

Accreditation Visit of Agriculture Degree Programs - Muhammad Nawaz Sharif University of Agriculture, Multan

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MNS-University of Agriculture, Multan (MNS-UAM) is HEC recognized higher education institution that started its academic activities in 2012. The university has made rapid progress in terms of expansion of its academic programs, students enrolment, physical infrastructure, campus network, and hiring of highly qualified and experienced academic and administrative staff. The University is located at old Shujabad Road, Multan, neighboring several different wings and formations of Punjab Agriculture Department.

Four Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as convener and Prof. Dr. Khalid Mushtaq, Institute of Agricultural & Resources Economics, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, Prof. Dr. Abdul Saboor, Department of Agricultural Economics, PMAS Arid Agriculture University, Rawalpindi, Dr. Waqas Malik, Department of PBG, BZU, Multan and Prof. Dr. Rashida Atiq, Department of Plant Pathology, BZU Multan as members, visited MNS-UAM to conduct accreditation visit of Agribusiness, Agricultural Economics, Biotechnology and Plant Pathology.

In the inaugural session Prof. Dr. Irfan Baig, Dean Faculty of Social Science and Humanities explained the university achievements related to infrastructure development, Prof. Dr. Zulfiqar Ali, Director ORIC highlighted the projects executed at MNS-UAM so far and Prof. Dr. Shafqat Saeed, Dean, Faculty of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences explained the outcomes of different projects. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC presented a brief overview of NAEAC activities and informed the faculty about the need & importance of accreditation and so far number of degree programs accredited in the country.

Later on, AIC visited the relevant departments where detailed presentations and discussions were held and respective HoDs briefed concerned AIC about the department working and achievements. AICs also visited departmental labs, library, glasshouse, classrooms, faculty offices and experimental research area including soilless farming (Hydroponic). Each AIC held individual meetings with faculty members to assess level of satisfaction and motivation by leadership and students of the departments to get an insight of student teacher interaction and student amenities being provided. In the concluding session, the program evaluators shared their observations with the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Asif and other officials. Vice Chancellor thanked NAEAC team for their two day long deliberations and inspection visit. He directed Director QEC, Deans and Chairmen that points raised by the evaluators must be implemented in true letter and spirit.

