

Accreditation visit at Lasbela University of Agriculture, Water & Marine Sciences (LUAWMS), Uthal

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Lasbela University of Agriculture, Water and Marine Sciences (LUAWMS) located in the historic and magnificent district Lasbela in Balochistan province of Pakistan, is truly a comprehensive institution of higher education with enduring commitment to achieve excellence in higher education, innovative technology, cutting-edge research and superior public service. LUAWMS is dedicated to prepare its graduates for successful careers and enable them to play a constructive role in progressing social inclusion, economic prosperity and environmental quality. The university was chartered through Ordinance No. 1/2005, Government of Balochistan, Pakistan. There are 7 faculties including faculty of Agriculture. The university is offering 15 undergraduate and 10 postgraduate degree programs.

Six Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Aijaz Ahmed Soomro, Chairman Department of Agronomy, Sindh Agriculture University (SAU)-Tandojam, Prof. Dr. Imran Khatri, Chairman Department of Entomology, SAU-Tandojam, Prof. (Retd). Dr. Mujahid Hussain Leghari, Department of Horticulture, SAU-Tandojam, Prof. Dr. Shah Nawaz Mari, Chairman Department of Plant Breeding & Genetics, SAU-Tandojam, Prof. Dr. Manzoor Ali Abro, Dean Faculty of Crop Protection, SAU-Tandojam, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Saleem Sarki, Department of Soil Science, SAU-Tandojam as members conducted accreditation visit of the department of Agronomy, Entomology, Horticulture, Plant Breeding & Genetics, Plant Pathology and Soil Science degree programs at LUAWMS, Uthal. On May 1, 2025 Dr. Tamoor Khan, Dean, Faculty of Agriculture, LUAWMS, Uthal and other faculty members received and welcomed the NAEAC team. On the same day evening the delegation visited Sukkan Agriculture Farm where they observed ongoing research activities and olive cultivation projects.

On May 2, 2025 the inaugural session was held in the Faculty of Agriculture Seminar Hall where Dr. Tamoor Khan, Dean, Faculty of Agriculture presented an overview of faculty achievements, academic progress and future goals of the university. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC presented a brief overview of NAEAC activities, achievements made so far and shared the previous details of six departments. During the inaugural session Director QEC, Dean, HoDs and other faculty members were present.

Later on, AICs moved to relevant departments where detailed presentations and discussions were held. Each HoD briefed respective AIC in detail about working of the department and achievements in terms of student graduation, faculty positions and research projects. AICs visited respective departmental infrastructure including labs, classrooms, library, glasshouse, faculty offices, experimental research area and held meeting with students of the department to get an insight of teaching/working environment in the departments. In the last stage, two major activities (curriculum review and meeting with individual faculty) were carried out. Each course file was checked for its contents like lecture breakdown, assignments and results. AIC held individual faculty meeting to know the working environment and job satisfaction level.

In the concluding session of the visit the program evaluators shared their observations with the Dean and other officials including HoD and administrative staff. Dr. Tamoor Khan, Dean, Faculty of Agriculture thanked NAEAC team for their day long deliberations and inspection visit. He pledged that the recommendations made by the AICs would be implemented in order to improve the education and boost the value of the graduates produced.

