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Editor's Note

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the new issue of 'Bugle'.

In this issue, our limelight story covers two momentous occasions of the Bahria University, '14th Convocation Ceremony of Islamabad Campus and holding of 12th Convocation by Karachi Campus'. It was a rewarding moment for the students and their parents alike. We wish all the graduating students a prosperous future.

We are hopeful that you would enjoy reading other interesting stories as well.

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Chairman HEC Pakistan, Rector, Pro-Rector and Registrar BU along with Gold and Silver Medalists on the occasion of 14th Convocation BUIC

Bahria University

Islamabad Campus holds

14th Convocation

To honour the academic accomplishment of graduating students, Bahria University Islamabad Campus (BUIC) organized its 14th Convocation Ceremony on 22 November 2015 at Jinnah Convention Centre Islamabad. Chairman, Higher Education Commission Pakistan Prof. Dr Mukhtar Ahmed was the Chief Guest for the occasion and conferred degrees upon the graduating students of PhD, Masters and Undergraduate programs. Students with phenomenal performance during their whole academic tenure were acknowledged through Gold and Silver Medals.

A total of four hundred and twenty seven students from various disciplines received degrees on this occasion. Twelve Gold and Silver medals were awarded to the best performers. While speaking to the audience, Dr Mukhtar

Ahmed congratulated students and their parents on their splendid success. He also expressed pleasure on the conferment of a PhD degree. Moreover, He appreciated the efforts of Bahria University for providing knowledge to the students, particularly on the subject of research and development. Furthermore, he urged the academia to come forward with strong commitment to play significant role in the nation-building process.

Earlier in his welcome remarks, Rector Bahria University Vice Admiral (Retd) Tanveer Faiz HI (M) also applauded and wished the graduating students a successful future. In addition, he valued the presence of Chairman, Higher Education Commission Pakistan on the day. He also stated that the Bahria University has conducive academic environment. It is

equipped with state of the art labs and highly qualified faculty for producing quality graduates. He informed that University is diligently working to boost research and development culture in the country. He also acknowledged the role of Higher Education Commission in the promotion of quality education both in public and private sector universities.

A large number of students, parents, faculty members and other dignitaries attended this memorable event.



Chairman HEC Pakistan conferring degree to a student



The 12th Convocation of the Bahria University Karachi Campus was held on 20 December 2015

Holding of **12th** Convocation by Bahria University Karachi Campus

Bahria University Karachi Campus (BUKC) held its 12th Convocation on 20 December 2015. Chief of Naval Staff, Admiral Muhammad Zakauallah NI (M) graced this auspicious occasion as the Chief Guest and conferred degrees upon the graduating students of PhD, Postgraduate and Undergraduate programs.

A large number of seven hundred and seventy eight students of various disciplines were awarded degrees during the convocation. Chief of the Naval Staff, Admiral Muhammad Zakauallah NI (M) along with Rector Bahria University, Vice Admiral (Retd) Tanveer Faiz HI (M) awarded seventeen Gold and eleven Silver medals to the students who performed exceptional and achieved top positions in their departments.

While extending his felicitations to all the degree recipients,

Admiral Muhammad Zakauallah NI (M) said that the role of universities has become significant in producing productive citizens for prosperous Pakistan. He further added that local universities have to develop strategic partnerships with the other foreign educational institutions for the capacity building and international exposure. He expressed with contentment that Bahria University is also taking such initiatives tirelessly. He also applauded the endeavours undertaken by the University which will definitely provide BU a competitive edge amongst other institutions.

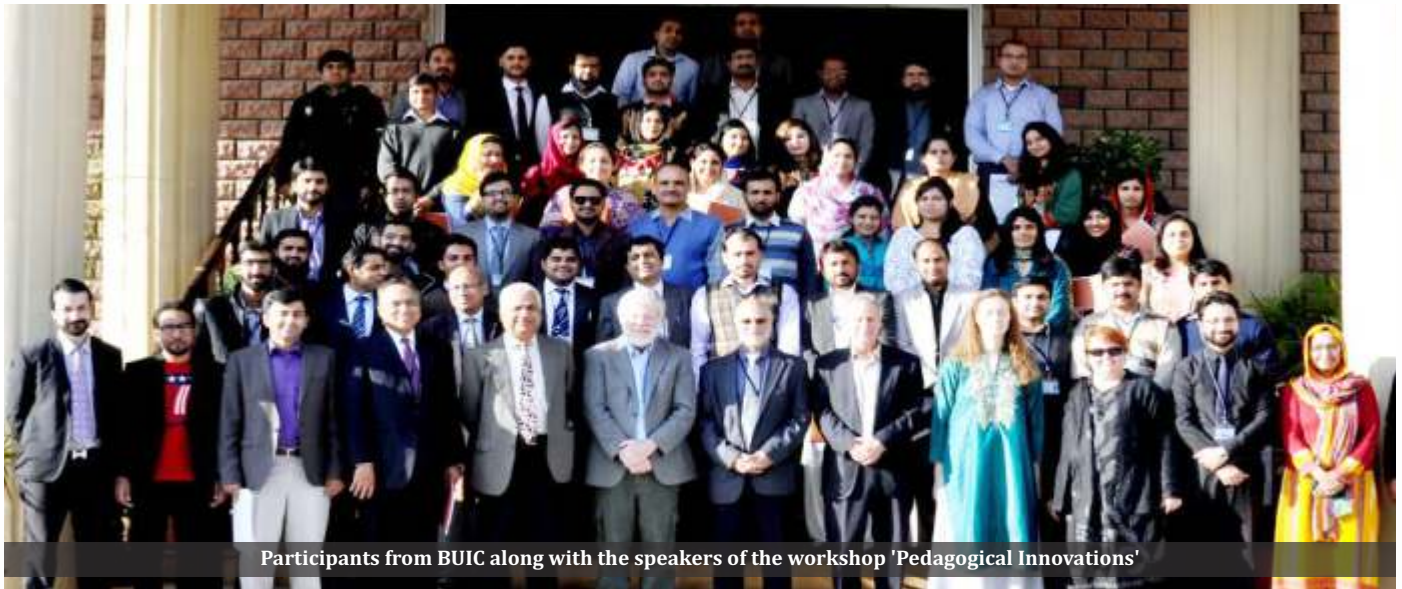
In his welcome address, Rector BU Vice Admiral (Retd) Tanveer Faiz HI (M) expressed his gratitude to the Chief Guest for gracing the ceremony with his presence. He congratulated the

graduating students and hoped that they would emerge successful in their careers in this era of competition and become nation builders. He further informed the audience about various leading undertakings of the University for improving the academic environment and curricula to meet the national and international standards.

The event was attended by a large number of senior Naval Officers, Industrialists, Businessmen and parents of the graduating students.



Chief of the Naval Staff awarding degree to a student



Participants from BUIC along with the speakers of the workshop 'Pedagogical Innovations'

BU invites Foreign Delegates to conduct various Learning Sessions

Since inception, Bahria University has been working assiduously to go with country-wide as well as global standards in terms of quality education. For this rationale, institution has an ongoing practice of inviting foreign delegates to visit and share their knowledge on a variety of topics. This also helps to understand new areas of learning from international perspective.

Under this domain, BU orga-

nized a two days training session titled Pedagogical Innovations on 23 & 24 November 2015 at BUIC and 26 & 27 November 2015 at BUKC, for the faculty members of all constituent units. To facilitate this training, a team of resource persons from Valparaiso University was invited. This training covered various topics which included: Engaging students as critical thinkers, Problem solving through Project Based Lab courses and Flipping the

Classroom: Why & How. The delegation comprised four members: Dr David Rowland- Executive Director Office of Institutional Innovation, Dr Jim Nelson- Professor of Psychology, Dr Melissa Desjarlais- Associate Prof. of Mathematics & Statistics and Ms Polly Wainright- Lecturer in Computing & Information Sciences. This was certainly a comprehensive and enlightening event for all the faculty members of BU.



Participants from BUKC along with the resource persons of the workshop 'Pedagogical Innovations'

Mr Jason Pontin, Editor in Chief-MIT Technology visited BUIC on 11 November 2015, to deliver an informative lecture on Technology Trends. This was attended by the students of all BU campuses. During his stay, he also met Pro-Rector BU, Rear Admiral (Retd) Saleem Akhtar HI (M) and talked about various modern innovations happening in the world. Similarly, Mrs Sharne Procter, Director International Office-



View of an informative lecture on Technology Trends

In the same way, Turkish Ambassador H.E. Sadik Babur

Management and Social Sciences, BUIC attended this educational session.



Rector BU while talking to Turkish Ambassador H.E. Sadik Babur Girgin during his visit

Durham University, UK visited BU on 18 November 2015, to discuss the likelihood of starting a Split PhD programme between both the institutions.

Girgin also visited BU on 17 November 2015. During this visit, he conducted a session in which he updated on Turkey's Recent Economic Progress. Students of

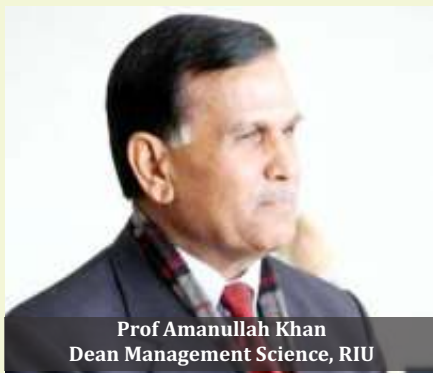
On 3 December 2015, Prof. Steve Watson, from York Business School, St. John University, UK delivered a lecture on "Marketing the Past: Understanding Heritage Tourism". Students of Management Science from all the BU Campuses attended this productive session.



Prof. Steve Watson

Lecture on

Quality Assurance and Self-Assessment



Prof Amanullah Khan
Dean Management Science, RIU

Quality Enhancement Cell, BU arranges guest lectures on regular basis for the capacity building of faculty members. Under this

domain, Prof Amanullah Khan, Dean, Management Sciences- RIU was invited on 17 November 2015, to deliver a lecture on Quality Assurance and Self-Assessment. This was attended by the Directors, Head of the Departments, research scholars and BU faculty members. During the session, speaker briefed the audience about the Self-Assessment Procedure and its importance for improving the quality of teaching in a University. He informed that Self-

Assessment is the prime function of QEC. He further briefly discussed the role and responsibilities of Program and Assessment Teams and pre-requisites for conducting a successful Self-Assessment Exercise. He also identified key areas of Self-Assessment Report (SAR). It was a very productive gathering for the attendees.

Inauguration Ceremony of **Microsoft Accelerator at BU**

The Inauguration Ceremony of Microsoft Accelerator was held at BUIC on 5 November 2015. The main objective behind the establishment of Microsoft Accelerator is to develop strong technical resource pool in Pakistan. This will provide knowledge on modern technology and drive innovation. The establishment also focuses on imparting technical skills among students and professionals.

While addressing the audience on this occasion, Rector BU Vice Admiral (Retd) Tanveer Faiz HI (M) said that existing Microsoft Innovation Centre in Karachi Campus is functioning since

November 2014. It is providing trainings on skill development and innovation to the students, faculty and researchers. He informed that this centre is specifically planned to accelerate the process of commercialization of the ideas being incubated at Business Incubation Centers of the campuses.

Earlier in his welcome note, Director ORIC, Dr Faisal Aftab said



Inauguration Ceremony of Microsoft Accelerator

that this Accelerator will enable BU to focus on the contemporary technology advancements and facilitate in competing with other developing countries. He also thanked Microsoft management for becoming partner in this knowledge generation process.

Fulbright Scholarship & Graduate Record Examination Orientation Session at BUIC

Bahria University invited the United States Education of Pakistan (USEFP) to conduct Fulbright Scholarship and Graduate Record Examination Information session at BUIC on 12 November 2015. During this session, students were briefed about the



pre-requisites and procedure to apply for this scholarship. Many students of BU showed keen interest to explore the offered opportunity.

Four Days Training

Workshop on Entrepreneurship

Bahria University and Entrepreneurial Alliances jointly held a five days training workshop on Entrepreneurship from 16 to 20 November 2015 at BUIC. During the workshop, several

critical aspects of the subject such as Venture Capital Engagement, Fundamentals of buying a Small Business, Product Design and Social Entrepreneurship were dis-

cussed. This was attended by the students of other Universities in Islamabad as well. It was an immense knowledge gaining opportunity for the participants.

Accomplishments of BU IT Directorate

New Website Launch

BU IT Directorate has successfully launched the new website for BU, its constituent units and their departments with enhanced user friendly features. The advance features includes: all devices compatible, open on one click, social media activation and alignment with all official pages of Bahria University, Google top ranked through Google analytics and Google AdWords, News timeline tool, search bar for searching with key words i.e admission online, scholarships etc.

Link for the upgraded version is www.bahria.edu.pk. For campuses; www.bahria.edu.pk/buic and for department's website; www.bahria.edu.pk/buic/cs. Similar links can be used to access websites of other campuses and departments just by changing the

end key alphabets.

Email IDs for Students

Email accounts for all students of BU have been launched using 0365 in collaboration with HEC & Microsoft. The standard format of email is youenrollment@student.bahria.edu.pk. In addition to email, 0365 allows students to install the latest Genuine Microsoft Office products on up to 5 PC or Mac and 5 Windows tablets including Office Apps on mobile devices. The service also includes 1TB of OneDrive storage and access to state of the art social networking services which include Skype for Business, Exchange, Yammer and SharePoint.

Computer Based Test

BU has successfully launched top of the line testing method of



Upgraded version of BU website

Computer Based Testing (CBT). Initially, it has been implemented as Pilot Project to test applicants of BSCS & BS IT at BUIC. In the next phase, it is planned to shift the entire Admission's Testing Procedure on CBT in Islamabad Campus and then in other campuses respectively.



United States Education Foundation of Pakistan (USEFP) Event "Got Talent"

The finale of USEFP "Got Talent" schools, colleges & universities displayed their unique talent in singing, acting and in many other arts. The event's theme was based on the popular programme America's Got Talent. Students from various

Musical Event by US Embassy

Bahria University hosted a melodious event titled Centre Stage Tour Team at BUIC. It was organized by US Embassy on 17

November 2015. Two famous musical bands of Pakistan, Malang Party and Red Blood Cats performed on this occasion. A

big energetic crowd of BUIC students enjoyed this gleaming event.

Meeting of the Corporate Advisory Committee

Corporate Advisory Committee (CAC) of Computer Engineering Department at BUIC assembled for its second meeting on 4 December 2015. Representatives of various well known technical organizations were invited to attend this meeting, which included Pakistan Software Export Board, ICT Asia, Ovex Technologies, Pakistan Software Export Board and Pakistan Institute of Entrepreneurship. All the faculty members of CE department, BUIC were also present on the occasion.



Corporate Advisory Committee (CAC) of Computer Engineering Department at BUIC

During this important gathering, key dilemma faced by Industry and Academia of bridging the gap was highlighted. The meeting also stressed on improvement in cur-

riculum of CE, in order to meet national and international emerging demands.

BU Holds Open Source Summit 2015



Department of CE, BUIC in collaboration with Open Source Foundation of Pakistan and Higher Education Commission conducted a one day summit on 18 December 2015, titled Open

Source Summit 2015. The main purpose of this summit was to gather leaders from IT industry to deliberate on Industry Academia Linkage in the context of IT sector. Speakers shared their knowledge and expertise on a range of interesting topics such as Cluster Computing, Cloud Computing, Web penetration and Network Security. In addi-

tion, a seminar about application of Open Source in Government, freelancing and early education technologies, was took place. During this summit, industrial delegation also met the Rector BU and other higher officials. They also assured their full support for the development of Pakistan's economy by efficiently utilizing the resources of IT Industry. To compete in the global technology landscape, a committee for curriculum review including some industrialists, technology experts and intellectuals was also formulated.

Dr M Najamul Islam presents Paper during ICCCS 2015

Dean Engineering Sciences BUIC, Dr M Najamul Islam presented his paper titled Hardware

Implementation of Ultra Light Weight Cryptographic Protocols, during an International

Conference on Computer, Communication and Security (ICCCS 2015) in Mauritius.



Dr M Najamul Islam,
Dean Engineering Sciences BUIC

Electrical Engineering Department *organizes* Seminars

A seminar on Short Term Variable Head Hydrothermal Coordination using Cuckoo Search Algorithm was held on 26 November 2015 at BUIC. It was led by Mr Muneeb Yaqoob, Senior Lecturer, BUIC. Hydrothermal coordination is a complex and nonlinear optimization problem which involves both the equality and inequality constraints. Cuckoo search Algorithm along with other constraint handling techniques, was used to solve the problem of short term variable head hydro-

thermal scheduling.

Similarly, another seminar on Intro to Latex, facilitated by Dr Saleem Aslam, Assistant Professor was held on 3 December 2015. This was mainly focused on introduction to Latex software and provided details about important parameters and syntax. Basic structure of latex documents and overview about mathematical operations was also highlighted during the session.

Correspondingly, a session on

Cryptography for low-cost Pervasive Systems was conducted by Mr Umar Mujahid, Assistant Professor on 17 December 2015. Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) is one of the most promising identification schemes in the field of pervasive systems. The speakers on the seminar discussed about the security issues in low cost RFID systems, security analysis of the numerous Ultra light weight Mutual Authentication Protocols (UMAPs) and the design issues in these protocols.



Lecture by Mr Tokhir Mirzoev

Mr Tokhir Mirzoev, Representative of IMF in Pakistan was invited at BUIC on 16 December 2015, to deliver a lecture on Regional Economic Outlook & Pakistan's Economy.

During lecture, he talked about the role of IMF in Pakistan. It was a very useful session and attended by the students and faculty of Management Sciences.

Sixty Second Film Festival Seminar



In collaboration with Sixty Second Film Festival, a musical event was organized at BUIC on 29 November 2015. Sixty Second Film Festival is a movement,

aims to promote photographers and videographers in Pakistan. The event was facilitated by Sibtain Haider, a BU Alumini. He briefed the audience about the objective of Sixty Second Film Festival and conducted a session on photography and videography. Further, he also mentioned few concepts and basic techniques of camera handling. The day was ended with the screening of some prize winning videos to the participants.

Indigenous on Campus Training under Modern University Governance Program

Second HEC sponsored Indigenous on Campus Training, under Modern University Governance Program was held from 7 to 9 December 2015, at BUIC. Finance & Audit was the subject opted for this phase of training. Administrative staff from BU as well as from other renowned educational entities attended this training. It was aimed at enhancing the administrative skills of the staff working at different levels in various leading institution.

Informative Lectures by Department of Software Engineering



High Capacity Optical Networks and Enabling Technology is an international conference series conducted by NUST in collaboration with UNCC, USA every year. During

this conference, Dr. Tamim Ahmed Khan and Mr Shaftab Ahmed, faculty members, BUIC Department of Software Engineering delivered lectures. Dr Tamim shed light on topic

Service Oriented Architecture while Mr Shaftab talked about Cloud Computing & Smart Cities. The event was held during 20 to 23 December 2015.

BUIC attends Iqbal Day gathering

To pay homage to the national hero Dr Allama Mohammad Iqbal, Government of Pakistan and HEC jointly organized a gathering at Presidency on 9 November 2015, where stu-

dents and representatives of different universities were invited. A delegation from BUIC also attended this memorable event. Honourable President of Pakistan and the Chairman HEC

were present on the occasion as Chief Guest. The proceedings of the day included Kalam-e-Iqbal and motivational talks by senior intellectuals of the country.

Anti-Corruption Week at BUIC

Keeping its tradition alive, BUIC observed an Anti-Corruption week from 7 to 11 December 2015. During the entire week, students and faculty members remained equally involved to show their dedication towards this drive of considerable importance. On 7 of December, Arts and

Dramatics Society prepared posters, containing influential messages affixed on the campus walls. On 8 of December Media Club conducted a photography competition. Similarly, on 9 December, Literary Society set up a debate competition, while on 10 December exhibition of photo-

graphs and art work was held. On the concluding day, students and faculty members conveyed various compelling messages on the wall, specially designed for this purpose. Overall, the week truly acted as consequential campaign.

Meeting of PCTN Member Universities

BU is a member of the Pakistan Chapter for Talloires Network (PCTN) housed at NUST since July 2013. PCTN Secretariat has an intention to start some collaborative community service projects. To discuss the possibilities, a meeting of focal persons from PCTN member universities of Rawalpindi and Islamabad was held at NUST on 1 December 2015. From BUIC, this was attended by Manager SSC and Assistant Manager CSP.



PCTN Member Universities met on 1st December 2015



Team BUIC performing during Iqra University TectIQs Competition

A team from BUIC, participated in a well known event Iqra University TectIQs Competition, held during 26 to 29 November

Asif from Literary and Debate Society, BU took part in 'Scenario Writing', and acquired first position. Similarly, a team from

BU participates in Iqra University

TectIQs Competition

2015 at its Islamabad Campus. During this competition, Fahad

Dramatic Society competed in 'Stage IT', and came second. In the closing ceremony, Judges of the event commended the efforts of the teams and individuals.

Inter -University Declamation Contest

An inter-university declamation competition was mutually organized by SACH organization & British High Commission for

Pakistan on 10 December 2015. Students from various universities participated in this contest. Students of Social Science from

BU also took part and secured second and third positions.

National Youth Film Festival

To express ideas about making Pakistan a tax fair country, a promotional session on National Youth Film Festival was conducted on 1 December 2015, based on theme Pakistan Tax

Fair'. This session was a joint effort of the Students Resource Centre BUIC and the team National Youth Film Festival. The event started off with the speech about the importance of taxation

in developing and stabilizing Pakistan. A lot of students came up with innovative ideas on the subject.

BU shows condolence for APS Martyrs

For the martyrs of Army Public School, BU organized a Fateha khwani on 16 December 2015, at Karachi and Islamabad campus. A large number of students, faculty members and staff gathered to pay tribute to the Martyrs and the survivors of the terrible incident.



Delegation by Yasar University, Turkey visits BULC



Rector BU & YU during their visit at BULC

A delegation from Yasar University (YU), Turkey visited BULC on 12 November 2015. The delegation included Rector YU, Prof Dr Gemali Dincer and Ms Patricia Turkmenoglu, Director International Office YU. During their stay, they were briefed about the BU activities. In addition, deliberations on further collaboration prospects were made. Rector BU was also present on this occasion and presented gratitude for their presence.

Seminars and Workshops for Capacity building

Department of Management Sciences, Bahria University Lahore Campus (BULC) organized a seminar on Strengthening Employee Relations on 5 November 2015. A range of well known speakers including; Mr Salahuddin Ayyubi, Assistant Professor in Economics Department - Forman Christian College Lahore, Mr Haroon Waheed, Global HR Head - Fatimah Fertilizers and Mr Hammad



View of audience during a lecture on 'Strengthening Employee Relations'

Hussain, Assistant Commissioner Inland Revenue - Government of Pakistan were invited as guest speakers. It was indeed an enlightening session and attended by MS students of the campus.

Similarly, another interesting seminar titled Storytelling in Business was organized on 12 November 2015. For

this, Mr Usman A Khan, Chief Strategy Officer- Checkmate Consultancy, UK was invited as the key resource person.

A workshop on 'Leadership' was arranged on 24 November 2015, under the faculty development programme of BULC. This was led by Mr Annus Malik, Vice President of Retail Banking at Standard Chartered Bank Pakistan. All the faculty members keenly participated in this learning workshop.



Director BULC presenting souvenir to the session speaker

Industrial Tour to Buleh Shah Packaging

To demonstrate students the actual workplace environment and working operations, BULC arranges various academic visits time to time. Under this domain, an industrial tour of Buleh Shah Packaging factory was arranged by the MS department on 4 December 2015. After a brief session on health, safety and corporate sustainability, the students witnessed the entire paper manufacturing process.

Similarly, on 21 December 2015, another visit to Fine Packages was arranged. It was started with a lecture on supply chain management. Later on, students viewed the real



Group of students during their visit to Buleh Shah Packaging

packaging process from raw material to the finished product.

Welcome Party Fall 2015

To greet the newly joined students of Fall 2015, a Welcome Party was arranged on 17 December 2015 by the senior students of the campus. Director Campus Commodore (Retd) Amjad Zaman SI (M) attended the day as the Chief Guest. While addressing the audience, he encouraged the freshers to actively participate and applauded the old students to plan such a remarkable event. There were various entertaining performances, which were thoroughly enjoyed by the audience.



NAB

Anti-Corruption

Week

BULC also observed the NAB Anticorruption week and held various activities during the entire week from 7 to 11 December 2015. The activities



BULC honored Anticorruption week from 7 to 11 December 2015

which took place included thematic poster competitions and debate contest. A walk was also organized on 9 December to honour Anticorruption Day. At the

end of the week, winners of the competitions were awarded certificates by the Director Campus Commodore (Retd) Amjad Zaman SI (M).

Job Fair 2015 at BUKC

Bahria University Karachi Campus (BUKC) organized a grand job fair on 25 November 2015 at the campus premises. Around sixty well known companies were invited to conduct interviews for the available job and internship opportunities. Hundreds of students enthusiastically participated and availed the opportunity to appear in interviews. In the current competitive market, Job fair is a distinctive idea that has

prevailed among the academic institutions to enhance their students' placement capacity. Moreover, it is a source of networking with the renowned organizations for the students and Alumni. BU also has



Job Fair 2015 held at BUKC on 25 November 2015

successfully adopted the idea and provides such platforms to the students frequently.

Seminar on Resume Building



Speaker of the seminar while receiving souvenir

A good resume plays an important role in the job search for graduating students. It is a first impression to the potential employer. Keeping in view its importance, communication skills, confidence and good implications, a seminar was held on resume building subject, which will make them a good interviewing skills on choice for the employer.

Bahria's Got Talent

To provide the students of BUKC with an opportunity to showcase their talent publicly, Students Resource Centre (SRC) organized a social event tilted Bahria's Got Talent- 4 on 24 November 2015. Approximately five hundred and fifty students from the campus passionately attended the show. A lot of students performed in various categories including Dramatics, Music, Dance and Special Talent showcasing. Alumni BUKC known as Karachi Vynz, were also present on the day as Jury. The occasion was also graced by the presence of Director Campus Commodore Mohsin Hayat Malik TI (M). He applauded and encouraged the performers and highly praised the efforts of organizers as well.



Ideapreneurship 2015

BUKC held its long awaited event Ideapreneurship on 15 December 2015, where students set up stalls to showcase their innovative business ideas. The event was supervised by Mr Essa Khan, Assistant Professor and managed by BBA students of the campus. It was inaugurated by the Director NCMPR Commodore Dr M Ihsan Qadir SI (M). While appreciating the efforts, He said that Bahria University will continue the culture of promoting such activities which boost the

entrepreneurial skills among the students. The event was attended by H o D Management Science, Faculty, Staff members and several students groups. The exhibition had forty inspiring stalls. After a thorough evaluation, at the end of



Group of students during Ideapreneurship 2015

the exhibition trophies were given to the winning teams among all the displayed plans.

BUKC Sales Gala



BUKC Students briefing their business plan during Sales Gala

BUKC Management Sciences Department organized an educational event Sales Gala on

and marketing. Similarly, they also got an opportunity to

17 December 2015 at the campus. Through this event, students were encouraged to come up with some innovative ideas of sales

practically face the customer market and learn tactics of managing business operations successfully.

Director BUKC Captain Mohsin Hayat Malik inaugurated the gala along with Deputy Director and Head of the Department. It was indeed an enlightening event for the students of business administration.

BUKC Students participate in DICE 2015

BS Final year students participated in Distinguished Innovations, Collaboration & Entrepreneurship (DICE) 2015, a mega entrepreneurial event. This was held at the University of Agriculture, Faisalabad on 24 & 25 November 2015. The students from BUKC with their final year project titled 'Ubi-Shop: A Ubiquitous Shopping Application Using Indoor Technologies' participated. The project Ubi-Shopping is an android based application

designed to facilitate customers in order to provide them with a pleasure experience while grocery shopping. Customers can use their smart phones along with indoor technologies including Wi-Fi and Bluetooth for locating items



BS final year students participated in DICE 2015

within the supermarkets. The concept was highly praised by the audience in the event.

BUM&DC welcomes BDS Fourth Batch

Bahria University Medical and Dental College (BUM&DC) organized an Orientation and White Coat Ceremony for the fourth incoming BDS batch on 22 December 2015 at campus premises.

Faculty members, senior naval officers, newly enrolled dental students and their parents attended this event.

The ceremony commenced with the recitation from the Holy Quran, followed by national anthem. Principal Dental Section, Prof. Dr Zubair Ahmed Abbasi presented a welcome address. In her speech, Brig (Retd) Prof Dr Shaheen Moin, Principal Bahria University and Dean of Faculty and Health Sciences emphasized on the indispensable role of a



BUM&DC organized an Orientation and White Coat Ceremony for incoming BDS batch on 22 December 2015

Dentist in community health. She also highlighted the need for compassion, honesty and dedication throughout the journey towards a successful dental professional.

DG BUM&DC Vice Admiral (Retd) Tehseenullah Khan, HI (M) graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. In his remarks, he stated that the mission of BUM&DC is to impart quality education and provide state of the art educational facilities. In addition, Dr Kulsoom Fatima

Rizvi, Vice Principal Dental Section and Head of the Department of Community Dentistry discussed the curriculum, teaching methodologies and student evaluation protocol at the campus. The students wore the symbolic white coats as entrants into the dental profession. Professor Dr Zubair Ahmed Abbasi, took Oath from newly enrolled dental students to serve the nation as responsible doctors. This memorable event concluded with a traditional signing-in ceremony.

Dental Section attends Session on Research Methodology and Epidemiology

BUM&DC Dental section participated in a Continuing Medical Education (CME) / Continuing Dental Education (CDE) session on Research Methodology and Epidemiology, hosted by Bhitai Dental and Medical College on 17 November 2015. It was aimed at educating dental faculty, students and practitioners from other institutes as well, about the basics of Research including principles of research designing, procedures and applications of epidemiology for conducting a research. A number of experienced instructors were invited to share their knowledge with the participants on this platform.



Principal Dental Section, BUM&DC speaking during a session on Research Methodology and Epidemiology

Mental Health Awareness Camp 2015

The Institute of Professional Psychology (IPP) hosted its annual event 'Mental Health Awareness Camp 2015' on 20 November at Karachi Campus, under the supervision of Director IPP, Dr Zainab F. Zadeh. DG BUKC Vice Admiral (Retd) Khawaja Ghazanfar Hussain HI (M) inaugurated the event. Besides, others who attended the event were Director BUKC, Faculty



Team IPP along with DG BUKC on the occasion of Mental Health 2015

members and students of BUKC.

During the camp, the essence of mental health was deliberated, what it stands for as well as how various mental health services

cater to a larger community for improved well-being. To achieve the aforementioned aim the camp comprised four different stations: 'Emotional Intelligence', 'Coping Managers', 'Know thy self' and 'Drawing Test', where the tests were conducted by the students of IPP under the direction of their faculty. The theme devised for this year's camp was 'Shades of Life'.

Training for achieving Professional Excellence through Personal Growth

In order to enable Pakistan Naval Officers to explore, identify and utilize their inner personal strengths for professional excellence, IPP conducted three days training workshop from 28 to 30 December 2015, at BUKC. On the first day of training, Dr Zainab Hussain Bhutto, Associate Professor trained the participants on how challenging and difficult situations can be handled through Emotional Intelligence. Effective Communication Skills were taught by Ms Batool Fatima,



Training for achieving Professional Excellence through Personal Growth held at IPP

Senior Lecturer on second day. She briefed about how important role communication skills play during interaction and maintaining healthy relationship with others. Session on Positive thinking was carried out on third day by Ms Naima

Shariff, Lecturer to enable participants to be more proactive and optimistic towards the challenging environment and to develop strong personality. Beside presentations, the sessions were highly interactive.

Achievement

On successful completion of MS in Clinical Psychology, Ms Naima Fatima Shariff, Lecturer IPP has received a gold medal during 12th Convocation on 20 December 2015.



Ms Naima Fatima Shariff
Lecturer IPP

Dramatique

Under the supervision of Ms Hira Syed, students of IPP arranged an event titled Dramatique on 18 November 2015 at BUKC. The event encompassed six plays depicting different shades of life. Revenge, Love, Hatred, Envy, Pride,

Loneliness, enlightenment and change were the themes opted for the acts. The main purpose of this event was to inculcate and polish the oral communication as well as public speaking skills of the students.



IPP students performing during an event Dramatique

Guest Speaker Session on Gender Identity and Sexual Development



Dr David Rowland giving lecture on Gender Identity and Sexual Development

Dr David Rowland, Professor and Dean of Graduate School at Valparaiso University shared his teaching experiences, which enabled the students to learn cross cultural perspective about human sexuality. This was facilitated by Dr Kiran Bashir Ahmad, Assistant Professor at IPP.

Lecture on Traumatic Head Injury and its Effects

Dr Jim Nelson, Professor at Valparaiso University delivered a lecture on Traumatic Head Injury and its Effects on 26 November, 2015, at IPP. This was specifically arranged for the students of BS, MS and MPhil programs to create

awareness about the Neurocognitive aspect to deal with heady injury. During this lecture, speaker explained the methods of assessment and interventions to deal with patients, who suffer from brain injury.



Dr Jim Nelson delivered a lecture on Traumatic Head Injury and its Effects at IPP

Director IPP attends Workshops as Speaker

Director IPP, Dr Zainab F Zadeh was invited at PN dockyard on 14 December 2015, to attend a workshop as guest speaker. During this

occasion, she delivered a lecture on Core Human Values and Ethics. Similarly, on 3 November 2015, she educated the audience on Stress

Management during a seminar arranged by Department of psychology, University of Karachi.

NCMPR holds a Seminar on World Fisheries Day

National Centre for Maritime Policy Research (NCMPR) celebrated World Fisheries Day by organizing a seminar on 21 November 2015 at BUKC. The theme devised for the day was Challenges and Opportunities in Maintenance of Sustainable Fisheries in Pakistan. Commander Karachi Vice Admiral Syed Arifullah Hussaini HI (M) T Bt was the Chief Guest. Ex-Additional Secretary, Live Stock & Fisheries Department, Mr Waheed Ahmed, Technical Advisor of Marine Fisheries WWF Mr Moazzam Khan and Director Operations Pakistan Maritime Security Agency Commander Ateequr Rehman Abid contributed as speakers.

The objective intended for this seminar was to share information about maritime fisheries, identify constraints in sustainability of fisheries sector of Pakistan and highlight the issues related to the management for conservation of fisheries resources.

Mr Waheed Ahmed highlighted issues related to the Regulation and Policy

Framework - Challenges for the Sustainable Fisheries Development and elaborated the reasons for it. Mr. Moazzam Khan explained the Impact of climate change on fisheries resources and the scope of fisheries in Indian Ocean. Commander Ateequr Rehman Abid illustrated the Role of PMSA in the sustainable management of marine fisheries.

While addressing the audience, Vice Admiral Arifullah Hussaini stated that there is a need to take stakeholders on board in order to solve problems pertaining to fisheries and eventually things will get better with better strategy and coordination." In his concluding remarks, DG NCMPR Vice Admiral (Retd) Khawaja Ghazanfar Hussain HI (M) thanked the participants of the event. He further mentioned that the Development of fisheries sector is one of the good

opportunities for Pakistan to generate substantial economic growth. This enlightening session was attended by various prominent Dignitaries, Naval Officers, Government Officials, Marine Scientists, Intellectuals, Researchers, representative of Fishermen community from Sindh, Baluchistan and stakeholders of Fisheries Sectors.



NCMPR organized a seminar on World Fisheries Day

Paper Publication

A research paper of Commodore Dr M Ihsan Qadir SI (M), Director NCMPR, titled "Abounding internal conflicts in Africa: An analysis of Prepotency of greed or grievances has been published in Margala Papers 2015,

a journal of National Defence University Islamabad.



Commodore Dr M Ihsan Qadir SI (M)
Director NCMPR

Workshops for Library Personnel

The Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services organized a three days national workshop on Integrated Library Session KOHA on from 6

to 8 October 2015. These interactive sessions were conducted by Mr Sher Afzal, Chief Librarian of BU. Around seventeen participants including librarians and IT staff from the National Assembly,



Mr Sher Afzal, Chief Librarian- BU along with the participants of the training workshop

Senate, provincial assemblies as well as legislative assemblies of AJK and Gilgit Baltistan and PIPS Research and IT wing participated.

Similarly, a two day training

workshop through video link was organized at BUIC on 19 October 2015. This was also facilitated by Mr Sher Afzal. During the session, the topics covered were; KOHA, Plagiarism, EDDC, Information Literacy, HEC Digital Library and Endnotes. It was attended by the library personnel of all the constituent units of Bahria University.

Oxford University Press Book Exhibition



In order to promote the reading culture and develop better reading habits among students, Bahria University in

collaboration with Oxford University Press conducted a two days Book Exhibition on 27 & 28 October 2015 at BUIC. The

event was a great success for the organizers and received a well deserved feedback.

NCMPR conducts a Session on E-Library Usage

NCMPR organized an awareness session for the students of Maritime on 5 December 2015. This was led by Mr S. M Saad, Assistant Librarian NCMPR. During this session, he updated the students about the use of various database sources, provided by HEC, such as Springer, Emerald, World Bank.Org,



Mr S. M Saad, Assistant Librarian NCMPR conducting session on E-Library Usage

IEEE, EUP Journals and Science Online.

BUIC *Community Support Initiatives*

In November 2015, Bahria University has collaborated with Basta Foundation to assist in its Community Support Programme (CSP). Basta aims to provide basic career development skills to the students of under privileged communities. A project titled Basta Project has been exclusively designed for the students of BUIC. Under this project, the students have to complete forty contact hours and are expected to spend three hours per week at Basta Foundation. BU students are acting as the mentors and each mentor has been assigned a child.



Similarly, on 20 November 2015, BUIC signed a



BUIC students along with Basic Education Community School children during a trip under CSP

Memorandum of Understanding with Civitan International to facilitate its CSP in an effective manner.

On the other hand, for the children of Basic Education Community School, cartoon movie

'Tarzaan' was screened at BUIC on 14 December 2015. In the same way, Zoo trip was also arranged for these students on 21 December 2015. Both the initiatives were carried out under BUIC CSP and aimed at providing those children a healthy entertainment time, which is not a part of their routine life.

BU Delegation meets Abdul Sattar Edhi

A delegation of BUIC students along with enquire about his health Director Campus and wished him for his Commodore Mohsin quickrecovery. Hayat Malik TI (M) met



BU Delegation met Mr Abdul Sattar Edhi on 24 December 2015

Visit of BUM&DC at Dar-ul-Sukun



A dental outreach for the senior citizens, residing at Dar-ul-Sukun was arranged on 18 December 2015, under CSP of BUM&DC. This was entirely managed by the Dental Section and the visiting team included some final year students and CSP overseers. The team was spearheaded by Dr Raima Bashir and Dr Sehrish Ahmed, lecturers at BUMDC. The day started with the basic

awareness on maintenance of oral health. Later a visual demonstration was given for better understanding.

A brief on caries and gingival diseases and how these can be prevented was also provided. At the end of the day, guiding brochures and oral hygiene kits sponsored by Colgate were distributed among the participants.



Oral Health Education Session



The Department of Community Dentistry, BUM&DC, arranged a session on Oral Health Awareness for the students of PNS Nursing School on 19 November 2015. The session was headed by Dr Kulsoom Fatima Rizvi, HoD Community Dentistry. As Nurses can play a significant role in improving the quality of oral health with appropriate education and training, so this CSP endeavour was adopted to educate nurses. The

session proceeded with an interactive lecture with a clear emphasize on the role of nurses in promotion of health, pertaining to prevention of oral diseases. Moreover, a discussion was made to identify the risk factors associated with poor oral hygiene and ability to assess and help patients in maintaining good health. The session concluded with the distribution of enlightening brochures.

BUKC Sports Week 2015

Keeping its tradition alive, BUKC held Sports Week Fall 2015 from 24 to 30 December 2015 at the Campus premises. Different games including Football, Cricket, Table Tennis, Volley ball, Chess, Scrabble, and Badminton were played.



DG BUKC, Director NCMPR and Director BUKC along with Sports overseers and students on the occasion of Sports Gala 2015

Special matches were also organized between students and faculty members. All the students and faculty members energetically contributed during the whole week. It was inaugurated by DG BUKC Vice Admiral (Retd) Khawaja Ghazanfar Hussain HI (M).



Mr. Sean Garnier, French Footballer visits BUIC

Mr Sean Garnier, a world famous French Football Freestyler visited BU on 23 November 2015. During his visit he showcased Football free styling skills to the students of BUIC and provided them various fruitful tips. Football loving students keenly attended this session.



Mr Sean Garnier

HEC Inter University Basketball Championships

BUIC Basketball team won HEC Inter University Basketball Championships Zones 'C'. It was held at National University of Sciences and Technology (NUST) Islamabad during 19 to 22 December 2015. Thirteen teams from various universities participated in this sports event.

Inter- departmental Sports Competition

The overseers of sports department BUIC organized an Inter-Departmental Sports Competition on the 10 December 2015. The main purpose of this competition was to encourage students for sports activities and giving them a chance to polish themselves, so that they can represent BU at other platforms as well.



BUIC organized Inter departmental sports competition

Various games were played during this contest, which included Basketball, Table Tennis, Volleyball and Badminton. Amongst all, Department of Social Sciences won maximum competitions and declared as Sports Champion for the whole semester.

BULC Sports Gala 2015



Director BULC distributing trophy to the winners of Sports Gala 2015

Sports Gala 2015 was held at BULC during 15 to 17 December 2015. Competitions of Cricket, Badminton, Basketball, Table Tennis and Chess were organized. It was attended by a considerable number of students from the campus.

On the closing day of Gala, winners and runners up of the competitions were awarded certificates and trophies by the Director Campus.





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