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Meeting with HEC Chairman on Academic Innovation and Collaboration

Prof Dr Aman Ullah Malik, Rector, The University of Faisalabad, held a meeting with Prof Dr Niaz Ahmad Akhtar (S.I.), Chairman, Higher Education Commission (HEC) Pakistan. He extended his congratulations on his leadership as Chairman of HEC.

During the meeting, discussions focused on the enhancement of research output, integration of artificial intelligence in academic programs, and the adoption of digital technologies across higher education institutions. The dialogue highlighted the importance of promoting innovation, enhancing academic-industry linkages, and exploring collaborative initiatives at the national level.



Strategic Meeting on Revised Institutional Evaluation Parameters

The Quality Enhancement Cell (QEC) convened a strategic meeting of the Internal Quality Circle, chaired by Prof Dr Aman Ullah Malik, Rector and attended by Dr Zahida Maqbool, Registrar, Prof Dr Zahir Ahmad Zahir, Director QEC, Deans, and HoDs. The session shared departmental insights and feedback to ensure effective implementation of the revised framework across all disciplines.

Ms Munazza Anwar, Assistant Director, QEC, delivered a presentation on the updated Institutional Evaluation Parameters. The briefing highlighted modern quality metrics and clarified practical steps, transforming the revised parameters into actionable goals for the university.




Eurasia Higher Education Summit (EURIE 2026)

The Association of Private Sector Universities of Pakistan (APSUP) has announced the participation of The University of Faisalabad at the Pakistan Pavilion during the Eurasia Higher Education Summit (EURIE 2026), scheduled to be held in Istanbul, Turkey.

Delegation from The University of Faisalabad will include Mr Muhammad Haider Amin, Chairman, Board of Governors, TUF, Dr Zahida Maqbool, Registrar, TUF, Dr Amna Javed, Manager International Linkages, TUF, and Mr Aurang Zaib, Deputy Registrar Admissions and Student Affairs, TUF.

The summit provides an international platform for academic collaboration, institutional networking, and global engagement in higher education. Attendees are invited to visit the Pakistan Pavilion to explore potential partnerships and connect with leading private sector universities of Pakistan.



The banner features a background image of Istanbul with a mosque. It includes the EURIE logo (Eurasia Higher Education Summit, April 7-9, 2026) and the APSUP logo (Association of Private Sector Universities of Pakistan). The main text reads: "Pakistan Pavilion Eurie'26", "The Eurasia Higher Education Summit Istanbul, Turkey". Below this is the logo of The University of Faisalabad and the text: "The University of Faisalabad Proud Participant of the Pakistan Pavilion April 7-9, 2026".

Research Publication Incentives Approved for Faculty Members

In pursuance of the approval of the Competent Authority, the Research Publications Incentive has been granted to faculty members who have published research papers in HEC-recognized Y-Category journals. A total of 58 faculty members have collectively published 164 research papers in Y-category journals. An overall amount of PKR 2,380,000 has been allocated for this initiative. The incentives will be formally conferred during an upcoming incentive ceremony, recognizing the research contributions of the faculty members.



PINTECH Projects

The Punjab Innovation & Technology Expo (PINTECH Expo 2026), planned to be organized by the Punjab Higher Education Commission (PHEC), has been postponed. The new dates will be announced by PHEC in due course. Despite the rescheduling, the Evaluation Team of PHEC has shortlisted projects demonstrating notable innovation and practical problem-solving across key areas, including healthcare, artificial intelligence, smart systems, and community-focused solutions. These projects highlight the creativity and technical expertise of participating students and institutions.



The Future of Linguistics: Trends and Technology

The Department of English Language and Literature organized a seminar titled “The Future of Linguistics: Trends and Technology,” aimed at introducing students to emerging trends, the role of technology in language studies, and future academic and professional opportunities. Dr Kazim Shah, Assistant Professor, Department of Applied Linguistics, Government College University Faisalabad (GCUF), served as the guest speaker and delivered an engaging talk on the evolving landscape of linguistics in the digital age. He explained language as a system, behavior, and action, helping students understand its dynamic nature.



Dermatology Webinar on Facial Dermatoses and Dermatological Emergencies

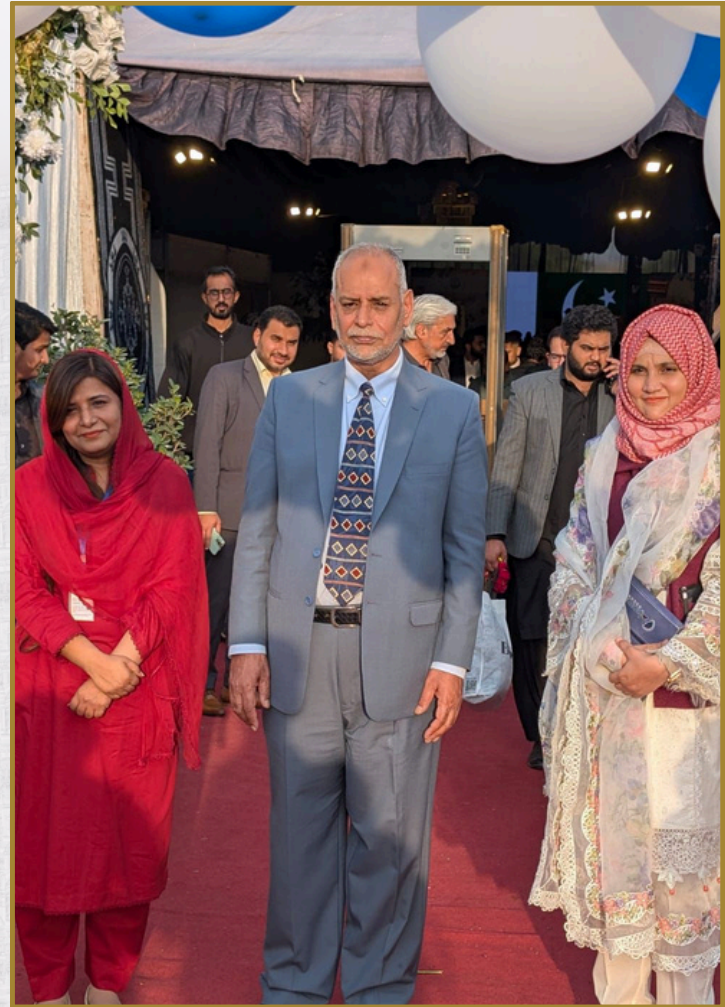
The Department of Dermal Sciences, The University of Faisalabad, and Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia (USIM), organized the International Inter-University Dermatology. The webinar was conducted in a hybrid format, allowing participation from local and international participants.

The webinar aimed to strengthen international academic engagement and provide updated clinical perspectives on facial dermatoses and dermatological emergencies. Prof Dr Tanzeela Khalid, Head, Department of Dermal Sciences and Dean, Clinical Research, TUF, delivered a lecture titled “Approach to Facial Dermatoses: Red Flags Not to Miss,” emphasizing structured clinical assessment, identification of high-risk indicators, and timely intervention, supported by case-based discussions. The second keynote address was delivered by Dr Ummu Aiman Faisal, Consultant Dermatologist and Clinical Lecturer, Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia. Her presentation, titled “Facial Presentation in Dermatological Emergencies,” focused on critical conditions involving the face. She highlighted the importance of early diagnosis, careful differential assessment, and prompt management to prevent complications and adverse outcomes. The webinar brought together faculty members, clinicians, researchers, and students.



Participation in Agriculture and Food Security Venture Spark Business Idea Competition

The University of Faisalabad participated in the AFS Venture Spark Business Idea Competition organized by MNS University, Multan. Students showcased innovative business ideas, honed their pitching skills, and gained valuable exposure to the entrepreneurial ecosystem.



Ramadan Welfare Drive by Alpha TUF Community



The Alpha TUF Community Welfare Society organized a Ramadan Welfare Drive to support deserving families. Ms Beenish Urooj, Deputy Commissioner, Federal Board of Revenue, attended the event as Chief Guest. Ms Beenish Urooj highlighted the role of youth in community welfare and encouraged students to contribute toward a responsible and compassionate society. Prof Dr Aman Ullah Malik appreciated the efforts of the Alpha team in carrying out welfare initiatives and acknowledged their commitment to community service. During the drive, more than 100 ration bags were distributed among deserving families, and sewing machines were provided to women to support their livelihoods.

Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Awareness Project Competition

The Pharmasphere Club organized an Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Awareness Project Competition, engaging students in addressing a critical global public health issue. The event was inaugurated by Dr Aamna Habib, Principal, Madina College of Pharmacy. The project highlighted the causes, consequences, and prevention of antimicrobial resistance, emphasizing the responsibility of future pharmacists in its control.



Ramadan Outreach Visit to Afiyat Old Age Home

As part of TUF, Ramadan outreach initiative, Alpha TUF Welfare, in collaboration with the Centre of Collective Activities and accompanied by the Worthy Registrar, TUF, Dr Zahida Maqbool, visited Afiyat Old Age Home and spent a meaningful evening with its residents. The team was received by Ms Rabia Khalid and the residents, whose hospitality enriched the gathering. The visit promoted compassion, social responsibility, and respect for elders while sharing the spirit of Ramadan. Iftar hampers, bangles, and henna were distributed to create a festive atmosphere.



Title: ICGEB–COMSTECH Scientific Cooperation Programme – Research Grants

Thematic priorities:

- Environment and Ecology
- Health-Infectious Diseases
- Health-Noncommunicable Diseases
- Industrial Biotechnology and Renewable Energy

Deadline: 30 April 2026

Apply Link: <https://www.icgeb.org/grants/icgeb-comstech-research-grants-2026-crp-collaborative-research-programme/>

Title: Pakistan Science Foundation RGMS: Call for Proposals: Industrial Solution Grants for Young Scientists

Thematic priorities:

- Climate Change
- Food Security
- Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Pharmaceuticals
- Renewable Energy
- Emerging Technologies

Deadline: 13 April 2026

Apply Link: <https://rgms.psf.gov.pk/rgms/login.aspx>

Title: Call for Proposals: Breakthrough Innovations to Reduce Cost of Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) Treatment

Thematic priorities:

- Logistics and Distribution Optimization
- Treatment Protocols and Regimen Design
- Program Delivery Models
- Complicated (In-patient) SAM Care Optimization

Deadline: 28 April 2026

Apply Link:

https://submit.gatesfoundation.org/prog/breakthrough_innovations_to_significantly_reduce_the_cost_of_severe_acute_malnutrition_treatment/

Title: Call for Proposals: AI to Accelerate Charitable Giving – Gates Foundation

Thematic priorities:

- Helping donors identify and connect with impactful causes
- Converting donor intent into actual contributions
- Developing AI-enabled systems for charitable giving

Deadline: 28 April 2026

Apply Link: <https://gcgh.grandchallenges.org/challenge/artificial-intelligence-ai-accelerate-charitable-giving>

Significant Publications

- Tariq, S. (2026). Global, regional, and national burden of breast cancer among females, 1990–2023, with forecasts to 2050: a systematic analysis for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2023. *The Lancet Oncology*, 27(3), 302–326. **Impact factor: 35.9**
- Jawad, M. (2026). Significance of Cattaneo-Christov heat flux and bioconvection in magnetized Jeffrey nanofluid inside an extendable cylinder: Advances in cooling system. *Results in Engineering*, 110094. **Impact Factor: 7.9**
- Majeed, A. (2026). A comparative study of mass and heat transfer in bio-convective magnetized radiative hybrid nanofluid flow over a 3D rotating stretching sheet with effects of Hall current and heat source/sink. *BioNanoScience*, 16(3), 232. **Impact Factor: 3.2**
- Tariq, S. (2026). Global burden of adverse effects of medical treatment from 1990 to 2021: A Global Burden of Disease Study 2021. *The Korean Journal of Internal Medicine*, 41(2), 350. **Impact factor: 3.1**
- Jawad, M. (2026). Thermal exploration of Cattaneo-Christov heat, thermal radiation and viscous dissipation on unsteady flow of reacted Maxwell nanofluids subjected to porous surface: A comparative study. *Journal of Engineering Research*. **Impact Factor: 2.2**
- Javed, A., Fahmi, A. (2026). Mathematically modeling based on different feed ingredients. *3s*, 44(11), 1–16. **Impact factor: 0.58**

Upcoming Event



The University of Faisalabad

ICDS²⁰²⁶
Wound Management and Skin Repair

5th International Conference on Dermal Sciences
Wound Management and Skin Repair

New Date: 13-14 April 2026