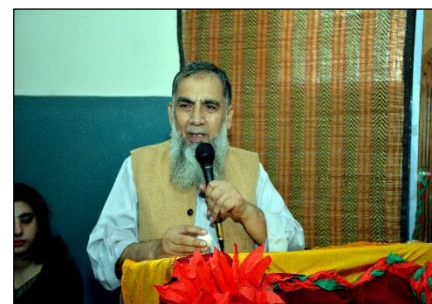


Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar at Saint Mary's College- Gujranwala

August 10, 2023

Saint Mary's College (SMC) was established in Gujranwala since 1979. It is registered under the Punjab Charity Act 2018 having registration number PBGRW-6884055823662557. The institution takes pride in its alumni, who have excelled in various fields and have made significant contributions to society. The HND degree program was initiated in 2017, currently 135 students are enrolled and 4 teaching faculty (3 MPhil & 1 DND) in HND Department.

A Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was conducted at SMC, Department of Human Nutrition and Dietetics (HND). Dr. Fatima Shahid, HoD, HND and Dr. Rabiya Jamil, Lecturer received and welcomed the guests Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary, NAEAC and Mr. Abdullah, IT Coordinator, NAEAC. A short meeting with Mr. Khurram Yousaf, Campus Director was held in meeting room. During discussion HoD and Director briefed the guests about history of Saint Mary's College, infrastructures and physical and human resources of the Human Nutrition and Dietetics Department and shown the SAR Reports that was prepared by the College QEC head Ms. Ghazal Shafiq.



The seminar was held in Aster's Hall at SMC Campus, SMC. Ms. Ayesha Imran, student of 6th semester of HND & Ms. Laiba Naeem, student of HND 6th semester jointly acted as the stage secretary. The seminar was started with recitation of the Holy Quran by Ms. Saman Ikram, student of HND 6th semester followed by Naat. Dr. Fatima Shahid, HoD delivered a comprehensive presentation on SM College and the Department of Human Nutrition and Dietetics (HND). The presentation highlighted the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) established with various hospitals for internship placements. Additionally, it showed the department's commitment to community service through the organization of complimentary nutritional camps in rural areas, as well as at Basic Health Units (BHUs) and Rural Health Units (RHUs).

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 talk 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 15 years. During presentation questions raised by the participants were discussed in length to their satisfaction.

The seminar was attended by Mr. Tehsin Ahmed, Administrator, Mr. Ithesham Ali, Controller Examination, all faculty members and students of Human Nutrition and Dietetics. Seminar was ended with a vote of thanks by HoD. The Director and HoD, HND thanked the guest speaker and assured that the administration will fulfill the accreditation requirements of NAEAC to maintain the high quality of education.

