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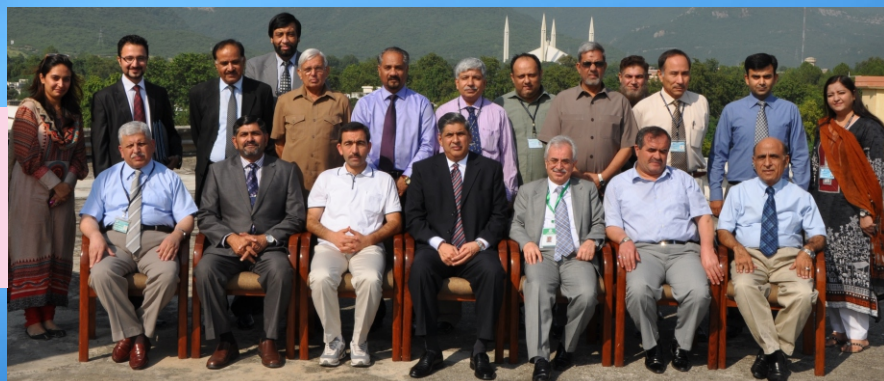


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13th Meeting of Higher Education & Research Committee (HERC)

The 13th Meeting of Higher Education & Research Committee (HERC) was held on 30th September 2013 in Bahria University Headquarters Islamabad. Rector BU Vice Admiral Shahid Iqbal HI (M) (Retd) chaired the meeting. Director ORIC and Secretary of HERC, Prof Dr Muaz A. Niazi conducted the proceedings. Various HERC members from the three Campuses and Constituent Units attended the meeting and gave their views on different agenda items regarding research and development activities at Bahria University.



13th Meeting of HERC in progress.

Launch Ceremony of Talloires Network Pakistan Chapter

The Talloires Network is an international association of institutions committed to strengthen the civic roles and social responsibilities of higher education. They work together to implement the recommendations of the Talloires Declaration and build a global movement of engaged universities. The Pakistan Chapter of the network was launched at a splendid ceremony held at NUST. Some 140 foreign delegates and 38 Rectors/VCs of Higher Education Institutes attended the ceremony. Bahria University also participated as a member of Talloires Network by setting up a stall where participants were briefed regarding the "Community Support Program" and the achievements made so far.



International Journal of Privacy and Health Information Management

It is a matter of pride for Bahria University that Prof Dr Muaz A. Niazi, Director ORIC Bahria University, has become the Editor-in-chief of the 6 monthly journal titled "International Journal of Privacy and Health Information Management (IJPHIM)" (ISSN: 2155-5621). IJPHIM is an official publication of the Information Resources Management Association published by IGI-Global, an American publisher. The 1st issue (Vol. 1, No. 1) January-June, 2013 of IJPHIM was published recently. The journal is indexed in Bacon's Media Directory, Cabell's Directories, INSPEC, Media Finder, Standard Periodical Directory and Ulrich's Periodicals Directory. The editorial board of IJPHIM comprises of researchers from the University of Texas, USA, University of Montreal, Canada, University of Castilla-La Mancha, Spain, University of Milan, Italy, Gianca Università della Calabria, Italy, Lamar University, USA, University of Exeter Business School, UK, Harvard Medical Faculty Physicians, USA, George Mason University, USA, Ming Chuan University, Taiwan and Federal University of Santa Catarina, Brazil.



New Appointment at Bahria University Headquarters

Rear Admiral (R) Saleem Akhtar SI (M) HI (M) has been appointed as the new Pro-Rector of Bahria University. He took over the charge as Pro-Rector on 23 August 2013.

Second Round of TiE Startup Cup

Bahria University Islamabad has signed an MoU with The Indus Entrepreneur (TiE) to help improve the experience of students and to provide them guidance towards Entrepreneurship. TiE recently launched a competition by the name of Start Up Cup. Round 2 of this event was conducted at BU Islamabad Campus on 25th and 26th September 2013 in coordination with office of Centre for Entrepreneurship and Leadership. The competitive process of Start Up Cup educates entrepreneurs to design a viable business model, develop customers, and accelerate their startup into the marketplace through a comprehensive judging, coaching, and mentoring process.

Quality Enhancement Cell of BU awarded 'W' Category by HEC

Quality Enhancement Cell (QEC) / Quality Assurance Directorate at Bahria University was established in December 2009 and started its quality assurance work in March 2010. All QECs established at public & private sector Universities are regularly assessed by Quality Assurance Agency (QAA) of HEC. HEC conducts six monthly quantitative assessment for categorization of QECs. This categorization is based upon their performance in enhancing quality of education at their universities. QEC of BU scored 94% marks and QAA of HEC placed QEC of BU in the highest category "W" on 22 August 2013. It is the highest score QEC of BU has ever achieved. QEC Rating Criteria is divided into four Categories; W, X, Y & Z. "W" is the Highest Rating Criteria starting from 85 to 100% marks. Everyone deserves a "well-done" on this achievement, especially Members of Program Teams, Assessment Team, HODs and Faculty Members.

MoU Signing Ceremony with Microsoft Pakistan

An MOU was signed between Bahria University and Microsoft Corporation at HQ Bahria University, Islamabad, on 23 September 2013. The MoU was signed by Capt (R) Iftikhar Ahmed, Manager Business Incubation Centre on behalf of Bahria University and Mr Amir Rao, the Country Manager of Microsoft. The document envisages setting up of the Microsoft Innovation Center (MIC) in BU Karachi Campus. The Microsoft Corporation will supply all the hardware and technical expertise for capacity building, technical skill development, technical training programs, start-up incubation and mentoring for “Students to Business Ideas” through industry linkage. BUKC will provide required space and furniture for MIC. This is a very important milestone as it will benefit the University, its students and faculty immensely. Additionally, Microsoft also holds a competition by the name of Imagine Cup. Imagine Cup is a yearly global competition organized by Microsoft to gather application development talent from around the world. The kick-off of this year's event in Pakistan was conducted at Bahria University Islamabad Campus on 2nd October 2013.

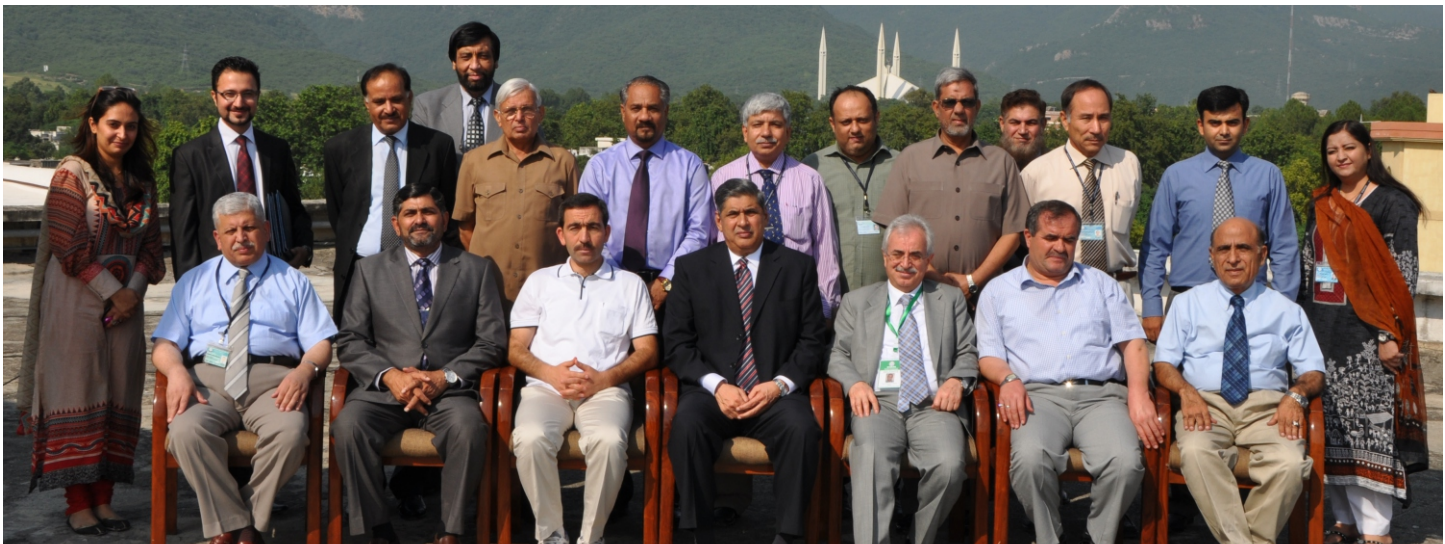


Captain (R) Iftikhar Ahmed and Mr. Amir Rao signing the MoU.

MoU Signing Ceremony with Pakistan Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (PCSIR)

The Office of Research Innovation & Commercialization (ORIC) arranged an MoU signing ceremony between Bahria University and Pakistan Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (PCSIR) on 11th October 2013. Now, the students and faculty members of BU will be able to utilize

the state of the art labs and the expertise of the professionals in their scientific research endeavours. PCSIR is one of the largest R & D Organizations of the Government of Pakistan. The Chairman PCSIR, Dr Shoukat Parvez and the Honourable Rector BU, Vice Admiral Shahid Iqbal (R) HI (M) signed the MoU at Bahria University HQ. The event was attended by all Directors of BUHQ and Heads of Departments of Bahria University Islamabad Campus.



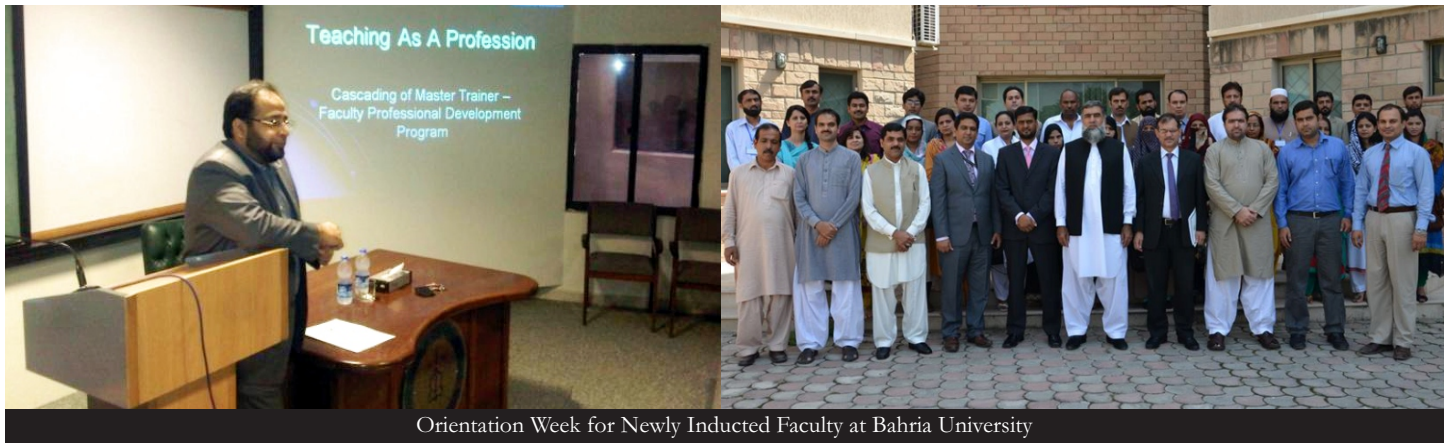
Rector of Bahria University V/Admiral (R) Shahid Iqbal with his team members along with Turkish Delegates

Visit By Delegation From Turkey

A delegation from three different Universities of Turkey visited Bahria University as a part of their visit to Islamabad. The delegation included Prof. Dr Muammer Yaylali, Rector, Erzurum Technical University; Dr Ehubakir Ceylan, Rector, University of Sirnak & Prof. Dr. Ali Akmaz, Rector, Hakkari University. During the visit the delegation met the Rector Bahria University and other senior management to discuss various areas of academic interest. The delegation showed keen interest in developing strong linkages with Bahria University by engaging in exchange activities at student and faculty level, joint research, curriculum development, resource sharing, etc. The meeting was followed by signing of an MoU for academic collaboration with all three Universities of Turkey. Bahria University now has a partnership with 25 Universities around the globe and 5 Universities in Turkey.

Bahria University Library Officer Nominated as HEC Resource Person at Learning Innovation Division

It is a matter of great pleasure that the University Library Officer, Mr. Sher Afzal was nominated as the resource person at HEC Learning Innovation Divisions, to train library professionals of public and private universities of twin cities and AJK. The workshop was held at LID HEC Lab. The Chief Guest of the ceremony was Dr Massom Yaszai, Vice Chancellor of Quaid-e-Azam University and he appreciated the efforts of Bahria University Library officer.



Orientation Week for Newly Inducted Faculty at Bahria University

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Bahria University organized a Faculty Orientation Week for the newly inducted faculty members at Islamabad & Karachi Campuses from 26th till 30th August 2013. It was arranged by the Dy. Director Human Resource Development. The five days of the orientation arranged for the new faculty members was designed to familiarize them with procedures in practice and on what is expected of them at BU. The first two days of the orientation provided general introduction to Bahria University and information on various SOPs related to academic and non-academic matters. Both, Islamabad & Karachi Campuses attended these sessions through video conferencing. Day three onwards workshops addressed topics related to teaching including Teaching as Profession, Micro Teaching & Time Management. These workshops were conducted by HEC Master Trainers at Bahria University with support of Business Incubation Cell of the University.

Awareness Session on “Thalassemia Major”

Bahria University organized an awareness session on “Thalassemia Major” with the collaboration of Kashif Iqbal Thalassemia Care Centre (KITCC) at Bahria University Islamabad Campus. The guest speaker of this session was Mr Muhammad Iqbal, Chairman KITCC Blood Bank & Diagnostic Centre. While addressing the audience, he highlighted the devastating impact of thalassemia on millions of people around the world. The core objective of this session was to eradicate the societal taboos attached to the pre-medical check-up of the spouse to decrease the threat of Thalassemia. Guest Speaker briefly described the disease, symptoms and its precautionary measures and mentioned about his 16 hospitals working day and night to safeguard the lives of innocent children. He expressed his deep concerns for thalassemia patients. The lecture ended with a promise that as responsible citizens everyone should seek medical assistance before tying the knot. The session ended with the closing remarks of Honourable Rector Bahria University, Vice Admiral (R) Shahid Iqbal HI (M) in which he appreciated the deep commitment of the Guest Speaker and presented him a souvenir as a token of appreciation.



Vice Admiral (R) Shahid Iqbal HI (M) presenting souvenir to Guest Speaker

One day training on Plagiarism Policy and Travel Grants of HEC

Office of Centre for Entrepreneurship and Leadership arranged one day training for the faculty members on “Plagiarism Policy” and “Travel Grants”. A training needs assessment was conducted by the ORIC department which highlighted the misconception among the faculty members regarding Plagiarism Policy of Higher Education Commission. Additionally, recent study also highlighted the importance of Travel Grants process. The training was organized by Mr. Aqeel Israr, Manager Business Incubation Centre, and was conducted by Mr. Adeel Ahmed, Manager Research Operations and Mr. Abrar Hussain, Manager Research & Development.

Celebrating Knowledge



Rector BU, DG NCMPR and Director BUKC visiting the stalls at the book fair

Bahria University Karachi Campus Library organized a Book Fair 2013 on 9th and 10th October 2013. The event was inaugurated by the Chief Guest Rector Bahria University Vice Admiral (R) Shahid Iqbal HI(M). Fourteen Local and National Book Sellers participated in this event with large number of latest titles in the field of Engineering, Business, Media, Psychology, Maritime, Environmental Research and many more. About 3000 students and Faculty visited the Fair and proved their love for books.

Final Year Projects, Batch 2009

Electrical Engineering Department of BUKC provided an opportunity for final year students to present their projects in August 2013. Thirty three groups of



Students displaying their interesting final year projects

BEE Electronic & Telecom presented their projects. Some remarkable projects caught everyone's eye and were lauded by the faculty and external examiners. Some of the projects were funded by ICT R&D. Among them "Automated Lawnmower" project received Rs. 100,000/-; "Access Control System using RFID" project received Rs. 96,250/- and "Muhafiz Advance Field Surveillance and Rescue System" project received Rs. 86,250/-. DG BUKC also decided to fund projects based on remarkable ideas to appreciate the students and provide them better opportunity. This was a great event

projecting different ideas and exchange of knowledge.

Field Trip to Gharo Creek

On 2 October 2013, BUKC students of BEE 5A & B were taken on a field trip to Gharo Bridge at Gharo Creek, about 65 km away. Gharo Bridge, also known as Hirjina Bridge is an old disused bridge which can be used to observe the tidal phenomenon of spring and neap tides. Since NHA has constructed an alternate bridge for heavy traffic, this ancient bridge can act as a practical observation platform for small scale models of turbine and generator sets. Under the influence of flooding and ebbing tides, electricity can be generated for local villages. Professor Cdr (R) Muhammad S. Askari planned this visit for students of the course "Introduction to Power Engineering" to give a practical insight by observing the tidal process.

International Heart Day

The Student Resource Centre team ensures that students are provided with a well-rounded experience both through co-curricular and extra-curricular activities at Bahria University Karachi Campus. On the occasion of International Heart Day, Dr Muhammad Ali, Consultant Cardiologist and Ms Farzana Amir, Senior Manager, Cardiac Rehab Department at Tabba Heart Institute conducted an informative health program for students and staff on 24 September 2013 at BUKC Auditorium. They presented "How to have a healthy heart" and "Lifestyle modifications". After the presentations students and staff went through healthy activities. All in all it was a different and healthy life-style promoting event at Bahria University Karachi Campus.

Workshop on Continuing Professional Development

Engr. Umair, Engr. Najm and all Lab Engineers attended a one day workshop on "Continuing Professional Development" on 20th August 2013; which was organized by PEC in collaboration with NUST.

NAB Seminar

National Accountability Bureau representative Mr. Shouzab Abbas Soomro, Assistant Director visited BUKC on 17 September 2013 to address the students on "Awareness and Prevention against Corruption". This event was planned by NAB to provide awareness against corruption directly to the stakeholders and share their thoughts with the Youth against the evil effects of corruption and NAB's efforts. Students thoroughly enjoyed the event and asked many thought provoking questions.

Allied Bank On-Campus Interviews

Assistant Director Student Affairs, Mr. Raza Abbas invited Country Head Organizational Development, Allied Bank to Bahria University on 14 September 2013 to conduct on-campus interviews for placement of Bahria University students. More than 30 students of the Management Sciences department appeared in the panel interviews and several students were short-listed for further testing by the ABL team. Dr. Dilshad Baig from ABL had a wonderful experience and he shared the following in Bahria University's Corporate Relations Guest Book: "Bahria University students have the potential."

Bahria University Karachi Won 1st Position at ProQuest Web Designing Competition

Bahria University won the 1st position in Web Designing Competition at ProQuest. ProQuest is a Mega IT competition, which was organized on 27th August 2013 by the students of Department of Computer Science, University of Karachi. In this event, different IT institutes and universities participated. It provided a platform for interaction between students and software industry, where they could avail the opportunity to demonstrate their talent. Different competitions included Software exhibition, Speed programming, mobile application development, networking, proquiz, demo your idea, Gaming, photography and I-Quest.



Ms. Jacqueline receiving Best Female Teacher award

International Teachers Day

On the auspicious occasion of the International Teachers Day on 3rd October 2013, the Student Resource Centre and student society for Event Management organized celebrations at Bahria



Mr. Essa Khan receiving Best Male Teacher award

University Karachi Campus. Mr. Raza Abbas, Assistant Director Student Affairs, and Ms. Quratulain Arif, Manager Programs/PRO were the moving spirits behind this event. A mega cake-cutting ceremony in the foyer kicked off the event. Teachers of Bahria University Karachi Campus cut the cake in the presence of students loudly applauding their dedicated faculty members. Director General, NCMPR, Vice Admiral (R) Asaf Humayun HI(M) graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. He paid rich tributes to the faculty of Bahria University and led a standing ovation to the faculty members. He applauded the services of the faculty members and stated that teachers are the foundation of societies. He also appreciated the SRC team for arranging the wonderful event. Students from diverse disciplines participated in English and Urdu debates in the auditorium. Dramatic society performed a drama highlighting the importance of teachers. At the end of the event, mementos were presented to teachers voted as Best Teachers by students. Ms Jacqueline Ismat got the award for the Best Female Teacher and Mr Essa Khan for the Best Male Teacher.

Independence Day Celebrations

To inculcate patriotic fervour amongst students of Bahria University Karachi Campus, Assistant Director Student Affairs organized a Declamation Contest and Milli Naghme Program on 13th August 2013. Director General, NCMPR, Vice Admiral (R) Asaf Humayun HI(M) was the Chief Guest. Students from all departments participated in the event with great zeal and enthusiasm. Ms. Shaheera Al Basit came 1st in the declamation contest while Mr. Waqas Ahmed Soomro received the 1st prize in the Milli Naghme competition.

British Council Workshop-Active Citizen Program

Faculty members of BUKC participated in a 5 days' workshop organized by British Council on the topic "Active Citizen Program". It was held from 22nd to 26th August 2013 at Lahore College for Women University.



Faculty Members of BUKC at the British Council workshop

Objective of the workshop was to train the facilitators so that they can contribute towards positive social change locally and globally by establishing an enduring international network of young leaders who act together to address grass-root initiatives around the world. Representatives from Bahria University were Sobia Shujaat, Sadaf Alam, Shuana Zafar, Nadia Rahman, Shumaila Israr, Essa Khan, Umair and Kiran Bashir.

1st Batch of Geo Physics Graduates Employed

The management of Earth and Environmental Sciences BUKC feels happy and proud on the recruitment of their first batch of graduate students in the national and multinational oil and gas, and related exploration/organizations. The performance of their graduates has been highly appreciated by the employers. The under-graduate students have also been awarded scholarships for their higher studies in foreign universities in Germany and Canada. The employers are ENI Pakistan, LMKR, Gemology Centre, BGP International, Secura group of companies, Well Drilling Institute, AJK University, Earthquake Rehabilitation NGO, Soil Testing Lab, OMV and United Energy Pakistan.

Guest Lecture on 'Thar Coal'

Department of E & ES organized a Guest speaker session by Mr. Sadaqat Jafari from Geological Survey of Pakistan on 25th September on the topic 'Thar Coal'.

Seminar on Implementation of SAP

On 8th & 9th October 2013, a seminar was conducted on implementation of SAP. It was organized by Engineers Rabiya Malik, Ayesha Zaveri and Sarama Kamal supported by a talented and hardworking team of volunteers. One of the guest speakers of the session was Mr. Mansoor Ahmed. He works in a renowned SAP Consultancy firm, Tally Marks Consulting, with the experience of different international and local projects. Day 1 of the Seminar focused on Object Oriented Programming concepts, which were then, connected on Day 2 to the detailed implementation of SAP. BUKC students also witnessed the demonstration of SAP environment by Mr. Mansoor. The Marketing Manager for Tally Marks, Mr. Sumair Khan also gave a presentation about Tally Marks and demonstrated Dashboards. The Seminar ended after an important announcement by Engr. Rabiya about the creation of a new Students' Club with the name 'Society of Future Engineers (SOFE)'.

Industrial Visit to Pakistan Cables:

While maintaining its custom; Electrical Department of BUKC organized an industrial visit on



Students and Faculty at the Industrial visit to Pakistan Cables

11 October 2013. In which 60 Students of BEE 7 with faculty members Engr. S. Najmus Saqib, Engr. Mukesh Kumar, and Lab Assistant Adnan Iqbal of Electronics Department visited Pakistan Cables, the country's oldest and most reputable cable manufacturer. Students were shown the entire factory and witnessed the entire process from the arrival of raw copper and aluminium plates to the finished product including labelling and packaging. The plant engineers accompanied the students and briefed them about details of each of the process. It was indeed a very impressive and informative visit.

Community Support Program

The inaugural ceremony of Community Support Program was held at Bahria University Karachi Campus on 23 August, 2013. Honourable Rector Vice Admiral (R) Shahid Iqbal HI (M) graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. In the first batch of Community Service Programs, 320 students participated in the summer camp and provided their services to various NGOs. Honourable Rector appreciated the



Rector BU, DG BUKC, DG NCMPR alongwith guests snapped at Community Support Program at Karachi Campus.

various community support organizations present at the ceremony for their great work. He stated that there is no denial in the importance and requirement of community support program, as this provides an impetus for being a responsible citizen. Being Rector Bahria University, it was his utmost desire to develop something meaningful and inspirational for students. At the end,

he appreciated Assistant Director Student Affairs, Mr. Raza Abbas, HODs and Community Support Program Coordinators of all departments.

Following dignitaries represented their organizations at the ceremony and gave their valuable remarks.

Shaukat Khannum Memorial Trust, Director Marketing and Resource Development, Mr. Tariq Azam

"Bahria University has taken an initiative towards the building of our society, which is highly commendable. It's first of its kind in Pakistan. I congratulate the management on this step."

Friends of Burns Centre, President Mr. Abdullah Feroze

"This is my first visit to Bahria University. I will always remember. I wish this institution a very bright future."

Kashif Iqbal Thalassemia Care Centre (Trust), Chairman, Mr. Muhammad Iqbal

"Work done by Bahria University in the field of education is commendable."

Research and Development

Assistant Professor Naveed Ghani of Computer Science Department has received acceptance of his research paper "Survey based data security evaluation in Pakistan financial institutions against malicious attacks" in the International Conference of Computer & Information Technology ICCIT 2013 at Paris, France held on the 6th-7th November 2013.

The research paper of Mr. Raza Abbas, Assistant Director Student Affairs Bahria University Karachi Campus on "Career Guidance and Counselling Institutionalized Model of a Public University" was selected and published at The International Conference on Career Guidance hosted by ACOP France and the International Association for Educational and Vocational Guidance (IAEVG) in Montpellier, France on

24 to 27 September 2013.

A research paper titled "A Proposed Model of a Colour Harmonizer Application" produced by Engr. Majid Kaleem, Engr. Ali Ahmed, Engr. Wafa Qaiser Khan and Engr. Reema Qaiser Khan has been accepted for the upcoming conference ICICT 2013. The conference will take place on 14th and 15th December 2013 at Institute of Business Administration Karachi.

Dr Mubarak Ali (HoD E & ES) presented his research paper "Geological Hunt for Chromite" in an International Conference organized by SEGMITE on 7th October 2013 at Regent Plaza Karachi.

Final Year Project "Customizable Timing Control Device for Natural

research Action

Gas Home Appliances" by Muhammad Shamo Khan and Sangeen Khan supervised by Mr. Assad Iqbal, Lecturer in Computer Science Department was accepted for presentation at IEEE Global Humanitarian Technology Conference (GHTC). The conference was held in Silicon Valley, California from 20th to 23rd October, 2013. Two research papers "Remote Health Monitoring through an Integration of Wireless Sensor Networks, Mobile Phones & Cloud Computing Technologies" and "Customizable Timing Control Device for Natural Gas Home Appliances to Save Natural Gas" by Mr Assad Iqbal have also been accepted for publication and presentation in IEEE GHTC 2013 conference.

Achievement in the Department of Biochemistry

It is a first time honour for BUMDC that Dr Tafheem Malik, Assistant Professor of Biochemistry has received the Bursary Award 1490 to join XXI World Congress of Neurology (WCN 2013), the world's biggest neurology event. The award will be presented at the scientific presentation during the Congress XXI WCN 2013, which will take place in Vienna, Austria. The award is presented to honour a distinguished international young scholar for significant contributions to neuroscience in the world. The award is given every year during the scientific congress, organized by World Congress of Neurology (WCN) European Federation of Neurological Societies and the World Federation of Neurology (WFN) and Austrian Society of Neurology. Dr. Malik's contribution in the medical screening research has also been acknowledged by SLAS in January next year. Dr Malik has received an invitation to present her research work and receive SLAS Tony B. Award 2014 in January. It is a matter of pride and pleasure for BUMDC that Dr. Tafheem Malik, is recognized as an outstanding young neuroscientist among creative and cutting-edge research leaders who are working to overcome some of the world's toughest challenges globally.



Memoona Sundus

Doctors Excel in Sports

Student of BDS, Memoona Sundus, outshined the rest in sports. She gained herself a position in the finals of Table Tennis after defeating Maryam of fourth year MBBS in semi-finals. She kept on mesmerizing the audience by her serve and the way she matched her opponents in Table Tennis. She aced her opponent Muzzna of the third year MBBS in the finals, after a tough competition she won the trophy.

Workshop - Educational Planning

The Dental Section, BUMDC organized an introductory workshop on Educational Planning from 1st to 3rd October 2013 under the supervision of Principal Dental section Prof. Dr Nasreen Amanat in collaboration with Department of



Medical Education. The program was conducted by the experienced and qualified faculty members of the BUMDC. The facilitator of this event was Ms Nighat Huda, Joint Director of Medical Education BUMDC, assisted by Assistant Director Dr Ambreen Usmani BUMDC. The renowned medical educationist Prof Naeem Jaffery, Advisor - Chancellor Zia-ud-din University, was the guest speaker. The three day workshop highlighted the concept and principles in educational planning pertinent to the development of dental curriculum.

Bahria University Lahore Campus in Pictures



Orientation Ceremony (Fall Session 2013)

As per tradition, the orientation ceremony of newly admitted graduate students was held at Bahria University Islamabad. The ceremony started with the welcome address of the Director Campus Islamabad and he congratulated the students for becoming a part of Bahria University. Further the Director Campus said that the youth of Pakistan is our future. Being future leaders of the country, their collective duty is to ensure the country's progress and excellence in all fields.

All Heads of the Departments were also introduced to the



students. The session also made them familiar with the procedures of the university. Deputy Director Quality Assurance, Ms Samina Chaudary emphasized on the university's commitment to ensure quality higher-education and briefed the newly enrolled students about Bahria University's environment and its activities. Deputy Director Admin, Cdr Majid talked about the code of conduct of the University and said that all new students should follow the rules and regulation of university as responsible individuals. Mr Awais Mehmood, Deputy Director (FCP) briefed about the foreign collaboration programs while Program Officer (SRC) briefed the audience about the extra-curriculum activities at the University.

Javed Chaudry and Rashida Sohail at BUIC

Department of Humanities and Social Sciences Bahria University Islamabad Campus arranged a guest lecture from two renowned journalists of Pakistan, Mr. Javed Chaudry and Ms. Rashida Sohail on 9th October 2013. Mr. Javed Chaudry has an experience of almost 14 years in the field of broadcast and print journalism. Currently, he is working as a senior anchor-person and head of current affairs at Express News. Ms. Rashida Sohail has an experience of almost 11 years in the field of broadcast journalism and she is currently working as a senior anchor-person in PTV. Both the speakers shared their worthy views with the students of BSS regarding what is media and what are the past and current trends in media. They shared their practical experience and knowledge regarding the topic. After the lecture the students posed questions to both the guests. In the question answer session the speakers talked in-depth about the negative and positive aspects of media in the current time as well.

Students of Bahria University Shine at Youth Parliament Pakistan

Sitwat Waqar, from BSS 8, and Yasir Abbas, from BSS 7, currently majoring in International Relations, were selected as members of Youth Parliament Pakistan by PILDAT at the beginning of this year after a rigorous process of selection of candidates from all over Pakistan. Out of the 61 selected members, Yasir Abbas was the only one to represent Gilgit Baltistan, while Sitwat Waqar was one of the 7 members selected to represent KPK. Yasir Abbas was appointed as the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Defence from the Government. While, Sitwat Waqar was elected as the Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs and Defence from the opposition and presented a policy report on Pak-India relations, which was published in the Express Tribune. Due to their dedicated performance, and in-depth logic which reflected in various resolutions and policies presented by them, both were awarded certificates for outstanding performance by MNA Anusha Rehman. The ceremony was attended by many high profile people including the HE Mr. Jesper M. Sorensen Ambassador of Denmark, Mr. Wazir Ahmed Jomezai, Mr. Ahmed Bilal Mehboob, Dr Moeed Pirzada, MNA Murad Saeed and others.

Pakistan's Role in Regional Politics - Guest Lecture

The Department of Humanities and Social Sciences organized a lecture by Mr. Talat Hussain, a renowned journalist and anchor-person, on "Pakistan's Role in Regional Politics". The lecture was held on 30th September 2013 at BUIC. Facing an engrossed audience consisting of both faculty and students Mr Talat Hussain expounded the significance of Pakistan's geographical location and the determinants of its foreign policy. He stressed the fact that Pakistan's ideology is not only based on its religious roots but also on its geo-strategic location. The lecture was followed by a lively question and answer session. Commodore Muhammad Ali, Director BUIC, and Prof Dr Mohammad Iqbal Saif, Head of H & SS Department were also present on the occasion. At the end of the session Prof. Dr Mohammad Iqbal Saif presented a memento to Mr. Talat Hussain.



Talat Hussain delivering his lecture

AIIESEC Seminar and Information Sessions

AIIESEC conducted an information session in Bahria University Islamabad Campus on 18th September 2013. It is an international students' body that is present in 113 countries and has 85,000 members. The organization aims at creating future leaders who are aware, responsible and have a global mind-set that aids in creating harmony in this diverse world. The president Fahad Jalil and the executive body of AIIESEC addressed students of the University. Theme of the session was to explain AIIESEC's inner workings, global outreach and impact on society. 22 students participated in the seminar while it generated interest in a large number of students and 100 applied for membership. Members work in the fields like finance, law, projects, branding and communication, incoming exchange, outgoing exchange and external relations. Members also get formal leadership training by attending two annual AIIESEC conferences, namely National Youth Development Seminar (NYDS) and National Strategic Conference (NSC).

Trip to UK and Turkey

Bahria University Islamabad Campus arranged a trip for a 22 members' delegation to Turkey and UK from 13th August to 23rd August. HOD of Electrical Engineering Dr Najam-ul-Hassan led the delegation. The delegation was scheduled to visit 2 universities of Turkey; KOC and YASAR and 3 universities of UK; Greenwich, Leicester and York. Theme of this visit was to give Pakistani students exposure to educational system, learning attitude of students and techniques of teaching in foreign universities. Students attended the academic sessions based on their interests.

Vice Chancellor's Forum Exhibition

Vice Chancellors' Forum was held on 22-24 September 2013, over the topic 'Universities in the Islamic World: Challenges of Internationalization' at Serena Hotel Islamabad. Bahria University actively participated in showcasing its best speakers and marketing experts to promote the academic activities and community work of the University. The University students also showed their final year projects to Vice Chancellors, Rectors, and Presidents of various universities, and Higher Education Institutions of OIC member states. International

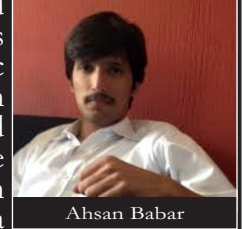


Team of BU at the Vice Chancellors Forum

universities from Turkey, Egypt and Saudi Arabia also showed their interest in establishing formal relationship with Bahria University.

Bahria Remembers You

Ahsan Babar, a graduate from Computer Sciences Department of Islamabad Campus and a new faculty member of BUIC left his loved ones mourning over his tragic death due to brain haemorrhage on 13th October 2013. He was a kind and friendly person and will always be remembered for it. He played his part in excelling at the university as a laboratory engineer of computer and software engineering department.



Ahsan Babar

Commencement of Community Support Program (CSP)

The work for Community Support Program (CSP) has begun with the new batch of Fall 2013. Students will be enrolled with NGOs to fulfil their requirement of 40 hours of community work. NGO's working with Bahria University Islamabad in Fall Semester 2013 are:

WWF	Tahir Welfare Centre (Ghonsla)
Green Volunteers	Community Development Council
Islamabad Traffic Police	Lettuce Bee Kids
Capital Development Authority	

Pink Ribbon Pakistan

Bahria University Islamabad in collaboration with Pink Ribbon Pakistan launched a 3 days campaign by setting up an information desk on the Campus from 1st to 3rd October 2013. The campaign was about spreading awareness of breast cancer and its risks by giving out newsletters, self-examination brochures. The SRC students helped Pink Ribbon with this cancer awareness campaign and painstakingly collected donations of Rs 18,000 from the Campus.

Bahria's First Rock Night with "Rocklite"

Bahria University Alumni Association in collaboration with Australian Education Office (AEO Pakistan) conducted Bahria Alumni's first musical night with "Rocklite" at Bahria University Islamabad. The band was led by Rizwan ul Haque (ex Vital Signs - vocals and guitarist). Other members included Allan Smith (vocals and drums), Imran Hanna (bass) and Endy (percussions). The event was a fun packed entertaining musical night for families with a beautiful outdoor arrangement along with food stalls. The event was attended by more than 450 guests including senior management & faculty members of Bahria University, representatives of AEO Pakistan, representatives of print and electronic media, students and alumni of BU. Bahria University has over 6000 alumni and such an event will help in improving alumni networking and strengthening industry-academia linkages.

HACKTRONIX & NETRONIX Event at Ghulam Ishaq Khan Institute Swabi

A HACKTRONIX & NETRONIX event was held at GIKI Swabi on 27th- 29th September 2013. The event comprised of e-gaming contests and networking workshop. Bahria University also had the honour of participation. Bahria University students sailed through all the tough stages and made into finals and emerged as runner up. At the end of the event students were awarded certificates.

Case Study Training

Department of Management Sciences at Bahria University Islamabad organized a 'Case-Study Training' session for its faculty members on the 26th and 27th August 2013. Prof. Naveed A Khan a senior professor of Bahria University Karachi Campus was the trainer. He conversed on the importance of incorporating case-studies in the course pack of students. He explained in his lecture that this would provide an exposure of real-world scenarios to the students and bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and the practical world, which students might face. Case studies on PIA, National Food Limited, Pakistan State Oil, and Pepsico were discussed.

International Literacy Day

Literacy is a right and foundation for lifelong learning, better well-being and livelihoods. Also, it is a driver for sustainable and inclusive development. Bahria University Islamabad celebrated the International Literacy Day in the Village of Kalinger, near Naval Headquarters from 9th to 11th September 2013.

Awareness programs and lectures were conducted for children telling them about the basic standards of education, personal hygiene, general etiquettes, the

Seminar on Climate Change

A seminar on "Climate Change" was organized from the platform of Green Club at Earth and Environmental Sciences Department at Islamabad Campus on 8th October 2013. Dr Muhammad Hanif, a renowned meteorologist of Pakistan and Director at Pakistan Metrological Department, Islamabad, was the guest speaker of the workshop. The focus of the seminar was to create awareness amongst the participants on the subject of global climate change, and dengue fever affecting Pakistan. The Head of the Department presented Bahria University shield to the guest speaker at the end of seminar.

BUIC Girls Hostel Facility

Bahria University has established girl's hostel facility within the Islamabad Campus to facilitate female students. The hostel has a capacity to accommodate 140 students. The initial batch of more than twenty students has already joined the hostel, which will be their home away from home in the twin cities. The hostel has air-conditioned accommodation with recreation and study facilities for the students. The management has ensured comprehensive arrangements for students' safety, security, comfort and congenial atmosphere.

environmental pollution and 'Say No to Drugs'. The sessions ended with the distribution of small gift bags filled with colouring books, stationery, and lunch boxes. On the final day, the importance of education was highlighted to all children and their parents to ensure that they are all directed towards the right path despite their constraints. With the initiative and efforts of Pro-Rector of Bahria University, Rear Admiral Saleem Akhtar and its team, made this event successful by promoting the importance of basic education among the children of village.



Pro-Rector of Bahria University, Rear Admiral Saleem Akhtar with his team members along with children at Kalinger Village Islamabad

Photography Exhibition

An amateur photography exhibition was held in Bahria University on 30th September 2013. The event, which was held within the campus, was planned and organized by the Media Department of the University. The exhibition was



Rezz Aly Shah and Tony Navaid Rashid alongwith students

an opportunity for the students to display their photography, fulfil their learning requirements, and event management skills. Socialite and event organizer, Rezz Aly Shah and, renowned fashion photographer, Tony Navaid Rashid, were the chief guests on the occasion. The guests admired the exhibits and awarded prizes for the best photographs.

Music Club Orientation

The Bahria University Music club organized an orientation session on 23rd September 2013 for the freshmen joining the club, where they performed an unplugged musical gig. The musical performances were recorded by some journalists from Vienna who thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated the event in the presence of other audience.

4th Self-Assessment Cycle

After 5 months of hard work, 4th Quality Assurance self-assessment cycle of Islamabad Campus concluded on 19th September 2013. During the cycle the self-assessment reports and summary analysis of students' evaluation were discussed in meetings with all the departments. The exit meeting presentation prepared by the assessment team, Dr Haroon Rasheed, Prof. Kaleem Ahmed Ghias and Dr Saqib Saeed, was attended by the director campus, all the HODs and Campus Quality Coordinator. Additionally the team also met faculty and students in their classrooms. The Assessment Team will submit a report including strengths, weaknesses, corrective action and recommendations for improvement and implementation in the next Self-Assessment Cycle.

Appportunity by Telenor Pakistan

Telenor Pakistan organized a workshop titled Appportunity on 3rd October 2013 at Bahria University Islamabad Campus. The theme of the workshop was to motivate the students to work in the category of Android application development and show them career paths to choose from computer sciences and software engineering field. Many

students from senior semesters attended the workshop. The Workshop concluded with a quiz session where students won souvenir t-shirts for correct answers.

Awareness Program – Drug Abuse

The Management Science Department at Bahria University Islamabad organised a session on 'Drug Abuse' on 27th September 2013. Mr M. Naushad Anjum, Director of 'Meeting Matters – Counselling Clinic' was the guest speaker. It was an informative program on how a number of insidious influences prove to be the leading pathway to drug abuse. Addiction to drugs is promoted by – chemical (medicinal drugs, alcohol) and non-chemical (internet, social networking, movies, television) stimuli around us and how to eradicate the effects and keep the youth away from drug addiction. The main purpose of this educational program was to enable the students to recognize the risks of addiction and to learn suitable ways to abstain from such abuse.

Ealance Workshop

Bahria University Islamabad Campus hosted a workshop by Ealance on 8th October 2013. It was based on motivating students towards securing their freelance jobs. The workshop was led by Salman Hijazi who is also the owner of Advertency. He gave tips and pointers to students about freelancing and urged them to use their creative skills to earn some money for themselves. He also explained freelancing as a mode of improving skills already in their possession. Ealance workshop lit a hope in students about their future.

National Youth Policy – Bahria University in PTV News Night Show

A special episode of News Night show for PTV News was recorded at Bahria University auditorium Islamabad Campus on 10th October 2013. Guest panellists for the show were Dr Tariq Fazal Chaudhary, MNA (PML-N), Farukh Habib Youth Wing President (PTI), Former Minister for Defence, Sardar Salim Haider (PPP) and the renowned educationist, Mr Faisal Mushtaq (HI), CEO of Roots Millennium Schools who spoke on the topic of National Youth Policy. The objective of this show was to discuss the issues of youth and policy agendas for betterment of the young people. Senior Faculty and students of BU participated with zeal and enthusiasm. This special episode was organized by Public Relations Department of Bahria University.



Workshop on Maritime Piracy Humanitarian Response Programme (MPHRP)

National Centre for Maritime Policy Research (NCMPR) hosted two days online workshop in collaboration with International Maritime Bureau (IMB), UK and Maritime Piracy Humanitarian Response Programme (MPHRP), UK on 21-22 August 2013 at Bahria University Karachi Campus. The conference was conducted online from London on both days. The topic of the workshop was "Pre-Departure Piracy Awareness Training". The event addressed the prerequisites and some of the most appropriate training requirements for seafarers to deal with the issue of piracy. The experts highlighted the necessity to make seafarers resilient, to provide them sound professional training, to ensure application of International regulatory measures and to adopt Best Management Practices (BMP). The online workshop was well attended by government officials, psychologists, training counsellors, experts from the maritime sector and representatives from the seafarers' community.

World Maritime Day Celebrations

An Inter-University Declamation Contest was held on the occasion of World Maritime Day on 25th September at Bahria University Karachi Campus organized by National Centre for Maritime Policy Research (NCMPR). Vice Admiral I F Qadir HI (M) ex Vice Chief of Naval Staff graced the occasion as the chief guest. He was joined by ex DG Ports & Shipping Captain Anwar Shah and other maritime specialists. As many as 19 debaters from Institute of Marine Sciences, University of Karachi, Department of English, Karachi University, PAF-KIET, Pakistan Naval Engineering College - NUST, NED, Bahria University, Pakistan Naval Academy and Pakistan Marine Academy participated in the declamation contest. The top two positions in English were grabbed by Cadet Muhammad Nauman Sharif from Pakistan Naval Academy and Maliha Abbass from NED University; whereas Abdul Majid Awan from Bahria University and Cadet Mohammad Hassan Siddiqui from Pakistan Naval Academy secured the top two positions in the Urdu declamation contest. The overall winner's trophy went to Bahria University. The winners were awarded cash prizes and shields.



Team NCMPR at the World Maritime Day Carnival



Team NCMPR with honourable Chief Guests, Guests and Participants of Declamation Contest

Guest Lecture on Managing Global Supply Chains Through Visibility

Mr. Wajeeh Ahmed, Country Manager, APL Logistics delivered a lecture on the topic of 'Managing Global Supply Chains Through Visibility' at NCMPR, Bahria University, Karachi Campus on 5th October 2013. The lecture was attended by the PGD and EMBA (Logistics & Port Management) students. It covered all the aspects of Supply Chain Management, Technology in Supply Chain and Managing Supply Chain Visibility to undergraduate and postgraduate students. The insightful talk and the question answer session was a learning experience for all the audience.



Workshops and Courses

A series of workshops and courses were conducted at IPP to support the interest of current students and those individuals interested in psychology. Ms Kiran Bashir Ahmad conducted the two-day workshops on 'Using Positive Psychology in the Clinical Setting' on 4th and 5th August 2013 and 'The Strengths and Skills Workshop' on 27th and 28th August 2013 while Ms Shagufta Haider conducted short courses of 'Criminal Psychology', on 27th and 28th August 2013. Workshops by Adam Sandelson and Jenny Sandelson were held on 19th and 20th August 2013 over topics relevant to psychology.

Dr Zainab Hussain Bhutto has fulfilled the HEC requirements and is now an HEC Approved Supervisor.

Mental Health Day

The free Mental Health Awareness Camp at IPP is one of the most eagerly awaited annual events at BUKC. This year, a festive atmosphere was created on the 9th October 2013 with the theme of "Hip, Happy, Happening – The Heart of Living" as the students and faculty members wore yellow, orange or red to celebrate the occasion. Trained students of the Institute provided free testing and feedback services in the Positivity Centre, the Relationship Centre and the Personality Centre established at the one-day camp. Vice Admiral (Retired) Shahid Iqbal, Rector Bahria University, inaugurated the camp. Visitors were impressed by the professional attitude of the students and thoroughly enjoyed the informative and interactive process whereby they could discover their levels of curiosity, humour, hope, relationships and self-esteem among other personality factors.



The Director IPP with the Director General BUKC, Director BUKC and other officials at the Poster Competition arranged by the students of BS 1st semester at the Mental Health Awareness Camp



Rector BU receiving feedback at the 'Being Friends' counter at the Mental Health Camp

Dramathon

A two-day event – the Dramathon was staged on the 10-11th October to culminate the festivities of the Mental Health Week. The plays Aik Na'i Cinderella and Once Upon a Time in Stockholm were presented by the energetic students of BS 6th semester to explain the Theories of Learning and Conditioning under supervision of their course instructor Ms Kiran Bashir Ahmad. An equally engaging performance was delivered by the students of BS 3 in the play 'Shikwa Se Shukar Tak' under the supervision of Mr Aatif Aslam.



