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GOVERNOR Punjab Balighur Rehman has said foreign students have all kinds of protection and facilities in the universities of Punjab and development of any society depends on education.

The governor was speaking at the first international students' convention held under the Punjab Higher Education Commission

Speaking on this occasion, the governor said the trend of students from foreign countries in Pakistani universities is encouraging.

"The male and female students beautifully demonstrated the cultural activities of their countries. It is very important to organize such events for the promotion of science and arts and research in the world. By organizing the convention, the students of foreign countries will be encouraged to study in Pakistani universities and will gain awareness of each other's culture", governor expressed. ■

South Asian, Central Asian countries should collaborate: VC

DR Khalid said that Pakistan is overcoming the energy crises and the gas pipeline project can be a great opportunity for economic and technological collaboration among South Asian and Central Asian countries. He stated that security, extremism, climatic and environmental issues are faced by the two regions and can be resolved by mutual cooperation.

He said that Central Asia has historically played an important part in enriching the South Asian region politically, spiritually and culturally. He expressed that all Sufism of South Asia originated in Central Asia and for centuries, established the spiritual linkages between the two regions. ■



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Editorial Note

ON a directive of the Punjab governor and chancellor, PU Vice Chancellor Dr. Khalid Mehmood has constituted a committee to do research on producing quality seeds of wheat, rice and cotton. This committee comprised experts from the academia and industry.

The objective of the body is to focus on research to give viable solutions to the issues faced by the farmers and the industry in order to meet the national requirements and compete with the international market.

Industry-Academia linkages are one of the top priorities of the varsity and also a need of the hour. These collaborations not only serve for the creation of the required applied knowledge but also

help create employment opportunities for our graduates. Cotton, wheat and rice are included in the most important crops of Pakistan. New varieties of seeds to produce crops, which give more yield and are more resistant to environment, pests and insects are a dire need of the country.

The chancellor has shown a confidence in our alma mater to contribute in this key filed of survival. We have able and committed scientist and research scholars who have already worked and proved their abilities in the production of cotton.

PU scientists at CEMB, Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics, ORIC and Guard Agriculture and Research Services have joined hands to work on this project. ■

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PU VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood, Chairman Punjab Higher Education Commission Prof Dr Shahid Munir, Kazakhstan's Ambassador Mr Yerzan Kistifan, representative of Konard Adenauer Stiftung Dr Ellinor Zeino, Chairman Department of History Prof Dr Mahboob Hussain, renowned Historian Prof Dr Iftikhar Malik sit on the stage during the inaugural ceremony

KAZAKHSTAN'S Ambassador to Pakistan Mr Yerzan Kistifan has said that South Asia and Central Asian countries should work together to increase trade, cultural, religious and historical ties for the development of the region.

He was addressing the inaugural session of a three-day international conference on 'Central and South Asia Re-connected' by Punjab University Department of History and Pakistan Studies at Al Raazi Hall.

On this occasion, Chairman Punjab Higher Education Commission Prof Dr Shahid Munir, PU VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood, representative of Konard Adenauer Stiftung Dr Ellinor Zeino, Chairman Department of History Prof Dr Mahboob Hussain, renowned Historian Prof Dr Iftikhar Malik, National and International researchers, scholars, faculty members and a large number of students were present on the occasion.

In his address, Mr Kistifan said that Kazakhstan and Pakistan have historical relations and both countries are culturally connected. He said that Kazakhstan wants to strengthen relations with South Asian countries at all levels for the strengthening of the region. He expressed that we should learn lessons from history and benefit

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Mr Yerzan Kistifan
Kazakhstan's Ambassador

from each other's knowledge and experiences. He further said that Central Asia is moving in the right direction and its future is bright. He urged that peace in Afghanistan is necessary for the region while the world is being damaged by the war between Russia and Ukraine. He expressed that Ukraine is a big country for wheat production, which has affected many countries. He said that we should not look at others for the development, peace and prosperity of our region and peaceful diplomatic talks are the need of the hour for all the countries in the region. He said that problems are everywhere but they can be solved by working together. He

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Dr Khalid Mahmood
PU VC

said that the future of our region is in our own hands.

Dr Shahid Munir said that Central and South Asia are home to a diverse array of cultures, languages, histories and regional connectivity is crucial to unlock the potential of this diverse and dynamic region. He expressed that regional connectivity was not just about physical infrastructure, such as roads, railways and airports, although these are important. It is also about people-to-people connectivity, trade and investment and the exchange of ideas and knowledge, he added. He urged that by connecting businesses and markets, we can



PU VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood addresses the international conference.

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Chairman Punjab Higher Education Commission

unlock new opportunities for trade and investment, creating new jobs and economic growth. He said that we are looking forward to the construction of the TAPI gas pipeline, which will link Turkmenistan, Afghanistan, Pakistan, India and the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor, which is transforming Pakistan's economy and creating new opportunities for trade and investment. He stated that the development of new highways, railways, and ports is transforming the way people and goods move across borders, providing new opportunities for trade, investment and tourism.

Dr Khalid Mahmood said that Central Asia and South Asia are two important regions sharing rich culture and history. He expressed that for thousands of years the great Silk Road has connected the two regions together and now the recent Belt and Road



PU VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood presents souvenir to Dr Ellinor Zeino.

Initiative with CPEC as one of its important components has raised the hopes that these historical and cultural ties can be revived. He said that Central Asia has historically played an important part in enriching the South Asian region politically, spiritually and culturally. He said that all Sufism of South Asia originated in Central Asia and for centuries, established the spiritual linkages between the two regions. He said that Pakistan is overcoming the energy crises and the gas pipeline project can be a great opportunity for economic and technological collaboration. He stated that security, extremism, climatic and environmental issues are faced by the two regions and can be resolved by mutual cooperation.

Dr Mahboob Hussain said that the

conference would provide us an opportunity to get familiar with the multiple dimensions and new paradigms of South and Central Asia. He expressed that delegate from the universities of different cities including Lahore, Karachi, Islamabad, Peshawar and eight countries are participating in the three-day international conference. He said that the three-day international conference would provide a platform for sharing of ideas and academic exchange.

Dr Iftikhar Malik said that the historian writes what he sees; we have to learn from history and move forward.

Professor Aslam Syed said that Central and South Asian countries need to revise their foreign policies for the development and prosperity of the region. ■



A group photo of PU VC Dr Khalid Mahmood along with Former Chairman Punjab Higher Education Commission Prof Dr Muhammad Nizamuddin, Director ISCS Prof Dr Rubeena Zakar, faculty members and students.

PU VC urges graduates to solve social problems

PUNJAB University Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood has said that the role of the subject of sociology is very important in solving the problems of the changing society.

He was addressing the convocation organized by Punjab University Institute of Social and Cultural Studies here on Friday.

On this occasion, Former Chairman Punjab Higher Education Commission Prof Dr Muhammad Nizamuddin, Director ISCS Prof Dr Rubeena Zakar, faculty members, students and their parents were present.

In his address, Dr Khalid Mahmood said that the students were known as PU's ambassadors; shine the name of the university and Pakistan with your work and character. He congratulated the degree holder students their parents and teachers. He said that many graduates who graduated from PU were making a name in the world. He expressed that even in the era of science and technology, the importance



Prof Dr Muhammad Nizamuddin awards degree to a student.



Director ISCS Prof Dr Rubeena Zakar presents bouquet to Former Chairman Punjab Higher Education Commission Prof Dr Muhammad Nizamuddin.

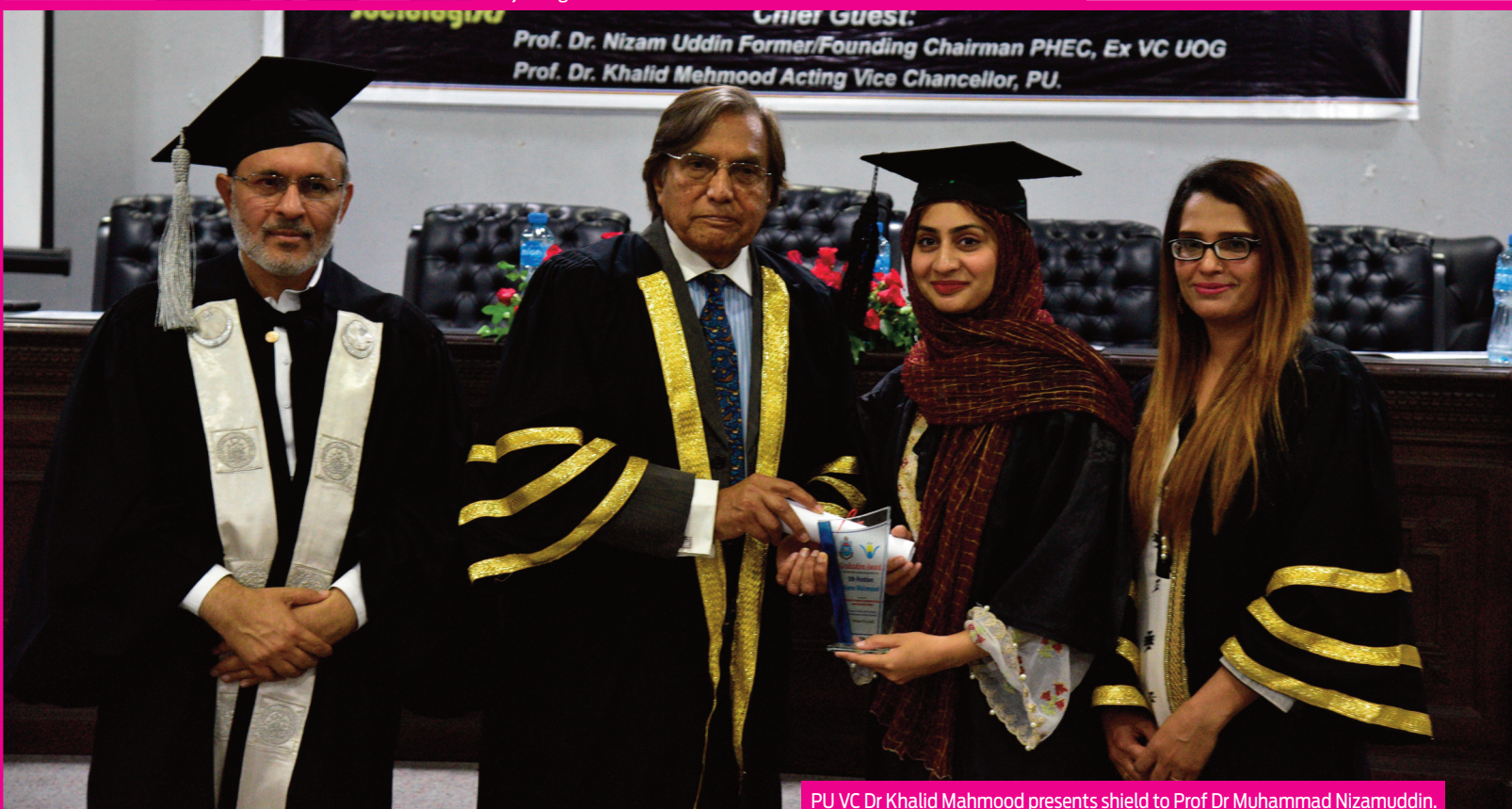


The students are the PU's ambassadors so they should shine the name of the university and Pakistan with their work and character



Dr Khalid Mahmood

PU VC



PU VC Dr Khalid Mahmood presents shield to Prof Dr Muhammad Nizamuddin.

of the subject of sociology had not decreased.

Dr Nizam said that the students who get the degree of sociology would play an active role for the welfare of the society. He said that one had to learn from difficulties in the field and move forward. He explained that sociology was a special kind of subject

and the students could simultaneously get opportunities in other fields including social scientists, researchers, teachers, public policy makers.

Dr Rubeena Zakar said that today was a memorable day for the graduates because they were leaving the university with very good memories. She said that the

department would continue to play its role in solving the problems of the society. She expressed that our students had also been participating in the WHO survey, which would help them in their professional life.

Later degrees were distributed to 65 students of BS Sociology, 4-year Programmed, from Session 2018-22. ■

PU organizes talk on book

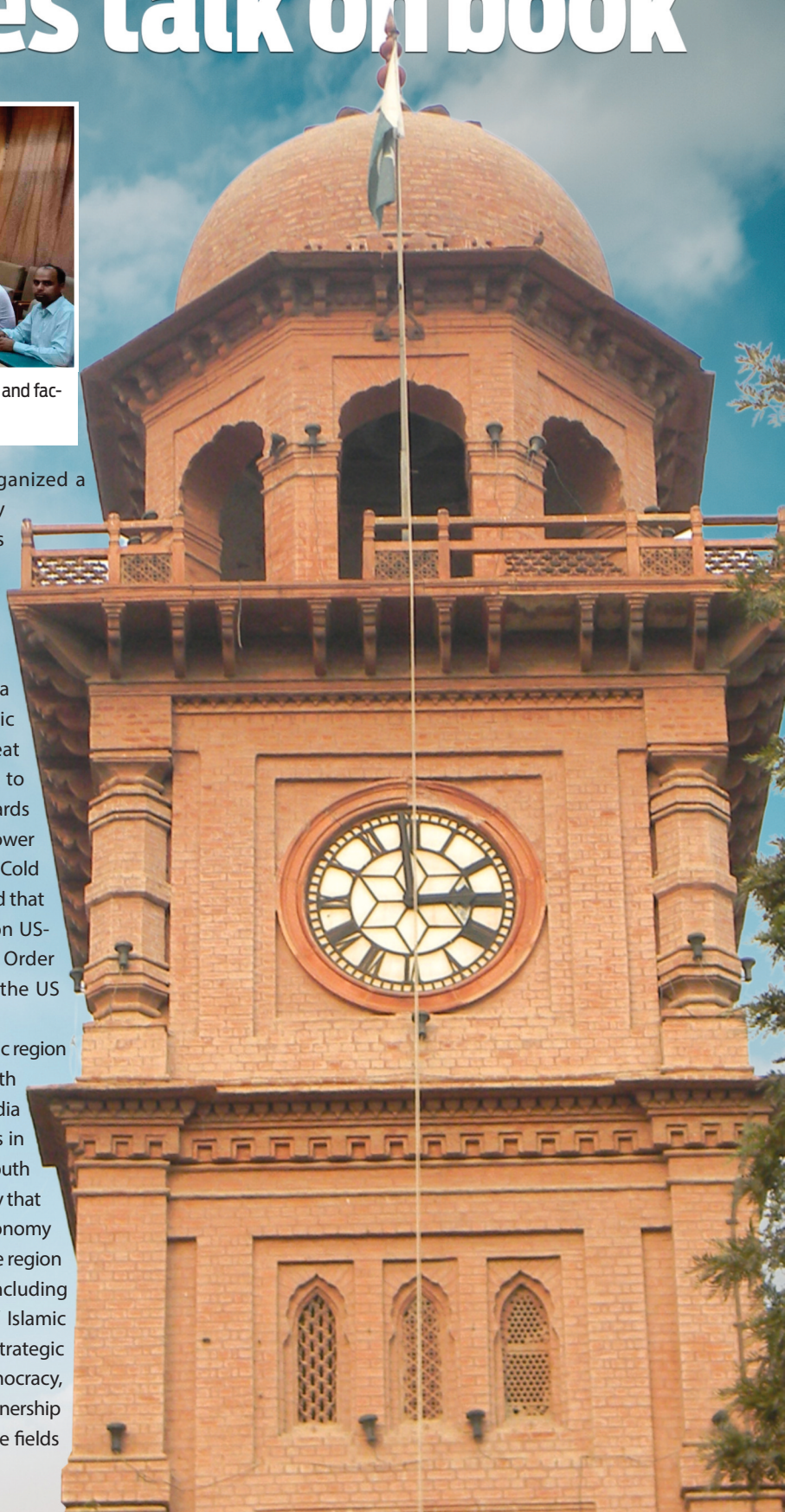


Director Pakistan Study Centre Prof Dr Naumana Kiran poses for photo with students and faculty members after round table dialogue.

PUNJAB University Pakistan Study Centre has organized a Round Table Dialogue over Book 'US Security Policy towards South Asia and Kashmir Dispute'. On this occasion, Director Pakistan Study Centre Prof Dr Naumana Kiran, Associate Professor Dr Ahmad Ejaz, Associate Prof. Dr. Amjad Abbas Khan Magsi faculty members and students were present.

In his keynote address, Dr Ahmad Ejaz said that South Asia always retained importance for advancement of US strategic interests in the Asian landmass. He said that the US threat perceptions in Asia always molded its policy setting bounds to construct security system in the area. The US security policy towards South Asia region can be divided into three phases: balance of power in the Cold War period, beyond balance of power after the end of Cold War and new balance of power after September 11, 2001. He said that the US policy in South Asia in fact is predominantly exerted on US-Pakistan-India triangular relationship. He said the New World Order transformed the world to a uni-polar system that reshuffled the US foreign policy and security policy.

He said that given the US security interests and goals in Asia-Pacific region where new pattern of balance of power has grown up, the US South Asia policy underwent a reformation that subsequently picked India as a 'natural partner'. He said that the US new policy orientations in Asia-Pacific also had a great impact on the US approach towards South Asian region. The American experts indorsed an Indo-centric policy that underlining India as a largest secular democracy, expanding economy and swelling military might regarded it as a dominant power in the region that would play a central role to check the future challenges including China's expanding influence in Asia-Pacific, and rising tide of Islamic extremism. He said that the Americans believe that the strategic partnership with India is based on shared values and vision of democracy, and regional security across Asia. He said the US-India strategic partnership has been constantly moving ahead expanding cooperation in the fields of defense, civil nuclear, and counter terrorism. ■





PU VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood inaugurates the bus while Principal HCC Prof Dr Hafiz Zafar Ahmed, former Principal Dr Zulfiqar Ahmed, Registrar Tasneem Kamran, Resident Officer-I Col. Umar Khalid and many others are also present.

PU VC inaugurates new bus

PU VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood inaugurated a bus gifted by Hailey College of Commerce to provide the best transport facilities to the teachers, students and employees.

In this regard a ceremony was organized in

front of VC office in which, Principal HCC Prof Dr Hafiz Zafar Ahmed, former Principal Dr Zulfiqar Ahmed, Registrar Tasneem Kamran, Resident Officer-I Col. Umar Khalid, heads of various departments, transport employees and others were present.

In his address, the VC said that PU administration will continue to cooperate for the welfare of its teachers, students and employees. He thanked Dr Hafiz Zafar Ahmed and Dr Zulfiqar Ahmed for gifting a bus to the university from the college budget. ■

PU VC inaugurates swimming pools

PU Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood has inaugurated Punjab's only diving swimming pool according to international standards at PU. He inaugurated Boys Swimming Pool in New Campus and Girls Swimming Pool in Old Campus. On this occasion, Director Sports Dr Zaffar Iqbal, Additional Director Zubair Butt, Additional Director Tahira Saleem, Director Student Affairs Dr Muhammad Ali Klasra, administrative officers and students were present. The boy's swimming pool was opened after six years with the special efforts of PU VC Dr Khalid Mahmood and Director Sports Dr Zaffar Iqbal. In his address, Dr Khalid Mahmood said that the swimming pool has been opened by ensuring all safety measures. He said that due to the closure of the swimming pool, teachers, employees and



students were deprived of an important activity. He appreciated the role of Dr Zaffar Iqbal for making swimming pools functional. He said that the common citizens will be able to use the boys' swimming pool from 2 pm to 4 pm. Dr Zaffar Iqbal said that university students can use the

swimming pool from 4 to 6 pm and university teachers from 6 to 7 pm. He said that five lifeguards will be present at the swimming pool at a time. He said that established in 1954, the Asian Games had also been organized in the New Campus Swimming Pool. ■

Differently abled citizens to be made useful part of society: Rana Tanvir



PU VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood addresses Electric Wheelchairs distribution ceremony.

FEDERAL Minister for Education and Professional Training Rana Tanveer Hussain has said that everyone should play their role to bring differently abled people into the national stream.

He was addressing the Electric Wheelchairs distribution ceremony under the Prime Minister's scheme at Punjab University Institute of Education & Research's Waheed Shaeed Hall.

On this occasion, PU VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood, Higher Education Commission's Director General Ayesha Ikram, Director Institute of Education & Research Dr Abdul Qayyum Chaudhry, vice chancellors of various universities and others were present.

In his address, Rana Tanveer said that society and government have become conscious to understand the motivation, emotions, importance and aspirations of people with special abilities. He said that steps must be taken to build ramps for differently abled persons in all government universities. He expressed that the government will allocate more funds for electric wheelchairs. He said that whenever we got the opportunity to serve the people, under the guidance of Muhammad Nawaz Sharif and Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif, we launched a number of schemes for the youth including laptop scheme and scholarship programs for the youth.

He expressed that we have eliminated load

shedding of electricity, constructed 1700 km of motorways and highways. He said that Pakistan has come out of the crisis and people will see its effects soon. The federal minister said that the promotion of vocational education in the country was need of the hour. He said that in order to improve the quality of education in the universities, the government was building an institution for training of teachers. He said that the TIMES ranking was not reliable and HEC should start ranking the universities by itself. He said that 6 channels for distance education have been launched keeping in mind the new methods of education in the era of COVID epidemic.

Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood said that certain



PU VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood presents souvenir to HEC Director General Ayesha Ikram while Federal Minister Tanveer Hussain and Director IER Dr Abdul Qayyum Chaudhry are also present.



PU VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood, Federal Minister Tanveer Hussain, HEC Director General Ayesha Ikram, Director Institute of Education & Research Dr Abdul Qayyum Chaudhry sit on the stage.

people of the society are endowed with other abilities. He said that special people face problems regarding mobility for education. He thanked Prime Minister Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif and Federal Minister Rana Tanveer Hussain for making efforts to provide facilities to the differently abled persons. He said that we were facilitating the transportation of special people in our buildings. He said that we wanted to make them a useful part of the society.

Ayesha Ikram congratulated the differently abled persons for crossing all the hurdles in the journey from school to university. She said that we should take the initiative to help each other. She said that 600 wheelchairs were ordered in this phase. Later electric wheelchairs were distributed to 37 persons. ■



Kabaddi match: Director Dports Prof Dr Zaffar Iqbal Butt and Additional Director Sports Zubair Ahmad Butt and others display a souvenir



PU Director Dports Prof Dr Zaffar Iqbal Butt and Additional Director Sports Zubair Ahmad Butt address the flag march ceremony



Redbull Championship 2022-23 cricket team group photo



Winning moment: PU Cricket team celebrate after receiving trophy of the All Pakistan HEC Inter university Championship 2022-23



Cricket team winning movement during All Pakistan HEC inter university championship 2022/23



PU women team Intersarsity games champions display their medals



PU ORGANIZES

BOOK LAUNCHING CEREMONY

P UNJAB University Department of History & Pakistan studies organized the launching ceremony of book titled 'Pakistan Studies; a book of readings' written by 9 different authors and edited by Prof Dr Sikandar Hayat.

On this occasion, Chairman Department of History Prof Dr Mahboob Hussain, Dr Sikandar Hayat, Dr Farzand Masih, Kashif Shafique, Dr Muhammad Younis, Dr Uzma Hanif, Dr Tahir Mahmood, faculty members and students were present.

In his address, Dr Sikandar Hayat explained that how he gathered 9 of the authors to write this exceptional piece of writing which would help students to understand the basics of Pakistan Studies.

He wrote the first chapter of the book which was 'Genesis of Pakistan'. Dr Farzand Masih shed light on the chapter entitled 'Ancient civilizations of Pakistan' followed by Kashif Shafique who talked about his chapter 'Land and people of Pakistan'. Muhammad Younis explained the topics he discussed in his chapter which was 'Politics and government of Pakistan' while Dr Uzma Hanif summarized her chapter which was 'Economic development in Pakistan'.

In his concluding remarks Dr Mahboob Hussain thanked Dr Sikandar Hayat and the fellow authors for attending the ceremony and giving honor to the department. ■



Chairman Department of History Prof Dr Mahboob Hussain, Dr Sikandar Hayat and others sit on the stage during book launch ceremony.

Chinese delegation visits PU

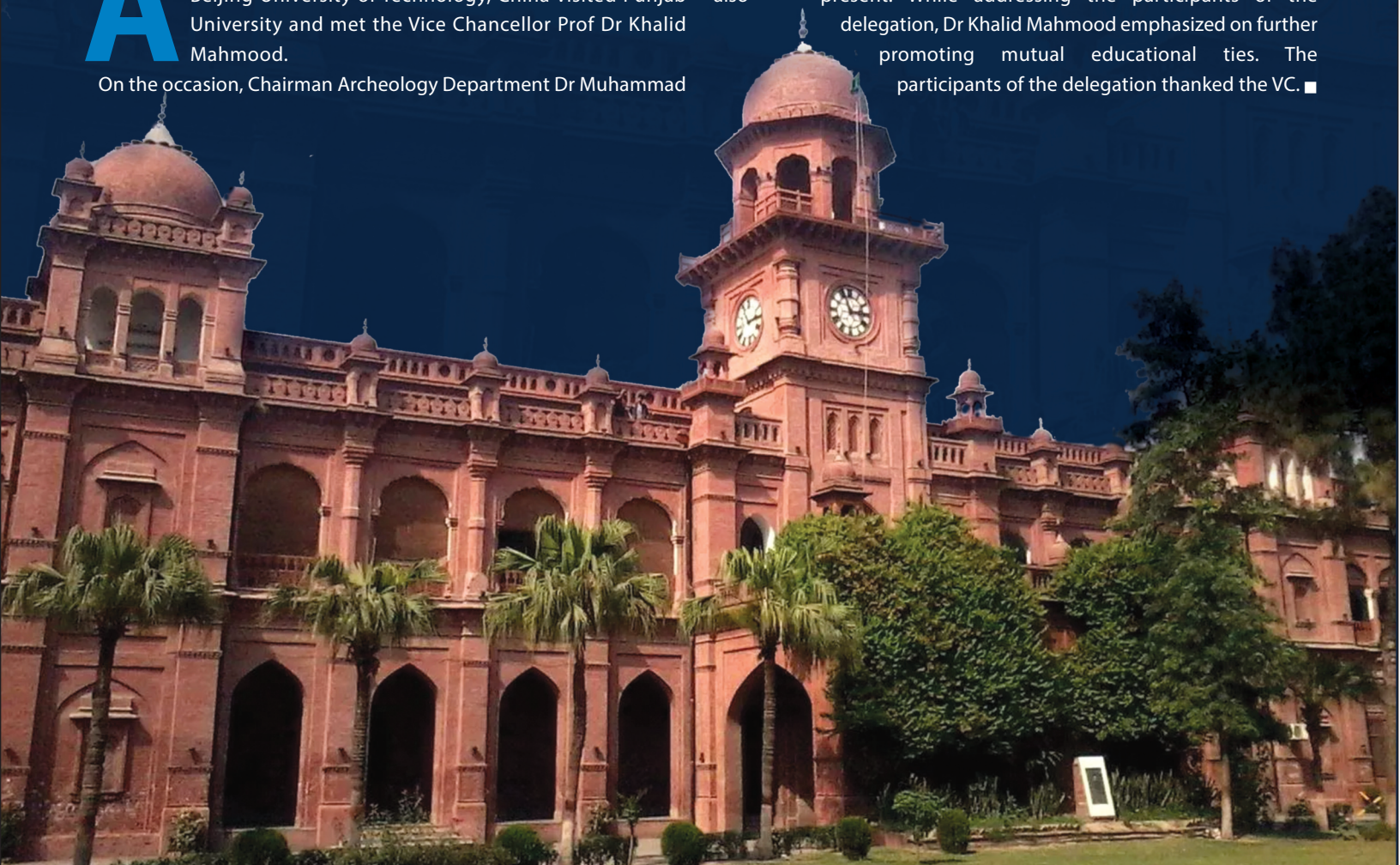


PU VC with the delegation of Beijing University of Technology, China.

A four-member delegation led by Prof Li Hui Dong of Beijing University of Technology, China visited Punjab University and met the Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood.

On the occasion, Chairman Archeology Department Dr Muhammad

Hameed, Assistant Professor Dr Muhammad Azeem and others were also present. While addressing the participants of the delegation, Dr Khalid Mahmood emphasized on further promoting mutual educational ties. The participants of the delegation thanked the VC. ■



Governor Punjab says creation of new knowledge prime responsibility of varsities



Governor Punjab Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman, PU VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood, HCBF Principal Dr Ahmed Muneeb Mehta, Controller of Examinations Muhammad Rauf Nawaz sit on the stage.

HE was addressing the 11th convocation of Punjab University Hailey College of Banking & Finance (HCBF) at a private hotel. On this occasion, PU VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood, HCBF Principal Dr Ahmed Muneeb Mehta, Religious Scholar Allama Dr Raghib Hussain Naeemi, Registrar Tasneem Kamran, Controller of Examinations Muhammad Rauf Nawaz, faculty members, students and their parents were present.

In his address, the Governor congratulated the students who received degrees and medals to their parents and teachers. He said that teachers and parents should work together to build the character of students. He expressed that research should be done before believing any fake news on social media. He said that the youth who do not get jobs need not be disappointed by the mercy of Allah Almighty.

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GOVERNOR PUNJAB MUHAMMAD BALIGH-UR-REHMAN



Governor Punjab Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman poses for group photo with PU VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood and other faculty members.



Governor Punjab Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman talks with a student after awarding degree.



Baligh-ur-Rehman said that all the governments spend on education due to which many public sector institutions give better results than private institutions. He advised the students to adopt truth, honesty and good behavior to achieve success in life. He said that every religion and political party should be respected for peace in the country.

PU VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood said that it is a matter of pride for students to graduate from the oldest and great university of Pakistan. He expressed that this was a memorable moment for students with their parents, teachers and friends. He said that the students are the ambassadors of PU and they should make a name for themselves in the world with their skills.

The VC said that PU HCBF was one of the best institutions. He stated that the doors of Punjab University will always be open for the graduating students.

HCBF Principal Dr Ahmed Muneeb Mehta said that he was making efforts for providing the best teaching environment to the students and it was his top priority. He said that the launch of new programs in the college will benefit the students. Later, 252 certificates and medals were distributed among the students who have successfully completed the BBA Hons. 4-year, 2-year and MBA 3.5 years programs. ■

PU students clinch team trophy

PUNJAB University team comprised of Abaan Jamshaid Nazar, Afshar Shakoor, Ayesha Tahir, Bilal Khan, Filza Randhawa, Fizza, Hania Faheem, Khizer Hayat, Muhammad Usman Khan, Maryam Adress, Moid Mubeen and Salwa Shameem from various departments got best play award and lifted team trophy as well at the 6th All Pakistan Theatre Festival organized by University of Engineering & Technology. Students including Bilal Khan, Moid Mubeen, Maryam Adress, Mirza Umair, Abaan Jamshaid Nazar, Khizer Hayat and Fizza were awarded with the Best Actor, Director, Actress, Script, Sounds, Costume and Supporting Actress award respectively. ■



Winning students poses for group photo after receiving the trophies.

College of Pharmacy organizes Int'l seminar



Faculty members poses for group photo after seminar.

PUNJAB University College of Pharmacy organized international seminar on 'Modern Techniques of Atomic Absorption Spectrometer, FTIR, NIR Spectrometer and Mercury Analyzer'.

On this occasion, Regional Director Lomax Industries Services Arkady Kuznetsov, Principal

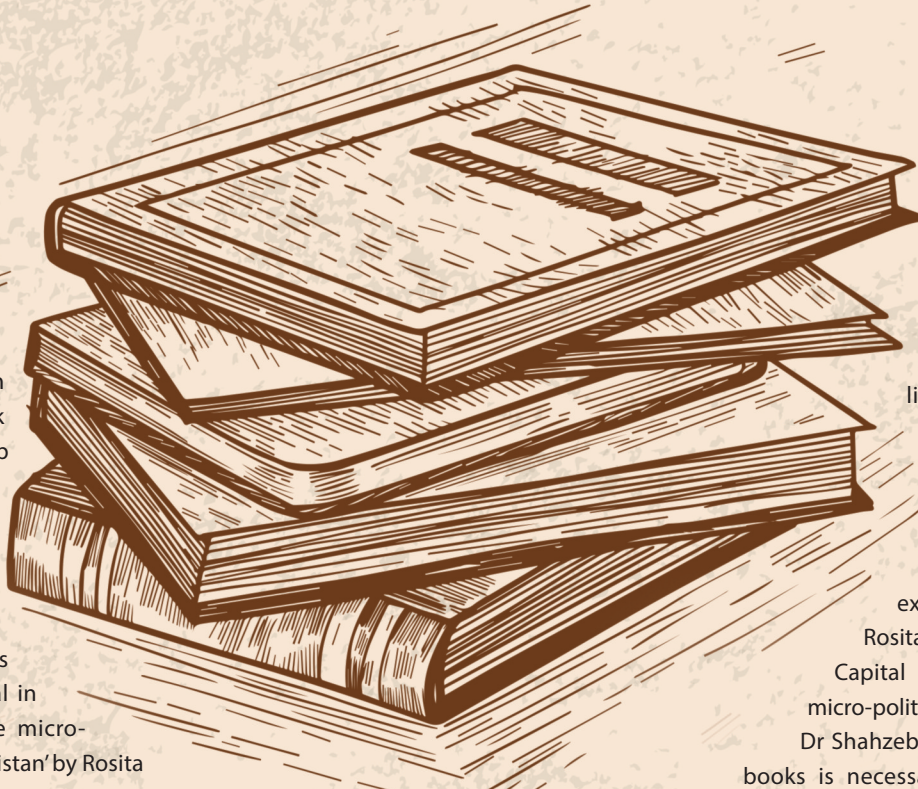
PU College of Pharmacy Prof Dr Khalid Hussain, Prof Dr Syed Atif Raza, representatives of Bin Rashid Company, faculty members and a large number of students were present.

The speakers highlighted all scientific instruments and the latest technology used in them, machines used in pharmacy and

research.

Dr Khalid Hussain said that the purpose of organizing the seminar was to create awareness about scientific instruments and their measurement technology used in universities and industries. Later, shields were distributed among the participants. ■

PU Library marks WORLD BOOK DAY



In connection with the Book Day, Punjab University

Library organized introductory talks on books titled 'Naey Naqad kay naam Khatoot' by Nasir Abbas Nayyar and 'Big Capital in an unequal world: the micro-politics of Wealth in Pakistan' by Rosita Armytage.

On this occasion, Chief Librarian Dr Muhammad Haroon Usmani, Institute of English Studies Assistant Professor Dr Shahzeb Khan, Prof Dr Nasir Abbas Nayyar, faculty members and students were present.

Dr Usmani shed light on the Urdu book and explained the theme and style of the book

literature, everyone can be benefited from it.

Dr Shahzeb Khan described the anthropology of wealth politics of Pakistan as explored and narrated by Rosita Armytage in her book "Big Capital in an unequal world: the micro-politics of Wealth in Pakistan".

Dr Shahzeb stressed that reading such books is necessary to identify the actual causes of problems in Pakistan and ponder on the solutions. Later, Dr Nasir Abbas distributed the Book Lovers' Award among the ten highly engaged readers of the library. ■

"Naey Naqad kay naam Khatoot". He said that although the wisdom of the book is written to guide an imminent literary critic of

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DR SHAHZEK KHAN



Book lovers pose for group photo after receiving the award.

PU VC constitutes experts committee for quality seeds of rice, wheat, cotton

In the light of directions of the Governor Punjab/ Chancellor PU, the VC Prof Dr Khalid Mahmood has constituted the committee of experts to carry out the latest research for development of quality seed of rice, wheat and cotton.

The committee has been constituted to strengthen industry-academia linkages.

The committee consists of Chief Executive, Guard Agricultural Research & Services (Pvt). Ltd, Shahzad Ali Malik will be the convener while Chairman Department of Plant Breeding

& Genetics PU Prof Dr Muhammad Arshad Javed, National Centre of Excellence in Molecular Biology Prof Dr Abdul Qayyum Rao, Senior Superintendent Gardens, RO-II office Dr Nasim Ahmad Yasin and Director ORIC Prof Dr Shakil Ahmed. ■

Student Discourse Centre establish at PUFCIT

CHAIRMAN Punjab Higher Education Commission Prof Dr Shahid Munir inaugurated a Student Discourse Centre at Punjab University Faculty of Computing and Information Technology.

On this occasion, Dean FCIT Prof Dr Shahzad Sarwar, faculty members and others were present. In his address, Dr Shahid Munir said that it was an excellent initiative that can help students to engage in innovative activities and promote intellectual discourse.

Dr Shahzad Sarwar said that the centre was designed as a physical space within the faculty, equipped with various amenities and resources that facilitate brainstorming, collaboration and creativity. He said that the centre can feature comfortable seating, writing

boards, multimedia facilities and fast internet connectivity among other things. He said that the primary goal of the centre would be encourage students to share their ideas, opinions and perspectives on various issues related to their coursework, research, or entrepreneurial interests. This would create a conducive environment



Chairman Punjab Higher Education Commission Prof Dr Shahid Munir inaugurates Student Discourse Centre.

for innovation and creativity, where students can discuss, debate, and challenge each other's ideas, he added. The Dean said that overall, the Student Discourse Centre at the FCIT can serve as a hub of innovation and creativity, enabling students to explore their potential, enhance their skills and contribute to the development of the field. ■