

5th Training Workshop for NAEAC Program Evaluators and Accreditation (SST & HND) and Pre-Accreditation visit of (ES) at UAF

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The foundation stone of UAF was laid in 1906 with the name of Punjab Agricultural College and Research Institute, Lyallpur which was upgraded as the West Pakistan Agricultural University, Lyallpur in 1961 and now the University of Agriculture, Faisalabad (UAF) since 1973. The UAF is a public and the oldest university and pioneer Agriculture Institute in South Asia. The UAF has always been striving hard to revolutionize agriculture by providing a skilled and professional workforce for agriculture sector. The University comprises of 07 faculties, 9 institutes and 03 sub-campuses.



On January 1, 2024 5th region-wise training workshop of newly nominated program evaluators/subject experts was arranged at University of Agriculture Faisalabad (UAF) in the afternoon. About sixty nominated program evaluators from UAF participated. The trainers included Chairperson, Secretary and IT Coordinator NAEAC. The main emphasis during training workshop was on toolkit, SWOT analysis and AIC report writing. At the end, Prof. Dr. Fayyaz-ul-Hassan, Chairperson NAEAC distributed the training participation certificates among the trainees and all trainees appreciated the efforts being undertaken by NAEAC for conducting this region-wise training.



Three Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Fayyaz-ul-Hassan, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener, Prof. Dr. Shafaqat Ali, Principal, College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences, Govt. College University, Faisalabad (GCUF) as a member conducted Pre-Accreditation/Zero visit of Environmental Science, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Umair Arshad, Chairman, Department of Food Science, GCUF and Prof. (Retd). Dr. Kausar Nawaz Shah, Department of Plant Breeding & Genetics, PMAS Arid Agriculture University, Rawalpindi as members conducted Accreditation visit of Human Nutrition & Dietetics (HND) and Seed Science & Technology degree programs at University of Agriculture, Faisalabad.



On January 2, 2024, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Sarwar Khan, Dean, Faculty of Agriculture, UAF, Prof. Dr. Imran Mumtaz, Director, Quality Enhancement Cell (QEC), UAF and Mr. Muhammad Sulman, Research Officer, QEC, UAF received and welcomed the guests. The inaugural session was held in the Vice Chancellor Conference room where Prof. Dr. Iqrar Ahmad Khan, Vice Chancellor, UAF formally welcomed all evaluators and also highlighted the major accomplishments and future plan of the university. Later, Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC shared the accreditation standards (8) and subcriteria (73) besides the importance and significance of accreditation along with previous AICs recommendations of two departments Human Nutrition & Dietetics and Seed Science & Technology degree programs. During the inaugural session, Registrar, Director QEC, Director ORIC, Deans, HoDs and other faculty members were present.

Then AICs moved to relevant departments where detailed presentations of departmental achievements as per itinerary were given by relevant HoDs. AICs visited departmental infrastructure including labs, classrooms, library, faculty offices, experimental research area, support facilities and held meeting with students of the department to get an insight of teaching/working environment in the departments. After the lunch, 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. AICs held individual faculty meeting to know the working environment and job satisfaction level and student teacher interaction.

In the end, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Sarwar Khan, Dean, Faculty of Agriculture, UAF chaired the concluding session where program evaluators/experts shared their observations. This session was attended by Dean, HoDs and other faculty members of the university. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Sarwar Khan, Dean thanked NAEAC team for their day-long deliberations and inspection visit and assured that the recommendations made by AICs would be implemented to increase the standard of education and to expand the skills of the graduates.

