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Editorial

March and April, 2005 were months of hectic activity at BUITMS. On the one hand, the academic semester took off in March and on the other, the floodgates of co-curricular activity conferences visits by elite scholars opened up.

No aspect of life at the university could be found napping. The University has progressed in almost every sphere of activity; there has been fairly large influx of new faculty; the laboratories at City and Takatu Campus have acquired some latest pieces of equipment; arrangement are in final stages for joint ventures with foreign universities; development work is going on at a brisk pace at Takatu and Chiltan Campuses; and a number of sports and social programs have been arranged. All this goes to reflect the dynamism of our university.

However, it must be kept in mind that a University, though basically a seat of learning, is somehow different in approach from other educational institutions. At other institutions teaching and learning are the basic objectives whereas the driving force at a University is the generation of knowledge, so the impetus at universities has to be the research.

During his recent visit to Quetta, Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman., Chairman HEC emphasized the need of recognizing the importance of research, which in the words of Van Dalen is a scientific method of acquiring knowledge. J.W Best describes research as a systematic activity directed towards the solution of a problem with a view to discovering and developing an organized body of knowledge.

Our students are to realize that they are not here to be spoon fed; rather they have to be inquisitive in order to equip themselves with more and more knowledge.

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HEC Chairman Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman Visits BUITMS.

**Report by: Prof. Sultan Mahmood Niazi
Director Languages, BUITMS**

Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman, Chairman, Higher Education Commission, Islamabad visited the Takatu Campus of the BUITMS Quetta on March 30th, 2005. On his arrival, he was welcomed by Dr. Muhammad Abbas Choudhary, Vice Chancellor, BUITMS who then introduced his faculty members and his administration team to the chairman. Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman was taken on a round of the vast campus where he was able to witness the executed and on going projects with his own eyes.



Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman Inaugurating the Electronics Laboratory

He went round the CAD Lab and expressed interest in the students' projects displayed there. He formally inaugurated the Electronics Laboratory recently equipped with Oscilloscope for the study of fundamental Electronics and Digital related concepts.



Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman visiting Blue Chip Lab.

Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman planted a sapling to mark the commencement of the tree plantation campaign at the Takatu Campus during which 4000 saplings are being planted on the campus in addition to 6000 rose plants. The HEC chairman later cut the tape to inaugurate the transport fleet of BUITMS. He was shown around the various phases of the development works in progress in different areas of the campus. He then visited the Blue Chip Lab which has been

equipped with the latest equipment.



Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman planting a sapling

Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman appreciated the efforts made by Dr. Sabir Hussain Usmani in procuring extra equipment and gadgets from the suppliers without extra cost.



Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman Inaugurating the transportation fleet of BUITMS

Dr Muhammad Abbas Choudhary later gave a detailed briefing on various aspects of the university including the on going and anticipated development activities, rapidly growing students strength, the proportional increase in faculty and equipment and the PC1's submitted to the HEC for approval. Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman exhorted the dedicated efforts being made by Dr. Muhammad Abbas Choudhary and his team and promised his full support and cooperation in future too.

3rd Meeting of the Academic Council

**Report by: Prof. Sultan Mahmood Niazi
Director Languages, Center of Modern Languages.**

Periodic Review of the academic goals, programs and courses of study is the basic proof of the efficiency of a University. The 3rd meeting of the Academic Council of BUITMS held on 19th of March, 2005 under the chairmanship of Dr. Mohammad Abbas Choudhary, Vice Chancellor, BUITMS was a mark of the university being alive to its fundamental responsibilities.



Academic Council meeting in progress

The meeting started with recitation of verses from the Holy Quran. The Vice Chancellor, Dr. Mohammad Abbas Choudhary as the Chairman of the Council welcomed the participants and gave a brief account of the developments which had taken place since the last meeting. He told that 39 new faculty members had been selected for induction into service, 84 students had enrolled in the Petroleum and Gas faculty; projects costing 30 million had been approved by the DDWP with 30 million commitment from the provincial government; Research coordination agreements with Universities like Siestan University, Iran, University of Minnesota (USA) and Wisconsin University (Canada) were in the offing; research projects worth 1.3 million had been sanctioned and another floor was going to be added to the present building of the City Campus for which funds already exist.



Deans of Faculties discussing the agenda items

Item wise agenda of the meeting was as under:-

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 2nd meeting.
2. Examination of the course structure of BS (Petroleum & Gas Engineering).
3. Examination of the course structure of BS (Textile Engg).
4. Examination of the scheme of introducing the Faculty of Basic Science with specialization in respective disciplines.
5. Examination of the scheme of introducing the Faculty of Social Sciences with specialization

in English (Language & Literature), International Relations and Psychology/ Fine Arts.

6. Approval of the recommendations of the Board of Studies in System Sciences.
7. Approval of the recommendations of the Board of Studies in Management Sciences.
8. Approval of the MBA (Banking & Finance).
9. Approval of the establishment of the Center of Modern Languages, BUITMS.
10. Statutory requirement of approval of Ph.D thesis by atleast two internationally renowned experts.

The meeting lasted for about 4 hours and ended with thanks to the chair.

2nd All Pakistan Inter University Chess Competition.

*Report by: Rehan Zafar
MBA (Regular)-5th Semester*

It is a matter of pride for all of us that out of all the 52 public sector universities in the country, the Balochistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences was chosen by the Higher Education Commission for managing two major sports events at Quetta. One of them was the 2nd All Pakistan Inter University Chess Competition which was organized by the Directorate of Sports and Physical Education, BUITMS.



Chess Competition in Progress

The competition ran from 29th to 31st of January, 2005 at the City Campus of BUITMS. Six teams from all over the country participated in the contest. Teams from Government College University, Lahore, Mehran University of Engg and Technology, Jamshoro, Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences, Quetta, International Islamic University, Islamabad, University of Balochistan, Quetta and Sindh Agriculture University, Tandojam got the opportunity of displaying their mettle in the field of chess.

Dr. Mohammad Abbas Choudhary, Vice Chancellor, BUITMS, Quetta was the Chief Guest at the inaugural ceremony. In his address he extended warm welcome



to all the teams and assured the organizers of all possible cooperation on his part. He remarked that such extra curricular activities not only sharpen the minds but also stir in us enthusiasm to win and prove our capabilities.

The tournament was played on the Five Round Robin League System. All the matches were closely contested and the quality and standard of the individual moves impressed the spectators.

Government College University, Lahore performed exceptionally well and got the championship trophy while Mehran University of Engg & Technology notched up the runners up trophy. Though it was the first contest of its nature for the team from the BUITMS, our players gave an outstanding all round display and succeeded in getting the third position.

The prize distribution ceremony was held in the auditorium of BUITMS. Dr. Muhammad Abbas Choudhary the Vice Chancellor gave trophies to the teams winning the first three positions. He commended the services and efforts of Mrs. Rubina Anser, Director Sports and Physical Education for preparing a team of dedicated workers who made the event a memorable success. He also eulogized Mr. Zain-ud-Din Khilji who managed to find time out of his busy schedule.

Inter Departmental Parliamentary Style Debate

Report By: Mr. Ali Zaman Shah
Students Affairs Coordinator.

The students Affairs Office of BUITMS had another thrilling event of Parliamentary Style Debate, the first of its nature in the beginning of the new semester. Mr. Mohammad Ayub Baloch, Secretary Culture was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Twelve students from all the faculties participated in the competition. Prof. Sultan Mehmood Naizi and Prof. Fazal Bari acted as members of the jury.



VC, BUITMS along with the Chief Guest

According to the jury decision Ms. Mona Jamali of Management Sciences was adjudged to be the best

debater of the contest while the second position was secured by Mr. Ahmed Waqas of the same faculty. The consolation prize went to Ms. Benish Khurshid of Computer Science Department.

Prizes were awarded by Mr. Mohammad Ayub Baloch, Secretary Culture and Archives, Govt of Balochistan. He appreciated the quality of the matter and the manner of presentation of views. He remarked that it gave him a new vigor and new hope to see that talent is abundantly available at our doorsteps and we can safely look forward to a bright future for the province as well as for the country.



Leader of the house

The topic which was given to the speakers was "Are we Independent?" Mr. Arbab Naseeb Ullah and Mr. Abdul Malik represented as the leader of the house and the leader of the opposition respectively.



Debater supporting the opposition point of view

All the proceedings were conducted by Mr. Zulfiqar who really acted in a professional manner.

2nd National Conference on Biotechnology and Emerging Sciences from 15-17 March, Faculty of Biotechnology Informatics, BUITMS.

Report By: Dr. M.A.K Malghani
Dean, Faculty of Biotechnology

Faculty of Biotechnology and Informatics held 2nd national conference on Biotechnology and Emerging Sciences from 15-17th march, 2005. This was, jointly sponsored by BUITMS and HEC.



Participants attending the conference

The inaugural ceremony was presided over by Dr. Muhammad Abbas Choudhary (Vice Chancellor, BUITMS) and Dr. Anwar Naseem (Chairman, Biotechnology Commission). Scientists from all parts of Pakistan including Islamabad, Lahore, Karachi, Faisalabad, Tando Jam and Quetta participated in this conference. Referred Scientific research papers will be published in the Journal of Applied and Emerging sciences ISSN 1814-070x BUITMS. The Vice Chancellor BUITMS announced that another National Conference will be hosted by BUITMS to which private agriculturists, livestock breeders and common farmers will also be invited. Professor Anwar Naseem Chairman Biotechnology Commission and Chairman National Core Group on Biology said that HEC will keep on supporting such activities for the promotion of sciences in the province. He also congratulated the organizers for holding such a big event and scientific moot.



Conference in progress

The titles of the papers and names of the speakers are as below:

- From Butterfly Wings to Cancer by M.A.K. Malghani.
- Utilization of brackish water for cash-crop production in coastal Balochistan by M. Ajmal Khan.
- Biotechnological approaches in endocrine disease research by A.M. Cheema.
- Biotechniques for new anti-infective agents

by Shahana Urooj Kazmi.

- The transcriptional apparatus of extremophilic archaea by Sohail A. Qureshi.
- Uptake of heavy metals by ciliates; stylonychia mytilus and paramecium caudatum, isolated from industrial effluents and their potential use in bioremediation of wastewater by A. Rehman.



Dr. Anwar Naseem addressing the Conference

- Sero-prevalence of contagious caprine pleuropneumonia by indirect haemagglutination and agar gel immunodiffusion tests by Muhammad Arif Awan.
- Effect of number of projections on quality of inverse radon transform-based image reconstruction by using numerical techniques for parallel beam transmission tomography by Shahzad Ahmad Qureshi.
- Effect of em on vam development and subsequent crop growth in canola (brassica napus l) by Naeem Shahwani.
- Growth and physiological attributes of kalonji (nigella sativa l.) Under varying phosphorus levels by Aman Ullah Salarzai.



Dr. Shahana Urooj Kazmi reading her paper

- Reductive mechanism of iron release from microbial iron transport compounds by S. Arif Kazmi.
- Reductive mechanism of iron release from microbial iron transport compounds by Roomana Gul Kakar.



- Role of bioinformatics in the field of molecular biology by Shaukat Iqbal Malik.
- Role of Bioinformatics in the field of Molecular Biology by Farhat Abbas.
- Enhancement in the availability of red meat through high performing beef breed by M.A. Kakar.
- Genetic and pathogenic diversity in ascochyta. Rabiei and fusarium oxysporum f. Sp. Ciceris (foc) causing blight and wilt diseases of chickpea in Pakistan by Farhat Jamil.
- Biodepyritization of high-sulfur coal by heap leaching using locally isolated strains of acidophilic chemolithotrophic bacteria by Munir A. Anwar.
- Isolation of phthalic acid degrading bacteria by Fariha Hassan.
- The aerobic micro flora of an oil field and its ability to grow on petroleum by Zulfiqar Ali Malik.
- Studies on competition of metal on binding site of drug of iron over load by Fouzia S. Rahmani.
- Biotechnological solution to hazardous liquid effluent from various industries by Zafar M. Khalid.
- Pathology of experimental sodium hydrochloride toxicosis in female Japanese quails by Hamadullah.
- Studies on serum transaminase activities in endometritic, repeat breeder and anoestrus crossbred cows by Khuda-i-Dad Tareen.
- Biodegradation of trinitrotoluene (TNT) by selected bacteria by Ifra Ghor.
- Production and characterization of thermostable proteases from a thermophilic actinomycetes strain MST-8 by Maryam Shafique.
- Enhanced clonal propagation and alkaloid biosynthesis in cultures of rauwolfia by Ihsan Elahi.
- Development of biosorbent for chromium removal by Rani Feryal.
- Role of biotechnology for potato seed production by Iqbal Hassan.
- Development of simulator for resolution of critical section (Cs) problem by Ahsan Raza Sattar.
- Role of biotechnology in agricultural and economic development of Pakistan by M. Jalaluddin.
- Growth responses of helianthus annuus to pgrp used as a biofertilizer by Kamran Shaukat.
- Development of interspecific hybrids in brassica by Ghulam Rasool Baloch.
- Utilization of sugarcane bagasse and press mud for the production of cellulase through solid state fermentation by Mohammd Ismail Ahmed.
- Biotechnological applications of dried fungal biomass on dye ecologization in batch and column techniques by Safia Khatoon.
- Isolation, identification and characterization of field strains of Newcastle disease virus by M. Siddique.
- Tolerance and biosorption of hexavalent chromium by growing biomass of aspergillus Niger rh 19 by Uzma Malik.
- Tolerance and biosorption of hexavalent chromium by growing biomass of aspergillus Niger rh 19 by M. Muddassar.
- Genetic transformation: the ultimate choice for combating banana bunchy top virus (bbtv) by Aish Mohammad.
- Cis-trans factors interaction and promoter specified influenced gene expression in transgenic plants by Mohammad Naseem.
- Effect of heavy water cadmium on growth of bean plant and rhizosphere by Rafia Azmat.
- Comparative efficacy of infectious bursal disease vaccines in broiler chickens by Tahir Wahid Khan.
- Stable isotopes in nutrition and health research: an introduction by Rakshanda Bilal.
- Mueller matrix polarization gating system for tissue characterization by Shamras Firdous.
- In vitro digestibility of maillard bacteriocins as nisin and its effect on nutritional assessment by Rashida Ali.



Dr. Ajmal Khan reading his paper



- Spoligotyping of mycobacterium tuberculosis isolates in Pakistan reveals predominant by Mahnaz Tanveer.
- Evaluation of founder effect for dfnb7/11 locus by Robia Ashraf.
- Effects of irrigations on the development of microbial fruit rots in datepalm (phoenix dactyliferalinn) by Saeed Abro.
- Study of complexity of gait dynamics by threshold dependent symbolic entropy by Wajid Aziz.
- Cloning and sequence homology studies of bubaline somatotropin gene by Saima Sadaf. Removal of nickel from aqueous solution by dead biomass of aspergillus niger by Safia Khatoun.
- An appraisal of foot and mouth disease in the province of Balochistan by Shakeel Baber.
- A comparative economic analysis of productivity and hatchability traits in parent strains of commercial chicken in Pakistan by Tahir Hameed.
- Genetic engineering of cotton with bt and non-bt genes for sustainable resistance by Syed Sarfraz Hussain.
- Use of biotechnological approaches for genetic modification in basmati rice by Hamid Rashid.
- Salt tolerant alpha amylase from marine isolate of the genus bacillus by Tasmeem Razzaki.
- Thermotolerant beta amylase from marine isolate of the genus bacillus by Shireen Qamar Uddin.
- Biopolymer liquid crystals by Tasneem Zahra Rizvi.
- Microbial desulfurization potential of Pakistani coals by Syed Abid Hussain

Workshop for Master Trainers

Report By: Saaima Nazir Malghani
Center of Modern Languages, BUITMS

Higher Education Commission Islamabad arranged a two week workshop from February 22, 2005 to March 05, 2005 for the training of Master Trainers. Master trainers, 27 in number were selected from all over Pakistan. BUITMS nominated Prof. Sultan Mehmood Niazi, Dr. Azam Tahir, Syed Ahmed Ali Shah and Saaima Nazir Malghani to be trained as Master Trainers. The purpose of the workshop was to acquaint the Master Trainers with new teaching methodology needed for effective teaching and to finalize the teaching modules that would further be shared with fresh college and university lecturers.



Workshop participants

The discussion revolved around Teaching Strategies, Educational Psychology and Counseling, Measurement and Evaluation, Research Methodology, Curriculum Development and Environmental Issues. The teaching strategies included micro-teaching as a major component in which the Master Trainers were informed that 93% of the teaching skills can be learnt through learning and teaching. There was a unanimous agreement that there should be a shift from the traditional lecture style to activity based participatory approach as it gives an opportunity to the learners to think critically and explore new knowledge.



Workshop in progress

There was emphasis on the fact that teachers as well as students should be research oriented and various research methodologies were brought before the Master Trainers. Similarly Curriculum Development has also emerged as a fundamental discipline. For the professional teachers its knowledge is of vital importance as it is the very substance of learning in any institution.



Participants busy in Workshop



Towards the end of the workshop the teaching modules were finalized by the Master Trainers and in May, 2005 the training of fresh lecturers will start at Quetta in BUITMS with Prof. Sultan Mehmood Niazi as the Training Coordinator.



Dr. Syed Altaf, VC, A.I.O.U talking to Prof. Sultan Mehmood Naizi, BUITMS

5th Free IT Awareness Program at BUITMS.

**Report By: Masroor Alam Khan
Media Manager, BUITMS**

The 5th Free IT Awareness Program was offered by BUITMS from 22nd February to 4th March, 2005. 400 people were registered from various spheres of life. Children, students, housewives, teachers and doctors attended this program during the semester break of BUITMS. The basic aim of this program was to introduce the participants to the basics of computer science, MS-Office and Internet.



People who attended the Free IT Course

The Free IT program was held under the supervision of the Faculty of Computer & Emerging Sciences. Mr. Qadeem Kakar Superintendent Students Affairs was in-charge of this program with a students' committee comprising 10 students from different faculties.

The credit of arranging Free IT program for people belonging to different spheres of life in such an organized manner goes to Honorable Vice Chancellor Dr. Muhammad Abbas Choudhary, who is a dynamic

administrator and a leader who leads his team members with determination and sincerity.



One of the participant expressing her views about the course

The objective of the program was to make the people realize the importance of computer in society and to provide Free IT awareness. The enthusiasm and interest shown by young boys and girls, children and even old people toward this course was tremendous.



VC, BUITMS giving the certificate to a student who taught in Free IT Course

Another important point to mention here is the zeal with which the students of the university conducted this course during their semester break. The efforts put in by these students and other members of the university to make this program possible were appreciated by every participant of this course. The participants commented on the need for such courses and stressed that such IT programs should be held on regular basis.

The certificate distribution ceremony was held on 4th March, 2005 in the auditorium of BUITMS. The Worthy Vice Chancellor Dr. Muhammad Abbas Choudhary was the Chief Guest on this occasion. Dean, Faculty of Computer & Emerging Sciences Dr. Sabir Hussain Usmani and Dean Faculty of Bio-Technology Dr. M.A.K Malghani also shared their views with the audience. The Honorable Vice Chancellor in his speech stressed upon the students to continue serving the community at their best. He said that Free IT program was designed to create



awareness about Information Technology in the society and provided an opportunity to the common man to get hands-on experience on the latest machines in use of Internet and simple applications of MS-Office.

All Pakistan Inter Universities visit by BUITMS Delegation

*Report By: Khawaja Bilal Jilani
Electronics Engg, 4th Semester.*

Students are the most valuable asset of any institution and their innovative ideas can boost up the repute of an institution.



BUITMS students at GIK Institute, Topi

Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences sent a student delegation for visit to some prestigious universities in Pakistan including IBA (Karachi), LUMS (Lahore), QAU (Islamabad) and Ghulam Ishaq Khan Institute (Topi). The purpose was to learn and observe the tools that these institutes are using for teaching and research which may be useful for the University.

The Delegation comprised 18 members led by Dr. Maqsood (Associate Professor, Centre for Environmental Sciences, BUITMS) and Ms. Bushra Batool (Research Associate, Department of Biotechnology and Informatics)

The 15 days visit was a source of experience and joy for all the students. From this extravaganza they come to know how they should cope up with the competition at the International level in their respective disciplines. Besides these valuable University visits the other enjoyments for the students were unforgettable.

Visit to IBA Karachi

Institute of Business Administration was established in 1955 and has the privilege of being the first business school in this region of the world. Initially it was affiliated with Karachi University till early 90's but presently it is a degree awarding institution itself.

IBA has two well equipped campuses in Karachi.. Both BBA and MBA programs are offered at both the campuses. Admissions are purely based on merit with out any sort of discrimination.

BUITMS delegation visited both the Campuses on consecutive days. The Staff of the IBA briefed them on all the key features of the University including Labs, library, cafeteria, transport, and other facilities. The Students were really impressed to learn about the importance of IBA internship program and the job opportunities their undergraduates and graduates are availing in the National and International markets.

Visit to LUMS Lahore

The visit to LUMS was a treat for the students during this tour. Lahore University of Management Sciences was established with the investments by some local companies of Lahore.

Presently LUMS is offering MBA (Regular, Executive), BA (LLB), and B.Sc (Honors) with majors in Mathematics, Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Physics, Economics, and MS and PhD degrees in Different disciplines.

LUMS has some key features that really make them quite distinguishable from the other Institutes of the country:

- Quarter System instead of Semester System
- Importance of Case Study during the session.
- Inter University student's exchange.
- 24 Hours access to most of the facilities at the campus specially Internet
- Vast International and National relations Circle.

The student stayed for two days in the hostel of the LUMS and they were accorded really appreciable hospitality by the Laborites.

Visit to Quaid-e-Azam University Islamabad

The next destination was QAU Islamabad which is the richest University of Pakistan for M-Phil and PhD students of the country. The central library of the University has thousands of National and International journals and publications along with historical books in the respective disciplines.



BUITMS students with VC, Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad



Besides the well briefed visit to the University the honorable Vice Chancellor was kind enough to share some time with the students. During the discussions on various issues with the team he enlightened the students with his golden views and experiences.

VISIT to GIKI Topi Swabi

Ghulam Ishaq Khan Institute of Engineering is a very famous engineering school in Pakistan that is fully equipped with all the tools required for technical education in the world. It was established in 1993 by an organization led by Ghulam Ishaq Khan and he is still presiding over the major issues of the institute. The establishment of this institute was initially supervised by the all time great Dr. Abdul Qadeer Khan.



Dean & Director Admin GIK Institute, Topi

The University is fully residential with all the latest facilities for everyone. Presently five engineering faculties are working in the University offering the engineering degrees of undergraduate, graduate and PhD level.

The students were warmly welcomed by the Director Students Affairs and were taken round the campus. The fully equipped labs with latest electronics, telecommunication, electrical and mechanical are worth seeing. Dr. Maqsood and Ms. Bushra also met the honorable Rector and discussed the various important issues with them.

Recreations during the Tour

During these 15 days there was not a single moment which was not enjoyed by the students. The interesting point is that most of them were unacquainted with each other but the 24 hours company of these days made them close friends. During the tour our leader Dr. Maqsood was kind enough to arrange many picnic trips for us which became the core of our memories. The famous spots and bazaars of Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Chairlift and Cable Car Rides in Murree, Snowfall in Abottabad Mountains and the boat travel in Ravel dam made this trip for us more and more valuable. The

sprit of the kind supervision by Dr. Maqsood and Ms. Bushra was remarkable.

Zonal Gala Sports Festival

Report By: Prof. Sultan Mehmood Niazi.

Director Languages, Center of Modern Languages.

The Higher Education Commission entrusted the responsibility of organizing the Zonal Gala Sports to the Balochistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences, Quetta. Mrs. Rubina Anser, Director Sports and Physical Health gathered a group of dedicated workers for holding the festival in a befitting manner. Sports Complex at the Ayub Stadium, Quetta was the main venue for the contest in Basketball, Table Tennis, Tug-of-War, and Badminton while Football matches were held in Sadiq Shaheed Park. Honorable Governor Balochistan, Mr. Owais Ahmed Ghani was received by Dr. Muhammad Abbas Choudhary along with other members of the Organizing Committee.



Governor Balochistan at the Inauguration ceremony of Zonal Gala Sports

Teams representing the following Universities/ Institutions marched in carrying the flags of the respective participating units.

- Government Degree College, Sibi.
- Iqra University, Quetta.
- Tamir-e-Nau College, Quetta.
- Government Girls Degree College, Quetta Cant.
- Government Degree College, Loralai.
- University of Balochistan, Quetta.
- Government Science College, Quetta.
- Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences.

The inaugural ceremony started in a festive manner with the playing of the National Anthem by the Police Band. Mr. Tabish led the oath taking ceremony after which Mrs. Rubina Anser explained the aims and objectives of the Gala Event. She thanked the Honorable Governor Balochistan and the Vice chancellor for their continuous support to the cause of the healthy sports activities in the province.



Ms. Shaheen Khan, Director General of Sports, Higher Education Commission eulogized the role played by the BUITMS in organizing the Gala Event. She stated that it was part of a series of such activities at all the provincial headquarters. She pointed out that only through regular exposure to competition our sportsmen and sportswomen could find opportunities of improving their performance to the international standards.

Dr. Muhammad Abbas Choudhary in his welcome address to the Governor thanked him for taking interest in the academic and co-curricular affairs of the University. He emphasized the importance of building up the spirit of sports man-ship as a part of character building of the students. He assured the chief guest that the number of participating teams and the number of contestants would Inshallah rise threefold at the next games. He expressed his gratitude to DG (Sports) HEC, Syed Ibrar Hussain D/S (PSB) for their contributions in organizing the event.



Basketball Finals in Progress

The Honorable Governor Mr. Owais Ahmed Ghani appreciated the efforts made by the games organizers in arranging a mega sports event in the province. Declaring games and sports as major components of human development, he expressed the hope that sportsmen and sportswomen from Balochistan would prove their skills to be selected as national level players in future. As regards the spread of educational facilities at the higher level, he pointed out that there are four universities functioning in the public sector now and two more universities i. e Agriculture University in Lasbela and Virtual University at Yaro are going to be established very shortly. He advised the students to inculcate the habit of industry in the spirit of excelling in order to carve a place of respect for themselves in the country and abroad.

Mr. Abbas Choudhary and Miss. Rubina Anser presented souvenirs to the Chief Guest, the Honorable Governor, Balochistan as well as to Miss Shaheen Khan, Director General Sports (HEC). Pigeons and balloons were released as a token of commencement

of the Gala Sports. The Honorable Governor and VC BUITMS formally opened the table tennis tournament by playing a few shots.



Table Tennis Match in Progress

Football:

Winner BUITMS
Runners Iqra University

Table Tennis Boys:

Winners BUITMS
Runners Iqra University

Table Tennis Girls:

Winners BUITMS
Runners University of Balochistan

Tug-of-War Boys:

Winners Iqra University
Runners Govt Degree College

Tug-of-War Girls:

Winners University of Balochistan
Runners Govt Girls Degree College Quetta

Badminton Boys:

Winners University of Balochistan
Runners BUITMS

Badminton Girls:

Winners Govt Girls Degree College Quetta
Runners University of Balochistan.

Basketball:

Winners Iqra University
Runners BUITMS

Dr Muhammad Abbas Choudhary vice Chancellor BUITMS gave away trophies and medals to the winners and runners up in various events. Shields were awarded to the organizers in recognition of their services in making the event a grand success.



Trophies and Shields distributed among the participants



Assignment of Portfolios

According to the University notification No.91/R (Job Assignment) BUITMS/2004/ 4821-29 dated: 20th of March, 2005, Dr.Syed Arif Kazmi and Dr. Abdul Majeed Cheema have been entrusted with the portfolios of Dean, Faculty of Basic Sciences, BUITMS and Chairman, Faculty of Biotechnology and Informatics, BUITMS, respectively.

New Team Members

Prof. Barkat Ali

Formerly, Director of the Institute of Management Sciences, and Chairman, Departments of Commerce and Administrative Sciences, Prof. Barkat Ali joined BUITMS as Chairman, Faculty of Management Sciences in Feb. 2005.



He did his MBA majoring in Financial Management from IBA, Karachi in 1971 and started his career as a Business Executive in Textile Industry. In 1974, he took up teaching as an occupation and taught FM, HRM and OB. His research is focused on management theories, management system, health financing and training & development.

He visited Srilanka as member of a delegation for studying "Decentralized Primary Health Care System". He also participated in a 10 week study program on Health Planning & Policy in U.K.

He has got 10 National and International Publications to his credit and excelled in designing training and development programs, training materials and manuals.

Engr: Imran H. Khan Durrani



An Engineer by profession, Mr. Durrani started his career Balochistan Water and Sanitation Authority (WASA) in the year 1990.

He was serving Water and Sanitation Authority in the capacity of Executive Engineer Monitoring and

Evaluations of the Ground Water Resources in Quetta Valley before joining BUITMS.

His International and multi-sector experience includes project and personal management. Budgetary allocation, working with cross function teams while working for International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent societies. He got first position in the basic training course of the Red Cross among 26 countries in Seoul, South Korea in the year

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