

## Accreditation visit of Agriculture & Allied Degree Programs at Cholistan University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences (CUVAS)- Bahawalpur

November 27-28, 2023

Cholistan University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences (CUVAS)-Bahawalpur was established in March, 2018 after realizing the immense need for professionals in the field of Livestock Sector. Total 1000 acre land was allocated to CUVAS-Bahawalpur on July 01, 2010. Currently, there are 3 faculties offering 15 undergraduate programs. Total currently enrolled students in the university are 2800. CUVAS has 86 faculty members among them 70% are PhDs.

Three Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Fayyaz-ul-Hassan Sahi, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener and Dr. Abdul Waheed, Associate Professor/Chairman, Department of Livestock and Poultry Production, Bahauddin Zakariya University (BZU), Multan, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Riaz, Chairman, Department of Food Safety & Quality Management, BZU, Multan and Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC as members conducted Accreditation visit of three undergraduate degree programs Animal Sciences, Food Science & Technology and Poultry Science.

Prof. Dr. Faiz-ul-Hassan, Dean, Faculty of Animal Production & Technology (FAPT), Dr. Rana Muhammad Bilal, Director QEC and Dr. Kashif Akram, Associate Prof., Department of Food Science & Technology (FST) received the guests on November 26, 2023. Prof. Dr. Sajjad Khan, Vice Chancellor, CUVAS, Bahawalpur along with other team members formally welcomed NAEAC and AICs team on November 27, 2023 at VC Secretariat. Prof. Dr. Sajjad Khan, Vice Chancellor, CUVAS, Bahawalpur chaired the inaugural session in the syndicate room and Dr. Kashif Akram, Chairman, Department of FST, CUVAS, Bahawalpur shared the salient accomplishments of the university. Later, Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC through a presentation shared the previous AICs recommendation, accreditation standards and sub standards besides the importance and significance of accreditation. Prof. Dr. Sajjad Khan requested the NAEAC team to complete accreditation visit within the same day because he will be busy in the next day with other official work.

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, poultry farms/livestock farms 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. The university also arranged a visit of historical place (Noor Mahal) before dinner.

The program evaluators/experts shared their observations with Prof. Dr. Sajjad Khan, Vice Chancellor, CUVAS Bahawalpur at dinner. Prof. Dr. Sajjad Khan, Vice Chancellor and Prof. Dr. Faiz-ul Hassan, Dean FAPT, Dr. Rana Muhammad Bilal, Director QEC with their team members, Registrar, Controller, HoDs and faculty members were present. Prof. Dr. Sajjad Khan 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.

