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Field Monitoring Visit of Assistant Director (M & E) SDF to PASTIC

Mr Adnan Alam, Assistant Director (Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E)), SAARC Development Fund (SDF) visited PASTIC on 29 August 2018 regarding monitoring of SDF funded Project entitled “Networking and Capacity Building of Women Entrepreneurs (NCBWESC) in SAARC Countries”. The Project Financial Agreement (PFA) was signed on 23 November 2017 between SDF Bhutan and PASTIC.

During meeting Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh DG PASTIC gave a brief overview regarding PASTIC contribution in R&D based Socio-economic development of the country through its various anticipatory and responsive S&T information services. Later on Dr. Saima Tanveer Additional Director (STI)/Project Director delivered a detailed presentation on various project activities carried out by Lead Implementing Agency (LIA) PASTIC and other Implementing Agencies (IAs) from the SAARC member states. Dr. Tanveer in her presentation also highlighted the deficiencies experienced by PASTIC as LIA in the implementation of the project on the part of the IAs.

Afterwards, during discussion Mr Adnan Alam Assistant Director (M&E) SDF reviewed the procedural mechanisms adopted by PASTIC for managing project activities including mode of Women SMEs data collection in Pakistan and from other member states, out sourcing of web portal development, external audit of project etc. He also clarified PASTIC queries regarding budget calculations for each quarter, processing time at SDF and release of funds. After the meeting Mr. Adnan was taken for a round of PASTIC building and the room identified for Project Management Unit (PMU).



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh, DG PASTIC and Dr. Saima Tanveer, Project Director with Mr Adnan Alam Assistant Director (M&E) SDF.



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh DG PASTIC, Mr Adnan Alam Assistant Director (M&E) SDF, Dr. Saima Tanveer Project Director and Mr. Saifullah Azeem Project Coordinator during SDF Project monitoring at PASTIC.

Training workshop at PASTIC NATIONAL CENTRE ISLAMABAD TO ENHANCE RESEARCHER'S capabilities

PASTIC organized a three-day training workshop from August 1 - 3, 2018 for scholars/researchers/students on the topic of “Research Tools and Techniques (SPSS), Advance Level” to enhance quality of research. Research scholars from PMAS ARID Agriculture University, Quaid e Azam University, PIDE and NUML University participated in the training program. At the end of the training program, Director General PASTIC, Prof. Dr. Muhmmad Akram Shaikh distributed training certificates among the participants.



Group photo of the research scholars with Director General Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh at PASTIC National Centre, QAU Campus, Islamabad.

SEMINAR ON "LEARNING DATA ANALYSIS THROUGH SPSS" AT PASTIC Sub-CENTRE, KARACHI



Group photo of two-day seminar on "Learning Data Analysis through SPSS" organized by PASTIC sub-centre Karachi.

A two-day training workshop on "Learning Data Analysis through SPSS" was organized on August 15-16, 2018 at PASTIC Sub-centre Karachi. A total of 18 participants from NIBD, Dow Medical University Karachi, and some private institutions attended the workshop. The Resource Person was Ms Sara Wahab, Associate Professor, Jinnah Sindh Medical University, Karachi.



Mr. Abdul Fatah Shaikh, Deputy Director STI PSCK, distributing certificates to participants during training workshop on "Learning Data Analysis through SPSS".

TRAINING WORKSHOP ON "Bio safety PRACTICES" AT NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF BLOOD DISEASE & BONE MARROW TRANSPLANTATION

A one-day hands-on training workshop on "Bio safety Practices" was organized at National Institute of Blood Disease & Bone Marrow Transplantation, by PASTIC Sub-Centre Karachi on August 28, 2018.



Mr. Abdul Fatah Shaikh, D.D STI PSCK, presenting shield to the Resource Person during Hands-On Training Workshop on Bio-safety Practices at NIBD.

About 44 participants from NIBD attended the workshop. Resource Person was Ms. Anum Munir, Research Associate from Rahila Research & Reference Lab Karachi. In the inaugural session, Deputy Director PASTIC Sub-Centre Karachi, briefed the participants about PASTIC services through PASTIC website, and documentary of PASTIC / PSF was played. Chief Guest was Dr. Sadaf Shahab, Associate Professor & focal person, NIBD Karachi. Deputy Director PASTIC presented shield to the Resource Person, and distributed certificates among the participants.



A glimpse of participants during hands-on training workshop on Bio safety practices at NIBD.

Workshop on "SPSS soft ware" AT NATIONAL TEXTILE UNIVERSITY Faisalabad

A two-day workshop on "SPSS soft ware" was organized at National Textile University Faisalabad, by PASTIC Sub-centre Faisalabad on August 16-17, 2018. The Resource Person was Prof. Dr. Muhammad Yaseen, Chairman Department of Mathematics & Statistics, University of Agriculture Faisalabad. The workshop focus was on practical training on SPSS, and the number of participants was 25. Prof. Dr. Tanveer Hussain, Rector, National Textile University Faisalabad, was the Chief Guest of the opening ceremony. Muhammad Hasnain, Deputy Director PASTIC, Faisalabad and Dr. Ihsan Nazir Director ORIC NTU were the Course Coordinators.



A view of SPSS workshop at NTU-Faisalabad.



Shield presented to Dr. Tanveer Hussain, Rector NTU.

MR. MUHAMMAD AQIL KHAN, Addl. DIRECTOR, RETIRES FROM PASTIC

Mr. Muhammad Aqil Khan, Additional Director (STI), at PASTIC National Centre Islamabad, has retired from service on August 18, 2018. He was a highly competent officer, and his services for PASTIC are exemplary and unmatched. His departure will always greatly be felt by his seniors and colleagues at PASTIC and PSF.



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh, DG PASTIC, presenting gift to Mr. Muhammad Aqil Khan, Additional Director STI, at his farewell party.

An official farewell party was organized in his honor at PASTIC National Centre Islamabad. The party was attended by all officers and staff members at PASTIC. Dr. Raja Razi-ul-Hasnain (Secretary PSF), Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh (DG PASTIC), Ms. Nageen Ainuddin (Director PASTIC), and some other officers and staff expressed their views about the great services rendered and worthy character of Mr. Aqil Khan, and how helpful he was to his seniors and colleagues in all matters, whether official or private; always ready to lend his sincere advice. All prayed that may God Almighty grant him a great life in future after retirement. Everybody agreed that his space could never be filled.