

Challenges of modern era

Professional education, skilled manpower vital

By Our Staff Reporter

FAISALABAD: Professional education and skilled manpower are imperative to fight the challenges of modern era and to compete with the rest of world.

This was stated by University of Agriculture Faisalabad Vice-Chancellor Dr Zafar Iqbal Randhawa on Tuesday, while talking to a delegation of the National Agricultural Education Accreditation Council. The team was headed by NAEAC Chairman Dr Ishtiaq A Rajwana while other members included former Dean University of Agriculture Peshawar University Dr Alamzeb, Food Science Director GCUF Dr Umair Arsahd Bajwa, Director NAEAC Nouman Siddique and other notables. Dr Zafar Iqbal said that there is a need to narrow down the teachers-students ratio in the educational institutions as it was widening and deteriorating the quality of education. He said that teachers had to put a special focus on the students' effective communication skills that will pave a way to excel in life.

He said that teachers' contact with students was vital for students' personality and professional grooming. He said that mushroomed growth in the different sector of life had caused problems. He also urged the HEC to look into enrollments of PhDs matter keeping employment needs in view.

Dr Ishtiaq A Rajwana said Modernization of agriculture production systems and supply chain into high value agriculture products is fundamental for accelerated agriculture growth, sustainable food security, and reduction of rural poverty. Modern agriculture has become increasingly knowledge-based and technology driven. He said that the NAEAC's mandate is to implement a comprehensive program of accreditation of

agriculture education degree programs based on policies, procedures, and criteria setup by HEC to assure high quality and standard of education.

Dr Alamzeb said that the quality education was prerequisite to make the development in the every sphere of life.

Later, they visited Faculty of Food, Nutrition and Home Sciences, UAF and held a meeting with Dean Food Sciences Dr Masood Sadiq Butt and National Institute of Food Sciences and Technology Director General Dr Tahir Zahoor.

Dean Food Sciences Dr Masood Sadiq Butt said that they were offering nine degree program in their faculty.

Two days Beauty Festival held at GCWU: A 2-day beauty festival was organised at the Government College Women University (GCWU) in collaboration with Stylo Lifestyle & RIVAJ Cosmetics.

The beauty carnival was inaugurated by Prof Dr Sofia Anwar Vice Chancellor Government College Women University Faisalabad. She expressed her views that extra and co-curricular activities are all meant to engage students in activities that provide fun and entertainment. She further added that our culture values and traditions are more significant for us. We should follow them and play a positive role in progress and prosperity of Pakistan. The Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Sofia Anwar was pleased to see that students are happy and enjoying.

The students participated in different activities and win gift hampers and free vouchers of stylo. Brand Manager of Stylo Faraz Ahmed and Salman Khan briefed the audience about how Stylo has become one of the most loved brands in footwear and now expanding itself into Lifestyle to head and toe fashion needs of women.



FAISALABAD: A group photo of President Pakistan Foot Saal Federation Tariq Mehmood, General Secretary Malik Adnan Ahmed and President of Women Association Tahira Mustehsan and others present after the reception of Nipal Foot Saal Team.

795,473 vehicles challaned over violation of traffic rules

FAISALABAD: The City Traffic Police (CTP) challaned more than 795,473 vehicles in Faisalabad on the charge of violation of traffic rules and regulations during 2018.

A CTP spokesman told APP here Tuesday that major violations included underage driving, rash driving, installing tinted panes, one-wheeling, wrong parking, running motorbikes without helmets, driving vehicles without driving licences, driving vehicles without fastening seat belts, overloading, emitting excessive smoke and running vehicles without back-view mirrors, indicators and headlights, etc. The CTP challaned vehicles and imposed Rs 300.442 million fine on the violators. Giving some details, he said that 2,044 vehicles were challaned in January, 75,167 in February, 75,048 in March, 69,934 in April, 69,977 in May, 70,888 in June, 71,337 in July, 76,648 in August, 70,716 in September, 91,224 in October, 77,000 in November and 45,490 during the first fortnight of Dec 2018.

Chairman FDA holds open court today

FAISALABAD: Chairman Faisalabad Development Authority (FDA) Dr Asad Muhazzam will hold an open court (Khuli Kutcheri) at FDA Complex here today (Wednesday). The open court will commence at 11:00 am in which the Chairman will hear public complaints and issue on the spot orders for redressal, a spokesman of the FDA told APP here on Tuesday. — APP

WASA launches sewerage lines desilting campaign

FAISALABAD: Water and Sanitation Agency (WASA) has launched desilting campaign in the city to clear the sewerage lines. Talking to APP on Tuesday, Managing Director WASA Faqeer Muhammad Chaudhry said there were 85,000 manholes in Faisalabad city to provide sewerage facility to people. He said a special committee had been constituted to check people who throw dead animals and buildings material in the sewerage lines.

In memory of Army Public School martyrs

Sacrifices of martyred of APS not to be forgotten

By Our Staff Reporter

FAISALABAD: District Administration, District Education Authority and Faisalabad Arts Council jointly organised a function at the Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan auditorium in the memory of Army Public School martyrs.

Divisional Commissioner Asif Iqbal Ch. was the chief guest on this occasion. Deputy Commissioner Sardar Saifullah Dogar, CPO Ashfaq Ahmad Khan, Commander Pakistan Navy Officer Incharge Farooq Khan, Parliamentarian Latif Nazar, Shakeel Shahid, Firdous Rai, Adil Parvez Gujjar, ADCs Aasma Ejaz Cheema, Qaisar Abbas Rind, CEO Education Ali Ahmad Sayan, DO Special Education Ch. Abdul Hameed, Director Arts Council Sofia Bedar, DO Secondary Education Khalid Akhtar, Officers of education department, teachers & students and people from different walks of life participated the ceremony.

Addressing the event, Divisional Commissioner Asif Iqbal Ch has said that the everlasting sacrifices of martyred of Army Public School would not be forgotten never as it symbolized our undeterred resolve in love of our motherland.

He saluted the martyrs of the APS Peshawar and said that this was very tragic and worst incident of terrorism



FAISALABAD: Divisional Commissioner Asif Iqbal Ch, Deputy Commissioner Sardar Saifullah Dogar, Parliamentarians Latif Nazar, Shakeel Shahid and other offer dua for the departed souls of martyrs of Army Public School during an event held

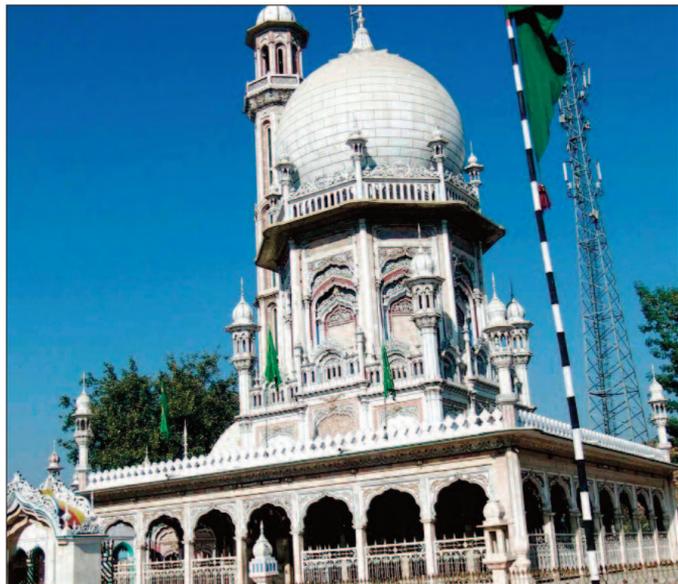
and the entire nation and future generation could never forget this heart render tragedy.

He said that the brave children of APS made a new history of bravery and courage and the country blessed with peace due to their eternal sacrifices. Deputy Commissioner Sardar Saifullah Dogar said that the entire nation was renewing their pledge regarding fight against terrorism with unity and the land of Pakistan would be completely purged from the menace of terrorism. He said that the martyrs of APS were indeed our heroes who united the whole nation by offering their sacrifices to collaborate for jointly combating with terrorism.

CPO Ashfaq Ahmad Khan and Commander Pak Navy Farooq Khan said that by sacrificing their lives, the martyrs of APS have laid down a foundation for bright and prosperous Pakistan and shown their dedication to spread literacy without caring the nefarious and deadly aims of terrorist and extremist elements. Parliamentarians said that the blood of martyrs would not go waste. They lauded the step of holding seminar by the education department to pay tribute to the martyrs of APS. They said that every Pakistani was grieved over this tragic incident of terrorism and stood with the families of martyrs. They said that that best trying to promote ignorance could not stop the children from getting education through this cowardly act. CEO Education, Director Arts Council and other speakers also paid rich tributes to the APS martyrs.

During the ceremony candles were lit by the officers and other guests and flowers were also laid for memories of APS martyrs.

Students from different institutions presented skits and tableaux depicting the message against terrorism and to pay tributes to the martyrs. Later, a solidarity walk was also held from Faisalabad Arts Council to Commissioner Complex. The participants of the walk expressed solidarity with the parents of martyrs of APS.



CHINIOT: A view of Hazrat Saen Sukh Shrine as annual Urs starts.

Need to take steps to combat environmental hazards stressed

By Our Staff Reporter

FAISALABAD: It is need of the hour to take steps to combat environmental hazards and to adopt healthy lifestyles to reduce diseases and mortality rate, said University of Agriculture Faculty of Veterinary Sciences Dean Dr Zafar Iqbal Qureshi here on Tuesday. He addressed one-day symposium titled One Health, arranged by Faculty of Veterinary Sciences, UAF and The Brooke Pakistan.

He said that one health is the integrative effort of multiple disciplines to get optimal health for the masses, animals, and environment. Together, three makes up One Health, and the health of each is connected to others.

He said the changing lifestyles, junk food and lack of physical activity were causing obesity. This could be the root cause of many diseases, including diabetes and cardiovascular diseases, he said.

He said plenty of food, high caloric intake, and dependence on impure and processed foods, a sedentary life style, environmental factors and pollutants were posing serious threat to the people. He said the purpose of One Health programme was to attenuate the stream of patients. He said it was essential to keep the environment clean. He said that

such sessions aimed at raising the awareness. He said that people must be educated about healthy lifestyles and foods.

Dr Muhammad Sohail Sajid briefly discussed about the significance of one health concept and the current research scenarios along with future prospects. Dr Muhammad Saleem (The Brooke, Pakistan) called for implementation of welfare in animals at commercial and domestic levels. Dr Imran Arshad and Dr Kashif Saleemi also spoke on the occasion.

Begum Governor visits women prisoners' barak at District Jail: Begum Governor Punjab Mrs Parveen Sarwar visited District Jail on Tuesday and participated in the Mehfil e Milad at Women Prisoners Barak besides distributing winter garments among the women prisoners under the arrangements of Sarwar Foundation. DIG Prisoners Abdul Rauf Rana, Superintendent District Jail Sh. Afzal Javed, Social Welfare Officer Aysha Jameel, other jail officers were also present on the occasion. Addressing the Mehfil e Milad Begum Governor Punjab highlighted the status of women in Islamic Society and said that the women should endeavor to neat and clean life following the Islamic values. She said that we could avoid the crimes to promote the sentiments of pa-



FAISALABAD: Vice-Chancellor Prof Zia-ul-Qayyum and Regional Director Prof Dr Ubaid Ullah distribute laptops among the students organised by Allama Iqbal Open University.

Call to understand Holy Quran, its message

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FAISALABAD: A true Islamic welfare society could be cultivated through understanding of Quran and its message, said religious scholar, founder of "The ILM Foundation" Shujah ud Din Sheikh here on Tuesday.

He was addressing a meeting of headmasters and teachers of different schools under a special sitting arranged by Principals Forum at Faisalabad Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FCCI) here on Tuesday.

He told that it is dilemma of Muslim Ummah that most of its followers

only recite Holy Quran without understanding the core message of Allah Almighty.

He said that due to this reason our society is deprived of the blessings of true Islamic society.

He told that keeping in view this issue the ILM Foundation was created in 2009 and Urdu rendering of Quran along with its simple explanation endorsed by five leading sects of Islam.

He told that Ittehad Tanzeem ul Madaras compiled this syllabus in 7 volumes by segregating different subjects and Quranic Surah.

He told that its six volumes have already been published while 7th volume

is expected to be published in April next year.

He told that this compilation could be introduced from class three along with the subject of Islamic Studies and each student could complete and apprehend Islamic teachings with the completion of his matriculation examination.

"The students completing this course would be in a position to implement the Islamic teachings in their practical life and thus we could promote an Islamic society to share its benefits as Muslim Ummah.

He told that it was apparently an im-

mission which could transform Pakistan into a true Islamic welfare State as enshrined in the constitution of Pakistan.

He told that translation of this book in Sindhi and English is also under compilation so that people in Sindhi and across boundaries could also understand it in its true perspective.

He further told that this syllabus had already been introduced in KPK where 7 Lac students are being taught this syllabus.

He told that ILM Foundation has also established four thousand schools with student's strength of 14 Lac who are studying this syllabus.

He hoped that it would create true

Islamic spirit in our younger generation.

Shujah ud Din Sheikh told that he has been trying his optimum best to complete this task as a mission and hence books are being provided free of cost for the dissemination of message of Islam.

Hafiz Mohammad Shoaib, President Principals Forum told that this function has been especially arranged for the school heads and teachers so that they could also contribute their role in the dissemination of Islamic message.

Syed Zia Alumdar Hussain, President FCCI paid best tribute to the serv-

ices rendered by Shujah ud Din Sheikh who is a chartered accountant by profession.

He requested the audience to pay him standing ovation in recognition of his unprecedented services for the cause of Islam.

Mian Tanvir Ahmad senior vice president presented FCCI shield to Shujah ud Din Sheikh who also offered prayer for the success of this mission to promote understanding of Quran among the student's community. The function was also attended by Dr. Zahid Ashraf, Abid Masood, Secretary General FCCI and Rana Shabbir Hussain Deputy Secretary