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VC UoT Meets HG/Chancellor PSUs Muhammad Khan Achakzai

VICE CHANCELLOR University of Turbat Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir called on Hon'able Governor Balochistan/ Chancellor Public Sector Universities in Balochistan Muhammad Khan Achakzai in Governor House Quetta here on 26th August, 2014. Vice Chancellor UoT apprised the Hon'able Governor of the academic and developmental progress of the University of Turbat. He also lauded the full support of the Chancellor and provincial government for the newly established University. VC also accorded a formal invitation to the Hon'able Chancellor to visit University of Turbat.

HON'ABLE CHANCELLOR expressed his satisfaction on pace of progress of UoT and asked the VC UoT to introduce new subjects e.g Agriculture at UoT as Mekran had a vast fertile land to be cultivated.

UoT Holds its Second Meeting of Syndicate

The Second meeting of the Syndicate of University of Turbat was held on Monday 24th November, 2014 in the Campus Library. Besides confirming minutes of the last meeting, Syndicate approved the minutes of the First and Second meetings of the Academic Council, Faculty Council, First, Second and third meetings of the Finance and Planning Committee and first meeting of the Selection Board of UoT. Syndicate further accorded approval of two new Science subjects including Chemistry in the University. The Vision and Mission statement of the University were approved in the Syndicate and approval for Annual Report of the University of Turbat was granted for the year 2013-2014.

The syndicate meeting was chaired by VC UoT Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir and the members of the meeting included, Dr. Abdul Saboor, PVC, UoT, Dr. Gul Hassan, PVC, LUAWMS, Uthal, Mr. Abdul Hameed Baloch, Advocate, Mr. Ghulam Farooq, Director Finance, UoT, Mr. Tanvir Ahmed, Controller Examinations, UoT, and Mr. Muhammad Hayat, Registrar, UoT.

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UoT Holds the 2nd Meeting of the Academic Council

The second meeting of UoT Academic Council was held here on 19th September, 2014. Vice Chancellor University of Turbat Prof Dr Abdul Razzaq Sabir chaired the meeting. He gave a brief summary of the University achievements of the past one and half years. He said that University of Turbat had achieved a great deal in a relatively short period of time. Getting recognized from Higher Education Commission, successfully conducting regular classes for M.A and MSc, induction of new Faculty members, Foreign Scholarships for the Faculty, setting up a state of the art library and laboratories were some of the highlights down the lane of its success story. The Vice Chancellor further stated the University of Turbat was endowed with the sacred mission of filling the educational vacuum in the region and expressed his gratitude to the people of Mekran for their unwavering commitment toward the cause of Education and reposing their confidence in the newly established University.



In the meantime, in order to shore up the domain of higher learning and Educational research, the Academic Council reached some vital decisions that included initiating Science subjects in UoT, encouraging students and faculty towards research and according approval of the Committee for getting the colleges in Mekran affiliated with University of Turbat. The council also approved different Boards of Faculty for Arts and Science subjects, agreeing to of the recommendations put up by the board and selection of new Chairpersons for different Departments as well as starting MPhil classes in the departments with PhD Faculty. The council agreed to recommendations that different Diploma and Certificate courses under Departments of Computer Science, English and Commerce may be started to cater the growing needs of the local youth.

Pro VC UoT Dr Abdul Saboor, Registrar Mohammad Hayat, Controller Examinations Tanvir Wadar and the Head of Departments, along with other members also attended the meeting.

UoT Holds its 2nd Finance and Planning Committee Meeting

The 2nd meeting of UoT Finance and Planning Committee was held here on 19th Oct, 2014 at the Main Campus of University of Turbat. Vice Chancellor UoT Prof Dr Abdul Razzaq Sabir presided over the meeting. While addressing the members, Vice Chancellor UoT reiterated his commitment to the provision of quality Education in Mekran and expressed his satisfaction over the overall pace of developmental projects at University of Turbat. He held that the recent decision to incorporate Science

Subject at the university is monumental and will provide the locals with the opportunity to study Science Subjects right in their hometown, obviating the need to cover long distances for the same.



In the meanwhile, the Finance and planning committee took some important decisions that included the approval of next UoT annual budget, establishing UoT endowment fund, monitoring the revision of PC 1 so that developmental projects get completed well in time and according approval to the UoT Fee structure.

The meeting was attended by Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq sabir, in chair, PVC UoT Dr. Abdul Saboor, Pro VC LUWMS Dr. Gul Hassan, Managing Director PPRA Balochistan, Noor ul Haq Baloch. Registrar UoT, Mohammad Hayat, Director Finance UoT, Ghulam Farouq, Controller Examinations UoT, Tanvir Ahmed, and the Chairpersons Departments of Management Sciences, and Commerce, Mumtaz Ahmed and Mohammad Mushtaq respectively.

UoT Holds its 3rd Finance and Planning Committee Meeting

Later on the third meeting of the Finance and Planning Committee took place at Karachi on 15th of November, 2014, and it was chaired by VC UoT, Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir, in which the revised PC-1 of the University of Turbat was discussed in detail and approved.



Dr. Abdul Saboor, PVC UoT, Dr. Gul Hassan, PVC LUAWMS, Mr. Noor ul Haq, MD PPRA Balochistan, Rashid Razzaq, CEO PPHI, Mr. Ghulam Farooq, Director Finance, Mr. Mumtaz Ahmed, Chairperson Department of Management Science. While Mr. Muhammad Hayat, Registrar, Mr. Tanvir Ahmed, CE, Mr. Muhammad Shahid, Representative HEC, Mr. Manzoor Ahmed Baloch, PD were present on special invitations. The Facilitator of the meeting were Mr. Ganguzar Baloch, Deputy Registrar, and Mr. Chaker Hyder, PSO to VC.

UoT inks MoU with UNDP

University of Turbat has inked a MoU with United Nations Development Program (UNDP) Pakistan, to provide a framework of cooperation and facilitate collaboration between the Parties, on a non-exclusive basis, in areas of common interest, including collaborate in enhancing civic education by engaging UN Youth Volunteers from the University. To establish coordination mechanism between the University, and UNDP Pakistan is also a main clause of the MoU. It is worth mentioning that this is the first ever MoU inked by University of Turbat with an International Organization.



UoT Obtains PERN Service Access

University of Turbat has achieved one its milestones being connected to PERN 2. Pakistan Education & Research Network is the only research and education network of Pakistan which was launched in 2002. The purpose of this national research and education network is to provide communication infrastructure to the universities, institutions of higher learning and research organizations to meet their networking and internet requirements. The network has evolved significantly and is providing valuable services, like high-speed internet, audio/video conferencing, and access to digital library resources.



PERN Services

- Internet Services (Fastest Access to Information)
- Intranet: Virtual Private LAN Service (Secure, Reliable Global Ethernet VPN Full-Mesh Solution)
- National Digital Library
- Video/VoIP (Video Conferencing)
- Local Content Hosting (Cloud Services)
- Unified Communication (The Private Cloud technology as implemented is primarily aimed at providing Unified Communication solution including email services, office communicator etc.)

Lecture Program on Balochi Linguistics by Dr. Gul Hassan (PVC, LUAWMS)

Department of Balochi, University of Turbat, organized a lecture program entitled "The origin of Balochi Language." As the topic referred, the speaker of the day Dr. Gul Hassan gave a comprehensive lecture on the Balochi Language, starting from the very foundations of the language and its birth.



The occasion was blessed with the presence of Vice Chancellor, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Registrar, Chairperson Department of Balochi, Faculty members and the students of the concerned department.

Dr. Gul Hassan, Pro-Vice Chancellor (LUAWMS) Uthal had gave an in depth historical background on the genesis of the language and discussed all the aspects. During the session, the students asked several questions related to the topic and recieved convincing replies.

After the lecture concluded, both the Vice Chancellor and the Pro-Vice Chancellor put forward their gratitude to the speaker and admired the role of the Department of Balochi in taking such steps. The chairperson of Department of Balochi appreciated the presence of the guest speaker and thanked him whole heartedly for his presence. He also thanked the audience.

One Day Training/Workshop for the Visiting Faculty of UoT

University of Turbat felt vacancies when its different lecturers from Department of Commerce and Management Science, proceeded abroad for higher education. So the departments has to hire faculty to continue academic activities.



On hiring different visiting faculty members, a One-Day Training session was organized on 19th, September, 2014. With Mr. Mukhtar Hussain from Computer Science Department and Ms. Samina Faqir from Economics Dept as the resource person. The training enabled the participants to improve their teaching and communication skills. The training included two sessions, first session was of Microteaching and the other session comprised the semester rules.



Two months training at HEC Islamabad Master Trainer Faculty Professional Development Program

On 22nd August, 2014, Mushtaq Mohammad Badini, Lecturer/Chairperson of Department of Commerce joined a 2 month long training at HEC Islamabad under 23rd Master Trainer Faculty Professional Development Program.

The teaching is an instructional procedure designed to relate to the objectives of teaching and material available. Teaching is a rational ordering and balancing in the light of knowledge and purpose, of the several elements that enter into the educative process, the nature of pupil and the total learning situation.

During the entire session of the training Mr. Mushtaq learned that how one can improve the techniques of effective teaching methods specially through micro teaching which does not only limited with the techniques but with the small activities in the class can contribute a lot towards effective teaching. Overall there were different modules of training but the micro teaching module was very fruitful because it was

comprises of two modules and took almost seven days (combined with micro teaching cycle 1 and 2). Communication skill cycle was very interesting and very much related to the intended purpose of the training because the key to effective teaching is the effective communication skill. As one said that "if all my possessions were taken from me with one exception, I would hope to keep my power of communication For by it I would regain all the rest"

The training was very interesting and very much informative, the contents were good, facilities were good, supervisors, trainers, extracurricular activities, tour and trips, lower staff cooperation each and every thing was remarkable. HEC's efforts regarding faculty professional development is on the mark and is appreciable.

Two New Departments Introduced in UoT

The University of Turbat has introduced two new departments, Department of Chemistry and Department of Education. With Department of Education, 4 new programs were introduced. The Department of Education announced its Admissions for M.A. Education and its first batch will start in the Academic Year 2015-2016.

Faculty of Political Science attends UNDP Session for Electoral Reforms

15th Dec: Session for electoral reforms in Pakistan, attended by Chaker Hyder, faculty of Political Science, where all the vibrant sectors of civil societies, i.e. Judiciary, Media Members, Academicians, and the Political Personalities, given their



valuable inputs for electoral reforms in Pakistan. The session was conducted by James Litterton, Chief Technical Assistant and was co-ordinated by Quraysh Khan.

Incharge of QEC, UoT attends Two Day Workshop for Newly Established QECs

Mr. Muzaffir Hussain, Incharge Quality Enhancement Cell attended a two days' Workshop for Newly Established QECs in Islamabad and it was organized by QAA Higher Education Commission Islamabad.



Balochi Department Holds Lecture on Modern Balochi Literature

In the month of November, 2014 a lecture was organized to discuss the modern trends in Balochi literature, and the prominent Scholar Yousuf Aziz Gichki as the speaker. He delivered his lecture on the various horizons of Modern Balochi Literature.



This program was chaired by Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir Vice Chancellor UoT. In his final words on that day, VC appreciated the organizers and encouraged them for future programs. In his speech, Pro Vice Chancellor UoT Dr. Abdul Saboor Baloch also appreciated services of Mr. Yousaf Aziz Gichki regarding promotion of Balochi literature.

Balochi Department Holds Lecture on Classical Poetry

On 15th September, 2014 a lecture was organized by Balochi department on the various aspects of Balochi classical poetry with Faqeer Shad as the speaker of the lecture. Program was chaired by Dr. Abdul Saboor Baloch Pro Vice Chancellor University of Turbat.

On this eve the faculty and students of Balochi Department attentively attended the session and participated the question and answer session. Speaking on the occasion the Pro Vice Chancellor threw light on the different aspects of Balochi literature and he lauded efforts of Faqir Shad for promotion of Balochi literature particularly the Balochi poetry. Mr. Ghafoor Shad, Chairperson Department of Balochi also shared his views on the occasion.

VC, PVC UOT Attend International Seminar on Gul Khan Naseer at Quetta

An international Seminar from marking the 100th birthday anniversary of Poet Gul Khan Naseer was held in Quetta on 5th and 6th of December, 2014. This international seminar consisted of an inaugural session, five plenary sessions and a concluding session. Guests that attended the program include Chief Minister Balochistan, Dr. Abdul Malik Baloch, Governor Balochistan Muhammad Khan Achakzai, and Minister Culture, Tourism, Archives and Sports of Balochistan Mir Mujeeb-Ur-Rehman Muhammad Hassani.

The VC UoT Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir presided over the second working session. The fourth plenary session was presided over by Dr. Abdul Saboor Baloch PVC, UoT. Chairperson Department of Balochi, Abdul Ghafoor Shad also presented his paper in the seminar.

VC UoT meets VC BUIITEMS



The Vice Chancellor University of Turbat Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir on December 10th met the Vice Chancellor BUETIMS Engr. Ahmed Farooq Bazai in his office to enhance the mutual coordination between both Universities. Vice Chancellor University of Turbat expressed his keen interest to hire the faculty from BUIITEMS to deliver lectures via video conference. VC UoT praised the role of BUIITEMS regarding promoting technical and higher education in the province.

PM Laptop Distribution Ceremony Held at UoT

On 5th November, laptops of PM Laptop Scheme were distributed among the awarded students. Prime Minister's Laptop Scheme's first distribution ceremony was held in University of Turbat. HEC representative Zubair Mukhtar was present on this eve. Registrar UoT, Director Finance UoT, Controller Examination, Chairpersons and Faculty members attended this ceremony.



Student of UoT attends Markhor 2014

Youth Impact, a non-governmental nationwide youth network organization in Pakistan, launched Pakistan 1st wilderness based youth leadership conference held at Mukshpuri peak, Nathiagali, on September 25-28, 2014.



The delegate MUZAFFAR SHAN (BBA 8th semester) has been selected among thousands of aspiring applicants for showing considerable leadership potential. He is the only individual from MAKRRAN division and the participant who traveled through the longest distance to attend the MARKHOR14 Conference. His commitment to aim in life, determination, and thirst to be a future social leader and a great human being is highly appreciated.

Students of Computer Science Department attend ITCN Hackathon

ITCN Asia organized Windows Phone Hackathon in collaboration with Microsoft at Expo Center Karachi from 26th-28th of August.



This Hackathon was a developer's challenge for building applications in different categories for Microsoft Windows Phone 8 and 8.1. This competition was open for all, so a student, a teacher or a professional developer could apply. Because of limited seats availability only first registrants were adjusted. Fortunately Ghulam Mustafa (BSCS 8th Semester) and Jaami Parvez (BSCS 4th) were selected as a team, named Elite Nybbles for this Hackathon. Our team had performed marvelously during the three days and they qualified for the second round.

Students of UoT works on the UNDP assignment, "Civic Education"

University of Turbat is a part of UNDP, and it demanded four students to work as their member for the assignment "Civic Education" for six months. Department related to social subjects were interviewed by a committee via phone and, Bahad Ali, Muhammad Umar, Muhammad Shafeeq, and Rizwan Ghani were selected. They were to attend a three days training session in Islamabad in which the members were trained about several topics such as Good Governance, Election Commission, Fundamental Rights, Democracy and so on.



After completing the training, all members of UNDP were assigned the task to spread out the assigned or trained topic or assignments over different communities. The members are being monthly paid as well for their supportive activities.

Students of UoT attend KUMUN'14

A delegation of 3 students from University of Turbat attended 4-day conference held by KUMUN (Karachi University Model United Nations) on 13th to 16th November 2014. The visit was fully funded by University of Turbat.



KUMUN'14 is the first edition of MUN (Model United Nations) by Karachi University. Over 50 Universities, Colleges and Cambridge schools participated from all over Pakistan and University of Turbat was one of them. Students of UoT experienced 3 days of Committee Sessions in which they participated in debates over major issue of the world related to Human rights, Environment, Economy, foreign relations, Health, Education and political stability. Students also attended 3 social events which included cultural night and formal dinner.

In the closing ceremony of conference, all the participants and all the guests gave a standing ovation to students of University of Turbat to encourage them because University of Turbat was the only university which represented Balochistan in KUMUN'14.

Department of Computer Science holds #HourOfCode

On 10th and 11th of December, 2014, Department of Computer Science, University of Turbat organized the hour of code (#hourofcode) event in the campus. The event, as organized globally every year, by many of the schools, colleges, universities, and communities, with the collaboration of Code.org, is all about telling people about computer science, computer programming, or as usually called "Coding". The time slot for your choice of hour for the code is a week long in the month of December, held in recognition of the birthday of computing pioneer Admiral Grace Murray Hopper (December 9, 1906).



"We don't need all students to become engineers, just like we don't need them to become chemists, biologists or mathematicians. All our children, however, need access to the basics. Every student learns how to dissect a frog, how electricity works, and what H2O means. Today, it's equally important to learn how to "dissect an app", how the Internet works or what HTTP means. This foundational knowledge will be increasingly important in medicine, law, journalism, business, accounting, politics, you name it. Computer science helps students develop creativity, confidence, and problem-solving - which help in all information age careers." -- Code.org

The participants of Hour of Code were class 10th students of Government and Private schools of Turbat. The students had their brain set for future fields either Engineering or Medical, but after today, they put Computer Science another option for them. After an introductory session about hour of code and computer science, the students were seated in computer lab of University of Turbat, where they played "Blockly Games (by Google)" also know as the game for programmers. The students, who never heard of coding before, played the game with interest and even helped other fellows.

Department of English Literature Organizes a colorful event

On 25th November 2014, under the banner of UoT Literary Society, Department of English Literature UoT held an event "Literature is the Mirror of Life". The program started with a note from the focal person Madam Durdana Baloch saying the literary society UoT aims at the development of literary taste and cultivation the rich literary minds of Kech and Makran.

The Event was blessed with the presence of the Worthy vice-Chancellor UoT, The Pro Vice-Chancellor

University of Uthal Dr. Gul Hassan Baloch, the faculty members UoT, Qadeer Luqman, a famous young poet and a big number of students from different institutes.



The Department of Balochi took very keen part in the event and grabbed a number of prizes which involved the beautiful enactment of the legend of Qambar and the comic-poetry. The English Department was applauded for the fine show of the classic play of Dr. Faustus which included the scene of the Seven Deadly Sins.

At the end of the event, Chairperson English Department UoT, Adnan Riaz Baloch showed his gratitude for the presence of the guests. He reiterated the need of such events and believed that University of Turbat would prove a trend setter in this respect.

UoT Farewells its fourth batch of Undergraduate Programs

On 16th December, 2014, the Kechiens farewelled its fourth batch of its undergraduate program. The three classes were, BBA (2011-2014), BSCS (2011-2014), and B.Com (2013-2014). The classes BBA and BSCS were the second batch of four year studies program and B.Com is the fourth batch of two year studies.



The farewell had few sections of entertainment, Parody of the Students, and some informatic plays. The program was conducted by students with support from the Administration and Lecturers.

The students were presented with gifts from junior students, and had a lunch.

Business Gala 2014

The Business Gala 2014 in University of Turbat was held for two days on 19th and 20th November, 2014. The honorable commissioner of mekran Mr. Abdul Fateh Bhangar inaugurated the event by cutting the ribbon along with the worthy Vice chancellor UoT Dr. Abdul Razzak Sabir.

The Business Gala 2014 was organized and managed by the Chairperson Department of Management Sciences Mr. Mumtaz Ahmed and his team including Chairperson Department of Commerce Mr. Essa Karim.



This was not just an ordinary Gala to enjoy and celebrate with friends and families but it is the study part of our business students to apply their business, marketing, accounting and management abilities what they have learned in class rooms, now they done so practically. The practical learning was the main theme behind this event.

A total of 28 Business and information stalls were setup, participated by all the departments of this university. Besides these stalls, Admission desk was setup by the admission department of UoT. United Bank Ltd and SPO also setup their information stalls to provide information and awareness regarding their institution and work.

This is the second such event to be held in this university. A huge success for the university as it received enormous response from the people of kech, business society, literary society, teacher, students of schools and colleges etc. People joined this colorful and enjoyable event with families and kids.

The ending ceremony was held on the evening of 20th November, 2014. The Vice Chancellor UoT Dr. Abdul Razzak Sabir in his address congratulated all the students, participants and particularly the supervisor Mr. Mumtaz Ahmed for the huge success of this event. The Registrar UoT Mr. Muhammad Hayat stressed on the importance of such events for the learning environment of students.

Ceremony was concluded by distributing winning prizes, shields and certificates among the participants.



A Brilliant Life Cut Short

Kaodha Doda Rasheed or Doda as we used to lovingly call him, left us shaken with grief as he passed away following a deadly motorbike accident on the unfortunate morning of 4th Sep, 2014. He was on his way to the University.

Doda Rasheed was at the time of his untimely death, working as a regular Faculty member in the Department of Commerce, with the additional charges as Deputy Controller of Examinations and Principal Staff Officer to the Vice Chancellor University of Turbat. He had recently clinched a PhD scholarship and secured admission in a Turkish University.

Doda Rasheed born on 11 August 1987 in small village of Shaikahan, District Kech. Acquired his basic education from Nodiz and completed his Matriculation from Government High School Nodiz. For further education he admitted in Government Degree College Turbat where he completed his Intermediated and proceeded to Quetta for his graduation. After completion of .B.Com from Quetta Degree college joined Baha Uddin Zakria University, Multan and completed his MBA.

He will be greatly missed and everyone here at the University is deeply saddened by his sudden demise in the prime of life. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at the irreparable loss.

May his soul rest in Peace.

