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THE UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE, FAISALABAD COLLABORATES WITH ENGRO



M/S Engro Fertilizers Limited, Lahore in collaboration with the University of Agriculture, Faisalabad organized a Consultative Session on "Need Importance and Use of Potassium Fertilizers in Pakistan" on March 30, 2022, at Engro Learning Center, UAF. An international expert, Prof. Dr. Munir Jamil Rusan from the University of Jordan also graced the event and delivered a detailed lecture on the balanced and judicious use of fertilizer especially potassium for crop productivity and quality. Prof. Dr. Zahir Ahmad Zahir, Director ORIC, Prof. Dr. Ghulam Murtaza, Director, IS&ES, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Yaseen, IS&ES, and Dr. Abdul Wakeel, IS&ES participated in this event as experts from

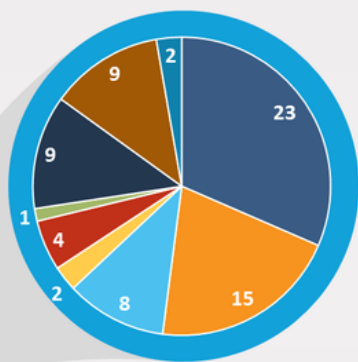
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academia. Different stakeholders from different areas like Research institutions, academia, sugar industry, fruit exporters, progressive farmers and representatives of Engro Fertilizers also participated in this event. Afterward, Prof. Dr. Munir Jamil Rusan visited ORIC and discussed various R&D activities at UAF and chances for future collaboration. He was awarded a souvenir as a token of memorandum.



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FUNDING AGENCIES

CONTRIBUTION BY DIFFERENT FACULTIES

THE FUNDING OPPORTUNITY FROM DEPARTMENT OF ESTATE EMBASSY OF USA IN ISLAMABAD

The Department of Estate Embassy of USA in Islamabad has announced a notice of funding opportunity under the title “Developing the next generation of female environmentalists”.

Deadline: April 15, 2022

Anticipated program start date: October 2022

The range for funding: USD250000-500000

Eligible Institutes:

- Non- Governmental Organizations (NGOs)
- Civil Society Organizations
- Public and Private Educational Institutes

Objectives:

- This opportunity aims to enhance the capacity of 10-20 women faculty members for teaching research and mitigating environmental, climate change, and other atmospheric issues
- Promoting environmental literacy to up to 100-200 US and Pakistani Students
- Implementing exchange programs for capacity and knowledge sharing
- Fostering young women's participation in tackling climate issues

Please visit:

<http://www.grants.gov/support.html>

Email address: PakistanGrants@state.gov

A SERIES OF HANDS-ON TRAININGS ENDED

The Central Hi-Tech Lab. UAF in collaboration with the Office of Research Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC) organized a “Series of hands-on Training on Analytical Equipment” from February 14, 2022, to March 11, 2022. A Certificate Distribution Ceremony was arranged at New Senate Hall and was chaired by Director ORIC/Principal Officer Hi-Tech Lab. while Prof. Dr. Sajjad ur Rehman, Director, Institute of Microbiology was the Chief Guest. Dr. Raja Adil Sarfraz, Officer In-charge of Central Hi-Tech Lab highlighted the objectives of this training and apprised the house that a total of 150 students/researchers/faculty members successfully completed these trainings after passing through the

various phases of evaluation. Prof. Dr. Zahir Ahmad Zahir, Director of ORIC/PO Hi-Tech appreciated the efforts made by the management of Central Hi-Tech Lab and urged them to continue such capacitating initiatives on regular basis. Prof. Dr. Sajjad ur Rehman, the Chief Guest shared his compliments as he was engaged with this training right from the first week of this initiative. Afterward, certificates were distributed to the successful candidates.



FUNDING OPPORTUNITY UNDER AUAP RESEARCH FUND 2022

The Association of Universities of Asia and the Pacific (AUAP) has announced a Call for Proposals (maximum up to USD 5000 per project) to promote networking facilities, mobility, and capacity-building initiatives for promoting research culture. Valid Member Universities/ Institutions of the AUAP can apply.

Duration of the Funding.

The project duration should be a maximum of one year.

Priority Areas for Funding

- Higher Education Quality Assurance (SDG#4)
- Internationalization and sustainable partnership strategy
- Industry-academia linkage strategy
- Technological Disruption in higher education
- Effective Leadership Model/Strategy
- Innovative/Best practice to solve real problems
- Internship and Students' career placement strategy
- Collaborative research strategy/model
- Others (Please mention)

Submission

The proposal must be submitted electronically to email: auapheadquarters@g.sut.ac.th

Deadline: September 30, 2022 (23.59 pm Bangkok time)

For more information please contact: auapheadquarters@g.sut.ac.th

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HEC CALL FOR PROPOSALS UNDER CPEC COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH GRANT

The Higher Education Commission (HEC), Pakistan has invited research proposals that can help address issues pertaining to the socio-economic development of Pakistan in general, and China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), in particular under CPEC collaboration research grants.

Funding Range:

The amount of funding will range up to PKR 25 million with a maximum project duration of 2 years. In exceptional cases, budget allocation to the individual projects may go up to PKR 30 million.

Applicant Eligibility:

The Principal Investigator (PI) must be a faculty member working on regular / contract basis (contract duration must be equal to or more than the project duration). The project team may include researchers from one or more universities and must include at least one Co-PI from Chinese universities that are members of CPEC Consortium of Universities.

Submission of research proposals via HEC online portal: research.hec.gov.pk

For further information please visit: <http://www.hec.gov.pk/site/cpec-crg>

Queries regarding CPEC-Collaborative Research Grant may be directed to: saima.asghar@hec.gov.pk

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL BY PHEC

The Punjab Higher Education Commission (PHEC) has announced funding opportunities for international travel for the faculty members (regular teaching faculty, distinguished and meritorious professor, hired on contract for at least one year), Vice-Chancellors/Pro-Vice-Chancellor/Rectors/Pro-Rectors as well as non-teaching staff (permanent employee of the university holding at least M.Phil./MS equivalent degree (18 years of education) and Ph.D. Scholars: MS/M.Phil. leading to Ph.D. or Ph.D. scholars registered with accredited local universities of Punjab.

Financial Coverage

The travel grant will cover airfare, registration fee, accommodation charges, and daily allowance as per PHEC rules and policies within the available budget.

For application and information, please visit:

[https://punjabhec.gov.pk/international-travel-grant/Financial Coverage](https://punjabhec.gov.pk/international-travel-grant/Financial%20Coverage)

UAF TEAM PARTICIPATED IN NATIONAL HORSE AND CATTLE SHOW 2022 AT FORTRESS STADIUM LAHORE

The Government of Punjab and the Pakistan Army jointly organized the National Horse and Cattle Show. The University Of Agriculture Faisalabad (UAF) Participated in the Agriculture Exhibition in this connection.

Approximately 100000 visitors/progressive farmers from multiple key territories visited UAF Stall during the ongoing activities of this mega event.

Farmers/industrialists visited the UAF stall and appreciated the services of the university for the well-being of the farming community. They also appreciated the contribution of university researchers and scientists to the national economy in terms of food security and enhancing agricultural productivity.



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