

## Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar at Sindh Madressatul Islam University- Karachi

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Sindh Madressatul Islam University is a chartered public University, duly recognized by the Higher Education Commission (HEC) of Pakistan. It is one of the oldest institutions in South Asia. The Founder of Pakistan, Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah, studied at this institution for about four and a half years from 1887-92. Its campus is located in the commercial hub of Karachi, near I.I. Chundrigar Road (old McLeod Road) in vicinity of Habib Bank Plaza and MCB Tower. It is spread over more than eight acres of land and comprises some of the most beautiful colonial era buildings designed by architect James Strachan in 1880s. The Sindh Madressatul Islam (SMI) was established in 1885 by the legend Khan Bahadur Hassanally Effendi. The University Library has more than fifteen thousand books, some of which are rare ones. The University having 10 departments including department of Environmental Sciences.



On January 04, 2022, a Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was conducted at Sindh Madressatul Islam (SMI) University, Karachi. Prof. Dr. Mujeebuddin Sahrai Memon, Vice Chancellor, SMI University, Karachi chaired the session. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairman NAEAC was the Guest Speaker. The proceedings of the seminar started by playing a recorded National Anthem, followed by recitation of Holy Quran and an overview of the university presented by Prof. Dr. Asif Ali, Dean, SMI University, Karachi. Dr. Imran Ali, Chairperson, Department of Environmental Sciences, SMI University, Karachi presented the accomplishments of the Department of Environmental Sciences in details.

Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana speaking on the occasion emphasized, “Quality education and research guarantees bright future for the youth since knowledge economy is the new mantra of success in the world today to achieve progress and development goals. Competent and dedicated teachers play a pivotal role in the intellectual development and promotion of academic potential of the students.”

“Environmental issues pose a serious threat in Pakistan. Well-equipped laboratories, scholarships, market and industry-oriented education and research, in addition to fashioning a culture of training workshops and conferences will go a long way in improving the quality of education,” Dr. Rajwana added. He also briefed the seminar participants about the working and performance of NAEAC. Students and faculty members of the department of Environmental Sciences attended the seminar.

Prof. Dr. Mujeebuddin Sahrai Memon, Vice Chancellor, SMI University, Karachi uttered gratitude to the guest speaker and accentuated that our hopes for a sustainable future of Pakistan are linked with the young students. He further added that consistent efforts to improve quality of higher education is inevitable to meet the emerging challenges of knowledge economy.

