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The Department of Parasitology of the University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences in collaboration with Pakistan Society of Parasitology organised an International Conference on "Food Safety through Parasite Control" (PARACON-2019).

Vice-Chancellor University of Education Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha chaired the inaugural session of the conference while Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Masood Rabbani, Chairman Department of Parasitology/President Pakistan Society of Parasitology (PSP) Prof Dr Kamran Ashraf, Dr Ali Raza Sazmand from Bu-Ali Sina University Iran, Prof Dr Neil from the UK and many other renowned veterinary & medical practitioners, parasitologists, scholars, researchers, academicians and experts

from the USA, the UK, Iran and Tunisia were present.

Addressing the inaugural session, Prof Pasha said parasitic deadly diseases of dairy animals are affecting livestock sector. He said we are getting food like milk and meat from the animals like buffalo, cattle, sheep and goat and this conference is mainly focusing on food safety through parasitic control.

Prof Dr Masood Rabbani said that the conference covered all the major areas related to diagnostics, chemoprophylaxis, anti-parasitic and vaccines of parasites, zoonotic parasitic diseases and vector borne diseases, role of veterinarians under one-health concept epidemiology and integrated pest management, etc. He

World Fisheries Day observed



The Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture of UVAS in collaboration with Soybean Export Council (USSEC) observed World Fisheries Day with the theme "Support Sustainable Fishing: Learn Fisheries and Conservation." A walk, a seminar, fish netting, cooking and fish model competitions featured the day. University of Education Lahore Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha was the chief quest of the programme while Dean Faculty of Biosciences Prof Dr Habib-ur-Rehman, Dean Faculty of Animal Production and Technology Prof Dr Anjum Khalique, Chairman Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture Dr Noor Khan, and representatives from aquaculture feed industry and Punjab Fisheries Department and progressive fish farmers were present.

Addressing the seminar, Prof Pasha highlighted the importance of fish and said it is direly needed to run a social media campaign for creating awareness about the nutritional importance of fish meat. Earlier, Prof Pasha led the walk

while a large number of stakeholders. students and faculty members participated. Prof Pasha also inaugurated a 'Fish Processing Unit' established by the department. The Higher Education Commission provided Rs 30 million for the development of the unit. The HEC also provided Rs. 13.131 million for making it operational under the HEC-TDF project of 'Sustainable Fish Meat and Value Added Fish Products". Later Prof Pasha visited the stalls of fish value added products prepared by students. He also distributed shields among winners of cooking and model competitions.



UVAS holds 4th All Pakistan Qiraat and Naat Competitions



The Qiraat and Naat Society of UVAS arranged All Pakistan Qiraat and Naat competitions. Total 45 institutions from all over Pakistan participated in the competitions. The Government Collage University Faisalabad won the team trophy. In Qiraat boys contest Mubasshar Ahmad (Government Central Modal School Lahore) won 1st position, in Qiraat girls contest Nawal Tayyeb (University of Okara) won 1st position, in Naat boys contest Hamza Hanif (Government Islamia College Railway Road Lahore) won 1st position, in Naat girls contest Noreena Imtiaz (Punjab University Lahore) won 1st position. Acting Vice-Chancellor Government Collage University Lahore Prof Dr Sultan Shah distributed team trophy, shields and certificates among the contest winners while UVAS Principle Officer Student Affairs Prof Dr Kamran Ashraf, Prof Dr Yasin Tipu, Senior Tutor Associate Prof Dr Ali Raza Awan, President Qiraat and Naat Society Hafiz Muhammad Shakir were present.

International conference on 'Food Safety through Parasite Control'



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said UVAS is producing a large number of competent parasitologists every year. Prof Dr Kamran Ashraf spoke about the objectives and theme of the conference. He also presented the vote of thanks. He

lauded different organisations from public and private sectors on their active participation and funding to make this a result-oriented conference.

Later Prof Pasha along with Prof Dr Masood Rabbani and Prof Dr Kamran Ashraf took a round of the poster exhibition and stalls. Four technical scientific sessions, 32 oral, 40 poster presentations and four pre-conference workshops on different topics were organised.

11th Alumni Reunion on Feb 22, 2020



A meeting of the executive body of UVAS Alumni Association chaired by Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Masood Rabbani reviewed the arrangements for 11th Annual Alumni Reunion 2020 to be held on February 22, 2020, at the Main Lawn, UVAS City Campus. The meeting participants shared their ideas and prepared the plan for the function.

UVAS students win **World Food Day** cooking competition

Students of the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition UVAS got 1st position in photography and healthy foods cooking competitions on a World Food Day event organised by the Department of Food Punjab in collaboration with the development partners UNICEF and WFP. The event was graced by Provincial Minister for Food Mr Sami Ullah Chaudhary and Provincial Minister for Agriculture Mr Malik Nauman Langrial. All leading universities of Punjab participated in the event and displayed their products.



DICE contest: UVAS students get positions

The Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition participated in "All Pakistan DICE Agriculture and Food Sciences Innovation Event" at Muhammad Nawaz Sharif University of Agriculture, Multan. UVAS students under the supervision of Dr Muhammad Shahbaz presented their research projects and innovative foods products and secured three special prize positions with a cash prize of Rs 30,000/.

Prof Masood Rabbani gets additional charge of CUVAS Bahawalpur Vice-Chancellor

The Governor Puniab/Chancellor has assigned the additional charge of Vice-Chancellor of Cholistan University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences (CUVAS) Bahawalpur to Prof Dr Masood Rabbani. Vice-Chancellor of UVAS Lahore.

Prof Dr Masood Rabbani is a renowned international scientist, microbiologist and UVAS senior most tenured professor. He is President of Pakistan Veterinary Medical Council, Convener (PVMC) Accreditation & Equivalence. He is also Convener of National Curricula Revision Committee.

He is PhD in Microbiology from University of Agriculture, Faisalabad. He is recipient of Izaz-i-Fazeelat presidential award (2005) for his academic distinction, fellowship from David Geffen School of Medicine, University of California Los Angeles USA



in 2008, Best Teacher's Award 2013-14 from the Higher Education Commission. Prof Rabbani is also HEC-approved PhD supervisor and has supervised over 60 PhD and MPhil scholars. He is author of over 100 impact factor research publication and several books.

Workshop on 'Youth Enterprise Development'



The Business Incubation Centre of UVAS arranged a two-dayworkshop on 'Youth Enterprise Development' at UVAS Veterinary Academy. Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Masood Rabbani presided over the inaugural session while quest speakers from Punjab University Adjunct Prof Dr Shahid A Zia, Founder Highly Keen Management Institute Mr Jibran Bashir and Director ORIC Dr Farhan

Jamil were present. Speaking on the occasion, Prof Rabbani said UVAS is providing many opportunities of entrepreneurship to encourage its students to start their own businesses. He urged students to focus on value edition to poultry meat and dairy products. Dr Farhan Jamil spoke about the objectives of the workshop.

Faculty development training

A two-day international faculty development training on Small Animal Internal Medicine was organized by IVPD Project at the UVAS Veterinary Academy. Dr Kamran Jhangir from Canada was the resource person of the training, which was attended by 20 faculty members from all campuses. The training topics included clinical endocrinology and basic considerations of dermatology in cats and dogs. Clinical



Medicine and Surgery Department Chairman Dr Sved Saleem Ahmad chaired the concluding session.

Joint session in honour of Prof Pasha



The University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Lahore organised a joint session reference in the honour of Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha after he relinquished the charge of Vice-Chancellor and joined the University of Education Lahore as Vice-Chancellor. Members of the UVAS Syndicate,

Academic Council and Advance Studies and Research Board, Deans, Directors, Chairpersons were present on the occasion. Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Masood Rabbani spoke about the contribution of Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha to the progress of UVAS and the livestock sector.



The Vice-Chancellor with the Livestock & Dairy Development Minister during inauguration of anti-rabies campaign at SPCA.



The Vice-chancellor in a meeting with a delegation from the Netherlands.



Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Masood Rabbani presents a shield to former VC Prof Dr Talat Naseer Pasha during a farewell ceremony in his honour.

UVAS student wins photography contest

Mr Zaman Ali, a student of BS (Hons) Dairy Technology, 3rd semester, got first position in Photography Competition on "World Food Day 2019" organised by the Food Department Punjab in collaboration with UNICEF and WFP. Theme of the photography competition was Food Security and Nutrition. Provincial Minster for Food Sami Ullah Chaudhary and Provincial Minister for Agriculture Malik Nauman Langrial also graced the event.



Seminar on supply chain post-harvest losses

The Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition in collaboration with METRO QA team and Star Farm Pakistan arranged a seminar on supply chain post-harvest losses of F&V. METRO and Star Farm role and best practices were shared with students and academia in reducing post-harvest losses of F&V supply chain.

Lecture on Quaid-e-Azam



The UVAS Business School organised a lecture on 'Quaid-e-Azam and Today's Pakistan' by Dr Jahanzaib Habibullah. Faculty members and students attended the lecture.

Workshop on camel milk cheese production

The Department of Dairy Technology arranged a one-day training workshop on "Camel milk cheese production and its value addition" under the project entitled "Enhancing nutritive value of camel milk by introducing camel milk cheese, sweets and dried cheese powder and hands-on training of female farmers as master trainers in low income areas of Bahawalpur (Punjab)". Chairperson Dr Saima Inayat was the resource person. The project was funded by USAID under Agricultural Innovation Program. Representatives from dairy industry i.e. Engro Foods Pvt Ltd, Haleeb Foods, Doce, Chaman Ice Cream, Cakes & Bakes, Saaf International & Gourmet Foods attended the workshop.



Attends congress in Philippines

Dr Rehan ul Hag, Assistant Professor Department of Wildlife and Ecology, presented a paper entitled "Climatic variables and migratory water



birds: a 12-year analysis" at the 2nd Research and Development Congress on East Asian-Australasian Flyway for Wetlands and Migratory Waterbirds in the Course of Climate Change.

The congress was organised by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Philippines. Dr. Hag won full scholarship by Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau to attend the congress.

Workshop on 'The Art of Writing'



The Department of Physiology, University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Lahore in collaboration with the Department of Social Sciences organized a one-day workshop on "The Art of Writing". The workshop was aimed to enhance the official and academic writing skills of the postgraduate students and researchers. Dean Bio-Sciences Prof Dr Habib Ur Rehman presided over the inaugural session.

Postgraduate students, researchers, and faculty members attended the workshop. Dr. Imtiaz Rabbani (Chief Organizer), Mr. Abdul Rehman (Social Sciences), Dr. Fahad Rafiq (Bio-Sciences) and Dr Zia Ur Rehman from Islamia University Bahawalpur emphasized on basic English writing skills, challenges in academic reading, proper use of various tools used in academic writing.

Training on Dairy and Farm Management



A one-month training on "Dairy and Farm Management" was organised by the Inservice Veterinary Professional Development Project at UVAS. The training covered livestock nutrition and production, 'livestock medicine, reproduction and management. Fifteen participants from L&DD, CVAS-Jhang, CVAS-Narowal and CUVAS-Bahawalpur were trained.

The training was inaugurated by Dean FAPT Prof Dr Anjum Khalique at Pattoki and the concluding ceremony was presided over by Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Masood Rabbani at Veterinary Academy Lahore.

Clinical scientist from S Arabia visits Embryo Lab

Dr Naeem Igbal, head ART Lab and senior clinical scientist at King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Centre, Saudi Arabia, visited embryo lab at UVAS Central Laboratory Complex, Ravi Campus. He appreciated the development of this unique facility and the contribution made by Prof

Dr Nasim Ahmad and Dr Amjad Riaz to the lab. He discussed with the postgraduate students their research areas and gave his expert advice.

Award of M.Phil Degrees during month of November 2019

Name of Student	Department	Supervisor	Title of Thesis
Zeeshan Haider	Microbiology	Prof. Dr. Tahir Yaqub	Seroprevalence and Detection of Anthrax Spore in Wool and Hairs of Ruminants and Canines
Salim UI Mehmood	Pathology	Dr. Gulbeena Saleem	Pathological Effects of Environmental Pollutants of Municipal Drains on Vital Organs of Common Birds of Lahore
Iram Shakeel	Epidemiology & Public Health	Dr. Mamoona Chaudhry	Prevalence of Avian Influenza Subtype H9 in Backyard Poultry of District Toba Tek Singh
Muhammad Awais Akbar	Epidemiology & Public Health	Dr. Muhammad Hassan Mushtaq	Status of Control Strategies of FMD in Disease Control Compartment, Buffalo Research Institute, Pattoki
Fouzia Sattar	Epidemiology & Public Health	Dr. Mamoona Chaudhry	Active Surveillance of Captive Wild and Exotic Birds in Zoological Gardens and Live Bird Markets for Avian Influenza in Lahore
Afeefa Shafiq	Epidemiology & Public Health	Dr Mamoona Chaudhry	Estimation of Morbidity and Mortality Due to Avian Influenza (H9) at Commercial Poultry Layer Farms of Lahore
Hafiz Adnan Ahmad	Clinical Medicine	Prof. Dr. Muhammad Hassan Saleem	Parasitic Profiling and Comparative Efficacy of Levamisole with Garlic in Native Pigeons in District Lahore
Adeel Akram	Clinical Medicine	Dr. Muhammad Avais	Treatment of Subclinical Mastitis by Using Photodynamic Therapy in Dairy Cattle
Waseem Ejaz	Animal Nutrition	Dr. Muhammad Naveed ul Haque	Effects of Increasing Dietary Non-Structural Carbohydrates on Milk Production of Lactating Nili Ravi Buffaloes
Adeel Haider Khan	Animal Nutrition	Dr. Shafqat Nawaz Qaisrani	Exploring the Nutritive Potential of Indigenous Cereal Grains (Wheat and Rice Middlings) and Their By-Products (Wheat Bran and Rice Bran) As Sources of Energy, Amino Acids and Other Nutrients in Broilers
Sohaib Murtaza	Animal Nutrition	Dr. Shafqat Nawaz Qaisrani	Exploring Nutritive Potential of Indigenous Cereal Grains (Corn, Sorghum And Millet) as a Source of Energy,Amino Acids and Other Nutrients In Broilers
Muhammad Qamar Ramzan	Animal Nutrition	Dr. Shafqat Nawaz Qaisrani	Effects OF Mannan-Oligosachharide And ß-Glucan On Growth Performance, Carcass Characteristics, Gut Health and Immune Response in Broilers (Ross 308)
Muhammad Ali	Animal Breeding & Genetics	Prof. Dr. Khalid Javed	Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphism Based Genotyping of Enhancer Region of Prolactin Gene and its Association With Repeat Breeding in Nili Ravi Buffaloes
Muhammad Nadeem	Livestock Management	Dr. Muhammad Qamer Shahid	Assessment of Buffalo Farmers' Attitude for Performance Recording
Saliha Qayyum	Food and Nutrition	Dr. Zahra Khan	Evaluation of Retinol Concentration in the Serum and Breast Milk of Lactating Mothers
Aymen Mehboob	Food and Nutrition	Dr. Zahra Khan	Prevalence of Metabolic Syndrome in Young Adults Using International Diabetes Federation Criteria
Baseer Ahmad Khan	Molecular Biology and Biotechnology	Dr. Ali Raza Awan	Cloning of <i>Vp2</i> Gene of Local Foot and Mouth Disease Virus (Serotype O) for Expression Study in <i>Pichia Pastoris</i>

Hira Anwar	Molecular Biology and Biotechnology	Dr. Sehrish Firyal	Genomic Analysis of Single Nucleotide Polymorphism in ComplementComponent 5 Gene for Mastitis in Sahiwal Cattle
Amber Javaid	Biochemistry	Dr. Muhammad Tayyab	Production, Purification and Characterization of Pullulanase from GeobacillusSbs-4s
Sumaira Zulqarnain	Biochemistry	Dr. Shagufta Saeed	Potential of Myrtaceae Family for Tannase and Gallic Acid Production by Aspergillus Oryzae Using Solid State Fermentation
Adeela Arshad	Forensic Sciences	Dr. Saadat Ali	Comparison Study of Human Sex Determination Markers <i>Amelogenin</i> and <i>Dxys156</i> Through Sybr Green Real-Time PCR and High Resolution Melting Curve Analysis
Hira Noor	Forensic Sciences	Dr. Sherish Firyal	Association Between Drd4 Polymorphism and Aggressive Behavior in Convicted Prisoners
Mehak Rubab Kazmi	Forensic Sciences	Dr. Sehrish Firyal	Study of Association Between Drd2 Polymorphism and Aggressive Behavior in Prisoners
Asad Ali Lodhi	Pharmaceutics	Dr. Muhammad Khurram Waqas	Study for Detection, Evaluation, and Strategies to Minimize Medication Errors in Tertiary Care Teaching Hospitals Lahore
Azeem Ullah Khan	Zoology	Dr. Khalid Mahmood Anjum	Effect of Butyric Acid Supplementation on Growth Performance, Carcass Traits, Gut Morphology and Immunity in Broiler
Niaz Ahmad	Business Management	Dr. Tahir Mahmood	The Impact of Attributes of Corporate Governance on Firm Performance: Evidence From Pakistan
Sana Sajjad	Business Management	Dr. Rana Muhammad Ayyub	Studying Trust and Risk Factors Affect Online Shopping Among Female Consumers – Application of Tra
Sikandar Ali	Business Management	Dr. Rana Muhammad Ayyub	Studying Impact of Long Working Hours on Food Consumption Pattern: Moderating Effect of Health Consciousness
Annie Shoukat	Business Management	Dr. Muhammad Ali Hamza	An Empirical Multi-Level Investigation to Understand Work Engagement: From Antecedents to Outcome

Award of Ph.D Degree During Month of November 2019

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Salahuddin	Anatomy and Histology	Dr. Saima Masood	Osteo-Morphological and Radiographic Studies on the Axial and Appendicular Skeleton of Adult Chinkara (GazellaBennettii)
Imran Mohsan	Livestock Management	Dr. Nisar Ahmad	Evaluaton of Different Protein Levels and Energy Sources for the Growth Performance of Male Beetal Goats

Seminar on Education in Foreign Universities

The Department of Physiology arranged an "Introductory Seminar on Education in Foreign Universities" to provide awareness to students about graduate studies in foreign countries. Dr Imtiaz Rabbani, Chairman Department of Physiology, inaugurated the event and presented the aims and objectives of the seminar. He emphasized that students should seek foreign fully-funded opportunities for graduate degrees to increase their exposure and skills. Mr Fahad Rafiq, lecturer Biological Sciences, gave an overview and road map to scholarship opportunities of MS and PhD studies in the United States. Dr Zia Ur Rahman, Assistant Professor, Physiology, Islamia University Bahawalpur, gave his talk on "Graduate study opportunities in Oceania". Dr Rahman also gave an overview of various databases available to apply for MS and PhD opportunities in New Zealand.



UVAS signs MoU with Bu-Ali Sina University Iran



The University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Lahore and Bu-Ali Sina University Iran signed a memorandum of understanding to enhance cooperation in scientific educational exchanges.

UVAS Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Masood Rabbani and President Bu-Ali Sina University Prof Dr Yaghoub Mohammadifar signed the MoU in a ceremony held at City Campus. Dean Faculty of Biosciences Prof Dr Habib-ur-Rehman, Chairman Department of Parasitology Prof Dr Kamran Ashraf and

UVAS faculty members and officials from Bu-Ali Sina University were present.

Addressing the MoU signing ceremony, Prof Rabbani spoke about the history of UVAS and its lead role in the development livestock sector. He said UVAS has strong liaison with private sector and is working closely with livestock, poultry and dairy industry for solving field problems. According to the MOU, both institutions will exchange faculty, students, staff and researchers for conferences, seminars, lessons.

congresses, research and training courses, tutoring for degree thesis. They will also jointly organize advanced study courses, seminars, research activities and training courses for the benefit of academics and students of both parties.

Vision of UVAS

The university aspires to be the nation's leading public sector university with global recognition due to its quality in teaching and research, civic engagement and economic development.

Stakeholders mull over ways to improve milk, meat produce





The University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences Lahore and the Livestock and Dairy Development Department Punjab arranged a roundtable meeting of stakeholders at UVAS City Campus to mull over ways to improve milk and meat production in the country. Adviser to Punjab Chief Minister on Economic Development Salman Shah chaired the meeting while Secretary Livestock Nabeel Ahmed Awan, Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Masood Rabbani, Additional Chief Secretary Agriculture and Rural Economy Sumera Saeed and stakeholders/representatives from

dairy and meat sectors attended. Addressing the meeting, Salman Shah said that selection of better breeds is the key to enhancement of production and prosperity of farmers. He said that the government will increase the budget for livestock extension which will benefit the farmers. The Livestock Secretary said that small farmers were the government priority. The Additional Chief Secretary Agriculture stressed on banning the slaughter of female animals. The stakeholders presented different suggestions for development of dairy and meat sectors.

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