

Accreditation visit of Agriculture & Allied degree Programs at The University of Agriculture- Dera Ismail Khan

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The University of Agriculture (UAD), Dera Ismail Khan is a newly established University, chartered by the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Provincial Assembly on March 2018 and recognized by HEC Pakistan. The University started its academic activities for the Fall2019. The University contains 12 faculties including Faculty of Agriculture and more than 50 departments.

Four Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Fayyaz-ul-Hassan, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener, Prof. (Retd). Dr. Riaz Ahmad, Department of Agronomy, UAF, Dr. Muhammad Asif Aziz, Department of Entomology, PMAS, AAUR, Dr. Tariq Mahmood, Department of Zoology, Wildlife and Fisheries, PMAS, AAUR and Dr. Riffat Hayat, Institute of Soil & Environmental Sciences, PMAS, AAUR as members conducted Accreditation visit of Agronomy, Entomology, Forestry and Soil Science degree programs at The University of Agriculture, Dera Ismail Khan (UAD).

The inaugural session was held in the afternoon on September 20, 2023 at VC Secretariat. Prof. Dr. Shakeeb Ullah, Vice Chancellor, The University of Agriculture, Dera Ismail Khan chaired the inaugural session and Mr. Abdul Basit Khan, Registrar, UAD shared the salient accomplishments of the University. Later, Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC shared the accreditation standards (8) and substandard (73) besides the importance and significance of accreditation along with previous AIC recommendations.

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 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 concluding session of the visit, the program evaluators/experts shared their observations with Prof. Dr. Shakeeb Ullah, VC, the University of Agriculture D.I.Khan, Registrar, HoDs and other faculty members. Prof. Dr. Shakeeb Ullah thanked NAEAC team for their two-day 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.

