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PASTIC AND HEC signed MoU

PASTIC and Higher Education Commission (HEC) is supporting and promoting research culture through their various activities and services, for the benefit of research community in Pakistan. Finally both organizations signed a memorandum of understanding for eliminating duplication of efforts by developing cooperation and collaboration through outreach, policy engagement initiatives, and effective information sharing at PSF, Islamabad on May 19, 2021.

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh, Director General PASTIC and Dr. Shaista Sohail, Executive Director, HEC signed the MoU in an online ceremony held at PSF. Senior officials of PASTIC, PSF, PMNH and HEC attended this ceremony.

Chairman, Pakistan Science Foundation, Prof. Dr. Shahid Mahmood Baig, appreciated this initiative of mutual cooperation for the interest of the nation. While addressing Director General, PASTIC, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh said that both the organizations will share their resources and information, to eliminate duplication of effort for the benefit of scientific community. Dr. Zain-ul-Abdin, Director General (R&I Wing) Higher Education Commission, ensured the cooperation for complementing each other efforts in their areas of expertise. Dr. Shaista Sohail, Executive Director, HEC said that it is very important to utilize our national resources in effective and intelligent way through such type of inter organizational cooperation. She hoped that this mutual collaboration will bring fruitful results in near future.



Dr. Zain-ul-Abdin, Director General (R&I Wing) HEC and Dr. Shaista Sohail, Executive Director, HEC attending the online MoU signing ceremony of PASTIC and HEC.



Prof. Dr. M. Akram Shaikh, Director General PASTIC signing MoU document during MoU signing ceremony of PASTIC and HEC.



Senior officials of PASTIC, PMNH and PSF during the MoU signing ceremony of PASTIC and HEC.

PASTIC AND PITC signed MoU

Pakistan Innovation & Testing Centre (PITC) has been established under PEC, to prepare standards for PSQCA and conducting tests/trials, performance validation of EM devices and engineering goods, to develop local manufacturing industry. While PASTIC, a subsidiary of Pakistan Science Foundation (PSF), is committed to serve the nation's ever-growing information needs, through development of a National S&T Hub/Data Centre, thereby acting as clearing house for all S&T information produced in Pakistan.



Prof. Dr. M. Akram Shaikh, Director General PASTIC, Prof. Dr. Shahid Mahmood Baig, Chairman PSF and Engr. Dr. Nasir Mehmood Khan, Secretary/ Registrar PEC, during MoU signing ceremony of PASTIC and PEC, along with senior officials of PSF, PASTIC, PMNH and PEC.

PASTIC and PITC joined hands to extend the mutual cooperation towards strengthening of the national information resources, and to promote research, innovation and indigenous product development, for socio economic development of the country. Both organizations signed a memorandum of understanding for potential collaboration, by facilitating in areas of combined growth for their beneficiaries at Pakistan Science Foundation Islamabad on May 27, 2021.



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Chairman, Pakistan Science Foundation, Prof. Dr. Shahid Mahmood Baig, appreciated this initiative of joint collaboration for socio-economic development of the country. While addressing, Director General, PASTIC, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh, said that both the organizations will share their expertise for serving the innovators, researchers, industrialists, academia (faculty and students). Engr. Dr. Nasir Mehmood Khan hoped that this mutual collaboration will extend the serving potential of both the organizations.



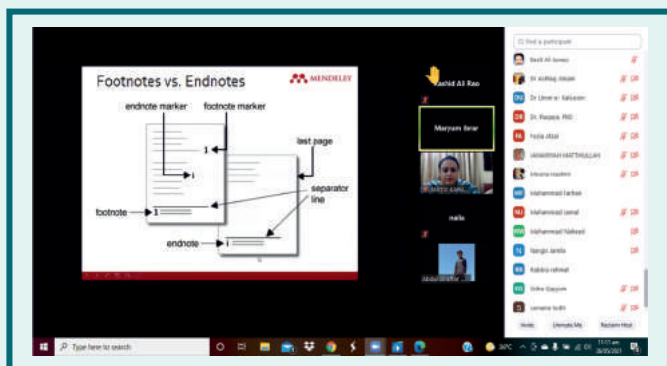
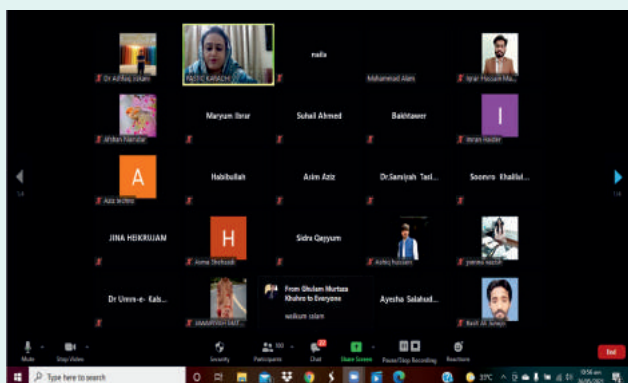
Senior officials of PASTIC, PMNH, PSF and PEC during the MoU signing ceremony of PASTIC and PEC.



Training Workshop on "Mendeley: Reference Data Management for Research"

PASTIC Sub-Centre Karachi organized an online training Workshop on "Mendeley: Reference Data Management for Research" on May 26, 2021 at PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi. Total 100 researchers participated in the workshop, including faculty members & librarians of different universities and R & D institutions from Sindh, Punjab, KPK, AJK & Baluchistan. Session was started with the recitation from the Holy Quran, followed by welcome address by Ms. Afsheen Tariq, Assistant Director (STI), PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi. She also delivered detailed presentation about PASTIC services and its new S&T and R&D Data Bases, through PASTIC website. Dr. Maryam Ibrar, Mendeley Adviser / Senior Scientific Information officer from PASTIC National Centre Islamabad, was the resource person of the workshop. She delivered a detailed presentation about reference data management for research, and gave online hands on training on Mendeley Software.

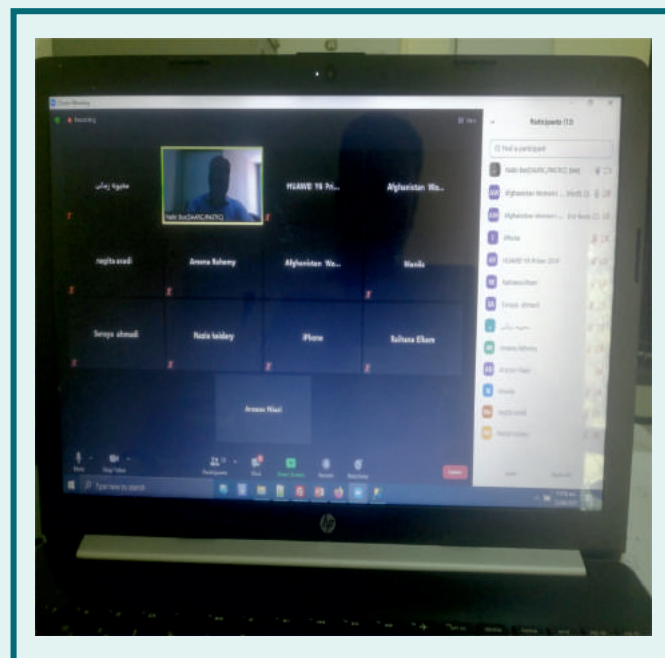
Glimpses of the online workshop:-



SAARC WE Portal Demonstration / Training to AWCCI

Mr. Nabi bux, Assistant Web Manager, PASTIC National Centre Islamabad, delivered SAARC WE Portal Demonstration / training to Afghanistan Women Chamber of Commerce and Industry (AWCCI), on April 12, 2021, under the project "Networking and Capacity Building of Women Entrepreneurs (SMEs) from SAARC Countries" at PASTIC National Centre Islamabad. In total 110 women entrepreneurs from Afghanistan have attended the training.

A Glimpse of online training: -

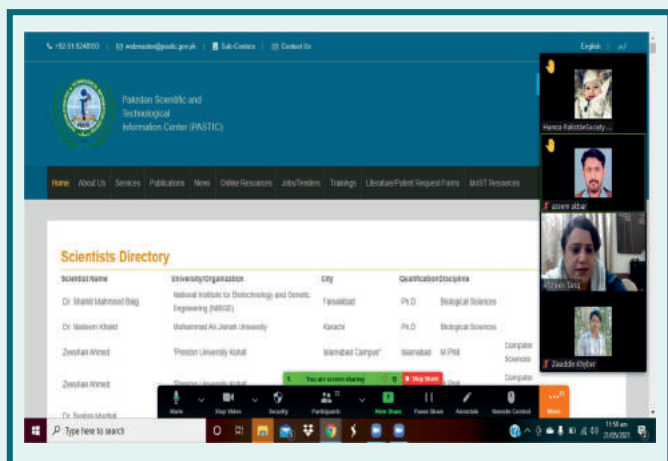


PASTIC SERVICES AWARENESS SEMINAR AT Karachi

PASTIC Sub Center Karachi organized an online PASTIC S&T Awareness Seminar on May 21, 2021 at PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi. Total 75 researchers and faculty members attended the seminar. Ms. Afsheen Tariq, Assistant Director (STI), PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi delivered detailed presentation about PASTIC services, Pak Cat and its new S&T and R&D data bases through PASTIC website.



A view of the online seminar:-



PARTICIPATION of PASTIC OFFICER IN INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

Dr. Syed Aftab Hussain Shah, Senior Scientific Information Officer, participated in “Online International Workshop on Open Innovation: Increasing the Competitive Advantage of a Nation”, which was conducted from May 27-28, 2021 through an online platform, using Zoom Video Conferencing. This online Workshop was organized by the International Science, Technology and Innovation Centre for South-South Cooperation under the auspices of UNESCO (ISTIC), in collaboration with the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI), Malaysia, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), and Malaysian Technology Development Corporation (MTDC).

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