of MBBS program received a Gold Medal in the (Faculty of Medician Sciences) Tasmia Iraj a Graduate of BDS (faculty of Dentistry & Allied Sciences, Nimra Saleem a graduate of BBA (Faculty of Commerce Economics & Management Sciences), Mairaj Ali a graduate of BE(Faculty of Engineering Science & Technology), Hanan a graduate of DPT (Faculty of Medical Sciences). Silver Medals to the outstanding students for securing positions in their relevant Faculties and Departments. This year,



Narjis Raza MBBS (Basic Sciences), Faisal Mehmood MBBS (Basic Sciences), Narjis Raza MBBS (Clinical Sciences), Tasmia Iraj BDS (Basic Sciences), Tasmia Iraj BDS (Clinical Sciences), Hanan DPT (FAMS), Nimra Saleem BBA (Department of Management Sciences), Shaharyar Ali Bhatti BS (Computer Science), Faiza Riaz BS(SE) Department of Computer Science, Nimra Arfeen BS (Department of Computer Science), Riaz Ahmed Qazi BS (Department of Computer Science), Mairaj Ali BE (Department of Electrical Engg), Sumia BS (Nursing).

At the convocation besides the dignitaries other faculty members, parents and a large number of students were present who were invited for lunch after the Chancellor declared the convocation closed.

ISRA UNIVERSITY, KARACHI CAMPUS CELEBRATES THE GRADUATION OF 197 STUDENTS AT ITS 2ND CONVOCATION



The Isra University, Karachi Campus, conferred degrees to around 197 students of Faculty of Medical Sciences and Faculty of Allied Medical Sciences Isra University, Karachi Campus on 25th February 2017. At the convocation, 154 students received degrees for Bachelor in Medical Sciences, Vision Sciences and Physical Therapy whereas, 43 post graduate degrees were awarded in different programs of medical and allied medical sciences.

For the opening remark, Prof. Dr. Asadullah Kazi, Chancellor Isra University, shared his views and advised the students. He said that the day marked the commencement of the student's new careers. He accentuated the importance of education and said that learning is a lifelong process that continues from the cradle to the grave. He urged the students to be competitive and participative in order to extend their knowledge. "There can be no development without participation and there can be no participation without communication, in this age of digital literacy" he said. He further advised the students to make their lives purposeful and to prove the society that they worked honorably and diligently in uplifting the image of the country and the alma mater.

On the occasion, Prof. Dr. Ghulamqadir Kazi, Vice Chancellor, Isra University in his address said that the main purpose of such

event is not only to confer degrees to the students but also to honor those who have performed meritoriously. In the light of a verse from The Holy Quran he said, "Knowledge inculcates in a person sense of responsibility and accountability." While expressing his expectations of the graduating batch he said, "I hope that the graduating students of this University will demonstrate this purpose of the knowledge and will emerge as torch-bearers of truth and be paragons of virtue." In his address, he also shared the tremendous progress by Isra University and the various achievements made over the years. In his closing remarks, he congratulated the graduating students and expressed his good wishes for their future endeavors.

At the end, Prof. Dr. Asadullah Kazi awarded Gold and Silver Medals to the outstanding students for securing positions in their relevant Faculties and Departments. This year, Nazish Saeed Bangish and Nageen Khan received a Gold Medal. And Muhammad Sajid, Muhammad Asif, Nazish Saeed Bangish & Nageen Khan received the Silver Medals. The convocation was thronged by dignitaries, faculty members, parents and a large number of students who were invited for lunch after the Chief Guest declared the convocation closed.



ISRA UNIVERSITY ISLAMABAD CELEBRATES THE GRADUATION OF 353 STUDENTS AT ITS 1ST CONVOCATION, 2017



Everything changes with time, except the change itself. We live in an age of innovation and change, and in such an age, the universities have a special obligation. They must hold fast to the best of the past, and do more for the best of the future,' said Prof. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed Chairman Higher Education commission of Pakistan in his brief speech as the chief guest at the 1st Convocation of Isra University held on 14 January 2017 at its Isra University Islamabad campus.

The Isra University conferred degrees to around 353 students belonging to Medical Sciences, Electronics Engineering, Physical Therapy, Nursing, Vision Sciences and Medical Lab Technology.

While addressing the, Prof. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed that the HEC has worked in different sector of education. During these years the HEC has developed expertise in different fields of education services. He added HEC showed great interest and appreciated the initiative, which would guide to deal with innovation in education further enhance their knowledge and skills; and termed it right steps towards more integrated assessment he added familiarize yourself with some critical challenges being faced by the Pakistan HEC transfer its capabilities to the local communities by engaging the local institutions.

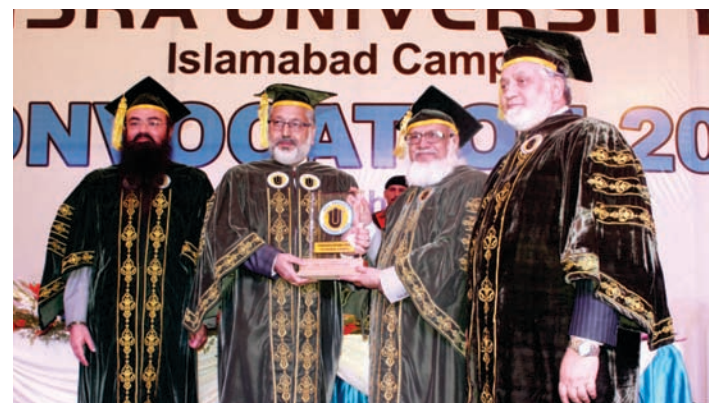
Prof. Dr. Altaf Ali G. Sheikh, Pro Vice Chancellor, Isra University Islamabad Campus welcomed Guests all the participants and congratulated the management committee of the convocation.

While talking about, brief report on Isra University by Prof. Dr. Ghulamqadir Kazi, Vice Chancellor said that we must get ready for globalization, which is like the river that has burst its banks. He advised that we must learn swimming or else we will be drowned. As a parting message to the students, he said, 'Work hard to achieve your goals. I want you to become great, as we are optimistic in you. You are the leaders of tomorrow, so get yourself ready to address the challenges of the future.' He went on and reminded the students their goal as educated citizens, 'to uphold the image of your country, by letting the world know that we are a peaceful nation.'

Further in his address, he accentuated the importance of education and said that learning is a lifelong process that continues from the cradle to the grave. He urged the students to be competitive and participative in order to extend their knowledge. 'There can be no development without participation; and there can be no participation without communication, in this age of digital literacy,' he said.

On this felicitous occasion, Prof. Dr. Ghulamqadir Kazi, said that the main purpose of such events is not only to confer degrees on the students but also to honor those who have performed meritoriously.

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'I hope that the graduating students of this University will demonstrate this purpose of the knowledge and will emerge as torch-bearers of truth and be paragons of virtue.'

In his address, he also shared the tremendous progress shown by Isra University and the various achievements made over the years. In his closing remarks, he congratulated the graduating students and expressed his good wishes for their future endeavors.

At the convocation, out of 353 graduates, 252 received degree for Bachelor in Medical Sciences, Physical Therapy, Vision Sciences, BS MLT and Nursing whereas, 48 post graduate degrees were awarded in different programs of medical and allied medical sciences. In addition, 49 received degree for Bachelor Electrical Engineering & Electronics. Apart from this, four students were also conferred upon a PhD in Allied Sciences & Medical Sciences.

At the end, Prof. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed Chairman HEC and President PMDC Prof. Dr. Shabbir Ahmed Prof. Dr. Ghulamqadir



Kazi awarded Gold and Silver Medals to the outstanding students for securing positions in their relevant Faculties and Departments. This year, Qurat ul Ain, a graduate of MBBS program received a Gold Medal in the Faculty of Medicine & Allied Medical Sciences whereas, she also received a Silver Medal in the Division of Clinical Sciences, Atiya Imitaz a graduate of MBBS program received a Silver Medal in Division of Basic Sciences and; Iqra Akram, a graduate of DPT program, received a Gold Medal in the Faculty of Doctor of Physical Therapy whereas, she also received Silver medal in the Top position holder. Usba Asghar, a graduate of BS (Nursing) program received a Silver Medal in the Faculty of Medicine & In addition, Mubark Hussaain, a graduate of BS (electronics) received a Gold Medal in the Faculty of Engineering, Science & Technology whereas, he also received a Silver Medal in



the Department of engineering; Ikram ullah, a graduate of Bs.MLT program received a Silver Medal in the Faculty of Medical Sciences; Ehtisham ul Haq a graduate of BS (Vision Sciences) program received a Silver Medal in the Department of Pakistan institute of Rehabilitation; Malik Umair Basita graduate of BS (Electronics) program received a Silver Medal in the Department of Computer Electrical Engineering.

Prof. Dr. Shabbir Hussain President PMDC as Guest of honor graced the occasion The honorable guests also encouraged and urge the students to come up to the expectations of the nation.

The monumental scientific and technological advances that have impacted the healthcare profession in recent years have created countless new opportunities for managing and treating life threatening illnesses. Healthcare science is experiencing progress of unprecedented magnitude; this, along with advances in communication and information technologies has promoted the



emergence of new trends throughout the global healthcare community. However in Pakistan more investment and commitment is required from the private sector" he said.

"Today's event reaffirms my strong belief that 'a healthy outside starts from the inside', you have taken this step with a deepening commitment to help improve the lives of the people, who need our assistance the most. Such ventures go a long way in helping the marginalized communities. Healing is a matter of time, but it is sometimes also a matter of opportunity"

Votes of thanks by Prof. Dr. Umar ALI Khan PVC Medical Sciences to the dignitaries other faculty members, parents and congratulated student's by who were presented in large number after that, the Chancellor declared the convocation closed.

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from 24th to 26th Feb, 2017.

Its primary purpose was to create an atmosphere for global learning and professional development by endorsing and strengthening liaisons among various rehabilitation education academia's. It also aimed to highlight the challenges to Rehabilitation professionals and educators at national level.

This three days Congress was organized by IIRS (Isra Institute of Rehabilitation Sciences) under the supervision of Principal of IIRS Dr. Muhammad Naveed Babur.

This international event was sponsored by HEC (Higher Education Commission) Pakistan, ISRA University Hyderabad & Karachi Campus and AV hearing aids and endorsed by IIRS, WFNR (World Federation Neuro Rehabilitation), PSNR (Pakistan Society for Neuro Rehabilitation) and International Journal of Rehabilitation Sciences (IJRS).

Eighteen research Papers, ten plenary sessions with twenty five key note speakers and, a Panel discussion, six poster presentations, eighteen oral presentations by budding rehabilitation professionals from all over Pakistan, and seven workshops were conducted in the IRSC & NRC 2017 by international and national rehabilitation professionals. More than National and International Professionals attended the conference from the national & International Platform.

Prof. Dr Paik, President AOSNR, welcomed all the participants and congratulated the management committee of the congress for organizing it successfully.

Seven pre congress workshops took place following with Prof Mary Galea from The Royal Melbourne hospital, Australia conducted a workshop on the topic of "The changeable nervous system: Movement, pain and learning throughout the life span." Prof Dr. Fary Khan from The Royal Melbourne hospital, Australia conducted a workshop on "Advancements in rehabilitation research", Dr Azeem Aslam from Al-Nafees hospital, Islambad, conducted a workshop on "Ear examination & assessment skills for hearing health care professionals." Lauren Fletcher Speech

Pathologist from The Royal Melbourne hospital Australia conducted workshop on "Impairment based therapies for adult neurogenic communication disorders." Mr Muhammad Khan, Director Rehabilitation Lady Reading hospital Peshawar, physical therapist, conducted a workshop on "Dry needling & Acupuncture." Speech Language Pathologist Ms Amina Siddique from Ziauddin University, Karachi conducted workshop on "language intervention & management in aural rehabilitation." Another workshop on "Assessment & rehabilitation of neurologically impaired upper limb using standardized measures" was conducted by occupational therapist Ms. Marlena Klaic from The Royal Melbourne hospital, Australia.

Among prominent international keynote speakers Prof Dr. Fary Khan from The Royal Melbourne hospital, Australia spoke on enriched environment program in inpatient neuro rehabilitation settings. Ms Bronwyn Miller (Royal Melbourne hospital, Australia), Ms Lauren Fletcher (Royal Melbourne hospital, Australia), Dr Farooq Rathore (PNS Shifa hospital, Karachi), Dr Afzal Alam, Audiologist from Lahore, Dr. Sajida Naz (FJWU) Rawalpindi, Dr. Haider Darain exchanged their views on various elements of rehabilitation management.

A very spirited and thought provoking panel discussion on "Challenges for Neuro-rehabilitation in developing countries" was moderated by Dr Sabahat Asim Wasti which brought national and international experiences at same platform.

The closing ceremony of the IRSC & NRC, 2017 was another well attended event with Speaker Baluchistan Assembly Ms. Rahila Hameed Khan Durrani as Chief Guest of the Congress who spoke at length over the current health and disability scenario with her political vision. The closing of the 3rd International Rehabilitation Sciences Congress & 5th National Rehabilitation Conference was done by Vice Chancellor of Isra University Prof. Dr. Ghulamqadir Kazi and at the end Dr. Muhammad Naveed Babur delivered a vote of thanks to all the delegates, professionals and participants from Pakistan & World over.

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several rounds of shortlisting, only 23 teams got a chance to present their ideas in the final round. Participants' teams were from Isra University Hyderabad, Mehran University Jamshoro, Institute of Business Administration Sukkur, University of Sindh of Laar campus, Dadu campus, Hyderabad Campus, Cadit College Petaro, Behria University and PAF KIET.

After a tough competition, the judges ranked 1st, 2nd, 3rd position to three teams out of 23 teams. However, the other participants were given certificates of participation by Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi

(PVC). Winning teams were appreciated with cash prizes; 50000 PKR (1st position), 30000 PKR (2nd position) and 20000 PKR (3rd position). Isra University entrepreneurial society invited the winning teams to closing symposium of Isra and Ball State university project event to get awarded with cash prizes in the month of April, 2017. It further announced that their establishing incubation Centre will welcome innovative ideas of business to nurture there. Event was marked as a successful event for young entrepreneurs.



CERTIFICATE CEREMONY OF PRIME MINISTER YOUTH SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, PHASE-3, BATCH-1

Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Engineering & Management Sciences and Head of NAVTTC Prime Minister Youth Skills Development Program distributed away Certificates to the successful trainees in Prime Minister Youth Skills Development Program, Phase-3, Batch-1.

Mr. Saad Khan Baloch, Focal Person, Isra University, Hyderabad

coordinated the event. Isra University, Hyderabad was shortlisted and selected to organize trainings in 3 professions at its Hyderabad Campus i.e. Book Keeping & Accounting, Graphic Designing and Auto CAD in Prime Minister Youth Skills Development Program, Phase-3, Batch-2. A total of 75 students got training being offered to the students from underprivileged areas of the region.

CAREER COUNSELLING & FOSTERING EMERGING TALENT

Isra University launched its Career Counselling & Fostering Emerging Program on 24th February, 2017. The head of this program is Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Pro-Vice Chancellor, and Engineering & Management Sciences. The other team members include Mr. Irfan Haroon, Dr. Qamar-ud-din Mehar, Mr. Rizwan Khan, Mr. Saad Baloch, Ms. Amber Baig, Ms. Yasra Aslam, Ms. Wafa Pathan, Ms. Mehwish Abro and Mr. Sher Ali.

The main aim of this activity was to apprise the colleges of the region that Isra University has initiated a program where it aims to foster the emerging talent and provides an opportunity to the talented students by studying at Isra University. The team also conducted career counselling sessions in colleges and schools. Few of the colleges of the region included Cadet College Petaro, Foundation Public Higher Secondary School Public School, Rockford School, APS etc. The presentation at these colleges were given by Mr. Saad Baloch, Ms. Amber Baig and Ms. Wafa Pathan.

In regard of this program Saint Bonaventure Higher Secondary School also paid a visit at Isra University, Hyderabad on



27th February 2017. This was a technical visit which was aimed at bridging higher academia with the collegiate academia. Their visit was aimed at getting to know about 'Networking' & 'Emerging Program'. This visit was coordinated by Mr. Irfan Haroon, Director Student Affairs, Mr. Saad Khan Baloch, Asst. Prof., Faculty of Engineering, Science & Technology and Mr. Ayub Laghari, System Administrator.

At first Mr. Ayub Laghari gave a presentation on Networking and later on Mr. Saad Baloch touched upon Emerging Talent Program being offered by Isra University. Isra University has a record of exceptional quality when it comes to the networking field and its components hence Isra University with the vision of college development hosted Saint Bonaventure Higher Secondary School at the Faculty of Engineering, Science & Technology. The students and their staff were very happy to see the facilities at Isra University and they thanked the authorities for allowing them to visit the campus.



A ONE DAY COMMUNITY SESSION ON ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Isra University, Hyderabad organized a training session on "Launching your own business" at Isra University, Hyderabad in collaboration with Ball State University, USA. It was held in Asadullah Kazi Auditorium on 24th of March, 2017.

The trainers of the event Mr. Zafar Siddiqui, Ms. Wafa Pathan, and Mr. Ebbad Qureshi, covered different topics such as launching your business, entrepreneurship culture, how to write a business



plan, the emphasis of leadership and financial issues related to entrepreneurship. The objective of organizing the session was to create awareness and to disseminate the importance of entrepreneurship in today's era.

The training shed light on entrepreneurship and confidence building activities also.

DELEGATES VISITED ISRA UNIVERSITY



A delegation led by Becky Howland from University of Massachusetts along with other delegates from Baluchistan Universities visited Isra University, Hyderabad on 12th of January, 2017. The delegation was welcomed by Dr. Qamar udin Mahar, Mr. Zafar Siddiqui and Ms. Wafa Pathan. Delegates from Baluchistan Universities included Head of Departments, Associate Professors and Lecturers. Delegation was greeted by Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Pro-Vice Chancellor along with the ORIC Team.

Becky, currently serving as Program Manager at University of Massachusetts shared her views regarding ongoing partnership program between the University of Massachusetts and 3 major universities of Baluchistan.

The delegation was later briefed by Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, who highlighted current partnership project by Ball State University and Isra University with ten other Universities across Pakistan. During the sessions, Mr. Hunain Ansari shared past Entrepreneurship conference proceedings with all the dignitaries after which the delegation was taken on a campus tour, where Mr. Riaz Ahmed Shaikh, Mr. Tarique Soomro, Mr. Ebbad Qureshi and

Mr. Ahsan Ansari gave a quick briefing about their achieved milestones and shared their future strategies.

The agenda of the visit was to ensure and strengthen the ties between the University of Massachusetts and Isra University along with the other three universities of Baluchistan.

After the lunch was served for the delegation the delegation was presented with the cultural souvenirs by Dr. Hameedullah Kazi.



GAMING COMPETITION 2017

Isra University organizes a Gaming competition every year; this year, it was organized on the 21st of February, 2017 at the faculty of Engineering, Science and Technology. The event was coordinated by Mr. Irfan Haroon, Director Student Affairs and Mr. Saad Khan Baloch, Asst. Prof., Faculty of Engineering, Science and Technology.

The students competed in two exciting games: Mini Militia and Need for Speed.

Electrical Engineers were declared as the winners in Mini Militia



which lead to Fragnet being the runner up.

Ahmed Laghari raced Mustafa Memon in the final and was declared as the winner of Need for Speed with Mustafa Memon being second.

Participants highly appreciated the event and said they seek to have such healthy activities in future as well.

Students were awarded with certificates and trophies at the closing ceremony.

3RD ANNUAL ISRA MEDICAL SYMPOSIUM



The Cardiology Update Session for the 3rd Annual Isra Medical Symposium was convened by Prof. Dr. Feroz Memon, Head of Cardiology Department at Isra University Hyderabad.

The session was attended by about 250 participants which included the faculty members, consultants, cardiologists, consultant physicians, postgraduate students and house officers from different Universities and Hospitals of Hyderabad. The session covered different aspects of Cardiology with 5 renowned speakers from Karachi. The program started with the recitation from Holy Quran followed by National Anthem and welcome address by Dr. Mohammad Kashif Shaikh, Assistant Professor of Cardiology at Isra University Hyderabad. The scientific session commenced with the first lecture by Dr Syed Ali Raza, Assistant Professor of Medicine at Ziauddin Medical University Karachi. He talked about the Updates on Systemic Hypertension and stressed upon the identification of masked, white coat and resistant hypertension. Next, Prof. Eijaz Ahmed Vohra, Head of Department of Medicine at Ziauddin Medical University Karachi spoke on Dyslipidemia and its controversies and emphasised on evidence based practice.

Then, Dr. Fawad Farooq, Assistant Professor of Cardiology at National Institute of Cardiovascular Diseases discussed the topic "Aspirin in Primary Prevention" in collaboration with the Aspirin Foundation. Keeping in view the role of prevention in health sciences, a song composed by the Department of Cardiology of Isra university Hospital, was presented to highlight the pivotal role of prevention in Cardiovascular Diseases. Also Prof. Najamul Islam, Head of Endocrinology Department at Aga Khan University Karachi delivered a talk on Management of Diabetes with Cardiovascular Diseases. The last lecture was delivered by Dr. Riaz -Ul-Hasan, Consultant Physician at Qatar Hospital Karachi on Role of Beta blockers in Heart Failure. There was an active participation by the audience in the question and answer session after every lecture. In the end, Dr. Abdul Ghani Kazi, Director Isra University Hospital presented souvenirs and garlanded the speakers with cultural gift of Ajrak and Topi of Sindh. The program was concluded by the vote of thanks by Dr. Shazia Kazi, Assistant Professor of Cardiology at Isra University.



WORLD HEARING DAY

On March 3rd, 2017 Isra University convened "World Hearing Day" which is solemnizing every year on 3rd March globally. A walk to awareness was summoned in Isra University Islamabad Campus where students participated in different activities varying from skits, speeches and presentations to throw light on the theme



which was "Action for hearing loss; make a sound investment". The management team attended the event and Prof. Dr. Altaf Sheikh put thoughts into words. University greatly appreciated the work of Pakistan Institute of Rehabilitation Sciences (PIRS).

WORLD TB DAY CELEBRATED AT ISRA UNIVERSITY

World Tuberculosis (TB) Day was celebrated at Isra University, Hyderabad on 24th of March, 2017 under the theme “NO ONE IS LEFT BEHIND: UNITE TO END TB”. It was organized jointly by Community Medicine Department, Medicine Department Isra College of Nursing, and Participatory Social Development Program. It was attended by Prof. Shankar Lal Rathi, Mr. Abdul Qadir Memon, Director at QEC, Mr. Murad Memon, Deputy Director at QEC and Dr. Nudrat Zeba, Asst. Professor at LUHMS, Jamshoro.

Large number of students and senior faculty members attended the celebration. The Guest Speaker and Chief Guest of the Event Mr. Dr. Muhammad Sharif National Program officer at TB Control Program, Sindh briefing about the program said,

“It in Sindh has 73000 Tb cases and latest diagnosis facilities. With improved technical assistance it also posses DOTS treatment. This Program has the capacity to diagnose TB cases in an hour. Pakistan is the 5th High burden courtiers for TB cases in the world. For every one million people, there are 341 TB cases. Until awareness and treatment facilities are not increased, TB will remain a public health emergency.”

Sindh Assembly has passed an act to notify and provide free treatment. Dr. Muhammad Sharif also emphasized on doing research on tuberculosis in Isra University and offered to initiate



MOU with Provincial TB Program for TB Management and treatment in Isra University Hospital. Prof Fida Hussain Shaikh said, “we see TB patients in our practice hence prevention is needed.” Prof. Asif Ali Burney said, “We are looking towards guiding and solving our health issues and we will be able to solve them by more knowledge, better research and sympathetic attitude.” Dr. Shams Solangi emphasized on correct diagnosis and Pulmonologist. Nursing students presented Tableau.

Our faculty of community & forensic medicine department also participated, consisting of Dr. Ghulam Hussain Baloch, Dr. Sayed Wadood Shah, Dr. Bilal Atique Arain, Dr. Irum Jamil, Dr. Sanam Chandio, Dr. Rafia and Third year MBBS students Mr Fawad and Ms. Lata also made a presentation on prevention.

Dr. Muhammad Sharif offered Basic Management Unit for TB patients and requested to involve Postgraduates medical students in research on Tuberculosis treatment and prevention. Prof. Kolachi announced World Health Day celebration on 7th of April, 2017 at Isra University under the theme of “Mental Health issues”. Director General Health and Director TB program Sindh were also thanked for sending representatives in the program.

Audience expressed their great support cooperation for such awareness and prevention program.



CELEBRATING PAKISTAN DAY AT PIRS



In order to remember Lahore Resolution passed in 1940, Pakistan Institute of Rehabilitation Sciences (PIRS), Isra University Islamabad Campus marked the day by celebrating Pakistan day with the theme “Unity in Diversity” on 23rd March 2017.

Six stalls were placed that depicted each province of Pakistan; Balochistan, Gilgit Baltistan, Kashmir, Khaver Pakhtun Khaw, Punjab and Sindh. The students were dressed according to the cultures they were representing and portrayed the culture, arts, traditions, lifestyles and values of the particular province through

their creative stalls.

The purpose for this event was to show no matter how different these provinces are in their values and customs but they'll always stay united as one.

The University registrar, Mr. Rahim Baksh Channa emphasized on the importance of Pakistan day and highlighted the need of the regeneration of Pakistan resolution.

The program was closed with the same promise as it was done 77 years ago (23-March-1940).



3RD ANNUAL ISRA SURGICAL SYMPOSIUM



The 3rd Annual Isra Surgical Symposium was held at Asadullah Kazi auditorium of Isra University Hyderabad on the 24th of January 2017. It was convened by Prof. Dr. Abdul Sattar Memon, Associate Dean, Surgery & Allied Isra University Hyderabad. The session was attended by about 150 participants which included faculty members, consultant surgeons, postgraduate students and house officers from different Universities and Hospitals of Hyderabad. The session covered different aspects of Surgery with 2 renowned speakers from Lahore. The program started with the recitation from Holy Quran followed by National Anthem and welcome address by Prof. Abdul Sattar Memon. The 1st scientific session commenced with the first lecture by Prof. Abdul Sattar Memon. He talked about the "Surgical Innovations in the developing world". Next, Prof. A.Majeed Chaudary Principal of Lahore Medical and Dental College spoke on "New challenges in developing world". Then, Prof. Amir Bashir from Lahore Medical and Dental College talked on "Legal Aspects of Surgery". Also, Prof. M.H Laghari, Department of Surgery at Isra University delivered a talk on his "20 years of experience of Laparoscopic cholecystectomy" followed by Prof. Abdul Aziz Laghari from LUMHS Jamshoro who presented on "Laparoscopic CBD exploration". Prof. Shahnawaz Shah Chief Guest of this symposium, presented souvenirs and decorated the speakers from Lahore with cultural gift of Ajrak and Topi of Sindh. A Tea Break was arranged for guests and participants. The second session started with the presentation by Dr. Javeria Faridon on "Basic principles of Laparoscopy" followed by a presentation on "Over view of laparoscopic instruments" by Dr. Tek Chand Maheshwari.

The third speaker of this session was Prof. Ali Raza Brohi from PUMHS Nawabshah who talked on "Paediatric Thoracoscopy: Advanced skill procedures". Later, Prof. Waseem Memon presented "Conversion Rate and causes in Laparoscopic cholecystectomy". At the end of this session shields were presented to the speakers by Prof. Shahnawaz Shah. In the 3rd session, the first speaker of third session was Dr. Arshad Hussain Abro from LUMHS Jamshoro who presented paper on "Laparoscopic Management of hydatid Cyst" followed by lecture by Dr. Abdul Ghani Soomro also from LUMHS Jamshoro who shared his experience regarding "Pitfalls of Laparoscopic cholecystectomy in a recently arranged camp". The third presentation of this session was given by Prof. Altaf Talpur from Indus Medical College T.M. Khan who talked on "Post Laparoscopic cholecystectomy exploration", followed by presentation of Prof. Afzal Junejo from LUMHS Jamshoro who shared a "case report of primary isolated hepatic tuberculosis". In the end, there were two presentations by postgraduates of department of surgery, Dr. Rabia Gillani and Dr. Javeria Memon who presented on "CBD Injury during Laparoscopic cholecystectomy" & "Difficult Laparoscopic cholecystectomy" respectively. Lastly, Dr. Abdul Ghani Kazi, Director Isra University Hospital presented souvenirs to the speakers of last session with cultural gift of Ajrak and Topi of Sindh to the Chief Guest. The program was concluded by vote of thanks by Dr. Javeria Farid, Assistant Professor of Surgery. In the end, lunch boxes were served to all the participants.



TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP



On 03rd of February' 2017 Isra University participated in "All Pakistan Inter University, Zone-H, Table Tennis Championship 2017" held at QUEST, Nawabshah. Isra University competed against LUMHS, Jamshoro. The team was led by Dr. Muzzamil Dal from MBBS and coached by Mr. Saad Khan Baloch, Asst. Professor FES&T.

The Chairman of Local Bodies of Nawabshah was the Chief Guest on the occasion.

He stated that, "Competitions like these help students be physically fit and mentally stable; it not only helps them improve their stamina and strength but also nurture healthy competition among institutes." The students played with great zeal and were appreciated by the panel.

MEDICAL EDUCATION WORKSHOP ON “DESIGNING MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS (MCQs) AT HIGHER COGNITIVE LEVELS



Department of Surgery, Isra University Hyderabad successfully organized a medical education workshop on “Designing Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) at Higher Cognitive Levels” on 23rd January 2017. The aim of the workshop was to train faculty members on how to design questions that focus on medical students understanding of concepts, principles related to the topic and their application in the clinical context. Prof. Dr. Aamir Bashir was the facilitator of the workshop alongside Prof. Dr. Majid Chaudhary. Served as the head of the department of the Forensic Medicine at Lahore Medical College; meanwhile, later are the Principal and Head of the Department of Surgery at Lahore Medical College.

At the start of the workshop Prof. Dr. Majid Chaudhary conducted

an interactive session with participants to analyze the assessment methods employed in undergraduate MBBS Programme at Isra University. He also discussed the assessment practice in University of Health Sciences Lahore and Lahore Medical College in particular. Later, Prof. Aamir Bashir described the principle of assessment and different assessment techniques. Afterwards another small session was conducted in which the participants took part in individual exercise of designing Table of Specification for assessment and Multiple Choice Questions. Overall 27 faculty members from the department of Surgery, Medicine, Gynecology, Pathology, Physiology, Biochemistry, Pharmacology and faculty of Dentistry took an active part in the workshop.

PUBLIC HEALTH PLANNING FOR HEARING IMPAIRMENT

Pakistan Institute of Rehabilitation Sciences, Isra University Islamabad Campus arranged 2nd time, five days short course on Public Health Planning for Hearing Impairment with the collaboration of London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine. It was held at Islamabad Club. Pro Vice Chancellor Isra University,



Prof. Dr. Ghulamqadir Kazi Inaugurated the ceremony and Pro Vice Chancellor (Health Sciences), Prof. Dr. Umar Ali Khan contributed by giving a brief presentation on “importance of Public Health”. The successful completion of PHPHI in Pakistan has paved the way for offering the course another time in 2017.

FUN FEST 2017



Isra University organized “Fun Fest 2017” on 17 February 2017 at its Hyderabad Campus with female students actively participating from all the faculties of Isra University.

The dazzling event featured different amazing food and fun stalls set up by the talented and spirited female students, displaying an array of brilliant new ideas. The stalls were wonderfully decorated by the team members offering a variety of food, games, beverages,

offered prizes to the stalls keeping in view the presentation of the booth, neatness and the standard of the products offered. Sir Irfan haroon, director students affairs appreciated the students for their efforts and praised the extraordinary performance put up by the participants and organizers that marked the remarkable success of the event. Ms. Humaira Jabeen was the coordinator of the event. The first prize was secured by Murk Jatoi with her team members



frozen desserts, accessories and funky photography along with this, the skilful female students also offered nail art and beautiful hena work and to adore the colorful event even more. The spontaneous commentary, riddles, tongue twister competition, song dedication and similar activities conducted by the student volunteers for the visitors of “Fun Fest 2017” proved to be another attraction of the event. Isra University “Fun Fest 2017” also



for their stall, “The Brunch Dhaba” that offered tasty variety of food items. Second prize was bagged by Zehra Fatima with their team members for their stall “Cheezi Delights” while Kahafil Wara with her team members stood third for their stall “Food Mania”. A huge crowd making up of teachers, students and their families visited to enjoy the offerings of the jubilant event.



SPEECH COMPETITION 2017



The Directorate of Student Affairs of Isra University organized a Tri-lingual Speech Competition (English/Urdu/Sindhi) in collaboration with Isra University Debate Society on January 7th, 2017. The competition was the first qualifying round for Allama Iqbal Shield.

The topic for English was 'CPEC in favor of Pakistan or China', for Urdu was 'Naya Pakistan, ya Purana Pakistan' and the topic for Sindhi was "Sindhi boli jo Mustaqbil". A panel of three judges comprising of Ms. Wafa Pathan, Lecturer Humanities, Ms Yarsra Aslam, Assistant Professor Dept. of Management Sciences and Dr. Syna Amir, Assistant Professor Dept. of Anatomy was set up to evaluate and judge the participants.

The competition started with the recitation of the Holy Quran followed by the announcement of rules and regulations for the competition. Following that each speaker came up on the stage to

present his/her speech. At the culmination of the speeches the chief guest was invited on the stage to declare results and award the winners.

The winner in English was Mr. Samiullah Saifullah and the runner up was Ms. Sonia Shaikh, in Urdu Ms. Kainat Islam secured first position while the runner up was Ms. Duray Shehwar whereas first position in Sindhi was bagged by Mr. Prem Sagar Maharaj and runner up was Mr. Mahaveer Kumar.

After the prize distribution ceremony, Patron Ms. Nida Shah was invited on stage for the closing remarks.

The chief guest Dr. Sajjad Kazi, Vice Dean, Faculty of Allied Medical Sciences in his remarks appreciated the efforts of Isra University Debate Society and encouraged the students to participate in such competitions to become more informed individuals.



ONE DAY WORKSHOP ON “SURGICAL MANAGEMENT OF POST-PARTUM HEMORRHAGE



A One day workshop on “Surgical Management of Post Partum Hemorrhage” was held by the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology (GU 11) at Isra University Hospital, Hyderabad on 25th February 2017. The workshop was based on simple techniques regarding the management of acute obstetrical emergencies due to Post partum Hemorrhage (PPH), an obstetrical dilemma of women's life after child birth.

Post partum Hemorrhage is the blood loss of more than 500 ml after the birth of a child. Various techniques have been emerged for treating PPH. Prof Pushpa Srichand & her team has come up with

different techniques regarding management of PPH. These techniques of applications of sutures, Balloon tamponade, Blynch etc were taught.

The session was chaired by Professor Emeritus Aftab Afroz Munir. Prof Pushpa Srichand, chief organizer of the symposium, greeted the audience. The workshop was attended by leading gynecologists of Sindh along with post graduate students from medical universities like Aga Khan, LUMHS, Nawab Shah as well as Isra University, Hyderabad campus. The session ended with vote of thanks followed by lunch.



SEMINAR ON “CPEC AND FUTURE OF PAKISTAN”



Isra Economics and Finance Society organized a seminar, “CPEC and future of Pakistan” on Thursday February 9th, 2017 at Asadullah Kazi Auditorium, Isra University Hyderabad.

China Pakistan Economic Corridor has great significance and is titled as a game changer for Pakistan's Economy, it would not only help Pakistan strengthen its roots in international Market but will also help it grow.

The seminar was led by renowned speaker Mr. Wali Zahid CEO of Skill City Karachi, a trainer, futurist, disruptor, visionary, coach and reformer. Mr. Wali Zahid has also served as an Editor for BBC. The guest speaker elaborated the importance of CPEC for China and Pakistan as well as its global importance and impact on international Economy.

He stated, “CPEC once completed will be a game changer for both the countries. It's not only about economies but the nations”

In his closing remarks, Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi Pro Vice Chancellor & Patron-in-Chief Isra Economics and Finance Society said,

“We should not only work as individual rather work to own our society.”

The session was attended by more than 300 students from various institutes including Isra University, Cadet College Petaro, Foundation Public School, Shaheen Higher Secondary School, Govt. Ghazali College, Hyderabad Institute of Arts, Science & Technology Hyderabad, Sargodhian Spirit Trust Public School, Rashidabad, Mehran University of Engineering & Technology Jamshoro, and University of Sindh Jamshoro.

It was an informative session highly acknowledged by faculty and audience.

ALUMNI AWARENESS DAY

Isra University Alumni Association organized Alumni Awareness Day on March 21, 2017.

The Alumni Association plays an important role in helping to shape the future of University by representing the views of its members and contributing to building an engaged and supportive alumni community. Its influence and activities are pivotal in the development of alumni community. Students vote for their batch representative through ballot paper and those elected volunteer work throughout the year and help association in working together with students of their respective programs.



Patron IUAA, Professor Dr. Asadullah Kazi, delivered the Welcome Address and briefed the students about the establishment of association. Vice President IUAA, Ms. Saina Amir, gave an overall overview of IUAA, its purpose and how students can benefit from it.

IUAA is among the first one who took two initiatives by inaugurating Alumni Card and Yearbook. Ms Nimra Saleem specified the details on how it works.

The ending remarks and queries were addressed by President IUAA, Dr. Ahmed Waliullah Kazi.

ONE DAY SEMINAR SHARING EXPERIENCE OF OBSTETRICAL & GYNAECOLOGICAL EMERGENCIES



One day seminar was held by the Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology at Isra University Hospital Hyderabad on 21st January 2017. The aim was to come up with new ideas to involve all post graduate trainees in Obstetrics & Gynaecology to share their experiences regarding obstetrics and Gynaecological emergencies which they have come across during their training period. Post-graduate students from different medical universities like Agha Khan, LUMHS, Nawabshah as well as Isra University, Hyderabad Campus participated in the session which was chaired by Professor Aftab Afroze Munir. Prof Pushpa Srichand the chief organizer of the symposium welcomed the audience. The leading gynaecologists of Sindh also graced occasion with their presence. The session ended with vote of thanks followed by lunch.



WORKSHOP ON “ROLE OF DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY IMAGING IN THYROID DISEASES”



The Department of Medicine Successfully conducted a pre-symposium workshop on “Role of Diagnostic Radiology Imaging in thyroid Lesions” in the 3rd Annual Isra International Symposium on 20th January 2017.

Dr. Almas Memon was the focal person who conducted the workshop, with Prof. Asif Ali Burney as the chairperson and Dr. Adnan Bawany as secretary conference. Around 100 participants attended the workshop, in which The Role of gray scale and Doppler Ultrasonography in diagnosis of thyroid



diseases by Dr. Almas Memon (Associate professor & Head of Radiology Department, Isra university Hyderabad); Role of Elastography, C.T and MRI in thyroid diseases by Dr. Hamalia (Assistant professor of Radiology department (Isra university Hyderabad); Role of Nuclear Medicine in diagnosis and management of thyroid disorders and Interesting cases by Dr. Sadiq Hussain Nohario (Nuclear Physician in Nuclear Institute of Medicine and Radiotherapy, Jamshoro); were elaborately discussed.

WORKSHOP ON RECENT ADVANCES IN COSMETIC DERMATOLOGY

The department of Dermatology successfully conducted workshop on the recent advances in cosmetic dermatology in the 3rd Annual Isra International Conference on 20th January 2017. Dr Uzma Rajar Chairperson & Head of the Department of Dermatology was the focal person who conducted the workshop which was attended by more than 50 participants. Dr. Uzma Rajar discussed about different cosmetic procedures such as Botox technique, dermal fillers, collagen fillers, radio frequency lights, intense pulse light, Mesotherapies, acupuncture technique, facial toning, Dermabrasion, chemical peeling, Derma roller, plasma laser and then followed the discussion with questionnaire session for the participants



IUAA ORGANIZES ALUMNI GATHERING



We live our life fulfilling our quotidian duties oblivious to blessings that surround us and by the time we realize what we have been blessed with, it is usually too late. However when our old times call us, nostalgia comes rushing to our mind in a splash and we desire to relive the carefree college days.

On 27 January, 2017, Isra University Alumni Association (IUAA)

set a precedent by introducing the Yearbook and Mobile App for the very first time. Patron, IUAA, Asadullah Kazi and Vice Chancellor, Isra University, Dr. Ghulamqadir Kazi launched the yearbook followed by cake cutting ceremony. This yearbook comprises of profiles of notable students of the graduating batch and notable alumni from previous batches.



organized the Annual Alumni Gathering in honor of the graduating batch of 2017. By setting a new trend (IUAA) took a step to reconnect alumni of the first five graduating batches to their Alma Mater by inviting them to this event for their reunion.

Dr. Ahmed Waliullah Kazi, President, IUAA, welcomed everyone and highlighted the initiatives and accomplishments of IUAA over the past year including Alumni Awareness Day, Career Counselling sessions, Yearbook, Mobile App and Alumni Card.

Ms. Humaira Jabeen General Secretary, IUAA briefed the attendees about features of Mobile App. The basic purpose of which is to facilitate the collaboration and communication between alumni members.

Vice Chancellor, Isra University congratulated the graduates and reflected on some key life lessons in his speech. In his closing remarks, Patron, IUAA welcomed the batch of 2017 to the alumni association and wished them good luck for their future endeavors.



WORKSHOP ON EMBEDDED SYSTEMS AND AUTOMATION



Department of Electrical Engineering Isra University Hyderabad organized two days' workshop on Embedded Systems and Automation, the aim of this workshop was to aware the students about important of Embedded Systems and Automation in industries, to give hand on experience on FPGA Systems Design, PLC, and Arduino microcontroller.

The workshop was comprised of four modules i.e. FPGA System Design, PLC, Arduino and 8051 Microcontroller. Fifty seven participants were took part in this workshop from different universities i.e. MUET Jamshoro, QUEST Nawabshah and ISRA University Hyd.

First day sessions were on "FPGA System Design and PLC" which comprises of three hours. These sessions were conducted by Engr. Bharat Lal and Engr. Farrukh Shaikh in parallel to give hand on knowledge and Experience on FPGA kits and PLC. In this module students got proper exposure to develop their skills in Embedded Systems and Automation. After the lunch break, on the same day again two sessions were conducted in parallel but with altering of batches i.e. those who attended "FPGA module" were moved towards "PLC module" and vice versa.

On the second day of workshop started with another two sessions i.e Arduino and 8051 Microcontroller were conducted in parallel as that of first day. These module was designed for those students who seek to explore their skills in Arduino and 8051 Microcontroller and interfacing devices and these sessions were conducted by Engr. Aamir Ahmed and Engr. Salman Ahmed

At the end of workshop feedback and short quiz was conducted from participants. Quiz comprises of 16 questions and finally two winners of quiz competition (1st Position Ms. Sehrish Maqbool and 2nd Position Mr. Karonjhar and Ms. Kainat Baloch) were awarded shield of appreciation in concluding ceremony from.

Concluding Ceremony on 22nd March, the proceeding began with closing ceremony, with the esteemed presence of Honorable Chief Coordinator Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, along with Dean Faculty of Engineering Science and Technology Prof. Dr. Iqbal Bhatti.

Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi delivered the welcome speech about the key function of the workshop and highlighted the importance of Embedded Systems and Automation in research industries; he appreciated the efforts of Faculty members of Electrical Engineering department to organizing such a great workshop at ISRA University and encouraged all the students to attend all such informative workshops as they will be of highly used in their studies.

Finally Chief Coordinators, Coordinators, Instructors and Organizer awarded with Shield and certificate of appreciation for successfully organizing two days Workshop. Two winner of quiz competition also awarded with shield from Chief Coordinator Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi..

Total fifty five number of students participated in this workshop and all awarded with certificate of participation in closing ceremony. At the end of closing ceremony Engr. Bharat Lal proposed vote of thanks for closing the session.



INTERVIEWS OF 745 APPLICANTS FOR 06 TRADES TRAINING IN BBSYDP, PHASE-9



On 04th of February, 2017 Interviews of 745 Applicants, belonging from different districts of Sindh, for Selection in 06 trades in Benazir Bhutto Shaheed Youth Development Program (BBSYDP), Phase-9, were held at the Faculty of Engineering, Science and Technology. Interviews were conducted by 06 interview panels..

Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi was nominated as the Head and Mr. Saad Khan Baloch as the Focal Person. Isra University, Hyderabad applied for 06 trades which will provide training to the underprivileged youth of Sindh. These trades comprise Auto CAD, Computer Software & Security, E-Commerce, Networking, Mobile Application Development and Fiber Optic Network Design. The efforts would help deprived youth of the region with skill development and grooming to assist them in competing through the dynamic job market eventually resulting in improved employment rate and per capita income of Sindh.

SEMINAR ON CAPACITY BUILDING OF BUSINESS PLAN



Isra University Hyderabad organized a “Capacity Building of Business Plan” on March 13th, 2017 where students were encouraged to participate in the seminar and the teams that participated were from Hyderabad, Jamshoro, Badin, Dadu and Karachi. The motive behind this seminar was to assist and fortify the participants and provide the guidance for the further rounds.

The main facilitator for the event was Mr. Zafar Siddiqui, currently working as the Deputy Director ORIC along with being the part of the Faculty of Management Science. The qualified teams will further compete for their place in final round on 30th March'17 at Asadullah Kazi Auditorium Isra University, Hyderabad.



OFFICIALS OF BENAZIR BHUTTO SHAHEED YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM VISITS ISRA UNIVERSITY

Two Officials of BBSYD Program i.e. Ms. Tanzila Habiba & Mr. Mehmood Otho (both District Monitoring Coordinators) visited Isra University, Hyderabad on 28th March 2017. The team met Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Engineering & Management Sciences, Head of BBSYDP at Isra University, Hyderabad. Mr. Saad Baloch, Focal Person, coordinated their visit. The team also encountered the teaching faculty of the program. They were very content to find the quality of material the teachers were using and the state of art labs. They also guided and counseled



the teachers on how to get maximum benefit out of the training for the youth of Sindh.

Isra University, Hyderabad has applied for 6 trades in which it will provide training to the underprivileged youth of the Sindh Province. These trades include Auto CAD, Computer Software & Security, E-Commerce, Networking, and Mobile Application Development & Fiber Optic Network Design. Both the guests were decorated with Sindh Topi, Ajrak and Souvenirs by Isra University.

WORLD FOREST DAY 2017



IEEE Isra Student Branch & Engr. Saad Khan Baloch, Counselor, IEEE Isra Student Branch, Assistant Professor, FES&T organized World Forest Day 2017 on 21 March 2017. The World Forest Day is organized every year on 21st March globally. Keeping this trend alive and running this day was also organized at Isra University with an aim to protect the ever-decaying forests and trees. Ms. Asma Shahid, Divisional Forest Officer, Hyderabad Division,

The dignitaries were first received at the Chancellor Office where Prof. Dr. Asadullah Kazi, Chancellor, Isra University decorated the guests with traditional sindhi topi and ajrak gifts. Later on the Tree Plantation Drive took place where not only the dignitaries but students also participated in good number. In total 500 plants were planted in the Campus. Those who planted trees included Prof. Dr. Asadullah Kazi, Chancellor, Isra University, Prof. Dr.



Forestry Department, Sindh Government was the Chief Guest on the occasion and Mr. Abid Rind, Deputy Director, Admn & Finance, Forestry Department, Sindh Government was Guest of Honour.



Hameedullah Kazi, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Engineering & Management Sciences, Isra University, Hyderabad & Dr. Ahmed Waliullah Kazi, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Administration, Isra University, Hyderabad



WORKSHOP ON MATLAB-OLGY 2017



IEEE Isra Student Branch & Engr. Saad Khan Baloch, Counselor, IEEE Isra Student Branch, Assistant Professor, FES&T organized one day Workshop on MATLAB-ology on 31 March 2017 at the Faculty of Engineering, Science & Technology. The guest trainer of the workshop was Engr. Ghulam-e-Mustafa, Faculty Member at Hamdard University, Karachi.

The trainer had a vast experience on the MATLAB-ology and its concepts in Signals and Systems, Digital Image Processing, Programming etc. The workshop was attended by nearly 50 students from the departments of Electrical Engineering & Computer Sciences. The workshop started with the name of Almighty Allah. Later Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Engineering & Management Sciences, Isra University, Hyderabad and Head of Executive Council, IEEE Isra Student Branch gave the inaugural address. Afterwards the Session started. There were two sessions held in the workshop i.e. one before prayers and one after prayers. In the end Certificates to

organizers and Shield to the trainer was given. In the end Aqsa Khoso, General Secretary, gave the Vote of Thanks



ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION SUMMIT



Isra University, Hyderabad was invited as a special guest in Entrepreneurship Education Summit on 14th of January, 2017 at Avari Towers, Karachi. The summit was organized by Baluchistan Consortium, comprising of University of Baluchistan, SBK Women University Quetta and BUITEMS with collaboration of University of Massachusetts. Sessions of the summit were conducted on Entrepreneurship Education, Ease of Incubations, and Role of Government to promote Entrepreneurship.

Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Pro Vice Chancellor served as a panelist for "Entrepreneurship Education" Promoting Community Student's Creativity, Innovation and Entrepreneurship. Furthermore, Mr. Zafar Siddiqui, Mr. Tarique Memon and Mr. Ebbad Qureshi coordinated with different stakeholders to exchange ideas and experience on the subject of entrepreneurship activities.

IEEE GLOBALIZATION



A one day introductory seminar on "IEEE Globalization" was held on Tuesday, 10th of January, 2017 at Isra University, Hyderabad, with nearly 300 participants. This Event was organized by IEEE, Isra Student Branch under the mentorship of Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Pro-Vice Chancellor Department of Management Sciences & Head of Executive Council. He initiated the Event with his welcome address expressing his hopes, appreciating organizers' efforts and the enthusiasm of participants. Dr. Fuad Baloch, Ph.D (University of Auckland - New Zealand),

Senior Consultant, International Activates (New Zealand) was a Resource Person for the event, introducing the "Internet and E-Governance" internal structure he elaborated the topics regarding "Internet, Governance and E-Governance".

Thereafter Mr. Ahsan Qamer Sheikh, Section Student Representative - IEEE Karachi Section shed light on the past, present and future activities of IEEE and its Karachi Section and invited students to be a part of IEEE.



PRIZE DISTRIBUTION OF SPORTS GALA 2016-17



Prize distribution ceremony of Sports Gala 2016-17 was held on February 16, 2017. Chief organizers of this ceremony were Mr. Irfan Haroon (Chief organizer of Sports Gala), Mr. Saad Khan Baloch (Co-coordinator Sports Gala 2016), Mr. Muhammad Ali Memon, Mr. Yasir Shaikh, Mr. Ahsanullah Samoo, Mr. Raza Baloch, Mr. Fayaz Noonari and Mr. Zaheer. The ceremony was graced by Prof. Dr. Asadullah Kazi (Chancellor Isra University Hyderabad) who was the chief guest of the day.

A number of games were played in sports gala 2016-17 including Table Tennis, Badminton, Cricket, Football, Volleyball and computer games (Counter Strike). Results of the event were as follows: Winner of Table Tennis (male) was Mr. Bilawal Mujtaba and the runner up was Mr. Muzamil Khaliq, while in Badminton the winning trophy was won by Mr. Hasnain Ahmed and Mr. Basit Memon was awarded the runner up trophy. Mr. Farroq Aahmed won the chess game while Mr. Rashid Ali Shah was the runner up.

Cricket tournament was won by team "Thunders" beating team "Fleet XI". Winner of Football was team "Kung Fu" that won against team "Leopards" in the final. The game of Basketball was won by team "Pointers" by beating team "United King". "Pak Dolphins" from FM&AMS won the volleyball game by defeating team "Panthers" and in counter strike competition team "IEEE" led by Ahmer Laghari won the winning title and the runner up team was "Fragers" led by Shaheer Khalid

Prof. Dr. Asadullah Kazi, spoke on the occasion and congratulated the winners as well as the runners up. He also appreciated the organizers for organizing this event on regular basis. He said, "It feels great to see that our students are not only working hard in academics but they are also showing their hard work in sports. Sports is a physical activity that will keep the students strong and focused."



DELEGATION OF ISRA UNIVERSITY VISITS IBA SUKKUR



On 21st January 2017 Isra University Hyderabad sent its team of trainers to visit IBA Sukkur. The purpose of this visit was to provide trainings to the participating faculty, ORIC, Career

Development Center, Center for Entrepreneurship and students on career development and entrepreneurship. Training sessions were based on the ongoing partnership project between Isra University and Ball State University along with ten other universities across Pakistan. Two major sessions were organized including “How to become employable” and “Launch your businesses”. The training sessions were conducted by Mr. Zafar A. Siddique, Mr. Riaz Shaikh, Ms. Wafa Pathan, Mr. Tariq Soomro and Mr. Ebbad Qureshi.

Later, the team of Isra University was taken to a campus tour where they had the opportunity of meeting Mr. Nisar Ahmed Siddique currently working as the Director/VP of IBA Sukkur. The team also visited the career development office, center for entrepreneurship and established incubation centers of IBA Sukkur. The team was decorated by Mr. Zahid Hussain (Registrar of IBA Sukkur) who also delivered vote of thanks and admired the efforts of Isra University, Hyderabad for providing professional trainings to the students of IBA Sukkur and all other participants from different universities of Pakistan.

PUMHS DELEGATION VISITS ISRA UNIVERSITY HYDERABAD



Peoples University of Medical and Health Sciences, Shaheed Benazirabad (PUMHS) sent its delegation to visit Isra University Hyderabad on 27th of January, 2017. The delegation included Prof. Dr. Farida Wagan (Director Students Affair & Director CDC - PUMHS), Dr. Abdul Manan Soomro (Assistant Professor & Executive officer – CDC) and Mr. Badal Rathore (Executive Officer CDC). They were welcomed by the ORIC team (Dr. Qamar udin Mahar, Mr. Zafar A. Siddiqui, Ms. Wafa Pathan, Mr. Tarique Soomro, Mr. Ebbad Qureshi & Mr. Ahsan Ansari) and later escorted to the Pro Vice Chancellor Secretariat where Prof. Dr. Hamedullah Kazi welcomed the delegation. The basic purpose of the visit was to ensure and create a strong working relationship with Isra University by knowing the university's working modalities for Career development and getting familiar with their successful initiatives to replicate at PUMHS. The delegation was given an introduction about Isra Career Development Center (CDC) and Isra Center for Entrepreneurship (IES). Afterwards, they were taken to a campus tour, where they visited future

Incubation Centers. The delegation was impressed with the progress made by ORIC department of Isra University and expressed their interest for future collaboration. At the end Isra University presented cultural souvenirs to the delegation.



PROJECTS OF ISRA ISLAMIC FOUNDATION GUARANTEE LIMITED (IIF)

Educational Programs

Isra University (Main Campus), Hyderabad

- Faculty of Medicine & Allied Medical Sciences
- Faculty of Engineering, Science & Technology
- Faculty of Commerce, Economics & Management Sciences
- Faculty of Dentistry & Allied Sciences

Isra University Hospital, Hyderabad

Isra Dental College & Hospital, Hyderabad

Isra College of Rehabilitation Sciences

Isra School of Nursing, Hyderabad

Isra School of Paramedics, Hyderabad

Isra Schools Network, Hyderabad & Nasarpur

Health and Welfare Programs

Isra Blindness Control Programs

- Al-Ibrahim Eye Hospital: Malir, Kunri & Kharan
- International Eye Camps
- National Eye Camps

Isra University Welfare Hospital, Hyderabad

Isra General Medical Camps, Rural Areas

Al Tibri Medical College Hospital, Karachi

Al Nafees Medical College Hospital, Islamabad

Isra University (Karachi Campus)

- Al Tibri Medical College & Hospital
- Isra Institute of Rehabilitation Sciences
- Isra Postgraduate Institute of Ophthalmology
- Isra School of Optometry

Isra University (Islamabad Campus)

- Al Nafees Medical College & Hospital
- School of Engineering & Applied Sciences
- Isra School of Rehabilitation Sciences

Markaz Islami Sindh

Isra Quran Academy Programs

- Isra Quran Fahmi Program
- Isra Ta'leemul Quran Program

Madaris-Masjid Support Program

Rural Community Support Program Translation,

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Hyderabad Campus



Karachi Campus



Isra Institute of
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