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University of Agriculture, Faisalabad

Jubilant Moments: A Historic Milestone

The University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, has recently witnessed a significant achievement that has brought joy and pride to the entire campus community. The university has been conferred with the prestigious 'Best Performing University' award by the Higher Education Commission (HEC) of Pakistan, marking a historic milestone in its academic history.

The award was presented to the university during a ceremony held at the HEC headquarters in Islamabad, where the university's leadership was recognized for its outstanding contributions to the field of higher education. The university's consistent efforts in improving teaching standards, research outputs, and student outcomes have been acknowledged by the HEC, leading to this coveted recognition.

The university's Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Tariq Mehmood, expressed his gratitude to the HEC and the entire campus community for their collective hard work and dedication. He highlighted the university's commitment to excellence and innovation, which has enabled it to achieve such a significant achievement.

This recognition not only boosts the university's reputation on the national and international stage but also serves as a motivation for the students, faculty, and staff to continue striving for excellence in their respective fields.

The university's past achievements, including its contribution to agricultural research and development, have positioned it as a leader in the field of higher education in Pakistan. The recognition by the HEC is a testament to the university's unwavering commitment to providing a high-quality education and contributing to the nation's developmental goals.

The university's leadership is optimistic about the future and is determined to build on this strong foundation, focusing on continuous improvement and innovation to further enhance the educational experience for its students.

In conclusion, the University of Agriculture, Faisalabad, is proud to have received this prestigious award, which underscores its commitment to excellence and its role in nurturing the next generation of leaders and innovators.
SITUATION VACANT

Applications are invited for one post of a Research Fellow @ Rs. 15,000/- per month plus semester fees available in the HEC funded project entitled "Investigation on involvement of root knot nematodes and fungus in root rot of cotton in Punjab and its management". Applicants (M.Sc. (Hons) Plant Pathology or PhD students should be working as research assistant) not less than 3.00 in B.Sc. (Hons). The applications should reach in the office of the Dr. Sajid Aleem Khan, Department of Plant Pathology up to January 10, 2017 during office hours.

FACULTY SEMINAR

The Faculty of Agricultural Engineering and Technology, UAF, is organizing a series of seminars on every Saturday from 09:30 to 10:30 am in the Faculty Lecture Room E-139-140. In this regard, Engr. Haroon Rashid, Lecturer, Department of Structures and Environmental Engineering, UAF, will deliver presentation on Saturday, 07-01-2017 at the above said time and venue. The title of his presentation is "Faisalabad Wastewater Engineering, Environmental Engineering (Issues, status and solution)". It is mandatory (attendance will be marked) for all the faculty members to attend the lecture.

PLACEMENT OF PHD THESIS FOR PEER REVIEW

1. Mr. Muhammad Ibrahim Khan, Regd. No. 2005-ag-2002, PhD student of the Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics has placed his PhD thesis entitled "Genetic basis of variable cry1Ac expression in indigenous Bt cotton genotypes" for peer review in the Library, Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics from 04-01-2017 for one week.

2. Copy of the PhD thesis submitted by Mr. Shahid Mahmood, Regd. No. 2007-ag-2074, will be placed in the Library, Department of Agriculture from 03-01-2017 to 09-01-2017. The title of his thesis is "Induction of Thermotolerance in Solanum lycopersicum through Application of Heat Stress Protectors". All the faculty members and students are welcome to read/consult the thesis.

3. Copy of the PhD thesis submitted by Mr. Abdul Rehman Regd. No. 2006-ag-1544 will be placed in the Library, Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics from 03-01-2017 to 11-01-2017. The title of his thesis is "Allelopathy for Improving Productivity, Grain Biofortification and Resistance against Abiotic Stresses in Wheat". All the faculty members and students are welcome to read/consult the thesis.

4. Copy of the PhD submitted by Mr. Mustansar Aslam, Regd. No. 2012-ag-55, will be placed in the Library, Department of Agriculture from 04-01-2017 to 10-01-2017. The title of his thesis is "Studying the role of seed size and seed priming on wheat productivity in conservatio tillage with different row spacing". All the faculty members and students are welcome to read/consult the thesis.

5. PhD thesis of Mr. Muhammad Waqar Alam, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1950, a PhD student of Plant Pathology will be placed in the office of Chairman, Department of Plant Pathology, for peer review from 03-01-2017 to 09-01-2017. The title of his thesis is "Mechanisms of Stem End Rot disease of mango fruit and its management". The observations/suggestions received as a result of peer-review will be incorporated in the final thesis to be submitted to Controller of Examination for further processing.

6. PhD thesis of Mr. Mustansar Aslam, Regd. No. 2007-ag-2161, a PhD student of Plant Pathology will be placed in the office of the Chairman, Department of Plant Pathology, for peer review from 04-01-2017 to 10-01-2017. The title of his thesis is "Studies on systemic acquired resistance in tomato against Alternaria solani". The observations/suggestions received as a result of peer-review will be incorporated in the final thesis to be submitted to Controller of Examination for further processing.

7. PhD thesis of Mr. M. Zeeshan Mansha, Regd. No. 2007-ag-2022, a PhD student of Plant Pathology will be placed in the office of the Chairman, Department of Plant Pathology, for peer review from 04-01-2017 to 10-01-2017. The title of his thesis is "Histopathological studies and enhancement of resistance against purple blotch of onion". The observations/suggestions received as a result of peer-review will be incorporated in the final thesis to be submitted to Controller of Examination for further processing.

8. Copy of the PhD thesis submitted by Mr. Muhammad Tariq Saed, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1704, will be placed in the Library, Department of Agriculture from 05-01-2017 to 11-01-2017. The title of his thesis is "Improving the productivity and grain biofortification of maize (Zea mays L.) through phosphorus, zinc and boron application". All the faculty members and students are welcome to read/consult the thesis.

9. Copy of the PhD thesis submitted by Mr. Shahid Iqbal, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1903, will be placed in the Library, Department of Agriculture from 05-01-2017 to 11-01-2017. The title of his thesis is "Adaptability and yield potential of Oat cultivars on saline affected soils". All the faculty members and students are welcome to read/consult the thesis.

10. Copy of the PhD thesis submitted by Mr. Muhammad Sohail Saddiq, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1540, will be placed in the Library, Department of Agriculture from 05-01-2017 to 11-01-2017. The title of his thesis is "Exploring physiological mechanism of salt tolerance in wheat germplasm". All the faculty members ad students are welcome to read/consult the thesis.

11. Copy of the PhD thesis submitted by Mr. Muhammad Idris Faisal, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1875, will be placed in the Library, Department of Agriculture from 05-01-2017 to 11-01-2017. The title of his thesis is "Exploring the potential of Moringa oleifera L. as an oil seed tree". All the faculty members and students are welcome to read/consult the thesis.

12. PhD thesis of Mr. Abdul Sami, Regd. No. 2005-ag-1993, a PhD scholar, will be placed w.e.f. 01-01-2017 to 10-01-2017 in the Conference Room/Library, National Institute of Food Science & Technology, UAF, prior to its submission for foreign evaluation. The faculty and students are invited to pursue the thesis for any suggestions/corrections.

13. Copy of the PhD thesis submitted by Mr. Waqas Ahmad, Regd. No. 2005-ag-1766, will be placed in the Library Department of Agriculture from 05-01-2017 to 11-01-2017. The title of his thesis is "Agronomic biofortification of cereal forages with zinc for improving the quality and productivity under different levels of nitrogen". All the faculty members and students are welcome to read/consult the thesis.

14. PhD thesis of Mr. Muhammad Aurangzeb, Regd. No. 2010-ag-509, will be placed in the office of the Director, Institute of Soil and Environmental Sciences, UAE, for one week prior to its submission for foreign evaluation from 05-01-2017 to 11-01-2017. The title of his thesis is "Phyto-availability of cadmium to rice and wheat in contaminated soils treated with organic amendments". The faculty and the students are invited to pursue the thesis for any suggestion/corrections. The suggestion received in order will be incorporated through the supervisory committee. All the staff members and students are welcome to read/consult the thesis.

15. PhD thesis of Miss. Summer Rashid, Regd. No. 2007-ag-1057, a PhD student, will be placed w.e.f. 05-01-2017 to 12-01-2017 in the Conference Room/Library, National Institute of Food Science & Technology, UAE, for one week prior to its submission for foreign evaluation. The faculty and students are invited to pursue the thesis for any suggestions/corrections.

16. PhD thesis of Mr. Ahmad Bilal, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1317, a PhD Scholar, will be placed w.e.f. 05-01-2017 to 12-01-2017 in the Conference Room/Library, National Institute of Food Science & Technology, UAE, prior to its submission for foreign evaluation. The faculty and students are invited to pursue the thesis for any suggestions/corrections.

17. PhD thesis of Miss Saman Hina, Regd. No. 2006-ag-560, will be placed in the office of the Chairman, Department of Biochemistry for one week prior its submission for foreign evaluation. The faculty and the students are invited to peruse
the thesis for any suggestions/corrections. the suggestions received if any will be incorporated through the supervisory committee. Title: “Synergic Hepatoprotective Prospective of Silimarin in Combination with Indigenous Medicinal Plants”.

18. Ms. Humera Razaq, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1734, PhD student of the Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics has placed her PhD thesis entitled “Inheritance pattern of achene yield and drought stress tolerance related traits in sunflower” for peer review in the Library, Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics from 03-01-2017 for one week. The faculty and the students are invited to peruse the thesis for any correction and improvement.

19. Mr. Muhammad Tahir bearing Regd. No. 2005-ag-1558, a PhD student of the Department of Entomology, UAF has successfully defended his PhD dissertation titled “Toxicity of microbial insecticides and chlorantraniliprole for the control of Helicoverpa armigera (Hübner) on chickpea”. The copy of his dissertation is being placed in the office of the Chairman, Department of Entomology, UAF for one week before its submission for the evaluation from the foreign experts. The faculty and the students are invited to go through the dissertation for any suggestions/corrections which will be incorporated through the supervisory committee, accordingly.

20. Hafiz Basheer Ahmad, Regd. No. 96-ag-1455, PhD student of the Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics has placed his PhD thesis entitled “Genetic variability and inheritance pattern of seed yield and oil quality contributing traits in Brassica compestris L.” for peer review in the Library, Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics from 03-01-2017 for one week. The faculty and the students are invited to peruse the thesis for any correction and improvement.

21. PhD thesis of Mr. Muhammad Adnan Ayub, Regd. No. 2007-ag-1396, will be placed in the office of the Chairman, Department of Chemistry for one week prior its submission for foreign evaluation. The faculty and the students are invited to peruse the thesis for any suggestions/corrections, the suggestions received if any will be incorporated through the supervisory committee. Title: “Bioactivity Guided Isolation of anticancer Compounds from Oleoresins of Boswellia ad Pinus species”.

PhD THESIS/SYNOPSIS DEFENSE

1. Mr. Asad Manzoor, Regd. No. 2003-ag-2116, a PhD student, Department of Clinical Medicine and Surgery will defend his synopsis entitled “Therapeutic evaluation of a non-antibiotic, non-proprietary preparation for the treatment of bubaline mastitis” on 06-01-2017 at 11:30 am in the Museum of Faculty of Veterinary Science. All faculty members and postgraduate students are cordially invited to participate in a seminar for their valuable suggestions.

2. Mr. Zahid Hassan, Regd. No. 2009-ag-2142, a PhD student of the Institute of Agricultural Extension & Rural Development has successfully defended his synopsis entitled “Impact Assessment of Plant Clinics advisory services provided by the Non-Governmental Organization to the farming community in the Punjab, Pakistan on 20-12-2016.

3. Miss. Javeria Ramzan, Regd. No. 2005-ag-1716, PhD student of the Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics has successfully defended her PhD thesis titled “Genetic studies in maize under normal and water deficit conditions” on 31-12-2016.

4. Miss Farhat Batooli, Regd. No. 2007-ag-199, PhD student, Department of Zoology, Wildlife & Fisheries, has successfully defended her PhD thesis entitled “Phenotypic and Genetic Characterization of House Sparrow (Passer domesticus) using Microsatellite Markers from Selected Sites in Punjab, Pakistan” on 28-12-2016 as required under the rule.

5. Mr. Ahmad Waqas, Regd. No. 2010-ag-503, PhD student of the Institute of Soil and Environmental Sciences has successfully defended his thesis in a seminar held at the University level on 29-12-2016. The title of his thesis is “Metal-microbe interaction in municipal solid waste compost amended soil and its effect on maize (Zea mays L.) growth”.

6. Miss Maida Aslam, Regd. No. 2007-ag-966, PhD Biochemistry student of the Department of Biochemistry has successfully defended her thesis entitled “Establishing postharvest handling and expression of defensin genes from some medicinal plants of cholistan desert” as required under the rules on 22-12-2016.

7. Ms. Adela Manzoor, Regd. No. 2012-ag-633, a PhD student of the Department of Rural Sociology has successfully defended her synopsis entitled “Training Needs Assessment for the Female Farmers to Reduce the Post-Harvest Losses in Punjab-Pakistan” on 29-12-2016.

8. Mr. Muhammad Attab, Regd. No. 2007-ag-2100, a PhD student of the Institute of Agri. Extension & Rural Development has successfully defended his synopsis entitled “Rural Youth Perception about Agricultural Farming in the Punjab, Pakistan: Implications for Agricultural Extension” on 30-12-2016.


10. Mr. Usman Iqbal, Regd. No. 2005-ag-2187, a student of PhD Water Resources Engineering, Department of Irrigation and Drainage, Faculty of Agricultural Engineering & Technology, UAF has successfully defended his revised title of PhD synopsis at University level on 27-12-2016. The title of his synopsis is “Precision Irrigation for Improving Water Use Efficiency Using Indigenized Sensor Based Irrigation Scheduling and Efficient Irrigation Techniques”.

11. Mr. Khurram Afzal, Regd. No. 2012-ag-465, a PhD student, Department of Agronomy, has successfully defended his PhD thesis on 29-12-2016. The title of his thesis is “Establishing postharvest handling protocols for Lilium (Lilium L. hybrids)”. The title of his synopsis is “Studies on the effect of wood extractives in combination with plant oils on subterranean termites”.

12. Mr. Sabir Azziz, Regd. No. 2008-ag-2391, PhD student of the Institute of Horticultural Sciences has successfully defended his synopsis in a seminar held on 26-12-2016. The title of his synopsis is “Establishing postharvest handling protocols for Lilium (Lilium L. hybrids)”.

13. Mr. Ahmad Raza, Regd. No. 2008-ag-2165, PhD student of the Institute of Horticultural Sciences has successfully defended his synopsis in a seminar held on 28-12-2016. The title of his synopsis is “Measuring the displacement effect of China on Pakistan’s industry in domestic and global markets”.

14. Mr. Khali Ahmad, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1696, PhD student of the Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics has successfully defended his PhD thesis titled “Genetics of salt tolerance in maize (Zea mays L.)” on 19-12-2016 in Video Conference Room.

15. Ms. Shamsa Kanwal, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1732, PhD student of the Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics has successfully defended her PhD thesis titled “Combining ability analysis of yield and salinity tolerance related traits in Brassica napus L.” on 31-12-2016.
19. Miss. Malika Sarfraz, Regd. No. 2012-ag-510, as PhD student (Physiology), at Institute of Pharmacy, Physiology & Pharmacology has successfully defended her PhD thesis entitled “Evaluating the anti-diabetic effect of Awa Date, Turmeric and Black Pepper in diabetic rats” on 26-12-2016.

20. Miss. Wafa Majeed, Regd. No. 2010-ag-678, as PhD student (Pharmacology), at Institute of Pharmacy, Physiology & Pharmacology has successfully defended her PhD thesis entitled “Anti-hyperglycemic potential of polyherbal formulation in alloxan induced hyperglycemic rats” on 30-12-2016.

21. Miss. Asra Itikhar, Regd. No. 2010-ag-735, as PhD student (Pharmacology), at Institute of Pharmacy, Physiology & Pharmacology has successfully defended her PhD thesis entitled “Antidiabetic Activity of Polyherbal Formulation in Alloxan induced Diabetic Rats” on 29-12-2016.

22. Mr. Muhammad Riaz, Regd. No. 2009-ag-117, PhD Biochemistry student of the Department of Biochemistry has successfully defended his thesis entitled “Exploration of medicinal plants potential for reproductive system and hormone status” as required under the rules on 27-12-2016.

23. Miss. Asma Noureen, Regd. No. 2007-ag-191, PhD student, Department of Zoology, Wildlife & Fisheries, has successfully defended her PhD thesis entitled “Assessment of heavy metals induced genotoxicity in the fish by using single cell gel electrophoresis” on 29-12-2016.


25. Mr. Zain-ul-Abideen, Regd. No. 2007-ag-1604, PhD student, Department of Pathology has successfully defended his PhD research synopsis with minor change and the new title is “Pathology of Clostridial Enteritis in Chicken, Molecular Characterization of the Organism, Vaccine Development and Cure by Use of Egg Yolk Antibodies and Phyto-substances” on Saturday, December 31, 2016.

26. Mr. Abdul Ghaffar, Regd. No. 95-ag-1408, a PhD student of the Department of Entomology, has successfully defended his PhD synopsis in DLC-3 Faculty of Agriculture UAF on 24-12-2016. He successfully defended his synopsis with minor changes in title as “Diversity of soil inhabiting mites of citrus orchards from Punjab, Pakistan”.

27. Mr. Muhammad Asif Qayyum, Regd. No. 2006-ag-2261, a PhD student of the Department of Entomology, has successfully defended his PhD thesis research in Video Conference Room, Faculty of Agriculture on 24-12-2016. The title of his thesis is “Characterization and identification of some Mesostigmatic mites (Acari) from poultry manure”.

28. Mr. Abdul Hamnan Khan, Regd. No. 2012-ag-10, a PhD student of the Department of Entomology has successfully defended his PhD thesis research in Video Conference Room DLC-2 of Faculty of Agriculture on 28-12-2016. The title of his thesis is “Diversity of soil inhabiting mites in different ecological zones of Punjab, Pakistan”.

29. Rana Arif Manzoor Khan, Regd. No. 84-ag-1085 PhD student of the Department of Plant Breeding & Genetics has successfully defended his PhD thesis titled “Genetics of water deficit stress tolerance in hexaploid wheat (Triticum aestivum)” on 31-12-16.

30. Mr. Abdal Sami, Reg. No. 2005-ag-1993 a PhD student of the National Institute of Food Science & Technology has successfully defended his PhD thesis at University level on 24-12-2016. The title of his thesis is “Characterization and evaluation of Edible Coated Zinc Fortified Rice”.

31. Miss Musharria Yasin, Reg. No. 2006-ag-1445, a PhD student, Department of Agronomy has successfully defended her PhD thesis on 27-12-2016. The title of her thesis is “Taxonomic studies of some Mesostigmatic mites (Acari) from poultry manure”.

32. Aqsa Mushtaq, Reg. No. 2012-ag-765 a PhD student of Pharmacology has successfully defended her synopsis entitled “Therapeutic Targeting of Selected Nuclear Receptors in Liver Pathophysiology” at the University level on 24-12-2016 in the Institute of Pharmacy.

AUCTION NOTICE

(i) Cotton 662 Kg. (ii) Sunflower 201 Kg. (iii) Rice Mixture 205 Kg. (iv) Rice (Course) 290 Kg. farm produce will be sold by open auction on 07-01-2017 at 10:00 am at Student’s Farm, Department of Agronomy, UAF. Interested persons may bid. One third amount of the bid will be realized at the spot.