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Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges (AAVMC) Washington DC USA Chief Executive Officer Dr Andrew T. Maccabe visited the University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Lahore as a first step to initiate process of granting AAVMC accreditation to UVAS.

Dr Andrew T. Maccabe held a meeting with Vice-Chancellor Meritorious Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha, Pro Vice-Chancellor/Dean Faculty of Veterinary Science Prof Dr Masood Rabbani, senior faculty members and took a round of university departments, labs, library and clinical facilities at the City and Ravi Campuses.

The veterinary university already has

provisional membership of AAVMC which is a supreme body of veterinary education in the States. According to Dean Veterinary Science Prof Dr Masood Rabbani, AAVMC accreditation will make easy the process of obtaining license for UVAS veterinary graduates to do clinical practice in the United States.

The Vice-Chancellor briefed the AAVMC CEO on the university's academic, research, training and extension programmes and clinical services/facilities as well as its ranking among Pakistani and world universities.

Prof Pasha told the US delegate that focus of the university is on applied research, quality human resource development,

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IVPD workshop: Constructive alignment of Teaching Learning Context



A faculty development training entitled “Constructive alignment of teaching learning context-Batch 1” was conducted at UVAS under the IVPD project funded by Punjab government. Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha chaired inaugural and concluding sessions. Pro Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Masood Rabbani also spoke at the inaugural ceremony. Prof Dr Habib-ur-Rehman and Dr Muhammad Afzal, IVPD M& E Committee member, Project Director IVPD Dr Hafsa Zaneb were also

present. Thirty-two faculty members from City, Ravi, Jhang and Narowal campuses were trained. The idea was to bring together all faculty members on one page and develop teaching learning outcomes of their courses, identifying best assessment practices to promote learning in students, structuring class activities and unified assessment criteria. Dr Gulbeena Saleem, Dr Shehla Gul Bokhari, Dr Shahan Azeem, Dr Khalid A Majeed, Dr Jibran Hussain and Dr Saima Ashraf facilitated the training.

Workshop on Statistical Methodologies

The Department of Statistics and Computer Science of UVAS with the collaboration of Higher Education Commission organised a 4-day workshop on “Statistical Methodologies in Biomedical and Health Sciences.” Faculty members, postgraduate students and research students from other universities participated in the workshop. Prof Dr Hafiz Anwar Ahmad from Jackson State University, USA, was the resource person. Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha distributed certificates among participants and resource persons. DSCS Chairman Dr Liaquat Ahmad was also present.



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knowledge generation and technology transfer. He said that the university is working in close collaboration with the relevant industry and Livestock and Dairy Development Department for quality education, stakeholders' problem solving and quality services delivery. Dr Andrew T. Maccabe appreciated the UVAS achievements and its fast growth in a short span of time after getting university status.



UVAS Alumni hold 10th annual reunion at Ravi Campus

The Alumni Association of the University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Lahore arranged its 10th annual reunion at Akram Complex of Ravi Campus Pattoki. Former Governor Punjab Lt-Gen (retd) Khalid Maqbool and former Secretary Livestock and Dairy Development Department Punjab Mr Akhlaq Ahmad Tarar co-chaired the reunion function while UVAS's first Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Manzoor Qureshi and a large numbers of alumni from across

Pakistan and AJK participated. A drama & cultural performance, alumni members' visits to different departments of Ravi Campus, music gala, rifle shooting and archery contests featured the event. Gen Khalid Maqbool and Akhlaq Ahmad Tarar also planted saplings in front of the Prof Akram Complex. Speaking on the occasion, the former Governor praised the UVAS achievements and its role in economic

development, especially in the uplift of poultry & dairy industry of Pakistan. Mr Akhlaq Ahmad Tarar shared his past memories and struggle for the establishment of UVAS. Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha listed the curricular and extra-curricular achievements, infrastructure development, trainings, international conferences and progress of UVAS and its services for the poor farming community.



Pictorial coverage of UVAS activities



A meeting on livestock development at the UVAS Syndicate Room.



A Chinese experts delegation with the Vice-Chancellor.



The Vice-Chancellor administers oath to the office-bearers of Teaching Staff Association.



The Vice-Chancellor in a meeting with a visiting delegation.

Training on backyard poultry farming



The Department of Poultry Production arranged a one-day training on "Backyard Poultry Farming at Ravi Campus for women of nearby villages. The residents of Mundeki village and surroundings participated in the training. Prof Dr Athar Mahmud, Chairman, and Mr Shabir Shaheen, Lecturer, delivered lectures about management techniques for improving production performance and concepts of biosecurity and disease control. Mr Usman, lecturer, spoke about the improved local breed developed by the department.

Workshop on use of protective equipment



College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Jhang organised a hands-on training workshop on "Use of personal protective equipment during collection of infectious samples and serodiagnostics of brucellosis" for Engro Foods field veterinarians at the Epidemiology and Public Health Lab. The aim was HR development and training of extension workers and field veterinarians.

Best research poster award

Allah Bukhsh, lecturer in Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, who is currently doing PhD from Monash University Malaysia has won Best research poster award for his PhD research in 3rd Cambridge- Oxford-Sunway Biomedical Symposium - Diabetes Disarming the silent killer.

Week-long spring festival at UVAS



The University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences organized Spring Festival 2019 at its City and Ravi campuses. Drama, quiz, naat, qiraat, azaan, poster/model exhibition, floral & department decoration, music, photography, short film, Tik Tok, bait bazi, ghazal, Urdu and English poetry, master art, standup comedy and treasure hunt, etc, contests featured the week-long spring festival. The Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences (IPS) won overall first position at City Campus contests, Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition (FSHN) got second and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) third position. Former Chief Justice of Pakistan Jawwad S. Khawaja and Vice-Chancellor Meritorious Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha co-chaired the concluding

ceremony of the festival at the City Campus and distributed trophies among overall winners. Senior Tutor Prof Dr Kamran Ashraf and a large number of students were present on the occasion. Speaking at the concluding ceremony, Jawwad S. Khawaja said lauded the role of UVAS for the promotion of curricular and extra-curricular activities for enhancing talent and skills in their students. Prof Pasha appreciated the students' enthusiastic participation in the festival contests. In Ravi Campus contests, BS Poultry won 1st position, BS Zoology got 2nd position while Dairy Technology team stood 3rd. Vice-Chancellor Meritorious Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha (S.I) presided over the concluding ceremony and distributed trophies among overall winners.



Award of M. Phil Degrees during Month of March 2019

Name of Student	Department	Supervisor	Title of Thesis
NuzhatulAin	Microbiology	Dr. M. Zubair Shabbir	Genomic Characterization of Prevailing Newcastle Disease Virus (Genotype Vii) in Pakistan
Maryam Khalid	Parasitology	Dr. Muhammad Oneeb	Impact of <i>Plasmodium Falciparum</i> and <i>Plasmodium Vivax</i> Infection on Hematological Parameters in Malarial Patients from District Lahore
Kanwal Rasheed	Parasitology	Dr. Muhammad Oneeb	Effect of Various Plasmodium Infections on Liver Enzymes in Malarial Patients from District Lahore
Muhammad Akbar Khan	Parasitology	Dr. Haroon Akbar	Microscopic and Molecular Detection of <i>Trypanosomain</i> Tigers
Muhammad Islam	Epidemiology and Public Health	Dr. Muhammad Hassan Mushtaq	Use of Lipid Lowering Agents and Risk of Gallstone Formation, a Hospital Based Case Control Study
Muhammad Sohail	Pet Animal Practices	Prof. Dr. Asim Khalid Mahmood	Comparison of Different Diagnostic Techniques and Therapeutic Trial for Microsporum Fungus in Cats
Syeda Ramsha Qammar Abbas	Pharmacology and Toxicology	Prof. Dr. M. Ovais Omer	Evaluation of Antiviral Activity and Embryonic Toxicity of Extracts of <i>Ocimum Basilicum</i> L. Leaves Against Avian Influenza H9 Virus Using <i>in Ovo</i> Assay
Sahar Sitara	Biochemistry	Ms Huma Mujahid	Protective Effect of Whey Powder Against Ochratoxin A (Ota) in Broilers
Affan Tariq	Biochemistry	Dr. Rahat Naseer	Effect of Prolonged Exposure of Neo-Nicotenoid on Wister Rats and its Probable Attenuation with Vitamin E
Huma Rasheed	Biochemistry	Dr. Rahat Naseer	Assessment of A-Amylase and A-Glucosidase Inhibitory Potential of <i>Rosa Indica</i> Extracts in Hyperglycemic Rats
Tayyaba Bari	Biochemistry	Dr. Shagufta Saeed	Assessment of Cytotoxic and Antibacterial Effect of <i>Syzygium Cumini</i> Extracts
Aniqa Tahir	Biochemistry	Dr. Shagufta Saeed	Comparative Study of Aqueous and Ethanolic Extracts of <i>Citrus Limon</i> Against Food Borne Pathogen <i>Salmonella Enteritidis</i>
Muhammad Nadeem Majeed	Animal Nutrition	Dr. Saeed Ahmed	Effect of Varying Dry Matter Supplies on Growth, Body Condition Score and Nutrient Digestibility of Pre-Pubertal Nili Ravi Heifers
Muhammad Faisal Riaz	Poultry Production	Prof. Dr. Athar Mahmud	Influence of Photo-Stimulation During Incubation on Hatching Results, Stress Response, Post-Hatch Growth and Carcass Traits of Commercial Broiler
Muhammad Junaid Siddique	Wild Life and Ecology	Mr. Waqas Ali	The Diversity and Habitat Preferences of Amphibians and Reptiles in District Lahore
Zaitoon Ramzan	Zoology	Mr. Waqas Ali	Morphological Variation in Bats of the Genus <i>Scotophilus</i> Captured from Punjab, Pakistan
Fatima Kafayat	Fisheries and Aquaculture	Dr. Muhammad Hafeez-ur-Rehman	Effects of Stocking Density on the Growth, Survival, Body Composition, and Economic Returns of Gift Tilapia Under Cage Culture System

Walk, seminar mark International Women's Day



The University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Lahore observed the International Women's Day with the theme "Better the Balance, Better the World, Balance for Better".

The university organised a walk led by Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha along with Prof Dr Shafaat Yar Khan to create awareness about women's rights while Pro VC Prof Dr Masood Rabbani, Prof Dr Aneela Zameer Durrani and women from civil society, administrative staff, faculty and students from UVAS Shauoor Society were present. Earlier Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha and Prof Dr

Shafat Yar Khan co-chaired a seminar where speakers highlighted the role of women for the development of our society.

In his address, Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha said that after getting education women must join jobs in their concerning fields and contribute to the development of society. He said it is direly needed to make conducive environment in offices where women could work without any hesitation. He advised women to follow the role of great women of Pakistan like first woman prime minister Benazir Bhutto, Arfa Karim and Bilquis Bano Edhi.

Honour for Business School

Students of UVAS BUSINESS School Secured 3rd position in the 4th Inter-University Stock Trading Competition (JamaPunji) organized by the Securities & Exchange Commission Pakistan among universities in Punjab with a cash prize worth of Rs 50,000.



Dr Fiaz attends conference in Sri Lanka

Prof Dr Muhammad Fiaz Qamar, Professor and Chairman Pathobiology, College of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, Jhang Sub-campus, University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, Lahore attended 2nd Global Public Health Conference at Colombo, Sri Lanka. He presented a paper and chaired a conference session.



Seminar on importance of woman in science

A seminar on "Importance of woman in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, medicine, and awareness on climate change" was arranged at University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Lahore. The seminar chaired by Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha highlighted the role of women in science and the need of leadership steps. Homeward Bound is a groundbreaking initiative, set against the backdrop of Antarctica to lighten the impact of women making decisions that shape our planet. Shumaila and Humaira from UVAS are part of this program.



Workshop on lab biosafety and biosecurity



One-day national hands-on training workshop on lab biosafety and biosecurity was arranged at College of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, Jhang.

Workshop participants were from different institutions including Quaid-e-Azam University, University Agriculture, Faisalabad, GC University Faisalabad, Arid Agriculture University, Rawalpindi, Islamia University Bahawalpur, Army College of Veterinary Sciences Sargodha, University of Balochistan, Gomal University, Agriculture University Peshawar, Sindh Agriculture University Tandojam, BZU Multan, L&DD, Engro Foods, DHQ Hospital Jhang paramedical staff, human health

physicians, CVAS faculty, UG and PG students.

Dr Muhammad Awais was program coordinator. Speakers were from Wuhan Institute, Chinese Academy of Science, Shaikat Khanum Cancer Hospital, Sheikh Zaid Medical College, FC College Lahore, GC University Faisalabad and Poultry Research Institute, Rawalpindi. Dr. Mishal Sikander, consultant pathologist and head of Pathology Dept, DHQ Hospital Jhang, was chief guest. Principal Prof Dr Abdul Shakoor distributed certificates among participants and led the biosafety awareness walk

Swiss ambassador visits UVAS Ravi Campus



Swiss Ambassador to Pakistan Thomas Kolly paid a visit to the University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Lahore's Ravi Campus and stressed the need for increasing public-private partnerships to tackle climate change challenges. The ambassador held a meeting with Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha, senior faculty members and discussed climate change, this year's prolonged winter

season's bad effects on agriculture and livestock, water conservation and public-private cooperation to mitigate the effects of climate change.

The Vice-Chancellor briefed the Swiss ambassador on UVAS's academic, research, training and extension projects, clinical & community services and national and international linkages/partnerships.

The ambassador appreciated and

supported the UVAS initiatives/projects especially those involving private sector. He also visited the site of one of such initiatives "Agriculture Water Efficiency Project" which is being executed by the university with the support of Nestle Pakistan.

On the occasion Mr Thomas Kolly and his wife planted jacaranda saplings in front of the Prof Akram Complex. The ambassador also took a round of various laboratories at the Central Laboratory Complex.

He appreciated the state-of-the-art facilities/technology available at the labs and the quality of their services for the industry and community.

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.

World Water Day: VC calls for creating awareness about water conservation



University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Lahore Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha has called for creating awareness among the public about the importance and conservation of water.

"We should make joint efforts, use social media and other means of communication to spread awareness about water conservation," said the Vice-Chancellor while addressing a seminar arranged by the Department of Environmental Sciences of UVAS in connection with World Water Day. The UVAS observed the day in a befitting manner by arranging a walk and a seminar with the theme

"Leaving no one behind".

Prof Pasha said it is very unfortunate that we waste a lot of water in our daily life due to lack of awareness. He stressed the need to use latest techniques of irrigation like drip irrigation system and precision farming, etc, to save precious water.

Regional Director Pakistan Council of Research in Water Resources Zameer Ahmed Soomro spoke about major water challenges in Pakistan, water management, water conservation and water conservation techniques and national water policy. He said that access to safe water is a human right but it is not available to all in our country. He said although Pakistan is 35th at the list of water richest countries yet per capita water availability is very low. He called for increasing water productivity, its economical use and saving it from being wasted.

Earlier the Vice-Chancellor led a walk to create awareness about the water conservation. Teachers and students participated in the walk in a large number.

Earlier, the Vice-Chancellor inaugurated "Groundwater recharge well" on the campus.

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