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Conference Corner

3rd International Conference on Business, Economics & Management (2019)

Sukkur IBA University organized 3rd International Conference on Business, Economics & Management on 19-20 April, 2019. The two-day 3rd International Conference on Business, Economics & Management was organized by Sukkur IBA University on the theme of “Strategies for Sustainability and Well-Being at Workplace: Asian Perspective”. More than 150+ research papers submitted, 90 papers and 33 cases were presented throughout the conference by national and international participants. Vice Chancellor Sukkur IBA University, Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui, in his welcome address said that the uncertainty that we have in today’s disruptive era is unimaginable.

The rapidly changing technology and economic reality is causing immeasurable uncertainty. He said that at Sukkur IBA University we are making all possible measures to cope up with the challenges of the rapidly changing technologies, so that, our students are abreast with them, the VC said. “No matter how much changes are going to come our way in the days to come, but we as human beings are always capable of taking such challenges”. Dr. Severine Minot from Habib University, Dr. Syed Zahoor Hassan from LUMS, Dr. Abdul Halim Abdul Majid, from Universiti Utara Malaysia, Dr. Irfan Hyder from IoBM, Dr. Kaiser Bengali, Prof. Dr. Sarwar Azhar, and Dr. Sheraz Rajput Sukkur IBA University, Dr. Zafar Hayat, prominent entrepreneurs like Mr. Hassan Daudpota, Mr. Mudassar Zaidi along with other researchers, academicians, researchers and industry experts attended the conference

In his closing remarks, the Registrar Sukkur IBA University Engr. Zahid Hussain Khand shed light on the various initiatives of Sukkur IBA University, which included, National Talent Hunt Program, BBA Agri-business, Center of Excellence for Robotics, Artificial Intelligence and Blockchain (CRAIB), Fabrication Lab, Behavioral Lab, Community Colleges, Mobile Science and Technology Laboratory, Solar-powered energy production and much more. He said that that by 2050 the companies might start hiring robots instead of human.



Conference on Friends of Silk Road

Sukkur IBA University in collaboration with District Administration Sukkur, and Pakistan-China Institute, organized a one-day conference on “Friends of Silk Road” on August 22, 2019 at Sukkur IBA University. H.E. Wang Yu, Consul General of People’s Republic of China; Senator Mushahid Hussain, Chairman PCI; Syed Khursheed Shah, MNA; Nisar Ahmed Khuhro, MPA; Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui, Vice Chancellor SIBAU; Mayor Sukkur Barrister Arslan Shaikh; Dr. Jameel Ahmed, AIG Sukkur, delegation from Chinese Consulate and people from all walks of life participated in the conference. The conference was focused around CPEC and Pak-China friendship. The speakers discussed the progress made, the impact CPEC has had on both the countries, the current on-going projects, and the future projects planned under CPEC. The conference ended with a Q&A session.



PSYWSC 2019 at Sukkur IBA University

The Department of Electrical Engineering in collaboration with IEEE Student branch Sukkur IBA University and IEEE Karachi Section organized 13th PSYWSC’19 held on November 15 & 16, 2019 at Sukkur IBA University, Main Campus. The congress event was inaugurated with recitation of Holly Quran, Dr. Saeed Ahmed Khan delivered hosting remarks to participants. Vice Chancellor Sukkur IBA University Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui welcomed the guests and participants of 13th IEEE PSYWSC’19 congress. The keynote speeches were delivered by Prof. Dr. Sher Muhammad Daudpota from Sukkur IBA University, Prof. Dr. Shahid A Shaikh from IEEE, Prof. Dr. Zubair A Shaikh, Dr. Azmat, Former DG KRL, Dr. Riffat Hassan, GM (Design & Engineering) National Transmission Despatch Company (NTDC), Mr. Amir Zia, CDO K-Electric and Dr. Akram Sheikh, DG – PASTIC. General Manager, ENGRO Corporation discussed on Achieving Sustainable Development through Industry-Academia Collaboration and emphasized to develop curriculum based on skills and fill the gap between academia and industries. Faculty members of electrical engineering department conducted five workshops on machine learning, robot design, Programming logic controllers, fabrication of printed circuit board, embedded system by using Lab VIEW and two competitions on speed programming and web development was also carried out during the congress.



Students showed much excitement in congress and more than 180 students participated in workshops and competitions. A musical was also organized by Sukkur IBA University for the guests and participants of the congress.

1st Student Congress on Educational Sciences

Sukkur IBA University department of Education organized 1st Student Congress on Educational Sciences on 7th December 2019. The theme of the congress was; Quality education in Teacher Education: Emerging Trends, issues and future directions. Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui presided the event as chief guest. During his inaugural speech Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui welcomed all the scholars, academicians, researchers and attendees of the congress to Sukkur IBA University. He said that technology has greatly influenced the way the education is being imparted and we should work together to make learning easy and fun for the young scholars. He also discussed about the importance of remedial education for the development of youth which have been affected by the inadequate practices, talking about Sukkur IBA University he said that through its network of Community Colleges and initiatives like Sindh and National Talent Hunt program, the university has been striving hard to revolutionize the education system of the province and the country. Prominent scholars and researchers from all across Pakistan attended the congress including Dr. Muhammad Memon, Chairman National Accreditation Council for Teacher Education (NACTE), Dr. Samina Malik from International Islamic university Islamabad, Dr. Muhammad Sabieh Anwar from Syed Babar Ali School of Science and Engineering-LUMS, Dr. Iftikhar Baig from University of Lahore, Dr. Nabi Bux Jumani form International Islamic University Islamabad, Dr. Syed Hassan Ali Shah ,Dr. Syed Tasadaque Ali, Dr. Al-Karim Dato, Ms. Unaeza Alvi, Dr. Sohail Memon and Dr. Zafarullah Sahito from Sukkur IBA Univeristy. The conference presented a platform to young scholars, educationist, researchers and academicians to present their research work and innovations to envisage the challenges and capitalize the opportunities in the educational sciences.



More than 100 papers were presented in the conference and scholars from more than 25 universities from all across Pakistan participated in the event. At the end Dr. Sohail Memon Manger for the event along with Dr. Zafarullah Sahito HoD, Department of Education, Sukkur IBA University thanks the attendees. Engr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Registrar along with Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui VC, Sukkur IBA University presented traditional Ajrak and Topi along with shields and certificates to the speakers and participants of the congress.

Events Corner

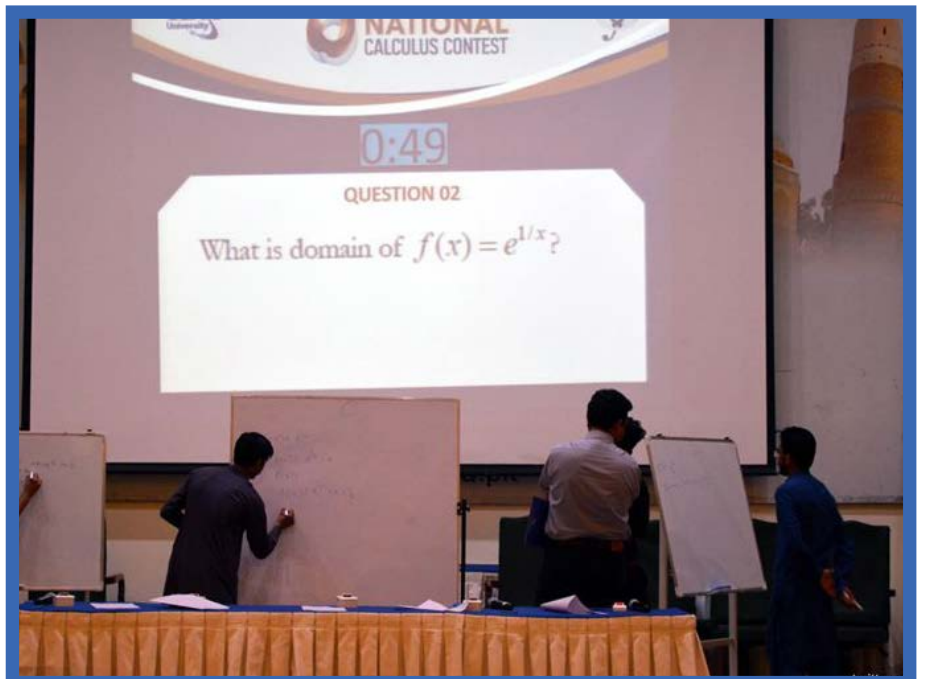
Prime Minister Kamyab Jawan Startup Pakistan

Launch Ceremony of Prime Minister Kamyab Jawan Startup Pakistan was held at Sukkur IBA University on 9th December 2019. Governor Sindh Honorable Mr. Imran Ismail graced the occasion as Chief Guest Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui in his inaugural speech welcomed Governor Mr. Imran Ismail to Sukkur IBA University and said that since the establishment of Sukkur IBA in 1994, the university has been taking numerous initiatives to promote Entrepreneurship in the students. While discussing about Sukkur IBA Entrepreneurship department and Center for Robotics, Artificial Intelligence & Block chain, Prof. Nisar said that it is imperative that we include technology in our entrepreneurial ventures because technology will lead us ahead in this digital era.



National Calculus Contest 2019

Mathematics Society of Sukkur IBA University organized National Calculus Contest 2019 on April 27 & April 28, 2019. A total of 130 contestants participated in the competition from various HEC recognized universities from all across Pakistan. Of the 130 total participants, 30 made it to Semi Finals and 5 competed in the Grand Finale. Prior to the Grand Finale, a gala lunch was organized for the participants. Along with the gala lunch, a "Cultural Representation Show" was arranged, in which, students showcased their talent through poetry, dances, and mimicry. After tough competition, Mr. Naufil Sakran, Govt. College University, Lahore, won the contest, while Mr. Ali Raza, Sukkur IBA University, nabbed the 1st runner-up position, and Mr. Mehran Zahoor, MUET, Jamshoro, became the 2nd runner-up. The winners were awarded cash prizes of Rs. 50,000/-, Rs. 30,000/- and Rs. 20,000/- respectively.



Mathematics GEMS Competition 2019

The Mathematics Society and the department of Mathematics organized Mathematics GEMS Competition on May 12, 2019. The competitors included students of Sindh Talent Hunt Program and Foundation Semester. A total of 12 teams participated in the event out of which 11 were from the main campus, while one from Khairpur campus. The teams were selected after an intra-class competition. The competition was filled with grit and determination to win.



Book Review Competition 2019

The Book Review Competition 2019 for the batches of Sindh Talent Hunt Program & Foundation Semester was organized on May 16, 2019. A total of 13 teams participated in the competition, also including teams from Kandhkot & Khairpur Campus of the university. The top spot was secured by Creativity Seekers from STHP-B. Second position was held by Foundation-A, while, third position was rewarded to team Viking. The competition ended with closing remarks from Registrar Sukkur IBA University, Engr. Zahid Hussain Khand, who encouraged students to read more, while acknowledging the efforts of the participants.



Laptop Distribution Ceremony for PM's Laptop Scheme – Phase V



Sukkur IBA University organized a laptop distribution ceremony for Prime Minister's Laptop Scheme - Phase V, on June 01, 2019. In his address, Vice Chancellor Sukkur IBA University, Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui, reminded the students of the importance of hard work and how working now will pay them off later on in their lives. Registrar Sukkur IBA University, Engr. Zahid Hussain Khand, also reminded students to work towards their betterment and the betterment of their futures. He reminded them to make use of the laptops to enhance their performance. In all, a total of 76 laptops were distributed.

Orientation Ceremony of Teachers – EMO Schools



Directorate of Community Colleges and Schools of Sukkur IBA University organized a detailed Orientation session for its newly inducted teachers of EMO Schools on November 06, 2019. The program was graced by Prof. Dr. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui, Vice Chancellor – Sukkur IBA University and Eng. Zahid Hussain Khand – Registrar, Sukkur IBA University and Mr. Noor Hussain Shar, Director IBA Community Colleges and Schools. After the orientation ceremony the employees were taken to a campus tour as well.

Inauguration Ceremony of Academic Block-III

The Academic Block III of Sukkur IBA University was inaugurated by chief guest and president of Pakistan People's Party, Mr. Bilawal Bhutto Zardari, on July 13, 2019. Asifa Bhutto Zardari; Chief Minister Sindh, Mr. Murad Ali Shah; MNA, Syed Khurshid Ahmed Shah; MPA, Syed Nasir Hussain Shah; Commissioner Sukkur, Mr. Rafiq Ahmed Burriro were also among the guests present at the event. After the inauguration ceremony, the guests visited the block and the various laboratories present in it. Addressing the audience gathered to welcome him, the chief guest, Mr. Bilawal Bhutto Zardari, expressed his joy at seeing the infrastructure of the university and said "it is so fulfilling to see that the institute that my mother, Shaheed Benazir Bhutto, laid the foundation of, has grown into this great university which is competing against not only the best universities in Pakistan but against world standards". He said that our country needs many more institutions like Sukkur IBA University and asked for the full support of the youth to fulfill the vision held by Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah.



Business Administration Department Study Tour 2019

Career Development Center (CDC) organized a 7-day long study trip for the students of Business Administration Department which took off on August 03, 2019. The graduating students (from Bachelors to Post Doc) were scheduled to visit 8 different companies relevant to their majors. They visited MPCL, Ministry of Finance, OMD, and Group M and plan on visiting Mari Gas, OGDCL, Ufone, Telenor, and Parliament. Later, they will be taken to Northern areas for recreational activities in order to enhance team-building and leadership abilities. The students are being accompanied by four faculty members, Dr. Khalil Ahmed Channa, Dr. Faheem Gul Ghilal, Dr. Ruksana Gul Ghilal, and Mr. Muzammil Sattar.



Plantation Drive - Making Pakistan Greener

Continuing the national spirit of making Pakistan greener, Vice Chancellor Sukkur IBA University, Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui, initiated another plantation drive on August 22, 2019. Vice Chancellor planted trees in the nearby vicinity of Sukkur IBA University. On the occasion, he reiterated the importance of taking care of the environment and playing our collective parts in making our environment cleaner and greener.



Drone Summer Camp 2019



The Department of Electrical Engineering organized the first ever Drone Summer Camp in Pakistan from August 21 to August 24, 2019. Students of 12 schools from all over Sindh participated. The aim of this unique summer camp is to promote STEM education among school and college level students, and teach them the concepts of STEM using the latest drone technology. The camps was divided into two full-day sessions.

Kashmir Solidarity Walk – Sukkur IBA University Chapter

Sukkur IBA University participated in the nation-wide walk that happened to show solidarity with Kashmir and to protest the on-going injustices by India on Kashmiris, on August 30, 2019. The event started by playing the national anthem of Pakistan and Kashmir. Vice Chancellor Sukkur IBA University, Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui, on the occasion talked about the need for student body to progress and prosper as that is the only way for Pakistan to prosper and stand proud while supporting Kashmir. Registrar Sukkur IBA University, reiterating the case made by Vice Chancellor, said that Pakistan is very lucky to have 60% of its population be youth, and as such, the youth need to come forward and focus on innovation and technological advances to strengthen Pakistan in the 21st century. After the speeches, a large number of faculty members, administrative staff, and students participated in the solidarity walk.



Huawei ICT Roadshow at Sukkur IBA University



Department of Computer Science and Huawei conducted ICT Roadshow on October 02, 2019. The event was supported by ACM Sukkur IBA chapter and Computer Society -SISC. Engr. Zahid Hussain Khan welcomed the guest and encouraged the students for active participation. Dr Ahmed Waqas, HoD CS, motivated the students to achieve skill-based learning.

Graduation Ceremony of 3D Animation & VFX Diploma

The graduation ceremony for six-month diploma in 3D Animation & VFX was organized on October 04, 2019. In his welcome address the Registrar, Engr. Zahid Hussain Khand, observed the changing trends in job market. “Many a jobs will be lost to automation” he said, “but creative fields will keep on thriving”. Dr. Qamar Uddin Khand, Program Director, talked about the booming industry of 3D animation and the bundle of opportunities that it provides. The CEO of Microvision, Mr. Faisal Khawaja, also joined the ceremony via Skype. Vice Chancellor, Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui expressed his joy saying “it is really fulfilling to see students moving towards skills development” The students also displayed their documentary titled “the Glimpse of Future World” along with a quick showreel of their work. A total of 17 students were awarded their diplomas.



Pink Ribbon Campaign 2019 at Sukkur IBA University

Go Green Society, in collaboration with Girls Hostel Society, organized Pink Ribbon Campaign Pakistan 2019 on October 16, 2019 at Sukkur IBA University. HEC, in collaboration with Pink Ribbon Pakistan, celebrates Pink Ribbon Campaign in the month of October in universities and colleges across Pakistan. Pink Ribbon celebrates Pink Ribbon Campaign, every October to create widespread awareness about Breast Cancer. This campaign is focused on “healthy lifestyle” as maintaining a quality life reduces the risk of breast cancer.



DICE VIC 2019 at Sukkur IBA University

The Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership & Incubation of Sukkur IBA University organized DICE VIC 2019 on 27th October 2019. The competition included Ad War and Business Plan Presentation in which participants showed their Ad videos and presented business Plans presentations to the jury. At the end of the competitions awards and shields were distributed among the winners.



Pakistan National Mathematics Olympiad 2019

Mathematics Society of Sukkur IBA University organized Pakistan National Mathematics Olympiad 2019 (PNMO19) for Colleges and university students on November 12 and 13 2019. A total number of 38 teams participated in the event. Their competition comprised of two rounds. The students were given question papers to solve in both rounds. Teams securing the top three positions were awarded with cash prizes. Vice Chancellor Sukkur IBA University Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui, Registrar Engineer Zahid Hussain Khand, HOD Mathematics Dr. Javed Hussain Brohi and Patron Mathematics Society Dr. Muhammad Fazeel Anwar awarded the prizes/ winners of PNMO19 "The Eagles" were awarded Rs 30,000/= cash prize. Team Pak Turk Maarif stood 2nd and was awarded with Rs 25,000/= cash award while Team Math rates secured 3rd position with Rs.20,000/=.



Orientation session of Pakistan Citizen Portal

Higher Education Commission in collaboration with Sukkur IBA University organized an orientation session of Pakistan Citizen Portal on 14 November 2019. The orientation session was organized at Sukkur IBA University campus where Focal Persons from other regional universities participated to learn effective & efficient handling of the complaints. Pakistan Citizen's Portal (PCP) is a Government-owned Mobile Application being used as a tool to promote citizen-centric participatory governance. It provides a nation-wide window to connect people with Government Organizations at all levels for raising their issues with authorities, complaints' redressal and suggestions. On Government's side, it helps to promote the culture of quantified performance management and make the various government entities accountable for their mandated roles and responsibilities. The session was conducted by Mr. Farman Ullah Anjum, Director General (R&AA) and Mr. Ghulam Nabi, Director from Higher Education Commission of Pakistan. Focal persons from Sukkur IBA University, Mehran UET, Jamshoro, Liaquat Medical University Jamshoro, Peoples Medical University, Shaheed Benazirabad, Quaid-e-Awam University, Shaheed Benazirabad, Shaheed Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto Medical University, Larkana, Shah Abdul Latif University, Khairpur Mirs, Benazir Bhutto Shaheed University of Technology and Skill Development, Khairpur Mirs, Pir Abdul Qadir Shah Jeelani Institute of Medical Sciences Gambat, Khairpur Mirs and other universities participated in the session.



Ehsaas Undergraduate Scholarship Awareness Session

Ehsaas Undergraduate Scholarship Program three days' awareness sessions were conducted by Financial Aid Office Sukkur IBA University for its currently enrolled students. The main purpose of these sessions was to guide and facilitated students in filling up the online scholarship application form. The students from all department of university passionately attended these sessions and cleared their different queries regarding document requirements.



SISC elections 2019



Election Committee of Sukkur IBA University student's council conducted Elections 2019 for Students Council body on December 02, 2019. Four panels Shaheen, Mashaal, United & Sprit submitted the nominations forms. SHAHEEN remained victorious in the elections 2019 by getting 801 votes out of total 1615 polled votes. Mr. Buxial became the Student President of Sukkur IBA Student Council

Sports Gala 2019- Prize Distribution Ceremony

Sports and Adventures Society of Sukkur IBA university organized an event to distribute prizes and shield among the winners of sports gala 2019. Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui- Vice Chancellor Sukkur IBA University, Eng. Zahid Hussain Khand- Registrar Sukkur IBA University along with other faculty members staff members and students attended the ceremony. Patron Sports and Adventure Society Mr. Muhammad Hussain Mughal thanked Vice Chancellor for their support in organizing sport activities and congratulated the winners on their performances.



Awareness Seminar on International Anti-Corruption Day

National Accountability Bureau Sukkur organized awareness seminar on the topic of “Our Faith corruption free Pakistan” on 09 December 2019. Honorable Governor Sindh Mr. Imran Ismail presided the occasion as chief guest. The event was organized to celebrate the international Anti-Corruption Day. Dignitaries from all walks of life and students from different schools also participated in the event.



TechFest 2019 at Sukkur IBA University

Department of computer science, along with ACM Student chapter and computer society organized “TECHFEST’ 19” at Sukkur IBA University. TechFest 19 consisted of a variety of competitions such as speed programming, code in the dark, graphic designing, ICT quiz and gaming competitions including counter strike, PUBG and FIFA. Students from Sukkur IBA University main campus, khairpur campus and kandkhot campus participated in the competitions. There was a tech talk on “Freelancing and profile making” by Mr. Zubair Zahid (Alumni Of Sukkur IBA University). In the closing ceremony, Chief guest of the event, Registrar Sukkur IBA University Engr. Zahid Hussain Khand, spoke to the students on the changing era of technology. Prizes were distributed among the winners by HOD Computer Science Department, Dr. Ahmad Waqas.



Visitors Corner

Officers Under Training at Civil Services Academy Visited SIBAU

The officers under training at Civil Services Academy visited Sukkur IBA University on April 02, 2019. The guests were taken on a campus tour where they visited the various facilities of Sukkur IBA University including FAB Lab, PHIL Lab, Behavioral Lab, and Central Library. After which, they were given a brief about Sukkur IBA University, its journey and its initiatives, by Dr. Sher Daudpota, Director QEC. The briefing session also included an interactive session between the officers under training and aspiring CSS candidates. The guests were later presented with souvenirs.



Pakistan Air Force Officials Visited Sukkur IBA University

A three-membered delegation from Pakistan Air Force (PAF) visited Sukkur IBA University on April 05, 2019. Flt. Lt. Salik, Flt. Lt. Umar, and Flt. Lt. Umair had an interactive session with the students and employees of Sukkur IBA University. Flt. Lt. Salik conducted the session and delivered an informative lecture on "Pakistan Air Force: A Formidable Force", in which he talked about various aspects of PAF along with its history and formation since 1947. The guests also answered the queries presented by audience members. After the session, the guests were given a campus tour.



Japanese Ambassador Visited Sukkur IBA University

H.E. Mr. Kuninori Matsuda, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to Pakistan, along with his delegation, visited Sukkur IBA University. He was accompanied by Mr. Arsalan Shaikh, Mayor Sukkur, and Mr. M. Rafique Memon, Director IW-1, NAB. The guests were received by Registrar Sukkur IBA University, Engr. Zahid Hussain Khand, and Deputy Director Marketing, Mr. Talha Shaikh. They were then taken on a campus tour where they visited different facilities of Sukkur IBA University. The guests were also presented with cultural gift of Ajrak and souvenirs.



US Consulate Officials Visited Sukkur IBA University

A five-membered delegation, including Mr. Jason Green, Public Affairs Officer; Mr. Stephen Valen, Cultural Affairs Officer; Mr. Hamza Lakhani; Ms. Zahra Hajiani; and Mr. Ali Chauhan, from the US Consulate visited Sukkur IBA University. The delegation had a brief meeting with Vice Chancellor Sukkur IBA University, Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui. After their meeting, they headed to Mathematics Resource Center, where they interacted with faculty and students. Later, they had a roundtable discussion with the female students of Entrepreneurship. The discussion circled around the topic of "Opportunities & Challenges Faced by Women Entrepreneurs in Pakistan". Mr. Stephen also presented a gift to Ms. Bharti Kumari, alumni of Youth Exchange & Study Program.



American Board Delegation Visited Sukkur IBA University

American Board delegation including Mr. Itikhar Qadar Khan, VP Business Development; Mr. Imran Abram, Coordinator Punjab; Ms. Luluwa Rafique, Coordinator Sindh & Balochistan; and Ms. Muntaha Masoud, Program Manager, visited Sukkur IBA University. The delegation was received by the higher management were briefed about the initiatives of the university by Director QEC, Dr. Sher Muhammad Daudpota. The purpose of the visit was to discuss the strategic implementation of “International Teacher Training & Certification Program” in Pakistan.



SIBAU Takes Another Step Towards Internationalization

Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui, VC Sukkur IBA University, visited LUISS Guido Carli University, Rome. During his visit, he met Mr. Andrea Prencipe, Rector; Mr. Raffaele Marchetti, Deputy Rector Internationalization, and Ms. Daniela Di Cagno, Director of Behavioral Economics Laboratory. Sukkur IBA University and LUISS agreed to launch “a bachelor’s degree leading to a master’s degree”. Further, both universities have agreed for student and faculty exchange. Five students from Sukkur IBA University will come for study exchange at LUISS (starting from Jan 2020) and three professors from LUISS will visit Sukkur IBA University. Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui also met Prof. Daniela Di Cagno, Director of Behavioral Economics Lab. Both Labs are going to collaborate and jointly conduct research in the field of experimental economics.



Shaheed Benazir Bhutto University Officials Visited SIBAU

A delegation from Shaheed Benazir Bhutto University including officials from Registrar Office, Finance Department, Examination Department, Transport Department, QEC, and others, visited Sukkur IBA University on July 10, 2019. The delegation was briefed about Sukkur IBA University by Director QEC, Dr. Sher M. Daudpota. Officials from both the universities then proceeded to have a healthy discussion regarding the best practices of both the institutes and how to adapt them. Later, the delegation went for a campus visit, after which they had lunch.



Agricultural Credit in Sindh – Talk by MD Sate Bank of Pakistan



Business Administration department of Sukkur IBA University organized Focused Group sessions on Agricultural Credit in Sindh: Problems faced by Farmers and Bankers on 7th Nov 2019. Mr. Muhammad Ashraf Khan, Managing Director, State Bank of Pakistan Banking Services Corporation (SBP-BSC) graced the session as Chief Guest. Mr. Khan was accompanied by Mr. Shoukat Zaman, Group Head Forex and Development Finance, SBP-BSC, and Mr. Ikramullah Qadri, Senior Joint Director, Agricultural Credit & Microfinance Department, SBP. The focused group sessions were attended by representative farmers and bankers.

CEO Jaffer Business System visits Sukkur IBA University

Mr. Syed Veqar-ul-Islam Director and CEO Jaffer Business Systems visited Sukkur IBA University under ORICs, Industrial Linkages Initiative on 26th November 2019. Syed Veqar-ul-Islam interacted with top management, whereby he was briefed about Sukkur IBA University and initiatives undertaken. He was quite Happy to see the progress made by Sukkur IBA University and appreciated the initiatives of Sukkur IBA University. Mr. Veqar-ul-Islam also visited the campus and interacted with Faculty and Final Year Students of Business, Computer Sciences, Electrical Engineering and education department. Mr. Veqar-ul-Islam showed interest in Industry-Academia Collaboration between Sukkur IBA University and Jaffer Business Systems.



28th MCMCP Government Officers visit

Government officers from 28th Mid Career Management Course Participants from NIPA Lahore visit Sukkur IBA University on 31 October 2019. Senior Management received the government officers, later they were briefed about Sukkur IBA University and its initiatives for the development of education in the region. The guests appreciated the initiatives like Talent Hunt Program and Community Colleges that have played significant role in revival of education in the region. The Guests were then taken to Campus tour.



Vice Chancellor SIBAU Represented Pakistan in International Workshop

Vice Chancellor Sukkur IBA University, Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui, represented Pakistan in the “3rd Steering Committee Meeting” of “5th International Workshop on UI GreenMetric World University Ranking (IWGM 2019)” held at Cork, Ireland. This is the first time Sukkur IBA University has participated in the UI GreenMetric World University Ranking and ranked among “Top Five in Pakistan” at the UI GreenMetric World Universities Ranking-2018. UI GreenMetric World University Rankings is the first and only university rankings in the world that measure each participating university’s commitment in developing an ‘environmentally friendly’ infrastructure. The rankings look at 6 indicators of each university (setting & infrastructure, energy & climate change, waste, water, transportation, and education).



Students Activities & Achievements

Mock Interviews Along with Session on Work-Life Balance



HR Executive Club of Sukkur IBA University organized “Mock Interviews” for the students of BBA-VI on April 05, 2019. The mock interviews were organized in order to help simulate the environment of interviews and to help students cope with the anxiety and stress that they face during interviews. Expert panels were designed in order to maximize the experience. Shields were awarded to top three interviewees in the categories of HR, Marketing and Finance, and certificates were given to all the participants by HR Executive Club Patron, Dr. Khalil Ahmed Channa. After the mock interviews, a session on “Work-Life Balance” was arranged.

Sukkur IBA University Participated in Commonwealth Youth Dialogue Conference

Mr. Buxial Khan, student of BBA-V, represented Pakistan in the Commonwealth Youth Dialogue Conference on “Peace, Security & Building Community Resilience from the Ground up” held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. A total of 59 students participated in the conference belonging to various countries including Singapore, Brunei, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Malaysia, India, and Pakistan. The event was organized by Commonwealth & Royal Commonwealth Society. Sukkur IBA University understands the importance of cultural representation and appreciates its students for participating in such events to spread a positive image of Pakistan.



Brainiac of the Year

Public Speaking and Literary Society (PSLS) of Sukkur IBA University organized “Brainiac of the Year”. The event comprised of two competitions namely “Picture Depiction Contest” and “Debate Competition”. The topics for the debate competition ranged from “Should Death Penalty be Abolished?” to “Communism VS Capitalism” and more. Students from all departments of Sukkur IBA University participated in the competition and presented great arguments for- and against- the debate topics.



Peace & Integrity Walk at Sukkur IBA University

The Youth Integrity Club and Character-Building Society of Sukkur IBA University, in collaboration with Together for Tolerance and Young Peace & Development Corps (YPDC), organized a “Peace & Integrity Walk” on October 08, 2019. The walk was the event launch of the annual flagship event of Youth Integrity Club, Tameer-e-Kirdaar. Registrar, Engr. Zahid Hussain Khand, addressed the students and employees at the walk, and emphasized the importance of integrity in day-to-day conduct. The crowd then marched from Academic Block II to Cafeteria, where the cake-cutting ceremony was held. The event also included portrayal by students of the many instances of injustices in the society.



Tameer-e-Kirdaar: A flagship event of YIC & CBS

Youth Integrity Club (YIC), YPDC & Character Building Society (CBS), in collaboration with NAB Sukkur, organized their flagship event “Tameer-e-Kirdaar” on October 17, 2019. Vice Chancellor, Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui, spoke in his welcome address about the importance of integrity in not just official dealings but every interaction in day-to-day life. Patron YIC & CBS, Mr. Usama Abdul Rehman, welcomed the audience in his opening remarks and highlighted the endeavors of YIC & CBS. The event also comprised of a declamation contest in which students gave speeches on importance of eradicating corruption. A video competition was also conducted. Director General NAB Sukkur, Mr. Mirza Irfan Baig, also addressed the audience. He quoted the Holy Quran and highlighted the evil bribery is, and how, in the eyes of Islam, both the giver and taker of bribe are equally responsible. He later conducted the oath-taking ceremony of team YIC & CBS. A



panel discussion on “Eradicating Corruption at Individual Level” also took place. In his closing remarks, Registrar, Engr. Zahid Hussain Khand, encouraged the students to implement fair practices in their lives. The ceremony ended with shields and certificate distribution among participants and winners of the competitions. Chief Guest, Mr. Mirza Irfan Baig, was also taken on a brief campus tour of Sukkur IBA University.

Trainings, Workshops & Seminars

Job Hunting Techniques & Competency-Based Interviewing Skills

Sukkur IBA University organized a series of many workshops for the students of MBA. The workshop, "Job Hunting Techniques & Competency-Based Interviewing Skills", was arranged in order to help the students learn important skills that would support them to get employed once graduated. The facilitator, Mr. Shoukat Ali Abbasi, Deputy Registrar HRM, Sukkur IBA University, conducted various activities to help relay important information regarding the subject to students.



Seminar on Personal Effectiveness: A Key to Success

The Electrical Engineering Department, in collaboration with Pakistan Engineering Council, organized a seminar on "Personal Effectiveness: A Key to Success". The trainer, Dr. Najam Abbas Naqvi, Deputy Chief Manager SUPARCO & Associate Professor at IST Islamabad, conducted the session on the themes of determination & persistence, and problem solving & stress management. The seminar was highly interactive, and the participants were awarded one CPD credit point.



Pursuing Career in Sales by Vajed Kango

Sukkur IBA University organized a guest speaker session on "Pursuing Career in Sales". The guest speaker was Mr. Vajed Kango. He is currently serving as Director - Regional Sales for BOL Media Group Pakistan. He has previously worked as a senior consultant for E-Commerce and New Business Development UK. He highlighted the various aspects of a career in sales and the pros and cons of it.



5-Week Workshop on Mastering Python Initiated



The five week long workshop on “Mastering Python” (beginner to advanced level) started on June 27, 2019. The workshop was started by a welcome note by Registrar Sukkur IBA University, Engr. Zahid Hussain Khand. In his welcome note, he talked about the importance of artificial intelligence in today’s digital world and shifting market demands. The trainer, Mr. Saif Hassan, Lecturer Sukkur IBA University, started the workshop and acquainted the participants to live coding through hands-on practice. More than 80 participants attended the workshop, some physically present, while others via skype.

Summer Principals’ Development Program 2019



The Directorate of IBA Community Colleges & Schools organized a 5-day training for the heads, section heads and academic coordinators of IBA Community Colleges and EMO Schools under the supervision of the management of Sukkur IBA University. The main focus of the training was to establish a school development & management plan, while also enhancing organizational thinking of the participants. The training also covered different aspects of development such as “7 habits of highly effective people”, child rights, role & responsibilities of heads & section heads, communication with schools’ stakeholders and more. On the last of training, Registrar of Sukkur IBA University, Engr. Zahid Hussain Khand, said that professional development is a way to motivate the participants towards modern teaching and management practices. Overall, participants’ feedback indicated that this training was very useful for them and they seemed motivated towards the implementation of the whole learning.

Sindh Education Foundation English Teachers Training – Khairpur

In connection of a mega project to train 4000 Teachers of Sindh Education Foundation, Sukkur IBA Executive Development Center successfully completed 15 Days Training for English Language Teachers in district Khairpur. In last day of Training, Director EDC, Prof. Dr. Altaf Hussain Samo visited IBA Community College Khairpur to distribute certificate among successful trainees. In addition, he appreciated the efforts of Master Trainers in training the participants and also encouraged participants for successfully completing this training with zeal and zest.



Workshop on Scientific Computing on GPU: A Hands-on Approach



The Department of Mathematics & Social Sciences of Sukkur IBA University organized a four-day workshop on “Scientific Computing on GPU: A Hands-on Approach”. The trainers were Dr. Imran Ashraf, Department of Computer Science & Engineering, HITEC University, Taxila; and Dr. Hyder Ali Muttaqi Shah, Department of Mathematics & Social Sciences from Sukkur IBA university. The workshop included comprehensive practical exercises to help the participants use GPU for scientific computations.

Pre-Induction Learning Module

A three-week “Pre-Induction Learning Modules” training was organized by Human Resource Management section of Registrar Office, Sukkur IBA University for Fresh and Junior Faculty in July and August 2019. 21 training workshops were conducted by in-house trainers and external industry experts. The series of training modules encompassed workshops on:

- Practical Implementation of Learning Theories conducted by Mr. Noor Hussain
- Course Designing and Evaluation conducted by Dr Mujeeb ur Rehman and Mr Mohsin Ameer Mukhtiar
- Principles and Applications of Adult Learning conducted by Dr. Zafarullah Sahito
- Innovative, Creative and Experiential Teaching conducted by Dr. Zafarullah Sahito
- Negotiation & Conflict Management conducted by Mr. Rasool Bux Mari
- Presentation & Image Building conducted by Mr. Farhan Ali Jamali
- Emotional Intelligence conducted by Ms. Rahila Narejo
- “7 habits of highly effective people – from a famous book of Stephen R Covey” conducted by Dr. Waheed Umrani
- Workplace/Sexual Harassment conducted by Ikhtiar Ahmed Khoso
- Outcome Based Education conducted by Dr. Ali Hassan
- Ethical Communication conducted by Dr. Ali Hassan
- Learners’ Behavior Modification conducted by Dr. Ali Hassan
- Favoritism & Discrimination conducted by Dr. Ali Hassan
- Researching and Publishing Better Dr. Khalid Ahmed
- Research Funding and Projects conducted by Dr. Pervez Memon
- Increasing Productivity conducted by Mr. Saleemuddin Shaikh
- Quality Management Philosophy in Higher Education conducted by Dr. Sher Muhammad Daudpota
- Integrating ICT & New Technologies into Teaching and Learning conducted by Dr. Ghulam Mujtaba Shaikh and Mr. Zafar Ali Mahar
- Management of Diversity & Culture in Classroom & Beyond and Management of Diversity & Culture in Classroom & Beyond conducted by Dr. Irfan Ali Rind

The three-week series of learning and development sessions under “Pre-Induction Learning Module” for newly hired and junior faculty of SIBAU has concluded on August 06, 2019, with 02-days workshop on “the Art and Science of Assessment & Assessment Strategies” facilitated by Mr. Kashif Sohail. While wrapping up the 3 weeks program, the Registrar, Engr Zahid Hussain Khand, maintained that we must adopt the syllabus, pedagogies and assessment strategies of 21st Century in order to produce 21st century graduates equipped with skills required by modern Industries/workplaces. Before the certificates distribution ceremony, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui, in his message to new joiners said that we must work with a definite purpose in our mind, stay firm with an unshakable belief and conviction in our principles and a clear vision in view. All of the trainees praised the program for being a career transforming experience and highly useful for shaping their teaching practices in higher education environment.



5G Talent Ecological Development Workshop

Huawei in collaboration with HEC conducted “5G Talent Ecological Development Workshop”. Sukkur IBA University, being Huawei Authorized Information and Networking Academy, participated in this workshop remotely through Video Conferencing Facility at its campus. The one-day workshop was focused on revolutionizing new technologies and helped the participant students acquire knowledge about updated technologies from international experts.



Research Seminar at Sukkur IBA University



The Department of Education, in collaboration with HEC Pakistan, organized a Research Seminar. The event started with Dr. Irfan Rind, Associate Professor Sukkur IBA University, presenting his research & findings on the topic “Understanding the Epistemology and Metacognition of Science Teachers and the Impact of These on Their Implementation of Inquiry-Based Teaching”, which was followed by a Q&A session. Later, Ms. Unaeza Alvi, Assistant Professor Sukkur IBA University, chaired a panel discussion. The panelists included Dr. Muhammad Babur, Dr. Severine Minot, Dr. Razia Fakir Muhammad, Dr. Zafarullah Sahito, Dr. Khalil Ahmed Channa, and Dr. Syed Hassan Shah. The discussion revolved around epistemology & metacognition in the Pakistani & South Asian context. The discussion was much appreciated by the audience.

NFL Organizational Understanding - an Interactive Session

Representatives from National Foods Limited, including Mr. Saad Umar, Asst Manager Talent Acquisition, and Mr. Najaf Raoun, HRBP Plant Operations & alumnus Sukkur IBA University, had an interactive session with students of Sukkur IBA University on September 06, 2019. The session was organized by Career Development Center (CDC) to give students a chance to interact with industry professionals and get training on effective CV writing & interview preparation techniques. The guests talked about various aspects of the recruitment process and how to improve one’s chances at getting hired. The students were also introduced to the available positions & recruitment opportunities of National Foods. Both the guests also conducted one-on-one counselling sessions with the students along with mock interviews.



Awareness Session about “Plastic Pollution”

Green Office Initiative, in collaboration with Go Green Society of Sukkur IBA University organized an awareness session on “Plastic Pollution” on September 17, 2019. Ms. Tabassum, AM Safety and Environmental Sustainability give a presentation about the effect of plastic pollution and the extent of the problems caused on the environment. Dr. Niaz Ahmed Bhutto, HoD Business Administration talking at the event conveyed the importance of practicing environment friendly behavior. The audience also took an oath to reduce their plastic usage to bare minimum and reduce waste. The ceremony was concluded with the distribution of cloth bags among the audience. Sukkur IBA University has totally banned the use of plastic bags on-campus and encourages everyone to take the practice home as well.



3-Day Training Of BISP



Benazir Income Support Program (BISP) organized 3-Days training program on “Reconstructed Operational Guidelines and Revised Job Descriptions” at Sukkur IBA Executive Development Center for Sukkur, Larkana and Shaheed Benazirabad Division. On the day of certificate distribution ceremony, Dr. Tanveer Kiyani, Director Training Wing BISP invited Mr. Abdul Raheem Shaikh, DG BISP (Sindh) and Prof. Dr. Altaf Hussain Samo, Director EDC as a Chief Guest. Director EDC, Prof. Dr. Altaf Samo welcomed the management of BISP through interactive welcome note and briefed on several ongoing Initiatives under the Umbrella of EDC, Sukkur IBA University DG BISP impressed by the state of art facilities and learning environment provided at Sukkur IBA University. Later on Mr.

Abdul Raheem Shaikh, DG BISP (Sindh) along with Director EDC and Director Training Wing BISP distributed certificates among successful participants.

Session on Relationships between Interest Rate & Exchange Rate

Sukkur IBA Discussion Forum organized speaker session on Relationships between Interest Rate & Exchange Rate. Mr. Abdul Basit Bhatti spoke about: How combination of fiscal and Monetary play a role in managing interest rate & exchange rate in Pakistan and what Japanese government did when they faced a situation of nearly zero interest rate, a situation of liquidity trade. Where students participated in huge numbers and Dr. Niaz Ahmed Bhutto (HoD Business Administration) highlighted the need for such sessions in educational institutions.



Seminar on Islamic Banking and Finance

Department of Business Administration arranged an awareness and information session on Islamic Banking and Finance for the senior batches of BBA and BS Accounting & Finance on 18th October 2019. The session was conducted by Mr. Nasir Razaq, Unit Head Product and Sharia Structuring, Bank Islami. The session focused on Islamic Modes of Financing and practical aspects of how an Islamic Bank works."

Awareness Session-Nutrition and Stress Management

Go Green Society in collaboration with Girls' Hostel Society arranged an awareness session regarding "Nutrition and Stress Management" for the community of Sukkur IBA University. Miss Shireen (Lecturer Physical Education) conducted the session on nutrition and discussed about the required diet and the foods necessary for living a healthy life. Miss Naima (Lecturer Psychology) conducted session on stress management and discussed with the audience regarding possible ways to manage stress of studies and other activities in their daily life.



ODAK- Career selection Workshop



Career Development Center (CDC) and Alumni Society of Sukkur IBA Student Council organized ODAK- a workshop on choosing majors for the students of 5th semester from Business Administration department on 19th October 2019. During the workshop a panel discussion was organized where senior alumni of Sukkur IBA University including Mr. Rizwan Siddique-Zonal Sales Manager at Nestle, Ms. Sofiya Ansari-Head of Direct Custody & Clearing Operations at CltiBank, Muhammad Kashif Mughal-Group Brand Manager at Unity Foods and Ms. Shumaila

Shaikh-Lead HR Business Partner at Telenor Micro Finance Bank. An interactive session on Informed Decision Making by our alumna Mr. Bilal Shaikh, Deputy Director marketing & Outreach- Sukkur IBA University was also organized in which students were motivated to intelligently select the majors.

Blogging and Vlogging Workshop at Sukkur IBA University

Marketing Society, Sukkur IBA University in collaboration with CDC and Global Neighbourhood for Media Innovation-GNMI organized one day workshop on “Blogging and Vlogging for Social Impact and Change” on 26th October 2019. Ms. Najia Ashar, a senior broadcast journalist and Media trainer conducted the workshop. Ms. Najia started with the introduction of blogging and vlogging and their role within journalism and significance to media. She also covered topics like gender equality and understanding different ways human rights are reported in the media. Students utilizing the learning from the workshop made and presented vlogs on different social issues. Certificates and Shields were also distributed among the students at the end.



Speaker Session on “Political Economy of Global Terrorism”

Sukkur IBA Discussion Forum Organized speaker session on “Political Economy of Global Terrorism” on Tuesday, October 29, 2019. Session was started with Prof. Dr. Niaz Ahmed Bhutto’s (HoD Business Administration) opening remarks. Dr. Sheeraz Mustafa (Assistant Professor, Sukkur IBA University) presented his insights about topic. Session was followed by a Q&A session by students and faculty.

Training Session on Read Theory and Cambridge Writing

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Current state of economy of Pakistan by Economic Advisor to PM Dr. Imtiaz Ahmed

Dr. Imtiaz Ahmed Economic Advisor, Economic Advisory wing, government of Pakistan visited Sukkur IBA University on 12 November 2019. Dr. Waheed Umrani brief the guests about the initiatives taken by Sukkur IBA University in the region. Dr. Imtiaz appreciated the efforts of Prof, Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui for his life long contribution to the country. He congratulated the management for making such great educational institution that is imparting quality education at affordable cost. Dr. Imtiaz also interacted with the students and conducted a session on the current state of economy of Pakistan and way forward. Students really enjoyed the informative session. Souvenir from Vice Chancellor and traditional gifts were also presented to distinguished guest.

SPSC Chairman & Members - Guest Speaker Session

In connection with an ongoing batch of CSS Preparatory Classes Sukkur IBA Executive Development Center - EDC arranged a very informative and productive session of the expert panel comprising Chairman and Members of Sindh Public Service Commission SPSC. The delegation, specifically, was comprised of Chairman SPSC Mr. Noor Muhammad Jadmani along with Members of SPSC, Mr. Syed Abdul Aleem Jafri and Mr. Aijaz Ali Khan & Mr. Shabbir Shaikh. Here in EDC, Director EDC, Prof Dr. Altaf Hussain Samo, and Former DC Sukkur, Dr. Waheed Asghar warmly received our esteemed guests for an exclusive interactive session with our CSS aspirants. During the session, all the guests interacted with our students and provided them with helpful insights regarding CSS, CCE exams, new syllabus, and several other upcoming opportunities.



Workshop on Case Teaching & Writing

The Department of Business Administration and Case Research Center, Sukkur IBA University organized two days case writing and teaching workshop on 8-9, November 2019. The Trainer Dr. Farrah Arif, PhD from the University of Cambridge Judge Business School; and LUMS Faculty conducted the training. Around 45 faculty members from the Department of Business Administration, Department of Education, and Kandhkot Campus attended the workshop.

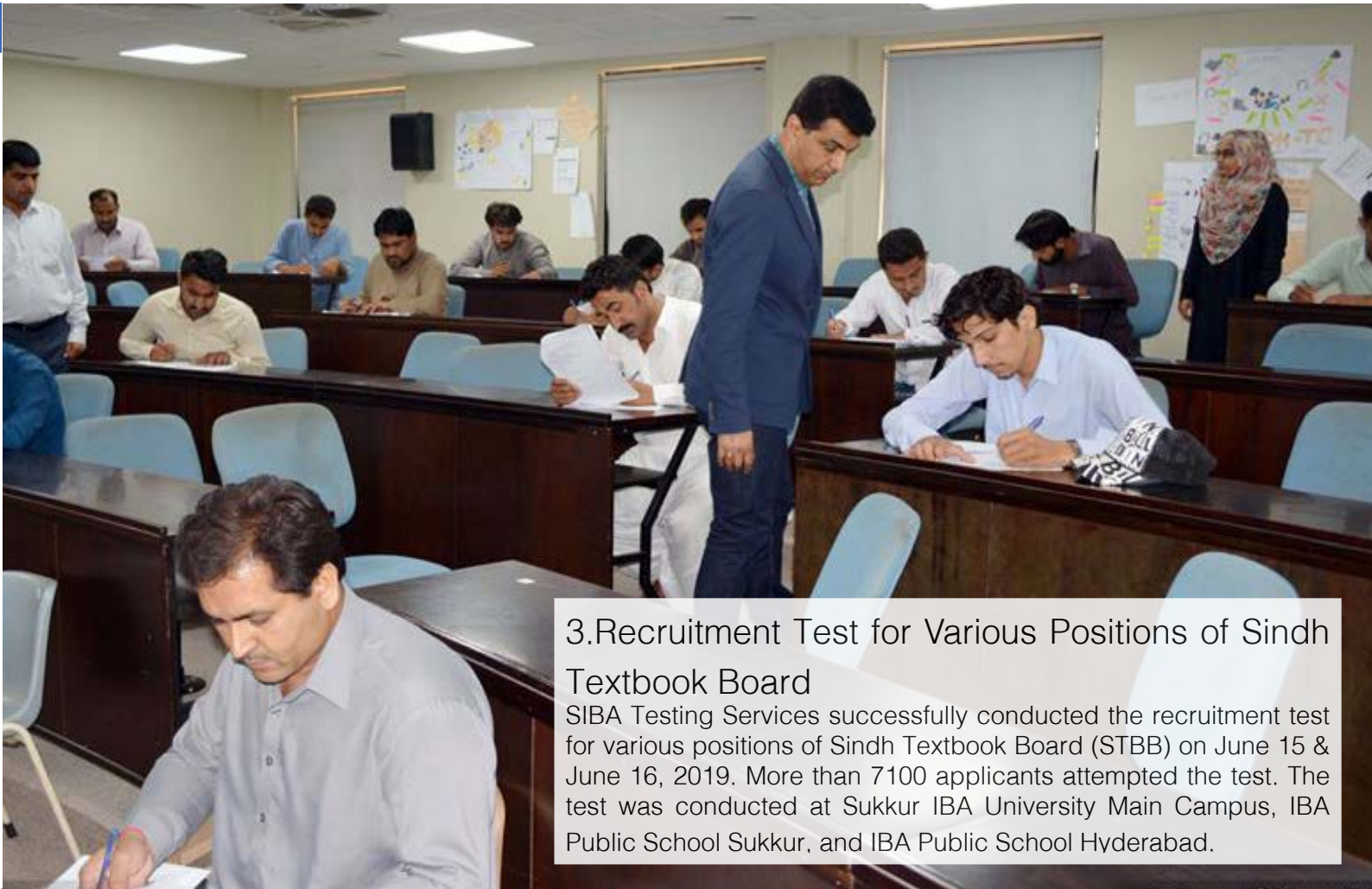


STS Corner

1. Recruitment Test for Additional District & Sessions Judge
SIBA Testing Services (STS) successfully conducted the recruitment test for the position of "Additional District & Sessions Judge" for Sindh High Court on April 07, 2019. The test took place at Sindh High Court, Karachi and more than 1150 applicants attempted the test.



2. Recruitment Test of Bailiff, District & Sessions Court, Shikarpur
SIBA Testing Services successfully conducted the recruitment test for the position of Bailiff for District & Sessions Court, Shikarpur, on May 26, 2019. The test was conducted at IBA Public School Sukkur. More than 650 applicants attempted the test.



3. Recruitment Test for Various Positions of Sindh Textbook Board

SIBA Testing Services successfully conducted the recruitment test for various positions of Sindh Textbook Board (STBB) on June 15 & June 16, 2019. More than 7100 applicants attempted the test. The test was conducted at Sukkur IBA University Main Campus, IBA Public School Sukkur, and IBA Public School Hyderabad.

4. Recruitment Test for District & Sessions Court, Thatta

SIBA Testing Services (STS) successfully conducted the recruitment test for various positions for District & Sessions Court, Thatta, on June 22, 2019. The test was conducted in Thatta and a total of 150 applicants attempted the test.





5. Consumer Protection Court, SHC, Recruitment Test

SIBA Testing Services (STS) successfully conducted the recruitment test for various positions at Consumer Protection Court, Sindh High Court, Karachi, on July 21, 2019. The test took place on 3 different centers namely IBA Public School Sukkur, IBA Public School Hyderabad, and DJ Science College Karachi. A total of 4000 applicants attempted the test.



6. STS Recruitment test of EST and PST- Cluster Schools under SIBAU

Sukkur IBA testing services conducted recruitment test for the positions of EST and PST at cluster Schools of district Sukkur and Larkana managed by Sukkur IBA University on 24 November 2019. Candidates from all across Sindh appeared in the test.



7. Recruitment Test of PPP NODE, SELD, Govt. of Sindh

“Recruitment test for the post of Computer Operator (BPS-12/14) at Public Private Partnership (PPP NODE), SELD, Government of Sindh was conducted by SIBA Testing Services on Sunday, December 01, 2019 at Sukkur IBA University (Main Campus) and IBA-Public School, Hyderabad. About 2157 candidates were from all over the Sindh Province. The candidates highly appreciated the merit, quality and transparency-based services of SIBA Testing Services for smooth conducting of written test”.

MoU Signings

1. MoU Signing Between Sukkur IBA University and SZABIST Larkana

The department of Business Administration, Sukkur IBA University, and SZABIST Larkana Campus signed a Memorandum of Understanding. The memorandum was signed by HoD Business Administration Department, Dr. Niaz Ahmed Bhutto, and SZABIST Larkana Head of Campus, Dr. Zahida Abro. The key strategic objective of this MOU is to establish a strong collaboration among both parties. Under the MoU, both institutions will focus on sharing knowledge, collaboration in research & development, and collaboration in community service-related projects among other things.



2. MoU Signing Between SIBAU & American Board Certification (ABCTE)



A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between Sukkur IBA University and American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence (ABCTE). The MoU was signed by Vice Chancellor Sukkur IBA University, Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui, and Mr. Iftikhar Qadar Khan, VP Business Development ABCTE. Under the MoU, both organizations will collaborate for the certification of the teachers of IBA Community Colleges and students of B.Ed program. During the meeting, officials from both the organizations discussed the current progress made and an orientation was held for the certification aspirants. They also discussed strategies for the implementation of the whole process.

3. MoU Signed with Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal for 50 Scholarships

A delegation from Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal, headed by Managing Director Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal, Mr. Aon Abbas Buppi, visited Sukkur IBA University on October 7, 2019. The delegation was briefed about the various initiatives taken by Sukkur IBA University by Dr. Sher Daudpota, Director QEC. After the briefing, the delegation was taken on a campus tour where they visited the different facilities of the university. Mr. Aon Abbas Buppi and Prof. Nisar Ahmed Siddiqui signed the memorandum of understanding (MoU) that would grant 50 scholarships for the students of Sukkur IBA University. Mr. Aon Abbas Buppi also interacted with the students and answered their questions during the ceremony. Lastly, in spirit of the green initiatives taking place in Sukkur IBA University, Mr. Aon Abbas Buppi planted a tree in Sukkur IBA University.



4. MoU signing Ceremony- OGDCL National Talent Hunt Program

An MoU signing ceremony was held between Oil and Gas Development Company and Sukkur IBA University for OGDCL National Talent Hunt Program. Syed Nasir Hussain Shah Provincial Minister of Sindh for Local Government, Forests and Religious Affairs graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Sukkur IBA University in collaboration with OGDCL initiated National Hunt Program in 2016 where students from all across Pakistan are admitted on fully funded scholarship for undergraduate program. More than 1200 students have been benefited from this program.





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