



A DISTINCTIVE HONOR FOR UAF

The Higher Education Commission has honored Prof. Dr. Iqrar Ahmad Khan (Sitara e Imtiaz), Vice Chancellor, University of Agriculture Faisalabad with the prestigious award of Distinguished National Professor for two years in recognition of his meritorious services in the field of education and research.



The award is meant to acknowledge the services rendered by outstanding senior Professors and Scientists in Universities and R&D Organizations and to utilize their services in national organizations.

Under the blazing leadership of Prof. Dr. Iqrar Ahmad Khan, the University of Agriculture, Faisalabad (UAF) has emerged ever-first Pakistani institution ranked among world top 100 universities in any subject category. It merits mentioning that UAF has become 72th best varsity at global level in the agricultural sciences, according to the National Taiwan University Global Ranking. The University has secured 86th position worldwide in the subject of Agriculture and Forestry as per QS ranking. It has become 9th best green university as per UI Green Metric World University Ranking in the category of specialized higher education institutions.

Earlier, the French Government has also decorated Prof Dr Iqrar Ahmad Khan (S.I), Vice Chancellor, with French Civil Award Ordre des Palmes Académiques. Dr. Iqrar is also striving hard to revamp the Punjab Agriculture Policy on the directives of Punjab Chief Minister Muhammad Shahbaz Sharif.

Dr. Ahmad has played a pivotal role to set up USAID Funded US Pakistan Center for Advanced Studies in Agriculture and Food Security that will help increase the Agri. productivity and to address the issue of farming community. The Planning Commission of Pakistan has also approved establishment of Pak-Korea Hi-Tech Agricultural Innovation Park worth Rs 30, thanks to his dynamic leadership and initiatives to promote academia and research.

The University is also housing a Chinese Confucius Institute that would be used as a launching pad for harvesting the fruits of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor and other initiatives of taking the friendship of both countries to soothing example for the rest of the world.

Dr. Ahmad has also geared up the UAF competitive research and development grants from rupees 500 million to 20 billion. Dr. Khan also put his efforts in bringing a soft revolution of gender mainstreaming in student enrollment and faculty and supporting staff intake that helps women population surpass 11500. To meet the housing challenges for girls, he brought country's largest women hostel and sport complex at UAF with the financial assistance of Punjab Government.

Day Care Centre, Directorate of Students Financial Aid and University Advancement, five new hostels at PARS, tent pegging stadium, Punjab Bio Energy Institute, Expo Center, have also been added to facilitate the students.

The selected HEC National Professor is to be engaged in teaching and research in public sector institutions. The HEC distinguished National Professor is also entitled to a fixed emoluments salary of Rs.150000/- per month. Dr. Khan will enjoy this distinguished position for a period of Two years.

SITUATION VACANT

Applications are invited for the post of studentship on consolidated pay of Rs. 10000/- per month in the project entitled "Numerical and experimental based optimization of design and operating conditions of solar-based innovative food processing technologies (prototypes) for outreach". The period of this assignment is four months. The minimum qualification for this position is B.Sc. Engineering in any discipline with strong grip on CAD/CAM work. Students in final semester are also eligible. Applications can be submitted on plain paper along with supporting documents in the office of Dr. Waseem Amjad, PI, Department of Energy Systems Engineering, UAF. The last date of submission of applications is June 10, 2017. The interview will be held on Thursday June 15, 2017 at 09:00 am in the office of PI of project.

PhD THESIS/SYNOPSIS DEFENSE

1. Mr. Gulzar Ahmad, Regd. No. 2013-ag-532, PhD Scholar Department of Physics, will defend his synopsis titled "Synthesis and characterization of metal sulphide nanoparticles for gas sensing Applications" on 15-05-2017 at 10:00 am in Physics Lecture Room. All interested are invited to attend.
2. Mr. M Talha Bin Yousaf, Regd. No. 2009-ag-2202, PhD student from the Department of Forestry and Range Management will defend his PhD synopsis in the Seminar Room of the Department of Forestry and Range Management, UAF on 23-05-2017. All the concerned are requested to kindly make it convenient to attend and

- contribute for improving the synopsis. The title of his synopsis is “Effects of different organic amendments on the growth of selected trees species”.
3. Miss. Sana Muazzam, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1792, PhD student of the Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics will defend her PhD thesis in the Video Conference Room on 18-05-2017 at 09:00 am. All concerned are requested to make it convenient to attend and contribute for improving the thesis. The title of her thesis is “Genetics of lodging resistance and yield contributed traits in wheat (*Triticum aestivum* L.)”.
 4. Mr. Asad-ur-Rahman Ch. Regd. No. 2010-ag-3053, a PhD student in the Department of Plant Pathology, will defend his PhD synopsis at University level on 17-05-2017 at 10:00 am in the Seminar Room of Department of Plant Pathology. The title of his synopsis is “Evaluation of multiple regression model based on epidemiological factors to predict Okra yellow vein mosaic virus disease incidence and its management”. All interested are requested to participate.
 5. Hafiz Muhammad Furqan Shaheen, Regd. No. 2008-ag-1846, a PhD student in the Department of Forestry and Range Management will defend his synopsis on 20-05-2017 at 11:00 am in the Laboratory of this Department. The title of his synopsis is “Influence of water logging stress on selected agroforestry tree species”.
 6. Miss Hira Nawaz, Regd. No. 2010-ag-2863, a PhD student of the Department of Plant Pathology, will defend her PhD synopsis in the Seminar Room of this Department on 17-05-2017 at 10:00 am as required under the rules. The title of her synopsis is “Genomic and virulence profiling of local isolates of *Ascochyta blight* and mapping of resistance response in chickpea”.
 7. Mr. Waqas Iqbal, Regd. No. 2005-ag-1946, a PhD student from the Department of Forestry and Range Management will defend his PhD synopsis in the Seminar Room, Department of Forestry and Range Management, UAF on 25-05-2017 at 11:30 am. All the concerned are requested to kindly make it convenient to attend and contribute for improving the synopsis. The title of his synopsis is “Allelopathic effects of popular and simal trees on Rice and wheat crops.
 8. Thesis defense of Mr. Imtiaz Mahmood Tahir, Regd. No. 2009-ag-214, PhD Biochemistry entitled “Genetic Polymorphism and relative Expression of *Mdr1* in Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia” will be held on 18-05-2017 at 05:30 pm in Video Conference Room (DLC 2). All interested are invited to attend.
 9. Miss Sobia Jabeen, Regd. No. 2008-ag-563, student of PhD Chemistry, Department of Chemistry will re-defend her synopsis titled “Synthesis and Characterization of Dextrin-Modified Polyurethane Elastomer” on 18-05-2017 at 10:00 am in the Lecture Room-III. All interested are invited to attend.
 10. Mr. Madassar Walait, Regd. No. 2010-ag-2599, is a PhD student in the Department of Plant Pathology, he will defend his PhD synopsis at University level on 17-05-2017 at 10:00 am in the Seminar Room of Department of Plant Pathology. The title of his synopsis is “Assessment of pathogen diversity in *Xanthomonas oryzae* pv. *oryzae* and exploitation of host plant resistance for its management”. All interested are requested to participate.
 11. Ms. Mariya Azam, Regd. No. 2015-ag-4242, PhD student Institute of Microbiology, will defend her synopsis entitled “Study on virulence genes, antibiotic resistance and clonal relatedness of avian pathogenic *Escherichia coli* (APEC) isolates from colibacillosis affected broilers in Faisalabad, Pakistan” on 26-05-2017 at 09:30 am in the Meeting Room Faculty of Veterinary Sciences. All interested are cordially invited to participate.
 12. Mr. Muhammad Zahir Aziz, Regd. No. 2007-ag-2407, PhD student of the Institute of Soil and Environmental Sciences has successfully defended his thesis in seminar at the University level on 13-05-2017. The title of his thesis is “Efficacy of polymer coated diammonium phosphate bioaugmented with endophytic bacteria on growth, yield and phosphorus use efficiency of wheat (*Triticum aestivum* L.)”.
 13. Miss. Zara Jabeen, Regd. No. 2007-ag-886, PhD Biochemistry student of the Department of Biochemistry has successfully defended her thesis entitled “In vitro Manipulation for Enhanced Production and Characterization of Silymarin from *Silybum marianum*” as required under the rules on 12-05-2017.
 14. Mr. Ghulam Murtaza, Regd. No. 2012-ag-782, PhD student of National Institute of Food Science & Technology, UAF has successfully defended his PhD synopsis on 03-05-2017. The committee has suggested some minor changes in the title. Now the title of his PhD synopsis is “Quality evaluation and bioassessment of nutrified extruded snacks”.
 15. Miss Sana Afzal, Regd. No. 2008-ag-1974, PhD scholar of the National Institute of Food Science & Technology, Faculty of Food, Nutrition & Home Sciences, UAF, has successfully defended her PhD synopsis on 10-05-2017 at 11:00 am in the Video Conference Room, National Institute of Food Science & Technology, UAF. The committee has suggested some minor changes in the title. Now the title of her PhD synopsis is “Exploring the dynamics of 1-Methylcyclopropene on Shelf life of Peach”.
 16. Miss Shanza Rauf Khan, Regd. No. 2015-ag-4255, PhD Chemistry student of the Department of Chemistry has successfully defended her synopsis entitled “Synthesis, Characterization and applications of Nano/Micro Calcium oxide derivatives” as required under the rules on 09-05-2017.
 17. Mr. Arslan Afzal, Regd. No. 2006-ag-2175, PhD student of the Department of Farm Machinery and Power, has successfully defended his PhD thesis in the Video Conference Room on 13-05-2017. The title of his thesis is “Development of an indigenized solar distillery for value addition of medicinal plants”.
 18. Miss Arooj Shafqat Cheema, Regd. No. 2012-ag-570, PhD student, Department of Zoology, Wildlife & Fisheries, has successfully defended her PhD thesis entitled “Ecological diversity of *Passer domesticus* and *Columba livia* in the selected habitats and their parasitic fauna in wildlife parks of Punjab, Pakistan” on 13-05-2017 as required under the rule.
 19. Ms. Fatiqa Zafar, Regd. No. 2009-ag-1203, PhD Chemistry student of the Department of Chemistry has successfully defended her thesis entitled “Formulation and Characterization of Cardioprotective nanosuspensions from indigenous medicinal plants” as required under the rules on 10-05-2017.
 20. Mr. Tawawer Abbas, Regd. No. 2007-ag-2475, a PhD student, Department of Agronomy, has successfully defended his PhD thesis on 02-05-2017. The title of his thesis is “Evaluation and management of fenoxaprop-P-ethyl Resistance in *Phalaris minor* Retz”.
 21. Mr. Musab Imtiaz, Regd. No. 2010-ag-3381, PhD student of the Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics has successfully defended his PhD synopsis titled “Genetic studies for drought tolerance in upland cotton” on 06-05-2017 in the Postgraduate Lab. of the Department. As per suggestions given by the teachers/participants during

presentation of the synopsis a minor change has been made in the title as “Genetic studies of drought tolerance in upland cotton”.

22. Miss. Kiran Hammed Regd. No. 2006-ag-2256, a PhD student of Centre of Agricultural Biochemistry and Biotechnology (CABB), has successfully defended her PhD thesis at University level on 09-05-2017. The title of her thesis is “Study on Genetic Characterization of rice EMS mutants using MutMap technology”.
23. The thesis defense of Miss Tahira Siddique, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1531, PhD student at the National Institute of Food Science & Technology, has successfully defended on 12-05-2017. The title of her thesis is “Extraction and exploration of zein protein as potential encapsulating material”.
24. Mr. Muhammad Omer Farooq, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1401, PhD student of the Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics has successfully defended his PhD thesis titled “Genetics studies of some yield related traits in wheat under water deficit conditions” on 02-05-2017.
25. Mr. Aziz Ullah, Regd. No. 2010-ag-830, PhD student of the Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics has successfully defended his PhD thesis titled “Genetics of drought tolerance indices in *Gossypium hirsutum* L.” on 04-05-2017.
26. Ms. Fatima Aslam Bhatti, Regd. No. 2010-ag-3585, PhD student of the Institute of Soil and Environmental Sciences has successfully defended her synopsis in a seminar at the University level on 05-05-2017. The title of her synopsis is “Perspective of tree endophytic bacteria to enhance the cereal productivity”.
27. Mr. Muhammad Mahmood Iqbal, Regd. No. 2015-ag-4280, a PhD student, Department of Agronomy, has successfully defended his PhD synopsis on 08-04-2017. The title of his synopsis is “Evaluating the effect of seed size and plant stature on the performance of wheat under different sowing methods”.
28. Mr. Muhammad Waqas Aslam Cheema, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1573, a PhD student, Department of Agronomy, has successfully defended his PhD thesis on 11-05-2017. The title of his thesis is “Improving the productivity and sugar recovery of sugarcane by potash nutrition under different planting methods”.
29. Miss Zainab Akbar, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1444, a PhD student of the Institute of Food Science & Technology has successfully defended her PhD thesis at University level on 13-05-2017 at 10:00 am in the Video Conference Room of NIFSAT, UAF. The title of her thesis is “Studies on liquid milk based diet formula to ascertain an innovative therapeutic food with bifidogenic properties”.
30. Miss Zonara Zafar, Regd. No. 2013-ag-1520, a PhD student at Centre of Agricultural Biochemistry & Biotechnology (CABB) has successfully defended her PhD synopsis at University level on 15th May, 2017 at 10:30 am in Lecture Room No. 01 of CABB with a minor change in synopsis title “Engineering, Synthesis and expression of a gene encoding Newcastle disease virus F protein in plants”.
31. Mr. Tanveer Abbas, Regd. No. 2010-ag-2902, PhD student of the Institute of Soil and Environmental Sciences has successfully defended his synopsis in a seminar at the University level on 29-04-2017 at 12:45 pm in the Library of the Institute of Soil and Environmental Sciences. The title of his synopsis is “Improving efficiency of urea through coating extract of naturally occurring waste materials for enhancing yield and nitrogen uptake of maize (*Zea mays* L.)”.
32. Ms. Hafiz, Regd. No. 2000-ag-782, PhD Chemistry student of the Department of Chemistry has successfully defended her thesis entitled “Potential of medicinal plants and bacteriocins against foodborne pathogens” as required under the rules on 15-05-2017.
33. Mr. Muhammad Asif Javaid, Regd. No. 2006-ag-731, PhD Chemistry student of the Department of Chemistry has successfully defended his thesis entitled “Synthesis and characterization of chitosan based polyurethane bio-nanocomposites” as required under the rules on 15-05-2017.
34. Miss Hina Ahmad Malik, Regd. No. 2014-ag-05, PhD student of Institute of Soil and Environmental Sciences, UAF, has successfully defended her PhD synopsis on 05-05-2017. The title of synopsis is “Effect of C-rich material and fodder cultivation on soil C-pool in salt affected soils” which needs a minor change. It is therefore, requested that the title of PhD research may kindly be changed as suggested by the supervisory committee. “Carbon sequestration and biomass production in salt-affected lands”.

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plagiarism Therefore, no student is allowed to visit QEC office for this purpose. Travel Grant Protocol: (1) Send soft copy of complete research paper to directorqec@uaf.edu.pk for plagiarism checking. QEC checking will include student papers, the internet and periodicals & journals, publications search. (2) As per HEC policy, overall Similarity Index must not exceed 19% while from a single source should not be exceeding 5%. (3) Submit your Travel Grant application (hard copy) 24 hours after soft copy for signatures.

PENALTY IMPOSED

In exercise of the powers under Regulation 17 a (1), (4) & (5) and 4 (ii) of the UAF Students (Discipline & Conduct) Regulations, 1978 and on the recommendations of Campus Advisory Committee, DSA hereby impose the following penalties upon (1) Mr. Muhammad Umair Saleem, Regd. No. 2012-ag-2955, M.Sc. (Hons.) Climate Change 2nd Semester, fined Rs. 1000/- only, warned to be careful in future, withdrawal of financial concessions for one semester. (2) Miss Ansa Ansar, Regd. No. 2015-ag-751, M.Phil Zoology & Fisheries 4th Semester and (3) Miss Sehrish Naseem, Regd. No. 2015-ag-773, M.Phil Zoology & Fisheries 4th Semester, fined Rs. 2000/- only, recovery of the loss of Qadri Mart Rs. 1000/-, warned to be careful in future, withdrawal of financial concessions for one semester respectively, on having been found guilty of indiscipline and misconduct at the Campus. The fine must be deposited in Account No. 11-9, National bank of Pakistan, UAF Branch within ten (10) days of the issuance of this Notification. The Bank Challan showing payment of fine must be submitted in the office of the DSA within the stipulated period failing which the name of the defaulter will be struck off from the University rolls by the Dean/Director/concerned and he can be restrained for further enrollment. As provided under Regulation 19 (3) of the relevant Regulations, the above students, if so desire, may file appeal(s) within fifteen (15) days from the date of announcement of the orders to the PO (Student's Affairs). They are also eligible to file review appeal(s) against the order passed on their appeal(s), if contrary to pray made in the appeal(s), to the Vice Chancellor within fifteen (15) days from the announcement of the orders on their appeals as provided under Regulation 20 (1) of the relevant Regulations.

NOTIFICATION

The Vice Chancellor has been pleased to implement the following protocols for synopsis/thesis/travel grant plagiarism checking with immediate effect. (1) Supervisors are encouraged to check thesis/synopsis of his/her student for plagiarism (Program: Turnitin) before submission. Your checked file will be as student papers with Turnitin. QEC checking will include student papers, the internet and periodicals, journals, & publications search. (2) Supervisor (only) is asked to send soft copy of the synopsis/thesis comprised of i) title of synopsis/thesis following by ii) supervisory committee along with email addresses of each member, iii) introduction, iv) review of literature, v) materials and methods, vi) results and discussion, vii) references and viii) graphics/photographs to directorqec@uaf.edu.pk (3) as per HEC policy, overall Similarity Index must not exceed 19%, while, it should not exceed 5% from a single source for thesis/synopsis/travel grant.

AUCTION NOTICE

1. A total of 150 unserviceable/surplus store items will be sold through open auction as a lot on 24-05-2017 (Wednesday) at 10:00 am in the Department of Theriogenology. The list of articles can be perused on any working day during office hours in the Department. All the interested persons are invited to come and bid. One third of the total auction amount will be realized at the spot. Additionally, under section 236 A of Income tax Ordinance 2001, Advance tax @ 10% will be collected from successfully bidder and will be deposited in the Government Treasury through Income Tax Ordinance 2001. Advance tax @ 10% will be collected from successful bidder and will be deposited in the Government Treasury through Income Tax Challan. The successful bidder will be allowed to take away the auctioned goods after approval of the competent authority and depositing remaining amount/dues.
2. The sale of about 138 different unserviceable items will be made by an open Re-Auction on 25-05-2017 at 11:00 am at the Ginnery of the Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics, UAF. The persons, who are interested, may come and bid. One third of the total price will be recovered at the spot and the remaining amount will be received after the approval of the competent authority. The price will be realized at the spot. Under Section 236A of Income Tax Ordinance, 2001, an advance Income Tax @ 10% of the sale price of the property/goods being auctioned will be collected from the successful bidder. The list of articles can be seen in the office of Prof. Dr. Hafeez Ahmad Sadaqat, Convener of the Committee, Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics, UAF. The competent authority reserves the rights to accept or reject the highest bid without assigning any reason.
3. Unserviceable/Surplus items of the Directorate of Financial Assistant and University Advancement, UAF will be publically auctioned on 24-05-2017 at 11:00 am in the Directorate of Financial Assistance and University Advancement, UAF. The list of items can be seen in the office of Director Development. All interested persons are invited to avail the opportunity. One third of the total amount of the bid will be realized at the spot. The remaining will be collected after the approval of the competent authority. Advance income Tax @ 10% of the sale price of the property / goods being auctioned will be collected from successful bidder and deposited in the Government treasury through income tax challan.
4. Twenty Six (26) Nos. of surplus/unserviceable store items will be publically auctioned on 19-05-2017 at 10:00 am in office of the Dean, Faculty of Sciences. The items can be seen during office hours. One third (1/3) of auction price will be realized at the spot and the remaining amount after the approval of competent authority. Advance tax @ 10% of the sale proceeded amount will be collected from the successful bidder and deposited in the Government Treasury. All interested persons/bidders are welcome to bid.

