

## **National Agriculture Education Accreditation Council**



## Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar at University of Chakwal (UOC)

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The University of Chakwal (UOC) was established in Chakwal through a notification by the Government of the Punjab on January 17, 2020. UOC is the fastest growing university in the country with its ongoing Rs 7.0 billion infrastructure development under the annual development plan of the Government of Punjab, leading to expansion of both City Campus (40 acres) and Balkasar campus (adjacent to the motorway 115 acres). Currently there are 7 faculties and 20 departments in UOC. There are 58 permanent teaching faculty

members, out of which 27 have PhD. The total student body exceed 5000 within three years. The HND degree program was initiated in 2021, currently 98 students are enrolled and 4 teaching faculty (2 PhD) in HND.

A Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was conducted at UOC, Department of Human Nutrition and Dietetics (HND). Dr. Sajeela Akram, Head of Department (Assistant Professor) and Dr. Iqra Yasmin,





Assistant Professor welcomed the guests, Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary National Agriculture Education Accreditation Council (NAEAC) and Mr. Abdullah, IT Coordinator (NAEAC). A short meeting with Dr. Ishtiaq Ahmad, Registrar was held in meeting room of VC office. During discussion HoD and Registrar briefed the guests about history of city Chakwal, University Campus, Infrastructures and Physical and human resources of the Human Nutrition and Dietetics Department.

The Seminar was held in Sethi Hall at City Campus, UOC. Miss Konain Mustafa Malik (Student of 4<sup>th</sup> semester HND) acted as the stage secretary. The seminar was started with recitation of the Holy Quran by Miss Mishal Zahra (student) followed by national anthem. After that the guest speaker Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC delivered his talk on "Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education". The main objective of this presentation was to explain the overall process of accreditation and its significance in maintaining the quality of education. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar introduced the NAEAC, explained the evaluation criteria of accreditation process which comprised of 8 standards and 73 substandard and impact of accreditation on quality improvement through the data of last 14 years.

The seminar was attended by Dr. Muhammad Imran, Additional Director Academics, all faculty members and students of Human Nutrition and Dietetics. Seminar was ended with a note of thanks by HoD. The Director Academics and Head of department of Human Nutrition and Dietetics thanked the guest speaker and assured that the administration will fulfill the accreditation requirements of NAEAC to maintain the high quality of education.

