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Editorial

The fall Semester, 2008 got off to a brisk start. There was immense rush for admissions in various programs of study as the repute of the University as a Quality institution has spread, mainly due to the regularity of Class-room instruction and the feedback from the employing organizations where the BUIITEMS alumni are working.

About 865 new students have embarked on the voyage of gaining meaningful grasp over the essentials of their subjects of study, thus gaining competence and confidence as useful members of the society. It has been demonstrated time and again, that our students are not contented with the passing of examinations or getting degrees only; they are rather focused on achieving complete mastery over the subject. They have their eyes fixed not on today only, but also on the future- their own future and the future of the country as well.

Human capital development is now being treated as the focal point of national vision all over the world. Education and knowledge accumulation are the crucial and essential inputs necessary for the growth of the human capital. Pakistan will be able to achieve high rate of growth to which it aspires, only when knowledge accumulation is made the focal point of our public policy.

BUIITEMS has the satisfaction of initiating efforts for the much needed revolution of creating awareness about the value of providing and getting quality education comparable to the standards applied at the prestigious institutions of the world. Fresh students of the University would be well-advised to become a part of the effective force which can help the country achieve its cherished goal of progress and prosperity.

OUR VISION

To be among the leading universities of the world - accessible to all, imparting quality education and promoting cutting edge research.

MISSION STATEMENT

At BUIITEMS, we are committed to provide quality education with focus on research and to equip students with the art of living as productive members of society, contributing to the socio-economic uplift of Pakistan in general, and Balochistan in particular.

OUR GOALS

1. To provide outstanding academic programs that further strengthen our performance, pre-eminence and efficiency.
2. To provide an excellent teaching and learning environment for students to reach a level that matches the best universities in the world.
3. To raise revenues from partnerships, research grants and technology transfer while strengthening our ability to more effectively invest and allocate resources for education.

Six Faculty Members Win Fulbright Scholarships

Reported by: Zaib-Un-Nisa Gharshin

The Fulbright Scholarship program offers grants for international educational exchange of scholars, educators and professionals. Funded by US Senator J. William Fulbright, the program is one of the most prestigious programs of the world and is operational in 144 countries. It is a matter of great pride and honor for BUIITEMS that six of our young faculty members contested for the scholarship nominations by HEC and managed to win scholarships.

Miss Rahila Umer Sumalani, Lecturer

Department of Computer Science, Faculty of Information and Communication Technology has been selected for the prestigious Fulbright Scholarship 2009. She did BS (CS) from BUIITEMS in 2006. She joined BUIITEMS on 9th April, 2007 as a lecturer and plans to pursue her career further in Theoretical Computer Science.



Mr. Liaquat Ali Channa Assistant Professor

Department of English, Faculty of Arts & Basic Sciences, BUIITEMS, Quetta has been selected for the Fulbright scholarship for PhD in English. He has been serving in BUIITEMS, Quetta since March 2005. Mr. Channa did his M.A (English) with first class first position from the University of Sindh, Jamshoro, in 2004. He has recently got his M.Ed in English Language Teaching (ELT) in 2007 from the University of Glasgow, United Kingdom.



Mr. Faisal A. K. Kakar, Assistant Professor

Department of Telecommunication Engineering, BUIITEMS. has been selected for the Fulbright/HEC/USAID PhD Scholarship program 2009. He will be pursuing higher studies with specialization in Telecommunications from Fall-2009 in the United States.

Ms. Fatima Asif, Lecturer

Department of Computer Engineering, BUIITEMS, has been selected for the prestigious Fulbright Scholarship 2009. She has been offered a scholarship for MS leading to PhD program in the United States and will start her studies in Fall 2009. Mrs. Fatima Asif, graduated from University of Engineering and Technology Lahore.



Mr. Asif Ali Changezi Assistant Professor

Department of Telecommunication Engineering has been selected for Fulbright/ HEC/ USAID Scholarship 2008, and will be starting his PhD studies at Georgia Institute of Technology USA. His primary field of research interest is Signal Processing.



Mr. Abdul Samad, Lecturer

Department of Computer Science, Faculty of Information & Communication Technology (ICT), BUIITEMS, Quetta was awarded Fulbright Scholarship for MS leading to PhD for the year 2008. He has been serving in BUIITEMS, Quetta since October 2006. He intends to go for his MS/PhD in Artificial intelligence.



Best Teacher Award

Reported by: Dr. A. H. S. Bukhari

Engr. Muhammad Nadeem, Department of Computer Engineering, Faculty of Information &



Engr. Mohammad Nadeem receiving his award from Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman

Communication Technology, was awarded "*Best Teacher Award*" for the year 2007 at a ceremony held at HEC Islamabad, on August 13, 2008. Honorable Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman, Chairman HEC awarded the certificate of Best Teacher of the year to him. Engr. Muhammad Nadeem has produced two research papers accepted for presentation at international conferences to be held in Lahore and Islamabad in the near future.

BUIITEMS Students Visit State Bank of Pakistan

Reported by: Ms. Sadaf Amjad

The students of BS (BA) 4th semester (Finance and Banking) visited the State Bank of Pakistan, Banking Service Corporation Quetta, on 3rd July, 2008; as a scheduled part of their study program. The idea behind this visit was to expose the students to the real world of Banking Service. In his opening speech Mr. Khalid Mehmood Accounts Officer SBP, briefed the visitors and elaborated on the hierarchical levels and functions of SBP, Quetta.

Mr. Zafar Ahmad, Divisional Head of Currency Department, explained the processes of printing, issuance and finally the disposal of currency notes. The organizational structure, operational units and the working including recording and maintaining were well demonstrated.



BUIITEMS Students with Chief Manager, SBP

An interesting and informative question and answer session followed the briefings. The Chief Manager Mr. Sajid Ali Shah concluded the session with his remarks. The students went on a round of various sectors of SBP to see for themselves the operating units functional in SBP.

Annual Technical Conference 2008

Reported by: Pir Hussain Shah

ATC has become a forum which helps all its participants to expand and stretch the horizons of their knowledge and thoughts. This year the Annual Technical Conference was organized by "*Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE)*" in Serena Hotel Islamabad. The theme for this event was "*Tight Gas Reservoirs Development-Challenge for the industry*".



A Group of BUIITEMS delegates

Mr. Nabeel a student of Petroleum & Gas Department, BUIITEMS Quetta also participated in the conference and presented his research paper on "*Produced Water Management*" which is also a big problem confronted by the petroleum industry since long. The senior most batch of BUIITEMS of Petroleum & Gas department also participated in the conference sponsored by various multinational companies.

BUIITEMS students had interaction with industry icons and utilized it to find sponsors for the senior design project.

Joint Faculty visit to Imperial College, UK

Reported by: Prof. Dr. A.M. Cheema

Dr. A. M Cheema, Dean, Faculty of Biotechnology & Informatics visited Imperial College, Hammersmith Campus, London, UK, to meet the Partner/ collaborator Professor Gary Frost, Head Nutrition & Dietics during 12 July to 28 July 2008. The visit was a part of the HEC funded project "*Linkage of Pakistan Universities with Foreign Universities*" under the activity of "*Joint Faculty Visit*". The objective of the visit was to strengthen the existing understanding of collaborative research and other academic activities and meet various research groups associated with Professor Frost to broaden the sphere of activity for greater interaction in researches on Pakistani related issues.



Professor Cheema had several meetings with Professor Frost and his research group for collaborative research which may establish a sustainable research facility at BUIITEMS. The partners also had meetings with other scientists prominent among them being Professor Dr Andrew Prentice of Institute of Tropical Medicine & Hygiene, University of London to discuss research in under-nutrition & malnutrition; Dr Mary Hickson of NHS Trust at Charing Cross Hospital on investigations into the diets of the subjects with specific degenerative diseases such as cardiovascular diseases, cancer, diabetes etc.; Dr. Leisl Wandrag also of NHS Trust called upon to discuss the possibility of interacting with the Task Force collecting data on physiological adaptations at high altitude in Himalayan range and Dr Andrew Wiley at Hammersmith Hospital to know about the recent trends in Genomic Medicine. Professor Jimmy Bell also of Imperial College and collaborator of Professor Frost highlighted the recent trends and use of MRI and other methods in investigations on the role of dietary carbohydrates on body composition and appetite regulation. At his facility Ms. Julie Fitzpatrick, Advanced Practitioner in MRI and Ms. Guliana Druighel, Senior Research

Radiographer demonstrated and explained the greater importance of fat depots in internal organs compared to its presence under the skin from infancy to old age. The British scientists mentioned above agreed to reciprocate the visit with the object of strengthening research collaboration with the BUIITEMS.

"Telecommunication Industry" Seminar

Reported by: Mr. Abdul Raziq

Telecommunication industry plays a very important role in our national development. No one can deny the importance of telecommunication in the modern world. Telecom industry has contributed more than Rs. 111 billion to the national exchequer under different heads of direct and indirect taxes. It includes GST Rs. 44.6 billion, Activation Tax 19.2 billion, PTA deposits 10.86 billion, other 36.95 billion.

A group of MBA 2nd semester arranged a seminar on the topic of Telecommunication Industry-Growth, Competition & its Impact on the Economy of Pakistan with major focus on Balochistan on July 11, 2008. The group included Mr. Gohar Hayat, Mr. Shujaat Ali, Mr. Shoaib Ahmed, and Ms. Fehmeeda Farhat. The seminar started with recitation of verses from the holy Quran by Atif Sattar.

Dr. M.A.K Malghani, Pro Vice Chancellor BUIITEMS Quetta, was the Chief Guest of this seminar while the honorable speakers were Mr. Adnan Danish Nagi (Regional Sale Manager



Pro Vice Chancellor BUIITEMS presenting the shield to Mr. Farooq Jabbar

Balochistan), Mr. Farooq Jabbar (Manager Customer Operations Balochistan) and Mr. Talha Ijaz (Franchise Support Executive Balochistan). Mr. Farooq Jabbar and Adnan Danish Nagi in their speeches defined telecommunication industry, its growth, functions and issues of competition in perspective of Balochistan. They shared the current figures of sales growth of the telecom sector and performance of companies in recent years. Mr. Talha Ijaz discussed the market situation in detail.

A Question and Answer session was held after the speech. After the Question Answer session honorable Chief Guest Mr.M.A.K Malghani thanked the organizers for conducting a very informative seminar. Certificate were distributed among the participants. The Seminar In-charge Mr. Abdul Raziq thanked all the participants.

DRAMA COMPETITION

Reported by: Shehzad Ghauri

The Balochistan University of Information Technology, Engineering & Management Sciences is geared to groom intellects as well as artistic talents of the students to such a refined level that it can help them realize their own potential for success in the professional fields. A drama competition was held on 2nd of July, 2008 at the auditorium of BUIITEMS, city campus under the banner of Student Affairs Office. A big gathering of audience comprising distinguished faculty members and students was present on the occasion. Ms. Sadiqa Ramzan, Ms. Nadia Ali Shah, & Mr. Zeeshan Khalid were the worthy judges of the event. All the dramas presented were inspirational and attention

grabbing. The 1st position was awarded to the drama **"BUIITEMS HEE TO HAI"**. The second position was awarded to a drama **GUEST HOUSE**. The contest was conducted by Mr.Nasrullah Khan.

Inter-Departmental Songs Competition

Reported by: M. Faisal Nadeem

Balochistan University of Information Technology, Engineering & Management Sciences Quetta is an institution known for its quality of education. BUIITEMS also encourages the students who have good skills and talents in co-curricular activities.

On the 7th of July 2008 Directorate of Student Affairs organized an Inter-Departmental Songs Competition held in the auditorium of BUIITEMS City Campus. Ms. Sadiqa Ramzan, Ms. Tayyaba Akram, & Mr. Zeeshan Khalid were the judges of this competition. More than twenty participants from both campuses took part in the competition. All participants were well prepared for the occasion. They sang different songs. Faculty and students were also present to enjoy the competition. They gave a big hand to appreciate the participants.

Mr. Owais Javed of BS (BA) succeeded in impressing the judges most. He got 1st position, followed by Mr. Faisal Javed of MBA with 2nd position. Ms Anjellina Haroon of BS (Textile Engineering) & Mehreen Gul of MBA both shared the 3rd place in the competition.



Drama BUIITEMS HEE TO HAI

All Pakistan Study Tour

Reported by: Mohammad Shah

A students delegation from BUIITEMS visited different universities of Pakistan. This 15-day tour was a part of HEC sponsored student exchange program. Mr. Mohammad Shah Khan & Ms. Sadaf Amjad, lecturers, Faculty of Management Sciences, accompanied the student delegation comprising 14 students from all five faculties of the university. The first destination of this delegation was Institute of Business Administration (IBA), Karachi, which is a renowned center in business education in Pakistan. In Lahore, the delegation visited Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS) & National College of Arts (NCA).

In Islamabad the student delegation went to see Quaid-i-Azam University - one of the top universities in Pakistan. The next day, the delegation was invited to the Army Public School of Management Sciences (APCOMS), thanks to Dr. Khatak, Dean Faculty of Management Sciences, APCOMS. The students were given souvenirs by the Director, APCOMS. A whole day was then dedicated to visiting GIK University of Engineering, NWFP. Situated in the beautiful town of Topi, GIK is producing



BUIITEMS students with Registrar, IBA Karachi

quality engineers for local & international markets. This students exchange program was a learning experience for all the students. This tour gave them a new insight and they explored new dimensions of learning. The HEC & BUIITEMS' management deserve all appreciation for arranging such a wonderful program.

Career Planning & Counseling Unit (CPCU)

Reported by: Jamal Mustafa

BUIITEMS is an institution working for excellence in education. Although at BUIITEMS the students are given due facilitation and attention, it was still felt that a special office should be established which could fully concentrate on various problems faced by students. After thorough deliberations under the supervision of worthy Vice Chancellor, creation of the Career Planning & Counseling Unit materialized on 22nd Sep. 2008. Prof. Barkat Ali and Mr. Jamal Mustafa played key roles in its establishment. The major objectives of the Unit are facilitation and capacity enhancement of the students' academic career through



BUIITEMS students at LUMS, Lahore

harnessing their academic & professional potential, so that they would be able to help out themselves in attaining excellence. CPCU also aims at supporting the students in creating & finding potential market for their talent and excellence in their career.

Altaf Hussain Qureshi Visits BUIITEMS

Reported by: Sulttan Mehmood Niazi

Balochistan University of Information Technology, Engineering & Management Sciences frequently arranges visits of elite men of letters. The visit of Mr. Altaf Hussain Qureshi, member of the executive council, Karwan-e-Ilm Foundation and Chief Editor "*Urdu Digest*" on July 8, 2008 was one such instance. During his



Vice Chancellor briefing Mr. Altaf Hussain Qureshi

meeting with the Vice Chancellor, BUIITEMS, the distinguished guest was prompted to come forward for providing financial assistance to the diligent but needy students of the university. The Vice Chancellor, during his briefing stressed upon the need of philanthropic contributions on the part of the well- to- do citizens of the state as the future of the country is tagged to the acquisition of quality education by our youth. He pointed out that various forms of scholarships like the USAID need based Scholarships; Japanese need based scholarships & Khushali Bank scholarships are presently being availed by the destitute but industrious students of the university but the quantum of need is so large that still more assistance is required. He eulogized the steps taken by the Karwan-e-Ilm Foundation in this regard.

Mr. Altaf Hussain Qureshi gave a detailed briefing on the aims & objectives of the Karwan-e-Ilm Foundation and told that the organization undertook the task of providing financial assistance to the needy students initially with a meager resource capital of Rs. 10,000/= but now the scope of assistance has expanded to Rs. 10 million per annum. He admitted that students from Balochistan are more deserving as the province has to move at double pace in order to catch up with the other provinces. He described his visit to BUIITEMS as a step in the right direction. Karwan-e- Ilm Foundation is contributing to the character-building efforts of the youth in such a way that each educated young man and woman of Pakistan can lead to the progress & prosperity of the country in a positive way.

Mr. Altaf Hussain Qureshi was taken on a round of the campus. He appreciated the academic atmosphere, the students' zeal for learning & the dedicated approach of the learned faculty. He emphasized the need of giving proper respect and status to the teachers in order to ensure the character-building and intellectual development of the students.

Khushali Bank Scholarships Award Ceremony

Reported by: Faizan Hassan

The Vice Chancellor Balochistan University of Information Technology Engineering & Management Sciences Quetta, Engr. Ahmed



Syed Zahid Raza with Vice Chancellor and Pro Vice Chancellor

Farooq Bazai said that imparting quality education to the students is top most priority of Balochistan's maiden IT University and the assistance from patrons in this context is of pivotal significance. He expressed these views while addressing Khushali Bank Scholarship Certificates Award ceremony at BUIITEMS on August 18, 2008. Engr. Ahmed Farooq Bazai expressed gratitude to the sponsors from Khushali Bank and USAID which patronize the talented and promising but needy students for the continuation of their studies and acquisition of higher education.

Besides, the University administration on its part strives for creating job opportunities for the students by forging a close liaison with different national and international firms and organizations. Career planning and Counseling Center of BUIITEMS guides the students in ensuring their bright future.

Head of Human Resource Khushali bank Syed Zahid Raza addressing on the occasion said that bank would lend a helping hand to the deserving students all across Balochistan to help them continue their studies without hindrance.

Balochistan Independence Day Body Building Championship held on 14th August, 2008. The championship, organized by the Balochistan Body Building Association, attracted no less than 30 contestants. Mr. Awais Khan, a student of BS (Economics) impressed the judges with his overall well-defined muscles and was adjudged to be the best body builder in the 75 Kg category.

Mr. Shafiq Ahmad Khan, the provincial Education Minister lauded the form of the contestants and urged all students to pay due attention to their physical fitness in order to prepare themselves for intellectual achievements. He later distributed prizes among the position holders of the contest.

Workshop on Time Management

Report ed by: Zaib Unisa Ghrashin

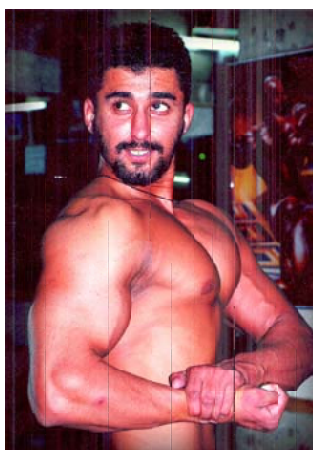


Honorable VC and Resource person speaking at workshop

A two-day workshop on "Time Management" was held at City and Takatu Campuses of the BUIITEMS by the Training & Development. The Vice Chancellor of BUIITEMS Engr. Ahmed Farooq Bazai was the chief guest while the resource person was Mr. Mohammad Shah Khan, lecturer, Department of Management Sciences. The Vice Chancellor, while expressing his views emphasized the importance of time for the progress of a nation. He said that teachers should make their students understand the importance of time. He further said that such workshops are helpful in polishing the skills of teachers. He praised the efforts of the Development staff & hoped that they would continue playing their roles in providing trainings on different subjects for the faculty & administration personnel of the university. The resource person Mr. Mohammad Shah Khan explained some strategies for time management as time is the essence of universe.

BUIITEMS Wins Body Building Championship

Reported by: Masood Khan Kasi



It was a matter of great honor and pride for the Balochistan University of Information Technology, Engineering & Management Sciences, Quetta that one of its students won the top position in 75 Kg category at the All

A sizeable group of faculty and administrative members attended the workshop.

Young Leaders Conference

Reported by: Saadat Hussain

The seventh annual Young leader (YLC) conference was held in Ramada Plaza, Karachi from July 1-6, 2008 with the collaboration of School of Leadership (SoL), which provides a platform to individuals for discovering, and utilizing their developing abilities and elevating their lives through conscious efforts.

'Bataa teri raza kya hai?' was the theme for YLC 2008. It was a 6-day comprehensive and thought provoking leadership training program, where aspiring leaders were exposed to diverse international gathering. Living, sharing and growing together with fellow participants from all over Pakistan nurtures recognition, understanding and respect for opposite points of view. Students from 33 cities of Pakistan participated in YLC.

From BUIITEMS Mirza Hussain, Umar, Kurram Salim, Atiqa Sajjad, Muhammad Hasnain, Khumais Raza, Hania, Abdul Nasir, Arsalan Raza, Yasir Buzdar, Fizza Jawad, Saadat Hussain and Fazan Hassan attended the conference.



Participants of YLC

Iranian "Salam Group" performs at BUIITEMS

Reported by: Ahmad Shah Durrani

Visits by the Iranian educationists and qaris to the Balochistan University of Information Technology, Engineering & Management Sciences Quetta have become an annual feature. Such visits demonstrate the strong bonds of faith and brotherhood between the two nations.

On September 26, 2008, the "Salam Group" of TV performers from Iran paid a visit to the University and warmed the sacred atmosphere and hearts of the faculty & students with their enthralling performance. The group comprised Syed Roohullah, a student of Architecture Engineering, Mr. Majeed Faqeeh, a student of Electronic Engineering, Mr. Kazim Aizdi, a Computer Software Engineer and Syed Mehdi, a student of Civil Engineering. The group is especially devoted to presenting Islamic music. The group enjoys international repute for their impressive performances.

Mr. Ahmad Shah, Director Students Affairs introduced the group to the audience. The members of the group started their performance with the recitation of verses from the Holy Quran and followed it with recital of Asma-e-Husna with such deep devotion and excellent voice control

that the audience were left spell-bound. Mr. Ameer Rahimi, officiating Director, Khana-e-Farhang, Iran deserves gratitude on behalf of BUIITEMS for bringing the group to the university.

Engr. Ahmed Farooq Bazai, Vice Chancellor BUIITEMS in his concluding speech described the performance of the group as a memorable experience and said that common cultural and traditional bonds between



Vice Chancellor and Pro Vice Chancellor with the Iranian group our two nations have resulted in forging cohesion in our relations. He thanked Khana-e-Farhang Iran and Iranian Consulate General in Quetta for providing opportunities of benefiting from the heart-warming sacred performance of the group. Later he presented the University shield to the group leader Syed Roohullah.

All Pakistan Allama Iqbal Shield Bilingual Debate

Reported by: Marjan Arbab

Debates and Declamation Contests are great opportunities for the students to express and deliver what they think and feel about the world around them. An All Pakistan Bilingual Allama Iqbal Shield Debate Contest was organized under the umbrella of Higher Education Commission (HEC) Islamabad with collaboration of the Directorate of Students



Judges assessing the speakers

Affairs BUIITEMS.

Prof. Sultan Mehmood Niazi, Director Languages, Mr. Ahmad Shah Durrani, Student Affairs Coordinator and Ms. Zainab Haider, Lecturer Department of Economics were the judges for the competition. According to the decision of jury in English Debate Contest, Sania Sabir, student of BS Economics took first position, Qudratullah of MBA Banking & Finance took second position and Danish Shafqat of BS Economics secured third position. While in Urdu Debate, Nasrullah Khan, student of BS

Economics secured first position, Sami-ur-Rehman of MBA took second and Faizan Hassan of BS Business Administration took third position.

Top two debaters of each contest qualified for the second (Provincial) round of All Pakistan Allama Iqbal Shield Bilingual Extempore Debate Contest which will be held at BUIITEMS in October while the final (National) round of this contest will be held in Islamabad in November.

HEC Regional Coordinator for Debates

Reported by Zaib-un-Nisa Gharshin



Mr. Ahmad Shah Durrani, Director Student Affairs and Chairperson Department of Social Sciences, Balochistan University of Information Technology, Engineering &

Management Sciences (BUIITEMS), has been nominated as Regional Coordinator for Balochistan of All Pakistan Allama Iqbal Shield Debate Contest by Higher Education Commission (HEC), Islamabad. He has been a national level debater during his student life and has won distinctive positions.

Presentation on "Human Resource Development"

Reported by: Fakhra Ramzan

"Balochistan University of Information Technology Engineering & Management Sciences, Quetta is playing a vital role in promoting quality education in the region" were



Sheikh Mohammad Ali speaking to the audience

the views expressed by Sheikh Mohammad Ali, the Project Director Human Resource Development Higher Education Commission Pakistan at the workshop organized by the Training & Development BUIITEMS with the collaboration of Higher Education Commission on the subject of "*Human Recourse Development*" on Monday, September 01, 2008. He further informed that from 2001 till today 2,681 scholars have been sent abroad for higher studies and more work is being done in this regard. The aim of Higher Education Commission is to take steps for improvements

in standard of education in the public sector Universities of the country. During his address, he also detailed the facilities provided by the Higher Education Commission to the educational institutions in Pakistan. Professor Dr. M.A.K Malghani, Pro Vice Chancellor of the BUIITEMS said on the occasion that Higher Education Commission has made commendable efforts including scholarships for PhD, modern education & faculty development programs in the universities for the improvement of higher education in the province. Mr. Ahmad Shah Durrani Director Students Affairs valued the collaboration of HEC and also appreciated the performance of the training & development cell of BUIITEMS and hoped that both will continue the good work.

Training on Video Conferencing Equipment

Reported by: Engr. Muhammad Nadeem

Mr. Sajjad Hussain Abdi, Network Administrator participated in the Video Conferencing Equipment Training organized by Higher Education Commission at Karachi from August 18 to 23, 2008. The training was the



Training Session in progress

continuation of the initiatives taken by the HEC to establish state of the art video conferencing facility at each university in Pakistan. Other similar workshops will also be held in Lahore and Islamabad, and subsequently six participants will be selected and sent abroad to participate in the advanced video conferencing training.

physics related subjects of the other faculties.

At the end of the meeting the chairperson thanked the participants for devoting their precious time and for their valuable suggestions for the BS (Physics) and MS (Physics) programs.

Meeting of Board of Studies in Physics

Reported by: Dr. Shoaibullah



Meeting of Board of Studies in Physics in progress

First meeting of Board of Studies in Physics was held on July 3, 2008. The meeting was attended by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Nawaz, Dean Faculty of Arts & Basic Sciences, Prof. Dr. Shoaibullah, Prof. Dr. Ansaruddin Syed, Prof. Mushtaq Ahmed Gormani, Mr. Zaheer Abbas Gilani and Prof. Dr. Tasneem Zahra Rizvi from Quaid-e-Azam University Islamabad (represented as member of other universities)

Prof. Dr. Shoaibullah Chairman Department of Physics presided over the meeting. The agenda of the meeting was to discuss and approve the syllabi as well as admission policy for BS (Physics) 4 year and MS(Physics) 2 year. The committee members discussed the first draft of the syllabi prepared under the guidelines of HEC for this purpose in detail and suggested that there should be adequate faculty strength for running the BS and MS programs. The board also suggested that laboratories should be adequately equipped to run BS, MS programs and the

Irani School Delegation Visits BUIITEMS

Reported by: Shahmeen Ashraf

BUIITEMS has an important role in the development of education in the province and is surety of promoting higher education". These views were expressed by the Students Affairs Coordinator, Mr. Ahmad Shah Durrani while addressing more than 200 students of Allama Iqbal International Irani School and Khadija-Tul- Kubra International School. He gave briefing to the students regarding different departments of the university.

Students visited the class rooms, library, laboratory and computer labs in the City Campus while in Takatu campus they visited Blue Chip Lab, Owais Ahmed Ghani Research Center, CAD CAM Lab, Expo centre and different departments of engineering. They were accompanied by Dr.Ehsan Kakar and Miss Zaib Unisa Ghrshin.

At the end of the visit delegation expressed their gratitude for the cooperation of BUIITEMS. They were highly impressed by the quality of teaching being imparted at the university.



A section of Iranian students group

National Curriculum Revision Workshop

Reported by: Dr. A. H. S. Bukhari

Engr. Muhammad Nadeem from Department of Computer Engineering, Faculty of Information & Communication Technology was invited as an expert in the field of Computer Science to participate in the Curriculum Revision Workshop jointly organized by the Federal Ministry of Education and ED-Links in Islamabad on August 04-13, 2008. The theme of the workshop was "Implementation of Standards Based Education in Pakistan". Objective of the workshop was to create Computer Curriculum for Grades I - XII, as Ministry of Education is planning to introduce computer education as a compulsory subject for the said grades in near future. The Ministry also invited experts in other areas i.e., Science, Mathematics, and English to review the existing curriculum.



Communication Skills Workshop

Reported by: Mohammad Shah Khan

A two-day training workshop on communication skills was organized by Learning innovation division, HEC in collaboration with BUIITEM Training & Development, Quetta. More than 30 faculty members from all the public sector universities of Balochistan participated in the workshop. Dr. Hamid Rafiq Khatak, a renowned master trainer of the country, was the resource person of the workshop. The objective of workshop was to enhance the verbal & non-verbal communication skills.



Vice Chancellor BUIITEMS distributing certificates among the participants

Lotus Notes Client End Training

Reported by: Basma Ashraf

Lotus Notes Client end training was spread over 2 days (i.e. 3 August, 2008, 4 August 2008). It was conducted by the Directorate of IT and organized by Directorate of Training and Development. It was an effort to give clear understanding of IBM Lotus Domino software which delivers enterprise-grade collaboration capabilities, across a wide range of uses and applications. It can be deployed as core e-mail and enterprise scheduling infrastructure, as a custom application platform. This extensive breadth of uses also creates a wide array of deployment scenarios.

The Vice-Chancellor BUIITEMS, Engr. Ahmed Farooq Bazai, Pro-vice chancellor, Dr. M.A.Khan Malghani, Director T&D, Dr. Maqsood Ahmed and the distinguished guest from HEC, Mr. Fida Hussain were present at the opening and closing session of the workshop. At the end of the workshop Vice-chancellor BUIITEMS, Engr. Ahmed Farooq Bazai, Dr. Hamid Rafiq Khatak, & Mr. Fida Hussain distributed certificates among participants.

Meeting of the Standing Sub-Committee of PUSB.

Reported by: Masood Kasi

A meeting of the Standing Sub-committee of the Pakistan Universities Sports Board was held on

10th of August, 2008 at Mehran University of Engineering & Technology, Jamshoro, under the chairmanship of Prof. Dr. Riaz-Ul-Haq, Member (academics) Higher Education Commission. Representatives from 44 public sector universities from Pakistan, including BUIITEMS participated in the meeting. Mr. Masood Khan Kasi, Sports Officer had the distinction of representing the Balochistan University of Information Technology, Engineering & Management Sciences, Quetta at the meeting to finalize the schedule for holding various sports events at different universities. The meeting was also attended by Mr. Rahim Bukhsh Channa, Director General Sports HEC Islamabad while Najeeb-ur-Rehman Channa of Mehran UET, Jamshoro was the host organizer of the meeting. BUIITEMS had the distinction of being awarded responsibility for hosting the All Pakistan Inter University Table Tennis (Men's) Championship in Quetta in March, 2009. In addition, BUIITEMS was invited to send teams to various universities in the country for participation in the events allocated to 10 other universities as well.

The Cultural Show

Reported by: Syed Nisar Ahmad

A cultural show was held at BUIITEMS auditorium on 09th July, 2008, by the students of BS (BA) 4th A. The show was supervised by Mr. Muhammad Ayaz Mandokhail, lecturer of Sociology, Department of Social Sciences. The purpose of the show was to represent all aspects of the culture of Balochistan. Each presentation was followed by a specific activity regarding the presentation title.

The show started with the recitation of verses from the Holy Quran and was followed by the presentation of the first group of Dawood, Hassan and Bahadur. Their topic was Balochistani Foods. They also presented an activity regarding the foods of Balochistan. Following them there were Muhammad Fasih, Imran Bashir and Wahaj Ahmed whose topic was JIRGA SYSTEM and an activity was performed regarding this theme. The third group that came was composed of Ibraheem Haider and Rehmatullah Khan. Their topic was nomads of Balochistan. They were dressed as nomads

and presented some of the tools used by nomads in their daily life. Kiran, Summra and Sidra Saher were next to come and present their topic on Female Outfits of Balochistan. They presented Pashtoon, Balochi and Persian dresses. They also performed an activity showing the female outfits of Balochistan. Another group whose topic was Pashto Literature was of Muhammad Siddique, Noor Agha and Mirwise Jamil. They presented their theme explaining Ghari (Pashto form of poetry). They performed their activity singing some Gharis on the beats of Darya (drum). After them it was the turn of Sheryar, Ayaz and Dedak, whose topic was Male Outfits of Balochistan. They talked about different dresses of Balochistan. To present Balochistani marriages, it was the group comprising Sidra Arif, Sidra Nisar and Reham Anjum. They talked about different traditions of Balochistani tribes in Marriages. They presented a mahendi ceremony as an activity for their presentation. To follow them Najm-ul-Sahar, Sofia Jaffer, Najma batool presented show on the Jewelry of Balochistan. They presented Pahsto, Balochi and Persian Jewelry respectively. Next to come were Sadaf Anwar, Maryam Gillani and Braishna Inayat. They presented their topic on Handicrafts of Balochistan. They also performed an activity elaborating the theme of Balochistani Handicrafts. The second last group of the show was of Daniyal Shakir, Ahsan and Naseebullah Rindh. Their title was Balochistani Music. Their presentation was followed by a song sung by Naseebullah with Balochi dance as an activity



Scenes from the cultural show

for their presentation. The last group of the show presented Balochistani Folk dances. It comprised Shah Faisal Agha, Zain-ul-Abidin and Nisar Ahmed. They presented the history of folk dances and the kinds of Pashto and Balochi Folk dances. Along with presentations, the show was also made beautiful by the beautiful Balochistani Music i.e; Pashto and Balochi as well as the Folk dances of Balochistan i.e; Pashto Attan and Balochi Chap.

Newsletter Appraisal Glimpses

"Thank you for your thoughtful gesture in sending me a copy of University's Newsletter. I have gone through it. The efforts of the editorial Board made in depicting the academic and curricular activities of the University are commendable." **Dr. Ishrat-ul-Ebad Khan, Governor Sindh**

"It is a pleasure to see BUIITEMS Progressing by leaps and bounds."
Engr. Owais Ahmad Ghani, Governor Sarhad

"It is matter of pleasure for me to have received the BUIITEMS' Newsletter. It is heartening to learn that BUIITEMS is organizing such a comprehensive training and co-curricular activities program."
Major General Tahir Ashraf Khan, General Officer Commanding, HQ, Quetta

"I am in receipt of a fine and impressive News Letter (Volume No-47) of your University. As always, the newsletter, very effectively enlightens the readers about the tremendous Academic and Research Activities in progress at the University." **Brig. Akhtar Hussain Shah, SI (M) Director General NADRA**

"I found the Newsletter well-produced, and was impressed with the many activities of the students. My congratulations to the University's VC, Faculty, and student body especially the Newsletter's Editorial Board."
Sadia Rashid, President Hamdard Foundation Pakistan

"It is a matter of great solace that the youth of Balochistan have been provided the opportunities to explore their talent in your esteem institution. The academic and extra curricular activities have brought the institution to set standards for others to follow." **Akbar Durrani, Secretary Prosecution Balochistan**

"The contents and the quality of the activities in the Newsletter are highly inspiring. The editorial Board has certainly put in hard efforts to come up with an informative Newsletter covering all the events of the University."
Prof. Dr. Ihsan Ali, Vice Chancellor Hazara University

"BUIITEMS Newsletter is very informative as far activities of the University are concerned and need to continue. Further, it would be more appreciative if the title or very second page of the same contains the vision or mission statement(s) of your University." **Sajid Ali Shah, Chief Manager State Bank of Pakistan**

"We are indeed, much impressed with the high degree of professionalism with which the newsletter has been prepared and published. It also reflects the determination that has been employed, in compiling the newsletter. It makes for extremely interesting and informative reading."
Seema Mughal, Vice Chancellor Greenwich University Karachi

"Definitely the Newsletter is extremely useful for our students just to inform themselves about the ongoing activities in other institutions/ universities particularly at national level. This will enhance the students' passion to do great and something unique for the country and particularly for this institute. The Newsletter is arranged well and the printing and paper used is outstanding." **Nasser Ali Khan, Director IMS Peshawar**

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