

## Pre-accreditation/Zero visit of Human Nutrition & Dietetics (HND) at Nishtar Medical University, Multan

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The Governor of the Punjab Sardar Abdur Rab Nishtar made the announcement on 31st December 1950 in a public meeting that the government of Punjab has decided to establish a medical college and hospital at Multan. It was named as Nishtar Medical College and Hospital to honor Sardar Abdur Rab Nishtar. Foundation stone of the College & hospital was laid by Sardar Abdur Rab Nishtar on 28<sup>th</sup> April 1951 and college started functioning from 1<sup>st</sup> October, 1953 with 80 beds hospital and currently there are 1700 beds. This college was given the charter of university in May 2017. Currently 245 students are enrolled in HND. There are 15 faculty members in HND and allied disciplines. University has its own hospital where HND students get practical training.



An Accreditation Inspection Committee (AIC) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener, Prof. Dr. Nuzhat Huma, HoD, Department of FST, GCUF Sub-Campus Sahiwal and Dr. Tauseef Sultan, Institute of Food Science & Nutrition, Bahauddin Zakariya University (BZU), Multan as members conducted Zero/Pre-accreditation visit of Human Nutrition & Dietetics (HND) degree program of Nishtar Medical University, Multan.



Prof. Dr. Hafiz Muhammad Kamran Siddiqui, Chairperson, Department of Human Nutrition & Dietetics (HND), Nishtar Medical University (NMU), Multan received the guests. Prof. Dr. Rana Altaf Ahmed, Vice Chancellor, NMU, Multan formally welcomed NAEAC and AIC team. The inaugural session was started with the recitation of Holy Quran. Prof. Dr. Rana Altaf Ahmed, Vice Chancellor, NMU, presented an overview of the institute and shared the salient accomplishments of the university/institute. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC presented a brief overview of NAEAC activities, achievements made so far. During the inaugural session, Registrar, HoD and other faculty members were present.



Later, AIC directly moved to HND where detailed presentation and discussion was held. Prof. Dr. Hafiz Muhammad Kamran Siddiqui, Chairperson, Department of Human Nutrition & Dietetics (HND), NMU, Multan briefed the AIC in detail about working of the HND department and achievements in terms of student graduation, faculty positions and research projects. AIC also visited respective departmental infrastructure including labs, classrooms, library and faculty offices. Subject expert held individual meetings with students to get an insight teaching/working environment in the department. AIC also held individual faculty meeting to know the working environment and job satisfaction level.

In the exit meeting, Program evaluators also shared their observations with the Prof. Dr. Rana Altaf Ahmed, Vice Chancellor, NMU, Multan, Registrar, HoD, HND and other faculty members. Dr. Rana thanked NAEAC team for their day-long deliberations and assured that the recommendations made by AIC would be implemented to raise the standard of education and to improve the skills of the graduates produced.

