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The Department of Poultry Production of UVAS and Poulta Inc signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to promote advancements and digitalization in Poultry Industry.

Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad and Department of Poultry Production Chairman Prof Dr Athar Mahmood from UVAS and Chief Executive Officer / Founder Ali Murtaza Solangi and General Manager Global Sales & Marketing Ms Khushbakht Ashraf from Poulta signed the MoU in a ceremony at the Ravi Campus, Pattoki. Dean Faculty of Animal Production and Technology Prof Dr Anjum Khalique, Dean Faculty of Fisheries and Wildlife Prof Dr Noor Khan, faculty members and Poulta officials were present. Speaking on the occasion, Prof Nasim said that it is direly needed to create awareness among public regarding misconceptions about poultry feed, meat

and eggs. He said that poultry meat is a cheap source of protein and important for human health. He said that poultry sector is flourishing by using the latest technologies and innovation. He said this cooperation would be beneficial for both parties. Earlier, Prof Dr Athar Mahmood spoke about the five-year plan of the Department of Poultry Production and its recently launched poultry advisory services for the guidance of poultry farmers. Khushbakht Ashraf spoke about the working, mission and objectives of Poulta. Under the MOU, UVAS and Poulta will join hands to fill gaps between the industry and academia for advancements in eggs and chicken industries by using research and development techniques. Both the organisations will help industry people to transform traditional poultry industry with digitized and scientifically-predictable poultry farming.

Training for laboratory staff

The Institute of Biochemistry and Biotechnology arranged a one-week training program for the laboratory staff of Faculty of Biosciences.

Major modules of the training were good laboratory practices, laboratory safety, laboratory resource management, instrument handling and consumable recording and preparation. Dean Faculty of Biosciences Prof Dr Habib-ur-Rehman and IBBT Director Prof Dr Wasim Shehzad concluded the training session and distributed certificates among the participants.



Certification in Biological Waste Management



Dr Muhammad Ilyas Riaz, lecturer in the Institute of Microbiology, has achieved another certification in Biological Waste Management category from International Federation of Biosafety Association, Canada.

The Health Security Partners, USA, sponsored Dr Ilyas for this biosafety certification exam. Dr Ilyas is HSP future fellow and also holds IFBA certification in Biorisk Management category.

French e-course with distinction



Dr Muhammad Suleman, Assistant Professor, University Diagnostic Laboratory, completed an e-course on "Research Integrity in Scientific Professions" from the University of Bordeaux, France. He got distinction by achieving 95% score in the course.

World Egg Day observed at UVAS campuses



The Department of Poultry Production of UVAS in collaboration with the Pakistan Poultry Association (PPA) observed "World Egg Day" in a befitting manner at Ravi Campus Pattoki. A seminar, a walk, egg nutrition presentation, egg eating & egg dishes cooking competitions featured the day to create awareness among public about the nutritional value of egg and its importance for the growth of human body. Similar activities were also held at other campuses of UVAS including CVAS Narowal and CVAS Jhang Campus. Regional Chairman PPA North Zone Dr Abdul Kareem Bhatti presided over the seminar while Poultry Consultant Bio Paul International Dr Hanif Nazir Chaudhry, Dr Nusrat Tahir, Dean Faculty of Animal Production and Technology Prof Dr Anjum Khaliq, Chairman Department of Poultry Production Prof Dr Athar Mahmood, poultry professionals from public & private organizations, PPA representatives and students from the Kinnaird College for Women University, Aspire College, Government School of Mundaki and from different departments of UVAS and faculty members attended. Addressing the seminar, Dr Kareem Bhatti spoke about the benefits of eating

egg and poultry meat for the growth of human body especially for growing children. He rejected all kinds of misconceptions associated with poultry meat and eggs.

Dr Hanif Nazir Chaudhary advised students to start a campaign to convince people regarding the benefits, nutritional value of egg, poultry meat and other poultry products for their better health.

Prof Dr Anjum Khaliq also spoke about the nutritional importance of egg.

Prof Dr Athar Mahmood said that this is a unique opportunity to raise awareness about the benefits of egg and its important role in routine life. He also presented the vote of thanks. Lecturer Dr Muhammad Usman gave a presentation on importance of egg for a healthy nation and the importance of protein in human diet. Lecturer Dr Faisal Hussnain briefed the audience on recently-launched Poultry Advisory Services by the Department of Poultry Production.

Earlier, Dr Abdul Kareem Bhatti along with representatives of PPA and UVAS faculty and students led a walk. At the end, Dr Kareem Bhatti along with PPA representatives distributed cash prizes among the winners of egg dishes and egg eating competitions.



Cleanliness, facilities at UVAS hostels reviewed



University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad visited boys and girls hostels and reviewed available facilities, cleanliness and repair work.

He went to every hostel and checked the facilities. Speaking on the occasion, Prof Nasim said that the purpose of his visit was to ensure cleanliness and review the condition of hostel rooms. He said that all facilities must be ensured at every room of hostels. He especially checked that there is no leakage of water and seepage of roofs and all electric gadgets are functional. He directed that the gray

areas must be rectified. He also checked the dengue control measures and stressed that SOPs must be followed strictly. He directed the Project Director of Building and Works Department to complete the repair work of hostels before the arrival of students. Anti-dengue spray must be ensured on all university premises. Principal Students Affairs Prof Dr Kamran Ashraf, Hostel Warden Prof Dr Aftab Anjum, Principal Officer Estate Management Dr Liaquat Ahmad, Dr Jaweria Ali Khan and Project Director Shahnawaz Bukhari and other administrative staff were also present.

Moot on Shariah Guidelines about Animal Welfare



The University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences in collaboration with Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and Ever Fresh Farm organized a webinar on 'Shariah Guidelines Regarding Animal Welfare'. Shariat Advisor Ever Fresh Farm Mufti Asad Mahmood delivered a lecture and spoke about various aspects of Deen-e-Islam for the welfare of animals related source of shariah, purpose and responsibility of life, business and employment part of our *deen*, different types of transactions, importance of fulfilling the rights of animals, fair treatment and rewards,

unfair treatment and its accountability, benefit of feeding animals, animal welfare with respect to slaughtering, feeds, pest management, health, dehorning, milking, beating, selling of animals and taking the calves away from their mothers, etc. Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad spoke about the history of UVAS and the initiatives taken by SPCA for the prevention of cruelty to animals. Pro Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Masood Rabbani presented the vote of thanks. Executive Director Ever Fresh Farm Mr Rashid Haleem, faculty members and students attended.

UVAS holds GRE preparation webinar

The Center for Education Policy and Administration of UVAS in collaboration with High Achievers League organized a webinar on GRE Orientation. The session was an introduction to Graduate Record Examination (GRE) test which is required to apply for scholarships offered in the United States of America and Canada. Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad chaired the inaugural session of the webinar, spoke about various scholarship opportunities and urged students to compete for these scholarships. Founder and Chief Executive Officer of High Achievers League Academy Mr Zeeshan Rahat Qureshi was the resource person who spoke about the test format and various components of the exam and its preparation tips. Chairperson Department of Anatomy and Histology Prof Dr Hafsa Zaneb spoke about the success stories of scholarship holders. This event was attended by final year students of UG degree programs, postgraduate students and early career faculty members of UVAS. At the end of webinar, CEPA member Ms Amina Chughtai thanked the webinar attendees.

VC reviews facilities at Ravi Campus

University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad visited various departments of Ravi Campus and reviewed installation of state-of-the-art equipment, facilities and construction work on Training Centre for Biologics.

He visited the Clinical Centrum, Training Centre for Biologics Production and students' hostels. He directed Building and Works Project Director Shahnawaz Bukhari to complete the remaining work at the earliest.



Pictorial coverage of UVAS activities



The participants in a training on Slaughterhouse Operations with the Vice-Chancellor.



The signing of an MoU between UVAS and Poulta Inc at Ravi Campus.



Mr Junjie Qin from China calls on Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad.



The Vice-Chancellor at a webinar on Shariah Guidelines regarding Animals Welfare.



The Vice-Chancellor gives away a certificate to a participant of Equine Hoof Training by SAVERS.



The Pro Vice-Chancellor addresses the Equine Hoof Training participants arranged by SAVERS.



The Vice-Chancellor chairs a meeting of the Advanced Studies Research Board of UVAS.



The Vice-Chancellor attends a workshop on Genetic Improvement of Non-Descript Cattle in Pakistan.

Pictorial coverage of UVAS activities



The Vice-Chancellor addresses the Dairy Technology Summit-2021 arranged by CATTLEKIT.



The Vice-Chancellor looks on as Mr Qasim Ali Shah donates books to the librarian for the UVAS Library.



The Vice-Chancellor chairs 38th meeting of the Campus Committee of UVAS.



The Vice-Chancellor during an interview with City 42 .



The Vice-Chancellor attends the Dairy Technology Summit-2021.



Ch Basharat Ali, Admin Officer, with the Vice-Chancellor and colleagues on his retirement.



The Vice-Chancellor with Prof Dr Ijaz A Qureshi, Rector Talon Institute of Higher Studies



The Vice-Chancellor speaks at a meeting of the TTS Faculty arranged by the ASA.

UVAS ranked 4th in HEC sports ranking 2020-21

The Higher Education Commission Islamabad has ranked the University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences (UVAS) Lahore on 4th position among public sector universities and 8th among both public and private universities of Pakistan in sports ranking male / female for the year 2020-21.

The HEC ranked the universities on the basis of overall results of intervarsity sports male/female 2020-21 in 15 categories of sports. The UVAS got 314 points among public sector universities. The UVAS has already been ranked by the HEC among top 10 universities of Pakistan in overall ranking of universities.

Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad congratulated the faculty, staff and students on this achievement. He appreciated the efforts of UVAS Directorate of Sports staff and especially students for their outstanding performance in sports. He hoped that the university will continue its journey of progress and development in future as well.

Webinar on milk as antimicrobial agents infections

The Department of Dairy Technology, UVAS, in collaboration with the Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources University of Khuzestan, Iran, organized an international webinar on "Milk components as antimicrobial agents against infections."

Prof Dr Taherah Mohammad Abadi from Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources University of Khuzestan emphasized on the importance of milk components. Milk contains various protective proteins and enzymes including lysozymes, immunoglobulins, lactoferrin and lactoperoxidase which have antiviral, antibacterial and immunological properties. Immunoglobulins combat autoimmune diseases by strengthening the immune system and protecting the body against microbial and viral infections.

UVAS observes Kashmir Black Day



The University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Lahore observed 'Kashmir Black Day' and took out a rally to show solidarity with the Kashmiris and protest the forced occupation of the valley by the Indian forces.

Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad led the rally while Pro Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Masood Rabbani, Deans, Directors, Chairpersons and a large number of faculty members, administrative officers, students and other staff members participated. The participants carried placards and shouted slogans in support of Kashmiris and against the Indian occupation. The rally started from the VC Office and culminated in front of the university's main lawn. Similar rallies were also organised at all campuses of UVAS including Ravi Campus Pattoki, CVAS Jhang, CVAS Narowal and Para Veterinary Institute Karor Lal Eason, Layyah. The participants demanded end to the human rights violations and bloodshed in the Occupied Kashmir.

UVAS participates in '14th Annual Rural Women Leadership Conference'



The University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Lahore along with Dairy-Beef and Small Ruminant projects team participated in 3-day 14th Annual Rural Women Leadership Conference" at Lok Virsa Islamabad organised by Potohar Organization of Agriculture Development. Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad inaugurated the stalls and appreciated the projects efforts to raise awareness through extension material in Urdu and Sindhi language. Prof Nasim co-chaired a session on "Rural women leadership for climate change mitigation in Pakistan". He spoke about climate change and its impact on livestock and

rural women. Australian High Commission Dr Geoffrey Shaw highlighted the ACIAR's Dairy-Beef and Small Ruminant Projects and UVAS collaboration in Pakistan for improvement of livestock and smallholder farmers. Women leaders presented a resolution addressing the challenges and issues of the rural women. About 300 women from 85 districts of Pakistan with 65 partner organisations participated in this conference.

The Dairy-Beef and Small Ruminant projects' team also set up a stall and displayed extension material.

UVAS celebrates Ashra Shan-e-Rehmatul-Lil-Alameen

The Senior Tutor Office of the University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences (UVAS) Lahore arranged various student competitions to celebrate Ashra Shan-e-Rehmatul-Lil-Alameen (PBUH) in connection with Eid Miladun Nabi (PBUH) with religious fervour and in a befitting manner at all campuses of the university.

These competitions included essay writing, calligraphy, Qiraat and speeches. Earlier, UVAS students participated in various competitions arranged by the Punjab government across the province and won positions at



provincial and divisional level.

In Qiraat contest, Umamah Ashraf of the UVAS won first position at provincial level and Hafiz Muhammad Shakir stood 3rd at divisional level while Asima Sabir achieved 3rd position in speech contest

at divisional level. Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad appreciated the students' performance in these contests and said that such extra-curricular activities are as important for students as the curricular ones.

Training on slaughterhouse operation and veterinary public health regime



The University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Lahore organized 5-day training course on Slaughterhouse Operations and Veterinary Public Health Regime at its Veterinary Academy.

Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad presided over the concluding ceremony of the workshop and distributed certificates among participants and resource persons. Animal Husbandry Commissioner Islamabad/CEO PDD

Board Dr Khurshid Ahmed, Project Director KP Dr Qazi Zia-ur-Rehman, Director Veterinary Academy Dr Muhammad Ikram were present. Seventeen veterinary officers from KP participated in the training course.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof Dr Nasim Ahmed said that meat and dairy sectors are flourishing in Punjab. "We have the successful model of the dairy and meat and have a gap for the value

addition and supply chain management. He appreciated the effort of KP for the capacity building of officers in the emerging challenges in livestock sector. Dr Khurshid Ahmed appreciated the training and contents of training and spoke about the vision of the prime minister for livestock sector. Dr Qazi Ziaur Rahman also acknowledged the cooperation and services of UVAS. Dr M Ikram presented the vote of thanks

Various aspects related to Pakistan meat industry including good hygiene practice for food safety, modern meat processing, beef primal cuts, animal receiving and ante-mortem inspection, halal slaughtering, impact of stress on meat quality and safety, good hygienic practices at Abattoirs, modern feedlot fattening practices and postmortem examination, etc, were covered in the course.

Hand-washing day observed

Global hand washing day was observed at CVAS Jhang on October 15, 2021. Prof Dr Syed Ehtisham-ul-Haque, Chairman Department of Pathobiology, was the chief organizer. Zia Ashraf, biosafety expert from GCUF and Dr. Muhamma Adnan Saeed, lecturer, Microbiology, were resource persons. The event was held both online and offline. The importance and scientific basis of hygienic measures for preventing infectious diseases were highlighted. Participants were trained on hand-washing protocols prescribed by the WHO.



UVAS to establish Wrestling Academy



University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Lahore Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad along with Director Sports Rana Amjad Iqbal attended 1st Project Steering Committee meeting held at Higher Education Commission Islamabad on project titled "Kamyab Jawan Sports Academies (High Performance and Resource Centers) and National Youth Olympics". Executive Director HEC Dr Shaista Sohail chaired the meeting and briefed the participants

on the project. Vice-Chancellors and directors sports from different universities and HEC officials were present.

The objective of the meeting was to develop an HEC team to compete at national and international competitions, produce professional players for different sports activities, initiate youth sports movement and develop sports culture in Pakistan. Prof Dr Nasim Ahmad said that under this project a

Wrestling Academy will be established at UVAS. The project aims to develop facilities and infrastructure of sports including separate lecture hall, a meeting hall and hostel facilities for at least 50 to 60 players.

Vision of UVAS

The university aspires to be the nation's leading public sector university with global recognition due to its quality in teaching and research, civic engagement and economic development.

Dr AQ Khan paid rich tribute

The University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences (UVAS) Lahore arranged a condolence reference to pay rich tribute to nuclear scientist Dr Abdul Qadeer Khan.

Vice-Chancellor presided over the reference while deans, directors, chairpersons, faculty members, administrative and support staff attended. Prof Nasim said that the death of Dr AQ Khan is an irreparable national loss and this gap cannot be filled.

He said that the extraordinary services of Dr AQ Khan for the defence of Pakistan could not be forgotten and his name will always be remembered. He said that being a Pakistani we must follow his principles; loyalty, devotion, dedication to work and contribution to strengthening of defence system of



Pakistan.

He also spoke about his memories with Dr Khan. The participants prayed that may the departed soul rest in eternal peace and Allah Almighty give strength to his family to bear this loss.

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