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SEMINAR ON “Role of Information Technology in Higher Education”

PASTIC Sub Centre Karachi, with the collaboration of ORIC, Federal Urdu University of Arts, Science and Technology (FUUAST) Karachi, organized a one day Seminar on “Role of Information Technology in Higher Education” on July 18, 2023 at Federal Urdu University of Arts, Science and Technology (FUUAST) Karachi. The Seminar was participated by more than 50 researchers including HOD's, faculty members & students etc.

The seminar was started with the recitation of The Holy Quran, followed by a welcome note by Dr. Sadia Khalil, Assistant Professor, Department of Microbiology, Federal Urdu University of Arts, Science and Technology (FUUAST). She Introduced PASTIC Karachi Team leader and the resource person profile & their work to the participants.



Speakers & resource person addressing their views during the seminar.

In the inaugural session Ms. Afsheen Tariq, Assistant Director (STI), PASTIC Karachi welcomed all the participants, faculty members, resource person & paid thanks to Dr. Muhammad Ali Versani, Director ORIC, Dr. Sadia Khalil for arranging the seminar. Ms. Afsheen Tariq A.D (STI) briefed Pakistan Science Foundation services & their research projects, role of PASTIC in capacity building, it's newly developed databases, portals etc. to the researchers.

Resource person Prof. Tahir Mehmood Chaudhry, President & CEO of Pakistan Institute of Entrepreneurship (PIE) Islamabad gave detail presentation on ICT & role of IT in

scientific presentations and lectures. He addressed different tools & difficulties of research scholars towards research & he also briefed about four important aspects in order to realize such role of Information Technology i.e Fund, Top management's commitment, Concern of change, and Involvement of all parties, as well as cultural adjustment. After his presentation an interactive question/answers session was followed till the end.

In the closing session, Dr. Muhammad Ali Versani, Director ORIC, FUUAST paid vote of thanks, in his remarks he appreciated the efforts of PASTIC, their role towards research knowledge and the resource person's presentation. In the end shields and certificates were distributed among the resource persons & organizers.



Director ORIC, FUUAST presented shield to organizer

03- Days Training Workshop on “PROJECT MANAGEMENT: MONITORING & EVALUATION” UNDER PSDP PROJECT COMPETITIVE RESEARCH PROGRAM (CRP)

Pakistan Scientific and Technological Information Centre (PASTIC) organized 3 days workshop on "Project Management: Monitoring & Evaluation" at PASTIC National Centre, Islamabad from 19-21 July, 2023.

Forty participants, including management, from Pakistan Science Foundation (PSF), Pakistan Museum of Natural History (PMNH) and Pakistan Scientific and Technological Information Centre (PASTIC) attended the training workshop. The workshop was aimed to equip the staff of PSDP Project “Competitive Research Program (CRP)” with the necessary knowledge and skills to implement project management principles in their respective institutions.



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Participants actively engaged in a wide range of topics such as Intro & Cycle of Project Management, Work Break Down Structure, Risk & Impact Analysis, Basics of Monitoring a Project: Why It's Important, Evaluating the project: Counting the KPIs, Innovation Management, Technology Development in Project Management & Commercialization.

Dr. Nadeem Ahmed, Faculty Member, PIDE delivered an enlightening session on "Project Management, Risk & Impact Analysis, Work Breakdown Structure and Project Finance", while Mr. Shujaat Farooq and Dr. Hasson Rasool, both Professors at PIDE engaged the participants in group discussion and activities focusing on "Basics of Monitoring a Project – Why It's Important and Evaluating the Project: Counting the KPIs."

Lastly, Mr. Khurram Ellahi, Lecturer at PIDE, led an informative session on Innovation Management & Technology Development.

Prof. Dr. Shahid Mehmood Baig, Chairman, Pakistan Science Foundation, graced the occasion and delivered a warm closing note. Honorable chief guest engaged with the participants in an interactive and thought-provoking session about the training workshop, where he shared concerns and issues while appreciating the training session, and discussion held during sessions.



Group photo of the participants of Training Workshop "Competitive Research Program (CRP)" with Chairman, PSF, Prof. Dr. Shahid Mehmood Baig, (S.I).

At the closing ceremony, Prof. Dr. Shahid Mehmood Baig(S.I) and Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Shaikh, Director General PASTIC shared their valuable insights and ideas. Both honorable

dignitaries appreciated the organizers for arranging this enriching professional development training at PASTIC.

PASTIC Published Abstract Book of the INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON Food & Applied Sciences (ICFAS-23)

PASTIC collaborated with Shaheed Benazir Bhutto University, Sheringal (Dir-Kumrat) for organizing an "International Conference on Food & Applied Sciences ICFAS-23". The Shaheed Benazir Bhutto, University, Sheringal and Evolution, Pakistan will organize an International Conference on Food & Applied Sciences (ICFAS-2023) from August 3-4, 2023. The said conference is aimed to bring Life Sciences research areas synchronically on an individual platform. This conference drew collectively research fellowships from diverse fields in untidiness, to share their research findings and latest ideas. Vice Chancellors of different universities, Directors and CEO's of Govt. and Non Govt. Organizations, Scientists, Scholars, Faculty members and students from different universities around the country participated.



Cover page of the Abstract Book of International Conference on Food & Applied Sciences (ICFAS-23) August 3-4, 2023.

The Abstract Book contains 438 research abstracts contributed by scholars and researchers across Pakistan as well as abroad. PASTIC collaborated in the said conference by printing 50 copies of this Abstract Book. The conference will be participated by 54 local universities/organizations and 8 foreign universities from Poland, Libya, Malaysia, China, Iran, Italy and Doha.



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PASTIC SERVICES AWARENESS ACTIVITIES

Additional Director (STI) PASTIC Sub-Centre Peshawar, Mrs. Ghazala Ali Khan delivered a lecture on “PASTIC services and resource sharing” as a resource person during the three days “National Workshop on Utilization of Modern Techniques for Research and Librarianship” held on July 21-23, 2023 at Khwazakhela Upper Swat. The workshop was jointly organized by Khushal Khan Khattak University Karak, Sarhad University of Science & Technology, Peshawar and Upper Swat College of Nursing & Health Sciences, Swat.



Mrs. Ghazala Ali Khan, Additional Director PASTIC Sub-Centre, Peshawar sharing her views about PASTIC activities at Khwazakhela Upper Swat.



Participants of the Workshop on “Utilization of Modern Techniques for Research and Librarianship”.

EVENT/ WEBINAR/ MEETING ATTENDED

- a. Mr. Raheel Sarwar, Lecturer Benazir Bhutto Shaheed University, Karachi & IT Consultant Sindh Tourism Development Corporation visited

PASTIC Sub-Centre Karachi on July 17, 2023. He is working on Entrepreneurship, IoT, Artificial Intelligence, Block chain, Robotic, STEM Digital Marketing, Mobile App & WEB Development etc. Ms. Afsheen Tariq Assistant Director (STI) gave him briefing about PASTIC Services & it's newly develop database and library services toward PASTIC KOHA Cloud and also discussed future collaboration and organize different training programs for scholars.

b. Following four officers from PASTIC National Centre, Islamabad: Mr. Saifullah Azim, Principal Sytem Analyst; Dr. Syed Aftab Hussain Shah, Additional Director (STI); Dr. Maryum Ibrar Additional Director (STI)& Mrs. Rahila Khurram, Sr. SIO attended 3 days workshop on "Project Management: Monitoring & Evaluation" at PASTIC National Centre, Islamabad from 19-21 July, 2023 organized under PSDP Project “Competitive Research Program (CRP)”. While following officers/Sub-Centre Incharges attended the said training remotely through Zoom: Mr. Abdul Khalique Sial, Assistant Director(STI), Quetta; Mrs. Ghazala Ali Khan, Additional Director (STI) Peshawar, Muhammad Hasnain, Additional Director (STI), Faisalabad; Mr. Ali Raza Khan, Additional Director, Lahore; Ms. Afsheen Tariq, Assistant Director (STI), Karachi & Mr. Muhammad Altaf, Deputy Director (STI), Muzaffarabad.

c. Mr. Abdul Khalique Sial, Assistant Director (STI), PASTIC Sub Centre Quetta, held a meeting on July 20, 2023 with Prof. Mehreen, Sociology department, University of Balochistan Quetta, for organizing “Research Methodology” workshop in the month of August 2023, as well as University of Balochistan collaboration with PASTIC Quetta. Mr. Abdul Khalique Sial, Assistant Director (STI), PASTIC Sub Centre Quetta, held a meeting with Prof. Mehreen, Sociology Department, University of Quetta, Balochistan.

d. Mrs. Ghazala Ali Khan, Additional Director PASTIC Sub-Centre, Peshawar attended a “Meeting of the Committee to Devise the Criteria for appointment of the Professor Emeritus” at National Centre of Excellence in Physical Chemistry, University of Peshawar on July 31, 2023.



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