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IM|Sciences Awards 45-Scholarships under Merit and UFONE Need-Merit-Based Scholarships

“A total of 600 students received financial assistance under different scholarship programs”, Director IM|Sciences

Chief Sales and Distribution Officer UFONE, Mr. Younas Sheikh, distributed 45 scholarship cheques among the deserving students of the Institute. The scholarships were awarded under three categories namely, the UFONE Need-Merit-Based Scholarship Program, IM|Sciences Semester-Wise Merit Scholarship Program, and MBA (Banking & Finance), Gender Based-Merit Scholarship Program.

The Director of the Institute, Dr. Nasser Ali Khan, appreciated the UFONE Cellular Network's initiative for funding the students. He said that UFONE scholarships have also been appreciated by Higher Education Officials during a meeting which was attended by different international organizations and donor agencies including the World Bank. He thanked the chief guest for the support and said that he considered these scholarships as a part of the pride of scholarship schemes of the Institute. “If we compare Institute of Management Sciences Peshawar with any other public sector institute/ university, we will find that we have the largest pool of scholarship schemes, as 35% of our budget is allocated to scholarship and grants' allocation, where as our administrative cost is 40% of the total budget. This is the

highest possible propensity of scholarships keeping in view the number of students and budget of the Institute”, the Director remarked.

The Director further added, that the number of scholarships was not important,

rather it was the journey and realization of working and professionalism needed to fund the deserving and talented students that merits the most. He appreciated the merit based scholars and said it was all because of these students that we enjoy a good reputation in the contemporary world. “Physical structures, though we have a nice

one now, only facilitate academic pursuits”, he opined. Quantifying the quality of the students, he elaborated that 70 to 80 percent of the fresh graduates of the Institute do find placement just after their final semester, which was a

glaring proof of the trust that the market posed on us and hence served as an important indicator of our market orientation.

He further explained that different employers are paying our graduates for the contributions they make to their organizations, which is a healthy reflection of the quality profile of the graduates. He reminded

the students that they are the Institute's ambassadors in the corporate sector.

Mr. Younas Sheikh, the Chief Guest, added that the relationship of corporate and industrial sector with academia was very important for

ensuring consistent updation of training and knowledge imparted to the fresh graduates. He congratulated all the recipients of scholarships under different programs.

The Regional Head, Mr. Amer Zeb, and other officials of UFONE were also present on the occasion among more than 50 students and 10 faculty members of Institute .



IM|Sciences' students who received scholarships under Ufone & other scholarships' programs with the guests

Editorial Board's Message

.....Write and Create a Product

Ideas get refined and leave a lasting impression if transferred to writing. They provide stimulus to minds and help build the overall human intellect. Words give life to ideas and the more appropriate they are, the more attractive becomes this image. Writing helps find

appropriate words to structure abstract ideas and hence make them defined for analysis. Writing adds to our identity profile and gives us a status to lead and mould the opinion of our readers. As a result of a feedback from our readers either we find a support for our view point or we start accommodating their point of view in our writing. The net gain to the society is intellectual enrichment.

Writing develops the sense of observation and makes it easier to find the natural link between the events of the past and present, and hence provides a rational basis to forecast for the future. It is also an established fact that society grows in an atmosphere of disagreement. Writing provides us with an opportunity to disagree with other members of the society and hence a series of construc-

tive dialogue sets in which makes people conscious of their conduct and words. Critical writing; therefore, serves as an ethical instrument which guides people to promote the welfare of the society while they promote their own welfare. So start writing and get refined.

Khushhali Bank Awards Twelve Scholarships Each to FATA Students of IM|Sciences and City University

“We have allocated 35% of our budget to scholarships”, Director IM|Sciences

Khushhali Bank in collaboration with USAID awarded twenty four scholarships in all to students from FATA; twelve to the students of IM|Sciences and another twelve to the students of City University. The award of scholarships was a continuation of the support which the bank extended last year in which eighteen such scholarships were distributed. The ceremony was jointly hosted by IM|Sciences and City University. Mr. Sabur Sethi (President City University), Dr. Israr Khattak (Vice Chancellor City University), Mr. Karoly Okolicsanyi (Representative USAID), Mr. Yawar Afridi (Khushhali Bank), Dr. Nasser Ali Khan (Director IM|Sciences), and Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan (Joint Director IM|Sciences) were present at the occasion.

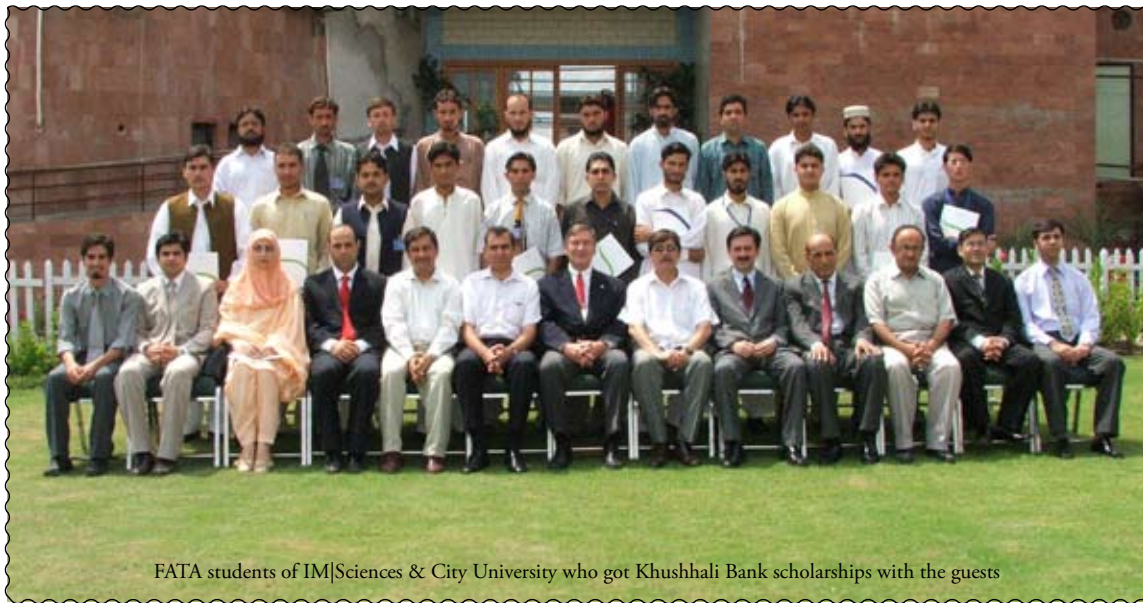
The Vice Chancellor of City University thanked the management of IM|Sciences for arranging this joint ceremony of scholarships. Highlighting the role of education in the growth and development of nations, he said that change in attitude and environment of any society can only be ensured by quality education. He impressed upon

the youth to dedicate themselves to education and improve their knowledge. He expressed his gratitude to USAID and Khushhali Bank for working for the development of FATA through their assistance in different sectors, especially education.

Dr. Nasser Ali Khan, and revealed that USAID was spending Rs. 22 billion in different sectors in Pakistan including education. He added, “We are looking forward to give 900 domestic scholarships to North FATA and 300 to South

back and serve your homeland as it has been neglected for a long time”. He also lauded the role of IM|Sciences in the field of education and its overall contribution towards society. He went on to announce that six students of FATA

Dr. Nasser Ali Khan termed the ceremony as an educational link between IM|Sciences and City University which signifies the trust that the two institutions have on each other. He advised the students, “Pray to the Lord to grant us the means and courage to face the challenges of the present world rather than escape from reality. Now you have to study hard because after getting scholarships there will be no excuse left for lagging behind in studies”. He informed the audience, “Out of 243 students of FATA at IM|Sciences, 78 are getting scholarships under various program”. Praising the well established scholarship program of the Institute, Dr. Nasser pointed out, “613 out of 1780 students of IM|Sciences are getting scholarships which is one of the highest ratios in Pakistan. We have allocated 35% of our budget to scholarships”. Paying tribute to the donors, he said, “Khushhali Bank has brought KHUSHHALI in the young students of FATA by providing them fully funded scholarships to get higher education. This will definitely go a long way in the career development of these students”.



FATA students of IM|Sciences & City University who got Khushhali Bank scholarships with the guests

USAID representative, Mr. Karoly Okolicsanyi, offered his thanks to Khushhali Bank, City University, and

FATA”. Advising FATA students he said, “Life is difficult; so work hard, do not leave FATA after education come

from IM|Sciences have been selected to visit USA for eight weeks.



Allama Iqbal Shield - HEC Debate Competition: IM|Sciences Wins 4-Positions in the Provincial Round & Qualifies for the Final

“It is indeed a great honor for the Institute that from N-W.F.P both the teams in English and Urdu category have been selected from IM|Sciences for the final round”, Director IM|Sciences



IM|Sciences' students who got four positions in HEC provincial debate competition with the supervisors

Higher Education Commission, Peshawar, arranged the 2nd round of the 12th All Pakistan Inter-University Debate Competition for the Award of Allama Iqbal Shield. The 2nd round was arranged with the collaboration of City University Peshawar. The event was held on Saturday, November 15, 2008, at City University, Peshawar. Educational institutions from all over the province participated in it. The event was mandated to select two teams, one in Urdu & the other in English category to represent the province in the final round of the prestigious event.

A total of 35 students belonging to the various renowned institutions of the province participated in the contest. Each institute was required to send at least one student and maximum two

students in each category. Four students from IM|Sciences participated in the competition namely: Miss Saima Wazir, Mr. Muhammad Aashir, Mr. Muhammad Sulaiman, and Mr. Muhammad Usman.

Before the actual event, each institute had to select its best speakers in the 1st round on an institutional level. IM|Sciences arranged the 1st round on September 09, 2008, under the supervision of Dr. Sayed Waqar Hussain Shah, Sir Shahzad Hanif, and Madam Shabana Gul. In the 1st round in English category, Saima Wazir got 1st position, Muhammad Aashir got 2nd position, and Waseem Gohar got 3rd position. On the other hand, in the Urdu category Muhammad Usman grabbed 1st, Muhammad Sulaiman 2nd, and Nadeh

Ali grabbed 3rd position.

In the 2nd round students of IM|Sciences showed a brilliant performance in both English and Urdu categories. The results of this round recorded:

Saima Wazir
English-2nd Position
Muhammad Aashir
English-3rd Position
Muhammad Sulaiman
Urdu-1st Position
Muhammad Usman
Urdu-5th Position

In both English and Urdu categories IM|Sciences' teams qualified for the 3rd round which will be scheduled in Jan/Feb in Islamabad. In the 3rd round,

three speakers in each category will represent their provinces.

It is a matter of pride for the Institute to record that out of a total of 6 students who will represent N-W.F.P, four are from IM|Sciences.

The Director IM|Sciences, Dr. Nasser Ali Khan; and Joint Director, Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan, expressed their deep regards on this outstanding success of the students and the Institute. They appreciated and motivated all the students and congratulated their supervisor, Dr. Sayed Waqar Hussain Shah.

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Khushhali Bank Awards 18 Scholarships to FATA Students of IM|Sciences

The Institute of Management Sciences Peshawar has been awarded 18 more scholarships under the Khushhali Bank Scholarship Program for FATA Students for the Session 2007. Mr. Syed Zahid Raza, Head Human Resource Department, Khushhali Bank Limited, distributed the fully funded scholarship certificates among 5 undergraduate level and 13 graduate level selected candidates under the said program. This ceremony was arranged on June 09, 2008 at IM|Sciences.

The Director of the Institute of Management Sciences, Peshawar, Dr. Nasser Ali Khan, on this occasion informed that previous-year 30 FATA students were awarded Khushhali Bank Scholarships with the cooperation of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). He said that he was thankful to the generosity of Khushhali Bank and USAID for financing the talented students. Such an assistance to deserving students goes a long way in economic development of the country, he remarked. He stressed the need for financial assistance to the talented students and highlighted the fact that the Institute has the honor to spend the largest amount on its Students' Scholarship Program. He said that the Institute, apart from getting scholarships from other donor agencies, is spending a lot of money from its own sources as this year a total of 600 hundred students received financial assistance under different scholarship programs which is 34 percent of the total students enrolled at the Institute.



18 students of IM|Sciences who received Khushhali Bank scholarships for FATA with the guests

will be soon visiting the US through the USAID. He said that such exposure always helps the students and it provides them an opportunity of interacting with other students abroad. He thanked Khushhali Bank for taking the initiative in funding the students. He said that Khushhali Bank has in fact played a pioneering role in the field of student funding in Pakistan.

On this occasion, Mr. Syed Zahid Raza also conveyed his views and said that they were focusing on investment through educating the people of the country from grass root level, so that the fruits of development in the modern age are enjoyed by all the people alike. He further appreciated the personal efforts of Dr. Nasser Ali Khan in connection with the last year awarded 30 scholarships under the said program. He reminded the audience that when last year they were promoting and initiating the FATA Scholarship Program, the Institute of Management Sciences was the only Institute of the region which helped the bank in the implementation of the plan. He also thanked the USAID representative on this occasion for continuous support and cooperation.

The Joint Director IMSciences, Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan; Ms. Rehana Muhiyuddin, Public Relation Specialist; and Ms. Yameeza Ahsan, Khushhali Bank, were also present on the occasion among more than 70 FATA students.

He advised the students that they should always keep in mind the needs

of students when they enter into their practical lives, and they should be alive

to the needs of others. He also informed that a group of students from FATA



IM|Sciences Stands 2nd in All N-W.F.P Debate Competition

"It is really a matter of pride for us that we are producing excellent ambassadors who are boosting the good name of the Institute at every platform", remarked Dr. Nasser & Dr. Waqar

2008, at Sarhad University Peshawar.

More than twenty colleges and universities of the province participated in it. Surprisingly, the female participants were not only greater in number than



Mr. Afzaal receiving the trophy from Provincial Minister of Higher Education, Mr. Qazi Muhammad Asad

Observing the Anti-Corruption Day, the National Accountability Bureau, N-W.F.P, arranged All N-W.F.P Debate Competition competition in collaboration with Sarhad University Peshawar. Due to Eid-ul-Azha holidays, it was scheduled on Thursday, November 27,

the male participants but they also showed more enthusiasm. The event was very well organized. It was a very positive gathering in which the participants got an opportunity to express their concerns on one of the burning issues of the country.

The topic of the competition was "Honesty Not Technology Leads a Nation to Glory". Participants created vivacity in the audience by putting vividness on the issue of corruption. They discussed the origin of word corruption, its causes and effects, reasons of spreading, and suggested measures to curb it. The participants expressed their ideas eloquently. They cited quotations and supplemented their statements with realistic examples.

The 1st position was grabbed by a student of Garrison Cadet College who scored 79 marks. Mr. Afzaal Humayun Khan, a student of BBA (Hons) – 3rd semester at IMSciences got 2nd position by scoring 78.4 marks thereby losing the 1st position by just a meager margin of 0.6 marks. The 3rd and 4th positions were taken by female contestants from PAF College and Frontier Women University Peshawar respectively. All the participants were given certificates while the winners were awarded shields and cash prizes.

The Chief Guest of the event was the N-W.F.P Provincial Minister of Education, Mr. Qazi Asad. While addressing the students he advised them to benefit from each and every available opportunity to get higher education in order to put the country on the path of development. He asked them to concentrate on their curricular and co-curricular activities and that after completion of their studies they must serve their country in the best possible manner as a sign of true patriotism. The Manager Director NAB and the Vice Chancellor of Sarhad University thanked the Chief Guest for

sparing time for the event and attending the gathering. They also thanked each other for mutual coordination. In their messages to the students they also stressed the students in getting higher education and then utilizing it for the development and prosperity of the country.

The Director IM|Sciences, Dr. Nasser Ali Khan, greatly appreciated the per-

formance of Mr. Afzaal Humayun for securing 2nd position in the debates. He also congratulated Dr. Sayed Waqar Hussain who prepared Mr. Afzaal for this event which was scheduled only one day before his final exams. For this brilliant performance, the Joint Director also congratulated Mr. Afzaal and Dr. Sayed Waqar Hussain Shah and expressed the hope that such performances would be maintained.

SERG, Security Engineering Research Group Gains Momentum

SERG was launched as an informal group some two years ago that mostly interacted online. It has now been transformed under Dr. Masoom Alam into an active research body. Other members of the group include Mr. Tamleek Ali, Mr. Muhammad Amin, and Mr. Shahbaz Khan from IM|Sciences while Mr. Mohammad Nauman is a member from City University, Peshawar. The group also collaborates with Dr. Xinwen Zhang and Prof. Dr. J.P. Seifert of Samsung Information Systems America and Dr. Patrick Hung of University of Ontario, Canada.

The research group focuses on different sectors of security such as trusted computing, secure mobile ad-hoc applications, and theoretical background of access control models and secure web services.

The current project of SERG namely: "Towards Trusted Web Services on Mobile Platforms" was started in December, 2007 and is near to completion. In the first six months, the accomplishments of the group include publishing of six research papers (one in ASIACCS'08, Japan; one in SACMAT, USA; one in SWS, USA; two in IMECS, Hong Kong; and one in IMTIC08, Lahore).

Other achievements of the group include configuration of hardware and software platforms for the realization of the project objects and deployment of web services on distributed platforms. The group also ported their website from the unofficial wordpress.com blog to the official home on serg.imsciences.edu.pk. One of the major achievements of the group is the acceptance of the paper titled, "Model based Behavioral Attestation" in the ACM Symposium on Access Control Models and Technologies (SACMAT 2008) which is a leading forum on Access Control and Trusted Computing.

The group is currently working on a research project which has been submitted to the Information and Communication Technologies Research and Development Fund (ICRRnD) Pakistan.

For further processing commitments include continuous publishing of research work in internationally recognized and accepted conferences and journals, knowledge transfer to the students, and development of industry-university liaison through this project.

IM|Sciences' Building - Dream Transforming into Reality



Institute of Management Sciences shifted its undergraduate section to its new campus located in Phase-VII, Hayatabad, in September 2007. After completion of Phase-I of a composite development scheme titled SIMS, Strengthening Institute of Management Sciences, around the same time in the following year, the Institute shifted its graduate campus along with CME, HRDC, and Accounts Section to the new campus. At present both the undergraduate and graduate sections as well as other functional departments of the Institute are housed under a single roof.

Four components namely: Boys Hostel, Girls hostel, Visiting Faculty Hostel, and Academic Block (undergraduate



Vision of SIMS, Phase-I Realized

section) have been completed under Phase-I of SIMS, whereas work on Phase-II, which envisages construction of Academic and Administration Blocks, has been commenced. Phase-II

Syed Mabood Gul Kakakheil, Project Director SIMS, while praising the performance of the workers said, "Projects included in Phase-I have been finished and refined in time. It is a matter of great

He blessed us and provided us with an opportunity to become a part of this project and with His blessings today we have completed Phase-I". Paying tribute to the authorities he said, "I am



has been titled as DIMS, Development of Institute of Management Sciences. It is scheduled to be completed in June 2012.

appreciation for all of us. We pay regards to the efficiency and effectiveness of the workers. We are greatly gratified and indebted to Almighty Allah that

extremely thankful to Mr. Muhammad Tariq (Manager Administration, Mr. Muhammad Imran (Controller Finance), Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan



(Joint Director IM|Sciences), and Dr. Nasser Ali Khan (Director IM|Sciences) for their immense vocation and sincere dedication".

Mr. Waqar Ahmad, Project Director DIMS, while commending the project team of Phase-I, said that the dedication of the team under the leadership of Mr. Mabood Gul has its manifestation in the timely completion of the target components. In the life of a project nothing is more worth appreciation than the timely completion of quality work. Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan and Dr. Nasser Ali Khan also deserve appreciation for continuously monitoring of the scheme without which it would not have been a success.



Governor Appreciates the Role of the Whole Staff in the Institute's Development

"It is a matter of extreme pride that we have got an institute like IM|Sciences in N-W.F.P which is delivering quality education; not only equipping the students with the latest expertise and aptitudes but also serving the society directly". This was stated by the Governor N-W.F.P while concluding the 11th BoG meeting. Society and academia grow in an atmosphere of mutual contribution and harmony. On this scale it merits to mention that the Institute has fulfilled her obligation of social responsibility, the Governor remarked. Giving reference of his recent visit to the Institute, he expressed his confidence over the performance of the Institute: "The management of the Institute is really outstanding as what it did in this short span of time for its development is really amazing and astonishing". He expressed the hope that the Institute will not only maintain its fast growth but also try its level best to ensure its contribution in the form of delivering quality education and sending excellent ambassadors to the market. He also praised the peace work of the projects and hoped that the newly constructed structures would go a long way in improving the academic standing of the Institute.

Dr. Nasser Ali Khan while explaining the progress of the Institute said, "the Institute will enjoy a

bigger building after the summer vacations as the current project of the Phase-I including the hostels and the academic block are near to completion. This will facilitate the Institute in running its day to day activities. Work has also been commenced on Phase-II which includes the vital components of Administration and Academic Block. Internal electrification, boundary wall, and internal roads are also a part of this phase. In addition to this, three faculty members have gone abroad for higher studies while a total of twenty nine faculty members will enjoy this opportunity in the current five year plan of the Institute. The requisite scheme amounting to Rs. 446.563 million has already been approved by CDWP. We believe that for an organization's development it is very necessary that every worker should play his/ her role for which a sense of ownership must be given to them and I personally believe that the Institute has done that. All faculty members, administrative staff, management, lower staff, and all the departments including the Account Section have played their fabulous role in the development of the Institute". He also promised that the Institute will continue its efforts and will fulfill all the expectations of the nation.

IM|Sciences (News & Reviews)

- IM|Sciences has shifted its graduate campus as well as other departments including HRDC, CME, and Account Section to its own new campus in phase-VII. It is the first time in the history of IM|Sciences that the galaxy has been completed.
- Under DIMS (Development of Institute of Management Sciences) twenty nine faculty members will be sent for Higher Education in which three have already joined their respective programs. Besides this, during the last few years, the Institute has already sent twenty seven of its faculty members for Higher Education. Three other faculty members have also left for

Higher Education to UK this year on the Institute's own expenses and not under DIMS.

- Six students of FATA from IM|Sciences have been selected by USAID to visit USA for eight weeks.
- IM|Sciences has been awarded PERN 1 project. It was already using 2-Mbps internet speed through wi-fi technology. The new project aims at providing 8-Mbps through direct fiber optic cables from PTCL exchange to the Institute.
- The Institute has successfully installed Video Conferencing Technology. To facilitate the installation, the Institute availed the opportunity of "One Day Video Conferencing Workshop-Cum Training Course"

at Intimation Center of Chemical and Biological Sciences, University of Karachi. Mr. Nafees-Ur-Rehman, faculty member and Mr. Muhammad Saqib Awan, System Engineer, represented IM|Sciences at the training.

- Under SIMS, Strengthening Institute of Management Sciences (phase-I), the development project of the four structures of the Institute including undergraduate academic block, boys hostel, girls hostel, and visiting faculty hostel have been completed under the supervision of Project Director SIMS, Mr. Syed Mabood Gul Kakakheil and these have been handed over to the Institute.
- Construction work on DIMS, Development of Institute of Man-

agement Sciences (Phase-II), for Administration block, graduate academic block, library, and IT Research Center has also been commenced. It will be done under the supervision of the Project Director DIMS, Engineer Waqar Ahmed.

- Due to the increasing number of students, a new canteen has been constructed. A new car park has also been made to accommodate more vehicles as a single car park was not enough.
- Institute's academics grows; M. Sc in Computer Science, Public Policy, and Developmental Studies have been started.
- To meet the enhanced IT requirements, the Institute has established computer labs on each floor of the

Academic Block. Old material has been replaced by new computers, new chairs, and new tables. Also in the library old books have been disposed off, while new original printed books have been made available.

- Mr. Muhammad Saqib Awan and Mr. Mumtaz Ali, System Engineers of IM|Sciences participated in one day seminar arranged in a joint collaboration by Sun Micro Systems, SA Dubai, and Stanford University Network. The seminar took place on June 24, 2008 at Serena Hotel Islamabad.

Dr. Waqar Explains the N-W.F.P Budget of 2008-09, to the Parliamentarians

“Budgetary allocation should be target oriented”, Dr. Waqar



Dr. Sayed Waqar Hussain Shah and Mr. Muhammad Hamayun Khan, N-W.F.P Minister for Finance during a seminar on N-W.F.P Budget 2008-09 arranged by the Aurat Foundation Peshawar

steps; however, he suggested that instead of constructing more buildings, the government should concentrate on the improvement of the quality of education. Referring to the proposed enhancement in the number of police lines, stations and posts and introduction of a comprehensive insurance policy for the police personnel, Dr. Waqar said that police officers and the personnel were always under a constant life threat, besides being exposed to the extremes of weathers. “The government should take measures to enhance the morale of the police”, he suggested. Terming the perks and privileges being given to the police as insufficient, Dr. Waqar said that police should be fully equipped and better paid as compared to the other government servants.

He pointed out that up to 38% of the population in the Frontier was unable to earn even a single dollar a day and sectors like industry, irrigation, and agriculture were directly linked with the well-being of commoners but the allocation made to these sectors was too meager to bring about any positive change. “The government should make more allocation to water reservoirs which not only will lead to the improved

agriculture productivity but will also help to solve the energy problem,” he added.

Expressing concern over the allocation of about one billion rupees on the repair of roads, Dr. Waqar said that such funds should be clearly specified and all such schemes should be started with the consultation of the target masses.

Stressing the need for the coordination between various agencies, Dr. Waqar said that the overlapping authorities and agencies were hindering the pace of development. He urged the govern-

ment to build up confidence of the local investors, as none of the external investors were expected to invest if the local investors were not involved.

He said that Rs. 48 billion was being spent on food and Rs. 8 billion on debt servicing for the subsidy but no attention was being paid to thousands of acres of barren land that can be cultivated. He concluded by saying, “We need 2.5 million metric tons of wheat whereas our produce is one million metric ton; therefore, the agriculture department should be assigned the task to overcome this difference in supply and demand”.

Economist, Dr. Waqar Husaain Syed while stressing the need for target oriented budgetary allocation said that more allocation to the on going developmental schemes was a wise step on part of the provincial government.

He was addressing a consultation workshop on the “N-W.F.P Budget for 2008-2009 in gender perspective”, held under the auspices of Aurat Foundation, at Pearl Continental Peshawar. “Budgetary allocation should be made in a manner that maximum output is produced and that too should be in conformity with

the demand of the people”, he said.

In his speech, Dr. Waqar said that unlike the previous government, the allocation of more funds to the on-going schemes by the present government has proven it to be more accommodative and politically mature.

He said that the transport facilities to the female staff, monthly scholarships for the female students, setting up of four cadet colleges, medical college and university at Mardan and awards for brilliant students were appreciable



Economist of the province from IM|Sciences, Dr. Sayed Waqar Hussain Shah addressing a seminar on N-W.F.P Budget 2008-09 arranged by the Aurat Foundation Peshawar

IM|Sciences Steps in India

“No”, the parents replied in one voice. “How can we send you to a country, which has fought four wars with us, it is a huge security risk”, they warned further. “We are part of the international mission, we want to tell the world that we are a peace loving nation, we have confidence in ourselves, we want to make the world as safer place for ourselves and for generation

to come”, replied Laila, Nadeh, Feroz, and Mubashar. And the parents had to nod in agreement. These four students were selected from IM|Sciences to be a part and attend a Peace Camp and International Peace Conference. When Laila, Feroz, Nadeh Ali, and Mubashar departed for Chandigarh, they were also nervous as they were going to a country which has fought four major wars with

their beloved country, but when they landed on Indian soil, it was altogether a different story. Indians want peace. Nothing but peace with their great neighbour – Pakistan.

Laila, Feroz, Nadeh Ali, and Mubashar were selected by the South Asian Partnership (SAP) for Indo-Pak Peace Camp and International Peace Conference held at Chandigarh from September 27 to October 2. The peace camp and the conference were for youths and aimed at promoting peace between the two countries. Around 250 delegates from India, Pakistan, Nepal, and Bangladesh attended the peace camp and the conference. There were 40 students from Pakistan.

During the visit, these students called on the Governor Punjab, the Chief Justice of the Punjab High Court, the Minister for Finance, Mayor of Chandigarh and a retired Army Chief. The tour was of 15 days, and these students visited Chandigarh, New Delhi, Agra, Amritsar, Jalandhar, and Panipat. During their stay, they visited various historical places including Taj Mahal, the Red fort, In-

dian Gate, and the Golden Temple.

All the participants were of the view that India and Pakistan should continue dialogues for peace and strengthen their economies. Participants from IM|Sciences, Pakistan said that shopkeepers used to give them discounts when they came to know that they were from Pakistan. Moreover, they said that Indians think that some foreign ele-

ments don't want India and Pakistan to come closer. The Indian Punjab Governor also hosted Chand Raat and Eid dinners for Pakistani students.

They said that the trip to India was a wonderful experience. According to them the people were very nice and hospitable and they wanted peace with Pakistan.



Call from the Soil - Moammer Visits His Homeland

S. Moammer Mazhary, a student of MBA 2nd Semester, had an incredibly interesting summer vacation this year.

Moammer, an Afghan Citizen, migrated to Pakistan in 1988 and hadn't visited his homeland since. June 2008 turned

out to be a lucky for him. Moammer received an offer of training in one of the leading Afghan telecommunication companies, AWCC, with a very attractive package of US \$1500. The project was to train the administrative staff of the organization in different provincial offices. After having perused the contents, he cordially accepted the offer. He had to conduct workshops for four days in each province covering topics such as Business Communication, Oral Presentation, Report Writing, Business Ethics, Team Work, and Time Management. After successful completion of workshops in three provinces, he returned to Peshawar on September 06, 2008.

Moammer states that this experience transformed his dreams into reality since

he was very eager to visit his homeland. He deems this trip as the most unforgettable journey of his life both academical-

ly and socially. This project, he claims, added to his professional experience and boosted his confidence.



Governor Lauds the Performance of IM|Sciences at LUMS Olympiad-2008



Mr. Rafiq Ullah Jan presenting shields to Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan

Governor N-W.F.P and the Chairman Board of Governors IM|Sciences,

“Social Committee’s Performance is Marvelous”, Director & Joint Director

Mr. Owais Ahmad Ghani has lauded the performance of the students of IM|Sciences in the LUMS Olympiad-2008. In response to the report sent by the Director of the Institute, regarding the performance of the students and the supervisory body of the Social Committee, the Governor rated the performance of the students and Social Committee as glorious. He expressed

deep pleasure at the fact that the Institutes of the N-W.F.P were performing very well and were competing with the renowned and high ranked Institutes of Punjab and Sindh not only at academic levels but also at co-curricular levels, which indeed was a great sign of motivation for us. He especially congratulated the In-charge of Social Committee, Mr. Rafiq Ullah Jan, for his great man-

agement and splendid supervision. The Governor, in a letter to the Institute asked to plan such an Olympiad at IM|Sciences for other educational Institutions of N-W.F.P as well. In this regard Mr. Rafiq Ullah Jan prepared a plan for the project which has been approved by the Director as well as the Governor. The preliminary interaction about the event with the universities of



Mr. Rafiq Ullah Jan presenting shields to Dr. Nasser Ali Khan

the province has also drawn interest and enthusiasm.



Social Committee’s members who organized IM|Sciences’ teams for LUMS Olympiad - 2008 with Director & Joint Director

Intra-IM|Sciences Badminton Tournament

The Sports Club of IM|Sciences arranged a badminton tournament for the male students of undergraduate section. The tournament was organized in two categories: singles and doubles. Fourteen teams participated in the single’s category while eight teams took part in the double’s category. The event lasted from June 09, 2008 to June 12, 2008. It was very well-organized and was executed in a friendly environment.

In double’s category, Salman Khan and Salman Ali Shah of 6th semester BBA-IT became successful after a very

tough competition. Muhammad Nouman and Muhammad Taufail of 2nd semester BBA (Hons) Group “D” were declared runner ups. On the other hand, in single’s category Jawad Khan of 8th semester BBA (Hons) was defeated in the finals by the all time favorite player Salman Khan of 6th semester BBA-IT.

At prize distribution ceremony, the Chief Guest, Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan, Chief Executive SMFN and Joint Director of IM|Sciences distributed the trophies and certificates among the winners and the participants. He ap-

preciated the players not only for their performance but also for maintaining a very good balance between the curricular and co-curricular activities. He expressed his hope that they will also show their performance in the future for the Institute when required. He appreciated Mr. Amjad Amin, Sports In-charge; and Mr. Muhammad Saqib Awan, General Secretary Sports, for organizing the event in a disciplined manner. Mr. Shahzad Hanif, lecturer in English and the other guests also congratulated the winners and motivated the rest of the players.



Winners and Organizers of Badminton Tournament



A cooking competition was arranged by the IM|Creative for the students of the Institute. The event was arranged at the undergraduate campus on May 27, 2008. It was a unique event as the male students showed enthusiasm at par with the female students.

More than twenty five students comprising of six groups took part and presented their skills. Each group consisted of four to five members. There was no restric-



tion to the type and number of dishes to be presented and the materials needed for them, though limited time was given to the groups to prepare their items. Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan, the Joint Director; Mr. Saleem Gul, Coordinator BCS; and Mr. Muhammad Tariq, Co-



Shaukat, and Miss Sara Hassan got 1st position in the event. The Chief Guest Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan appreciated all the participants and distributed certificates among the winners and participants. He congratulated Mrs. Romy Sajjad, the In-charge of IM|Creative, for the wonderful idea and splendid arrangements. He expressed his hope that such interesting events would continue in the future as well.

ordinator Establishment, were the adjudicators of the event. The scale of the judgment was the nature, taste, and presentation of the food.

On the basis of this criteria, Group 1, consisting of Miss Maimoona Gul, Miss Naima Hayat, Miss Arooj Wazir, Mr. Naseer Ahmad, Mr. Arsalan



IM|Sciences Stands Out in LUMS Olympiad-2008

Special thanks to Dr. Nasser Ali Khan and Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan for their cooperation, to Dr. Sayed Waqar Hussain Shah, Engineer Owais Mufti, Madam Romy Sajjad, and Mr. Muhammad Saqib Awan for their encouragement, and the last but not the least Mr. Rafiq Ullah Jan who organized and supervised the teams

Muhammad Usman

Team Leader of IM|Sciences' Teams (At LUMS Olympiad-2008)

A delegation of 35 students from IM|Sciences participated in the LUMS Olympiad-2008. More than 55 institutions from the entire country participated in the event and IM|Sciences was recognized as true to its motto of "management education with public spirit and market dynamism". Not only on the technical scales of the adjudicators but also on popular scales of the spectators and the audience, participants from the Institute won distinctions. It is a matter of pride that the Institute vied in the events which are generally believed as a specialty of Punjab and Sindh. This event provided an opportunity to the students to compete at a higher level and hence achieve more confidence in their abilities. The specialty of the delegation which particularly won laurels was the features of the local culture that the students demonstrated. It was an amazing performance as the students of IM|Sciences competed with almost 55 well-prepared teams consisting of 1500 students belonging to the top institutions of Pakistan. It was a tough positive altercation between the experienced and seasoned teams of other institutions and the amateurs of newly established IM|Sciences, who did upsets in all the events in which they participated. A short brief of each category regarding their splendid performance and the words used for the institute and teams at the Prize Distribution Ceremony are as follows:

Music Band

IM|Sciences achieved 4th Position in this category with a single point difference from the 3rd Position. In the Pre-Final round the judges said, "This was the real performance which we were looking for". In the LUMS Concert the IM|Sciences' team was especially invited to perform on demand. They received great appreciation from the audience, participants, and organizers. The music band included:

1. Mr. Naseer Ahmad
2. Tariq Kakar
3. M. Abdul Qadir
4. Farhan Bogra

Music Singing

IM|Sciences reached the final round in this event along with 5 other teams from a total of over 50 teams. The team could not achieve any of the first three positions yet their performance was applauded in the prize distribution ceremony: "Well done Mr. Khushal, you competed hard and were amazing". The musician Farhan Bogra's performance was also appreciated. In the singing competition, three students represented IM|Sciences. Among them Miss Rayan Aman Ullah reached very close to the final round while Mr. Khushal qualified for the final round and won a distinction for the Institute.

Dramatics

In this category the IM|Sciences' team qualified for the final round along with 6 other teams and managed to grab 2nd Position in the dramatics due to the brilliant performance of the actors. The drama team included:

1. Mr. Majid Zulfiqar
2. Shahryar Ahmad
3. Ijaz Afridi
4. Adnan Rahim



5. Saqab Iqbal
6. Miss Anum Babar
7. Miss Zeenat Tariq

Declamation

In this event, the IM|Sciences' team competed with more than 70 speakers till the last round. Although they did not qualify for the final round, but still managed to grab 4th Position both in the English and Urdu declamation on individual basis. The judges appreciated and encouraged the style and performance of the speakers. In English declamation, Mr. Afzal Humayun Khan while in the Urdu declamation, Muhammad Usman represented the Institute.

Photo Essay

In this round, the IM|Sciences' team was included in the top 6 teams which competed for 1st and runner-up positions. Mr. Fahad Rehman represented the Institute in this category.

Music Videos

In this round, our team presented wonderful videos having outstanding ideas and stunning skills of their art. Two teams of the Institute participated in it and both were included in top 6 teams who competed for 1st and runner-up positions. One team consisted of: Mr. Mian Abul Rehman, Shoaib Anwar, Shahzeb Anwar, and Mudassir Khan while the other team consisted: Mr. Qasim Khan, Mr. Aasil Khan, Mr. Bahader Iqbal, and Mr. S. Aamir Khalil.

Console Gaming

In this event, the performance of IM|Sciences' team was marvelous. Although they could not qualify for the final round but they performed very well till the Pre-Final round and on individual basis they defeated the best player of the tournament by a big margin. In this category the Institute was represented by Mr. Maajid Bashir, Mr. Qasim Khan, and Mr. Rehan Sajid.

Mind Quest

In this category, the IM|Sciences' team managed to reach the semi-final round after a very tough competition. Mr. Muhammad Saqib, Miss Zainab Shah, and Mr. Hissam Aamir Khan were the members of the mind quest team. The team performed well and won appreciations.

Live Art

In this category, the IM|Sciences' team performed very well. Although they did not get 1st or runner-up position, however, they were specially applauded by the judges for presenting a brilliant performance. Live art team was consisted of Miss. Sonia Shah, Miss Khadija Khan, Miss. Beenish Afzal, and Miss Shumaila Wazir.

Over All Performance

The Institute got 6th Position in the event. Just before the Prize Distribution started, they asked, "Is IM|Sciences Peshawar here??!!" We raised our hands and then they said, "You people are wonderful. We really love you. You are our heart. We are proud of you. You people are wonderful actors and audience stealers. You are amazing people and we really and really love you guys". This was just said for IM|Sciences and for no one else.

Social Committee Continuing with its Splendid Performance

WITH SPECIAL THANKS TO DR. SAYED WAQAR HUSSAIN SHAH AND MR. RAFIQ ULLAH JAN

Muhammad Usman
Spokesperson and Reporting Manager, Social Committee

DINNER PARTY

The Social Committee arranged a dinner party for the 1st semester BBA (Hons), Group "A" students on February 14, 2008 in SHIRAZ Restaurant in lieu for their annual excursion trip. As the raison d'être of the trips are not only to entertain the students but also to provide them with an opportunity to interact freely in open milieu, so the party was arranged to give and generate a casual ambiance for the newly admitted students to augment their interactions with their colleagues and get soaked up in the milieu of the Institute. The gathering was attended by Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan, Joint Director IM|Sciences; Dr. Sayed Waqar Hussain Shah, Advisor Social Committee; and Mr. Rafiq Ullah Jan, Incharge Social Committee. The Chief Guest, Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan, during his speech to the freshman students said, "the Social Committee arranged this gathering for you and you will soon be the members of this committee because it is the only body mandated and approved from the BOG and a part of IM|Sciences constitution. It is the best platform for the students to provide them an opportunity to enhance their capabilities and to impart them vocational skills". He eulogized the performance of Mr. Rafiq Ullah Jan and Dr. Sayed Waqar Hussain Shah for their fidelity for the Social Committee, students, and ultimately for the present & future of the Institute. He hoped that such get-togethers would certainly offer the new students good opportunities to harmonize themselves in the locale of the Institute.

SPADO INTERVIEWS

SPADO, Sustainable Peace and Development Organization, is a non-governmental organization which works for peace and development. They requested the Social Committee to select the best speakers from the Institute for their project, which is "Pak-Afghan Youth Council". Social Committee successfully arranged interviews in the graduate and undergraduate campuses under the supervision of Dr. Sayed Waqar Hussain Shah (Advisor Social Committee) and Mr. Rafiq Ullah Jan (Incharge Social Committee). In these interviews, five Pakistani and two Afghan students were recommended.

LUMS OLYMPIAD-2008

The Institute remained constant in its performance in the LUMS Olympiad-2008, as her delegation performed splendidly well. The Institute competed with 55 institutions of Pakistan and gave them a tough time. A team of 35 students from IM|Sciences participated in nine various categories. The Institute got 2nd position in dramatics, 4th in music, and 5th in singing. In mind quest and console gaming, the Institute was able to reach the semi-finals. In declamation, photography, live art, and music

video contests, the Institute got special appreciation for notable performances. The event lasted from March 04 to March 08, 2008.

FJWU-WOMEN WEEK

After a week of the LUMS Olympiad-2008, another challenge faced by the students of the Institute was the participation in the Annual Week arranged by Fatima Jinnah Women University Rawalpindi. Ten prominent universities from all over Pakistan took part in this Annual Week. Ten teams comprising of 30-participants represented the Institute in various categories. The Annual Week lasted from March 13 to March 15, 2008. The Institute got 1st position in the video competition and 2nd position in the photography contest.

LECTURE SERIES

The academic vision of the Institute envisages intellectual grooming of the students. To this end, the students are exposed to a variety of formal and informal literary and academic pursuits. One such instrument is the lecture series that the Literary Society of the Institute has started. The broader objective of the lecture series is to invite scholars and experts from a variety of disciplines with a request to share knowledge of their fields of experience so that the students get acquainted with modern trends in business, challenges faced by the economy & society, and foster social and religious harmony. Two lectures have so far been held in which two faculty members of the Institute have shared their views with the students.

DR. MUHAMMAD MOHSIN KHAN

Former Senior Vice President of the Bank of Khyber Peshawar and present Joint Director of the Institute of Management Sciences Peshawar, Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan shared his views in the inaugural lecture. The topic of this lecture was "Effect of Developed Banking Sector on Pakistan's Economy (Our Banking Sector's Problems and Suggestions)". Dr. Mohsin has a vast experience in the fields of banking, business, and finance. He is also the Chief Executive of SMFN, Sarhad Micro Finance Network. The students of various semesters of BBA attended the lecture and got valuable information. He described the operations of banks, their strengths and weaknesses, and also discussed possible solutions.

DR. SAYED WAQAR HUSSAIN SHAH

Dr. Sayed Waqar Hussain Shah, former Assistant Director Planning and Development (H.E. - Colleges Directorate), delivered a lecture on May 02, 2008. The topic of the lecture was "Budgetary

Trends, (1997-98 2007-08)". He discussed the core issues of Pakistan's budget of various years from 1997 to 2007. The strengths and weaknesses were discussed in concise but comprehensive manner. Students of the undergraduate campus attended the lecture and raised critical questions which helped the analyst to disclose the topic in a more efficient way. The country's economy, budget, resources, debts, various policies, and policy making factors were discussed in the lecture. Dr. Sayed Waqar is also working as an assistant professor of economics at Institute of Management Sciences Peshawar and has interest in the contemporary economic issues which the country is facing.

MURREE TRIP

The Social Committee arranged a one day trip for the students of 2nd semester to the Queen of Hills, Murree. Three buses, with 55-seats capacity each, were hired to accommodate 160 students. During the trip, the students were accompanied by the organizers under the supervision of Mr. Rafiq Ullah Jan. The buses left for Murree early in the morning and stayed till late afternoon. After having lunch at Usmania Restaurant, the buses left for Islamabad and stayed for about two hours in Jinnah Super and in the evening they left for Peshawar. The purpose of the trip was to provide an opportunity to the newly admitted students to interact in a free and friendly milieu. The students enjoyed the trip as it was a unique opportunity for 160 students to get together and expose their talent both in the buses and in the places they visited.

FUND RAISING

The Welfare Society in collaboration with the Blood Donation Society raised funds for poor and needy patients. In the first drive, the committee was able to collect funds of Rs. 5500 while during the second drive, the total collection of the donors amounted to Rs. 3500. Besides helping the poor, it was a wonderful opportunity to create awareness among the students about social responsibility and stimulate their sense of sacrifice.

UNITY CUP

Social Committee arranged a tape ball cricket tournament in collaboration with the Sports Club. The tournament was named as Unity Cup-2008. A total of twelve teams from undergraduate campus participated in it. In the final match "Top Gunz" defeated the "Al-Qaeda" after a nice and tough game. The event lasted over a period of two weeks. Zaheer-Ud-Din of the winning teams was declared as man of the match and man of the series. The chief guest Dr. Muhammad Mohsin distributed certificates and trophies among the participants, winners, and the organizers.



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