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Vice Chancellor Message

My Vision for Women University Swabi: Excellence in Education and Research As Vice-Chancellor of Women

As vice-chancellor of women University Swabi, my vision is to establish this institution as a center of excellence in women's education and research. We are committed to create an academic environment where female students can thrive, gain knowledge, and contribute meaningfully to society.

Research and development are our top priorities. I am working to establish dedicated research centers, provide faculty research grants and



strengthen international collaborations to enhance academic standards. Expanding scholarship programs is also a key focus to ensure that talented students have access to quality education.

We believe in collaboration in this regard we can see the initiatives taken to built a mosque on campus with support of Ummah Welfare Trust.

Beside academics, we also provide a healthy environment to our students for co-curricular activities. by participating in games, they can grow as healthy citizens, as good leaders and as dedicated group members. In this backdrop, the institution organized Sports Gala in Bamkhel Sports Complex.

Our mission is to empower the students of Women University Swabi not only through education, but also by preparing them to be future visionary thinkers, researchers and professionals to have a lasting impact on society.

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Teamwork Key to Progress: Dr. Mian Syed Jan Takes Charge as Vice-Chancellor of Women's University Swabi

Institutions run on teamwork, and those that lack teamwork can never progress. Teamwork is essential in universities, and for this, everyone must move forward together. Women University Swabi is a gift for the people living on Yousafzai land. When women are educated, the upcoming generations will also become more aware. These views were expressed by the Vice-Chancellor of Women's University Swabi, Professor Dr. Mian Syed Jan, upon taking charge as Vice-Chancellor Women University Swabi . On this occasion, Registrar Dr.

Racesa Bano and heads of all departments were present. He stated that every possible step would be taken for the university's development, and a conducive educational environment would be provided for teachers and staff.

Dr. Mian Syed Jan earned h is doctorate in Parasitology from the University of Karachi and has served as a professor and head of the Zoology Department at Swabi University since 2015. In 2022, he was appointed as Pro-Vice Chancellor of Swabi University.



First-Ever Female Mosque Established at Women University Swabi



Women University Swabi witnessed a historic event with the establishment of the first-ever female mosque in any women's university in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. This significant occasion was marked by the presence of distinguished guests, including Hazrat Maulana Muhammad Ibrahim Mazhari and Maulana Muhammad Idrees, Chairman of Ummah Welfare Trust.

Hazrat Maulana Muhammad Ibrahim Mazhari visited the mosque site, where he planted trees, symbolizing growth and spiritual development. During the ceremony, Vice Chancellor Mian Sayed Khan presented a souvenir to Maulana Muhammad Idrees in recognition of Ummah Welfare Trust's invaluable support in this groundbreaking project.

Vice Chancellor Mian Sayed Khan expressed deep appreciation for the efforts of Ummah Welfare Trust, highlighting that this mosque sets a new precedent as the first female mosque within a women's university in the region. This initiative reflects the university's dedication to provide a nurturing environment that supports both the educational and spiritual needs of its female students.

The involvement of Ummah Welfare Trust, renowned for their contributions to mosque construction and renovation, signifies a strong commitment to enhance the spiritual infrastructure of educational institutions. This development is poised to inspire similar projects across the province, promoting the inclusion of dedicated worship spaces for women in academic settings.

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Iqbal Day Celebrations at Women University Swabi by the Department of Pakistan Studies

The Department of Pakistan Studies at Women University Swabi organized a special event to commemorate Iqbal Day, celebrating the legacy of the Poet of the East, Allama Iqbal. Head of the Department, Ms. Atiya Quraish, delivered an insightful talk on "Iqbal's Philosophy of Khudi (selfhood)" emphasizing how his concept of selfhood inspires youth towards self-recognition and confidence, guiding them to succeed in life.

Deputy Registrar Muhammad Jabbar and Lecturer Muneebur-Rehman also spoke on Iqbal's philosophy of education, highlighting how Iqbal valued education, as essential for spiritual, moral, and intellectual development—views that continue to serve as a guiding light for our education system today.

The event also featured a poetry competition among students of the Department of Pakistan Studies, where students passionately recited Iqbal's timeless poetry. The celebration concluded with a cake-cutting ceremony in honor of Iqbal Day, underscoring the importance of this day for all attendees.





Women University Swabi Hosts Vibrant Welcome Event for Urdu Department Freshers

Colorful event was held at the Urdu Department of Women University Swabi to welcome new students, with recent graduates also invited to attend. Some of these alumni participated in the ceremony and shared their experiences. Dr. Naqeeb Ahmed Jan, Head of the Urdu Department, emphasized the importance of providing such opportunities for students, as they help to uncover their hidden talents. He pointed that participation from students of other departments, who recited their poetry, highlighted that literature transcends language barriers. Assistant Professor Dr. Munazza praised Lecturer Ms. Brekhna for her dedication in preparing the students for the event and encouraging their involvement in extracurricular activities. Additional Director of Public Relations and Publications, Mr. A. Waseem Khattak, also recited his poems and encouraged students to join student societies.



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Vice Chancellor Mian Saeed Khan Emphasizes Unity of Faculty, Students, and Administration for University Success



Vice Chancellor Women University, Swabi Mian Saeed Khan, highlighted the critical role of faculty, students and administration in ensuring the effective functioning of the institution. Addressing a meeting with the Heads of Departments, Sections, and project staff yesterday, he emphasized that these groups form the essential backbone of the university, maintaining a tripartite relationship crucial for institutional progress.

In his address, Vice Chancellor Mian Saeed Khan noted the unique contributions of each stakeholder, particularly underlining the significant impact of faculty and students in the university growth. He expressed concern over the shortage of permanent faculty members, a challenge that has posed operational difficulties. However, he reassured all attendees of his commitment to find practical solutions to all the issues faced by the university, as part of a broader initiative to maintain and enhance its functionality.

Following the main session, he held separate meetings with the heads of various departments and sections, as well as project staff, where he listened to their individual challenges and ideas. Vice Chancellor, Khan, expressed his determination to address these concerns promptly, reinforcing the administration's dedication to sustain a supportive environment for academic and administrative excellence.

Inauguration of the First Media Studio at Women University Swabi

Women University Swabi has taken a significant step forward by establishing its first media studio through the collaboration of the Directorate of Public Relations, Publications and the Department of Journalism. The studio was inaugurated by Vice-Chancellor Professor Dr. Mian Syed, who emphasized the importance of positive media coverage in distinguishing institutions and highlighted the vital role that students play in this process.

Speaking at the ceremony, the Vice-Chancellor stated, "In today's era, the nations that excel are those that utilize media effectively and positively." Addressing the students, he stressed their responsibility in contributing to the betterment of society. He encouraged them to use media as a platform to highlight societal issues and drive positive change.

The event was attended by Registrar, Dr. Raeesa, Finance In-charge Muhammad Hussain, Director Planning and Development Shafiullah Marwat, Associate Professor of Botany, Dr. Muhammad Wahab, Deputy Director Administration, Muhammad Tayyab, Deputy Registrar, Muhammad Jabbar, and Additional Director of Public Relations and Publications, as well as Chairman of the Department of Journalism, A. Waseem Khattak.

Professor Dr. Mian Syed further remarked that Women University Swabi is marking a new chapter in the field of media education with the establishment of this studio. He noted that the studio would play a pivotal role in providing practical training to students, enhancing their skills, and enabling them to meet the demands of the modern era effectively.



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Women University Swabi Hosts Launch of A. Waseem Khattak's Children's Book "Ali and Zehra's Stories"

The Department of Journalism and Urdu at Women University Swabi hosted the launch ceremony of the children's book "Ali and Zehra's Stories", authored by A. Waseem Khattak, the Head of the Department. The event was presided over by the university's Registrar, Dr. Raeesa Bano. Organized jointly by the Department of Journalism and the Department of Urdu, The ceremony was attended by distinguished faculty members, including Dr. Sanaullah, Dr. Nageeb Jan, Dr. Aurangzeb, Dr. Farooq Ahmed, Ms. Faryal, Ms. Breshna, and Ms. Mariyana, among others. Addressing the gathering, Dr.

Raeesa Bano emphasized the importance of children literature, stating that writing for children is

becoming rare. She stressed the need to encourage authors who contribute to this field, as such works provide children with quality content that can inspire love for books and divert their attention from excessive use of mobile phones.

Dr. Naqeeb Ahmed Jan delivered an insightful address on the history of children's literature, highlighting its significance in shaping young minds. Dr. Munazza shed light on the themes of the book, noting that while it is primarily written for children, it carries meaningful messages for adults as well.

Author A. Waseem Khattak shared his journey, revealing that he has been writing since 1990 and has recently resumed creating content for children after many years. He expressed gratitude to the National Book Foundation for its role in promoting children's literature and enabling the consistent publication of such works. He mentioned that "Ali and Zehra's Stories" is designed for children aged 4 to 10 and announced plans to publish three more children's books soon.

In his closing remarks, Waseem Khattak extended his thanks to Vice-Chancellor Professor Dr. Mian Syed for supporting the launch of the book and fostering an environment that encourages the promotion of children's literature. The attendees praised the book as a valuable addition to children literature and congratulated the author on his achievement.



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Women University Swabi Organizes Anti-Corruption Seminar and Awareness Walk



Women University Swabi, under the banner of the Youth Development Center, successfully organized an Anti-Corruption Seminar followed by an awareness walk. The event also marked the inauguration of the Peace Society Club.

Dr. Shams ul Hussain, Associate Professor from the Islamic Studies Department, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Dr. Ashfaq ur Rehman, Associate Professor and Head of the Political Science Department, delivered the welcome address. In his speech, he highlighted the pervasive nature of corruption in daily life and emphasized the need for collective efforts to combat it.

Waseem Khattak, Head of the Journalism Department and Additional Director of Public Relations, along with Miss Faryal, Deputy Director of the Youth Development Center, Miss Maryana, and Dr. Alia, were also present at the event.

Addressing the audience, Dr. Shams ul Hussain underscored the importance of fostering ethical values in society. He stated, "Corruption is not just about financial misconduct; it erodes trust, justice, and the foundations of a nation. To eliminate it, we must begin by correcting our own actions and behavior." He further emphasized the role of youth in leading this change, saying, "The younger generation is the torchbearer of our future. If they commit to integrity and accountability today, they can reshape the destiny of Pakistan."

The event concluded with a walk to raise awareness about the damaging effects of corruption, encouraging participants to take personal responsibility in building a transparent and corruption-free society.

Women University Swabi Hosts NAHE Training Program to Enhance University Administrative Skills

The National Academy of Higher Education (NAHE), in collaboration with the Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC) and the Quality Enhancement Cell (QEC) of Women University Swabi, organized a five-day training program aimed at enhancing the skills of administrative staff in universities across Pakistan. The training provided participants with opportunities to develop expertise in various areas critical to university management.

During the inaugural session, Dr. Raisa Bano, Registrar of Women University Swabi, emphasized the importance of such programs for improving the professional capabilities of administrative staff. She highlighted that these training sessions serve as a foundation for equipping staff with modern skills and should be conducted annually. The sessions



covered topics such as leadership skills, understanding policies, financial management and many more skills.

A seminar on "CV Writing and Job Hunting held at Women University Swabi



A seminar on "CV Writing and Job Hunting" was successfully held at Women University Swabi on December 17, 2024. Organized by Sustaining The Humanity Organization (STH) in collaboration with District Youth Affairs Swabi and Youth Development Center (YDC), the event aimed to equip students with essential career development skills.

Dr. Syeda Urooj Babar, the guest speaker, delivered an engaging session, guiding participants on crafting professional resumes, preparing for interviews, and navigating the modern job market. Ikram Ullah, President of STH, briefly shared the organization's vision for youth empowerment and acknowledged the support of Women University Swabi, District Youth Affairs Swabi, and YDC in making the event a successful.

Waseem Khattak, Additional Director Public Relations & Publications and Head of Journalism, highlighted the importance of a well-presented CV, describing it as a representation of one's personality to recruiters. He added, "Just as everyone likes to look good, your CV should also look professional and appealing.

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Women University Swabi Celebrates World Arabic Language Day

The Department of Arabic and Islamic Studies at Women University Swabi marked World Arabic Language Day with a vibrant celebration that highlighted the importance and beauty of the Arabic language. The event saw enthusiastic participation from students across various semesters, who took part in multiple segments designed to showcase their understanding and appreciation of Arabic.

Students delivered speeches on the significance of the Arabic language, emphasizing its role as the language of the Quran and its historical and cultural impact on the Islamic world. Their presentations highlighted Arabic's influence on knowledge, literature, and science throughout history.

Dr. Ibrahim, a keynote speaker, elaborated on Arabic's profound connection with Islam, underscoring its pivotal role in uniting the Muslim Ummah. He stressed that the Arabic language is not only a mean of communication but also a bridge to understand Islamic teachings and heritage.

Dr. Alia, the Student Coordinator, received special recognition for her dedication and efforts in organizing the event. Dr. Shams-ul-Hussain, Chairman of the Department, praised her commitment and remarked, "Without Dr. Alia's hard work and vision, this event would not have been possible. Her contributions reflect the spirit of teamwork and devotion that drives our department forward."



Delegation Visits Women University Swabi to Review Progress on Establishment Project

A high-level delegation from the Planning and Development Department (P&DD) and the Higher Education Archives and Libraries Department (HED) of the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa visited the main campus of Women University Swabi to review progress on the project titled "Establishment of Women University Swabi" (ADP Scheme No. 130548).

The delegation included Mst. Gul Rukh, Assistant Chief P&DD, Mr. Nouman, Senior Planning Officer HED, and Engr. Mujahid, Planning Officer HED. They were joined by university officials, including Dr. Raisa Bano, Registrar; Mr. Shafi Ullah Marwat, Director P&D; Mr. Ihsan Ullah Marwat, Additional Registrar and Deputy Treasurer; Mr. Tayyab Ur Rehman, Deputy Treasurer; and Engr. Mohammad Aamir, Deputy Director Works and Incharge Project.

The visit focused on inspecting the construction and physical status of civil works under the project. The delegation expressed satisfaction with the progress made so far and emphasized the importance of completing the remaining work efficiently.

A detailed presentation on the 2nd Revision of the PC-I for the project was delivered by Engr. Mohammad Aamir, Deputy Director Works. He highlighted the need for revising the PC-I to ensure timely completion of the remaining work, addressing key technical and administrative challenges. The revision aims to align the project with public interest and ensure that the development meets the university's long-term needs.

This project is a key initiative to enhance higher education opportunities for women in the region, contributing to the socio-economic uplift of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. The delegation assured their continued support to expedite the completion of this vital project.

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Haij Rangez Khan, Special Assistant to the Chief Minister of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Visits Women University Swabi

Haji Rangez Khan, the Special Assistant to the Chief Minister of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, visited Women University Swabi accompanied by Sohail Yousafzai, President of PTI, Swabi District. The Vice Chancellor of Women University Swabi, Dr. Mian Sayed Khan, warmly welcomed the delegation.

During the visit, Dr. Mian Sayed Khan emphasized the university's ongoing challenges, particularly the need for the regularization of faculty members. Dr. Rasia Bano, the Registrar of the university, provided an overview of the university's progress and the hurdles it faces. In a meeting with faculty and administration, Haij Rangez Khan assured that the permanent employment of every faculty member at the university is one of top priority. He confirmed that steps would be taken on priority basis to address this issue. Khan expressed his appreciation for the efforts of Dr. Mian Sayed Khan, highlighting the Vice Chancellor's achievements in a short time and commending his vision for the institution.

Additionally, Haij Rangez Khan praised the efforts of the university's administration, announcing that the Ummah Welfare Trust is constructing a mosque on the university campus. This initiative, aimed at providing a place of worship for both faculty and female students, reflects the university's commitment to the well-being of its community.

