

Accreditation visit of Agriculture & Allied degree Programs at MNSUA-Multan

Muhammad Nawaz Shareef University of Agriculture (MNSUA), Multan is a HEC recognized public sector university of Pakistan chartered in 2013. Since 2016, MNSUAM has been rapidly advancing and has quickly gained a reputation as one of the fastest-growing academic institutions in the country. The university has also emerged in international rankings, including Time Higher Education Rankings 2022, WURI (World Universities with Real Impact). The MNSUA main campus is located at Old Shujabad Road in Multan. The main campus comprises 180 acres of land. The university also has a research and outreach station spanning 500 acres at Jalalpur Pirwala. The university offers 60 undergraduate and postgraduate programs, and the current enrollment is about 7000. There are 5 faculties having 150 faculty members, most of them are PhD from various technologically advanced countries.

Five Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Fayyaz-ul-Hassan Sahi, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Sana Ullah, Institute of Soil & Environmental Sciences, University of Agriculture Faisalabad, Prof. Dr. Mian Anjum Murtaza, Institute of Food Science & Nutrition, University of Sargodha, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Nafees, Chairman, Department of Horticulture, The Islamia University of Bahawalpur, Prof. Dr. Ghulam Murtaza, Institute of Soil & Environmental Sciences, University of Agriculture Faisalabad, Dr. Muhammad Khalid Bashir, Institute of Agricultural & Resource Economics, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad as member conducted accreditation visit of Environmental Sciences, Food Science & Technology, Horticulture, Soil Science, and Agribusiness degree program at MNSUA-Multan.

Prof. Dr. Umar Farooq, Chairman, Department of Food Science & Technology MNSUAM, Prof. Dr. Irfan Baig, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences received NAEAC and AIC teams. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Vice Chancellor, MNSUA chaired the inaugural session held in VC-Office and 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. In this session, accreditation certificates were distributed among HoD/Chairman Department of Agricultural Economics, Poultry Science, Human Nutrition & Dietetics and Seed Science & Technology accredited during last fiscal year. After the inaugural session certificates were distributed amongst the internees and mentors at the Department of Food Science & Technology. This occasion was graced by Prof. Dr. Umar Farooq, Chairman Department of Food Science & Technology, Prof. Dr. Fayyaz-ul-Hassan, Chairperson NAEAC.

Meanwhile the 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, sports facilities and held meeting with students of the department to get an insight of teaching/working environment in the departments. In the afternoon, 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 also held individual faculty meeting to know the working environment and job satisfaction level and student teacher interaction.

In the end, Prof. Dr. Irfan Baig, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, MNSUA chaired the concluding session where program evaluators/experts shared their observations. Prof. Dr. Irfan Baig, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, MNSUAM thanked NAEAC team for their 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.

