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THREE WEEKS "SHORT TERM & ATTACHMENT TRAINING COURSES FOR (LIS) PROFESSIONALS" ORGANIZED BY PASTIC NATIONAL CENTRE, ISLAMABAD

A three-week "Short term & Attachment training course for LIS Professionals" was organized by PASTIC National Centre, QAU Campus, Islamabad, from May 2-18, 2018, under its project entitled "Modernization of PASTIC National Science Reference Library for Effective Resource Sharing among S&T libraries in Pakistan". One of the core objectives of this project is capacity building of library professionals for better library management in the digital epoch



Dignitaries with the Chief Guest, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh, DG PASTIC, at the inauguration session.



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh, Director General PASTIC, delivering his speech at the inauguration ceremony of *Short term & Attachment training courses*.

The objective of the workshop was to improve the soft and technical skills of LIS professionals for transforming into innovative future leader. Contents of this training program were related to library management e.g., library digitization & automation, development of library website & marketing through social media whereas special sessions for improving communication, writing, research and innovative skills of the librarians were also included. 25 Library professionals across Pakistan including AJK, Balochistan, Federal, KPK, Punjab and Sindh benefited from this training workshop.

Highly experienced and professional resource persons were involved in this training. Field visits to Pakistan Museum of Natural History, COMSATS Library and National Library were also part of this training program.

Workshop for Capacity Building of Young Scientists on "COMMUNICATING SCIENCE TO SOCIETY" AT UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE FAISALABAD

A one-day Workshop for Capacity Building of Young Scientists on "Communicating Science to Society" at University of Agriculture Faisalabad was jointly organized by PASTIC Faisalabad and UAF on May 10, 2018. Inaugural session was presided by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh, Director General PASTIC, and Guest of Honor was Mr. Shasmas-ul-Islam, Editor, 92 News Faisalabad. In the closing session the Chief Guest was Prof. Dr. Zafar Iqbal, Vice Chancellor, University of Agriculture Faisalabad. The resource persons were Mr. Paras Ali, Editor Technology times and Ms. Huma Qamar, Ayub Agricultural Research Institute Faisalabad. Around 130 participants participated in the workshop.



Prof. Dr. Zaheer Ahmed, Director ORIC, University of Agriculture Faisalabad; Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh, DG PASTIC and Mr. Shasmas-ul-Islam, Editor, 92 News Faisalabad, at the inaugural session of the workshop.



Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh, DG PASTIC, presenting shield to Prof. Dr. Zafar Iqbal, Vice Chancellor, University of Agriculture Faisalabad.

Workshop on "EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES IN RESEARCH; GOOGLE APPS & SPSS" AT AYUB AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE FAISALABAD

A three-Day Workshop on "Emerging Technologies in Research; Google Apps & SPSS" was organized at Ayub Agricultural Research Institute Faisalabad on May 14-16, 2018. Resource Persons were Prof. Dr. Muhammad Yaseen, Chairman Department of Mathematics & Statistics, University of Agriculture and Mr. Nadeem Sohail from FAST Lahore.



Ch. Muhammad Nadeem Akhtar, Senior Librarian; Dr. Abid Mahmood, Director General Agriculture Research, Ayub Agricultural Research Institute Faisalabad and Mr. Muhammad Hasnain, Deputy Director PASTIC, Faisalabad.

On the first day, the focus of the workshop was on practical training of Google Apps. 130 scientists participated in the workshop. The next two days, the focus of the training was on SPSS, and the number of participants was 35.



Group photo of the participants of the workshop

Dr. Abid Mahmood, Director General Agriculture Research, was the Chief Guest of the closing ceremony. Muhammad Hasnain, Deputy Director PASTIC, Faisalabad and Ch. Muhammad Nadeem Akhtar, Senior Librarian were the Course Coordinators.

TRAINING PROGRAM AT PASTIC NATIONAL CENTRE, TO ENHANCE RESEARCHER'S CAPABILITIES

PASTIC organized three days training workshop on the topic of "Research Tools and Techniques (SPSS)" at I.T Lab of PASTIC to enhance the quality of research from May 2-4, 2018. Mr. Muhammad Usman, was the resource person. Thirty one students of M.phil and Ph.D from Arid Agriculture University Rawalpindi, International Islamic University and Virtual University Islamabad participated in the training program. At the end of the training program, Director General PASTIC, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh distributed the training certificate amongst the participants.



Group photo of the research scholars at PASTIC National Centre, QAU, Islamabad.

Training workshop on "Plagiarism" at PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi

PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi organized a one day training workshop on "Plagiarism" on April 30, 2018 at PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi. 16 participants from different universities attended the workshop, which include Karachi University, Federal Urdu University of Arts Science & Technology Karachi and Dow Medical College Karachi. Resource Person was Dr. Samiyah Tasleem, Federal Urdu University of Arts, Science & Technology, Karachi.



Mr. Abdul Fatah Shaikh, DD (STI), delivering a presentation about PASTIC services during workshop on Plagiarism on April 30, 2018 at PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi.

Seminar on "How to Write Research Paper" at PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi

PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi organized a one-day Seminar on "How to write Research Paper" on May 9, 2018 at PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi. 16 participants from different universities attended the seminar, which include Karachi University, Federal Urdu University of Arts Science & Technology Karachi, Benazir Bhutto University Karachi, and Hamdard University Karachi. Resource Person was Dr. Samiyah Tasleem, Federal Urdu University of Arts, science & Technology, Karachi.



Group Photo of participants during Seminar on "How to write Research Paper" on 9th May 2018 at PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi.

Seminar on "Technology Development Fund" at PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi

PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi organized a one-day Seminar on "Technology Development Fund" on May 8, 2018 at PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi. 16 participants from different universities attended the workshop, which include Karachi University, Federal Urdu University of Arts Science & Technology Karachi, Hamdard University and Patel Hospital. Resource Person was Dr. Rashida Zohra, Director ORIC, Jinnah University for Women, Karachi.



Group photo of participants during Seminar on Technology Development Fund on 8th May 2018 at PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi

Workshop on "Laboratory Animal Handling and Ethics" at Federal Urdu University of Arts, Science and Technology Karachi

PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi organized a one-day "Workshop on Laboratory Animal Handling and ethics" with collaboration of Federal Urdu University of Arts, Science and Technology on May

14, 2018 at Federal Urdu University of Arts, Science and Technology. Mr. Javed Ali Memon, Regional Director Higher Education was the chief guest. Registrar, Deans and faculty members also attended the workshop. More than 60 participants attended the workshop.



Audience during the “Workshop on Laboratory Animal Handling and ethics” on 14 May 2018.



Mr. Abdul Fatah Shaikh Deputy Director PSCK receiving shield from Director HEC Karachi during the workshop on “Laboratory Animal Handling and ethics”.

Workshop on Citation Management by using Mendeley Software, AT Government College University, (GCU) Lahore

PASTIC Sub-centre Lahore, Pakistan Librarian Welfare Organization (PLWO) and Government College University (GCU), jointly organized a hands-on training workshop on “Citation Management by using Mendeley Software”, on May 15, 2018 at Government College University (GCU),

Lahore. Forty nine research scholars and faculty members of GCU attended the workshop.



Mr. Ali Raza Khan, Deputy Director (STI), PASTIC highlighting the objective of the PASTIC and its achievements.

Mr. Muhammad Naeem, Chief Librarian GCU, welcomed the participants. The Chief Guest of Inaugural session, Ms. Irum Sohail Director, Quality Enhancement Cell (QEC), said that such training workshops are necessary for the capacity building of the researchers.

Mr. Ali Raza Khan, Deputy Director (STI), PASTIC, shed light on the objectives and achievements of PASTIC. Mr. Zaheer Ahmad, E-Library Expert, Planning and Development Department, was the Resource Person of the workshop. While highlighting the importance of Citation Management, Mr. Zaheer Ahmad, said that creating references and citing published work in research writing, is one of the most critical areas in producing a well-rounded piece of writing. He said that Mendeley is one of the most popular open source free computer applications for citing and doing referencing. He briefed the participants on various techniques of Citation Management using Mendeley software.



Group Photo of the participants

Prof. Dr. Tahir Kamran, Dean of Arts and Social Sciences, was the Chief Guest. He was of the view that students should spend their maximum time in libraries to increase their knowledge and understanding on various subjects. He also distributed certificates among the participants, and souvenirs to the resource persons of the workshop.

PASTIC SERVICES STALLS

PASTIC National Center and its sub-centers regularly organize information services stalls all over the country, wherein PASTIC publications are displayed and membership forms/pamphlets are distributed, and the visitors are briefed about PASTIC services. In continuation of this regular activity following stalls were organized during the month of May 2018 at the following places:-

KARACHI

PASTIC Sub Centre, Karachi arranged PASTIC Services Stall, during “Workshop on Laboratory Animal Handling and Ethics” on May 14, 2018 at of

Federal Urdu University of Arts, Science and Technology. Researchers, Faculty members & students from different universities visited PASTIC services stall.

QUETTA

PASTIC Sub-centre Quetta arranged PASTIC Service Stall at Balochistan Study Center, University of Balochistan, on May 25, 2018.



Mr. Abdul Khaliq Sial, In-Charge PASTIC Sub-Centre, Quetta, providing information to the researchers at the stall.

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