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Aror Insight Newsletter

AI Meets Heritage: Aror University Champions Sindhi Language Innovation

Aror University Sukkur took a bold step into the future of linguistic preservation by hosting an enlightening seminar titled "Harnessing AI for the Sindhi Language." Led by Mr. Amar Fayaz Buriro, Director of the Abdul Majid Burgri Institute of Language Engineering (AMBILE), the session showcased groundbreaking Natural Language Processing tools designed to elevate and safeguard Sindhi. From digital dictionaries to intelligent text analyzers, Mr. Buriro explained how AI is breathing new life into centuries-old linguistic traditions. He openly addressed the hurdles in this mission while pointing out the immense potential of technology to preserve cultural identity. The seminar concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks from Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, who emphasized the power of collaboration in integration, innovation with heritage to ensure Sindhi's pulsating future.



Empowering Dreams: Aror University & PBM Unite for Student Success

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In a powerful stride toward educational Pirzada (Khairpur), and Mr. Bakhtiyar Ali

Tech-Driven Transformation: Aror University Leads with E-Marking Innovation

ror University Sukkur is rewriting the Trules of academic assessment with the introduction of its E-Marking Assessment Developed Examinations System. collaboration with RedMarker Systems, this initiative reflects a strategic move toward digitized, error-free, and transparent



The university's one-day training session empowered faculty and staff with the knowledge and tools to harness this system effectively. By embracing this digital leap, Aror University is not just keeping stride with global academic standards—it's setting them.

Aror University Sukkur Successfully Completes Academic Inspection by CIEC, Sindh HEC



Aror University Sukkur proudly marks another milestone with the successful completion of its academic inspection conducted by the Charter Inspection and Evaluation Committee (CIEC) under the Sindh Higher Education Commission (HEC), Government of Sindh, on October 15, 2024. This pivotal visit aimed to evaluate the university's academic programs, financial planning, infrastructure development, and strategic initiatives.

The distinguished CIEC delegation included prominent academic leaders and officials:

- Prof. Dr. S.M. Tariq Rafi (T.I), Chairperson, Sindh HEC
- Mr. Moinuddin Siddiqui, Secretary, Sindh HEC
- Prof. Dr. Amjad Siraj Memon, Vice Chancellor, JSMU Karachi
- Prof. Dr. Engr. Samreen Hussain (T.I), Vice Chancellor, DUET Karachi
- Prof. Dr. Tayyaba Zarif, Vice Chancellor, G.C University Hyderabad
- Prof. Dr. Arabella Bhutto, Vice Chancellor, SABS University Jamshoro
- Mr. Nazeer Hussain, Director General, Federal HEC Islamabad
- Mr. Ihsanullah Laghari, Additional Secretary, College Education Department
- Ms. Shahlla Memon, Director, CIEC Sindh HEC
- Mr. Muhammad Nadeem, Deputy Director, CIEC Sindh HEC
- Engr. Darya Memon, Assistant Director (M&E), Sindh HEC

- Dr. Syed Waqar-ul-Hassan, Director QEC, Salim Habib University Karachi
- Subject experts from various academic disciplines including Dr. Sajjad Ali Mangi, Dr. Tooba Shafaq, Dr. Shazia Abro, Mr. Muhammad Saleem, Dr. Engr. Shazia Feroze, and Dr. Amanullah Mahar.

During the visit, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand delivered a comprehensive briefing, showcasing the university's innovative academic offerings, strategic budgetary management, and commitment to creating a dynamic learning environment through robust infrastructure and resource development.

The delegation expressed deep appreciation for the university's progress, commending the leadership and team for their dedication to academic excellence, sustainability, and research advancement. They noted the institution's alignment with the broader goals of the Sindh HEC and its promising trajectory toward becoming a self-sustainable center of higher learning.

Vice Chancellor Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand remarked,

"We are grateful for the recognition and support from the CIEC. Our team remains committed to enhancing educational quality and expanding opportunities for our students. We look forward to future collaborations that will enrich the educational landscape of Sindh."

This inspection marks a significant step forward in Aror University's journey, reinforcing its mission to deliver high-quality education, foster innovation, and contribute meaningfully to regional and national development.



Aror University and CISSS Forge Strategic Academic Partnership

n November 7, 2024, Aror University students and faculty alike. Heritage, Sukkur, International Strategic Sindh (CISSS) formalized a landmark Khand, praising the university's rapid and collaboration by signing a Memorandum sustainable progress under his guidance. of Understanding (MoU). This strategic He noted that Dr. Khand's transformative alliance aims to promote academic approach has set a new benchmark for cultural innovation in strategic studies through in the region. joint research initiatives, internships, The ceremony concluded seminars, and training programs.

presence of the university's management artwork—an team. The ceremony marked a significant University's innovative "Learning

Architecture, Design & In his address, Ambassador Khalilullah and the Center admired the visionary leadership of Studies Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain exchange, and academic and institutional development

exchange of souvenirs, symbolizing The MoU was signed by Ambassador (R) mutual respect and a shared commitment Qazi M. Khalilullah, Executive Director of to the partnership. Guests were invited CISSS, and Dr. Pir Suhail Ahmed Sarhandi, to tour the university campus, where Registrar of Aror University, in the they viewed an exhibition of students embodiment step toward strengthening institutional Earning" philosophy, which integrates linkages and expanding opportunities for creative expression with practical skill-







Aror University Hosts Inauguration of Outdoor Sports Area and Ceramic Design Workshop

A ror University of Art, Architecture, Design, and Heritage, Sukkur, proudly inaugurated its newly developed Outdoor Sports Area alongside a Three-Day Ceramic Design Workshop on November 13, 2024. The event was graced by Syed Kumail Hyder Shah, Chairman of the District Council Sukkur, who served as Chief Guest and formally launched both initiatives.

The ceremony opened with a welcome address by Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University, who shared the institution's recent milestones and strategic vision. Dr. Khand highlighted the launch of Aror Consultancy Services, and Aror Design House—key platforms aimed at enhancing academic and professional engagement. He also emphasized the university's commitment to sustainability through the Go Green Aror initiative and its pioneering transition toward becoming Pakistan's first paperless university, powered by SAP and e-marking systems.

In a forward-looking appeal, Dr. Khand requested support from the Chief Guest for two community-driven projects: the establishment of an Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station and the development of a Biogas Plant to provide free LPG to residents of Rohri and surrounding areas.

In his remarks, Syed Kumail Hyder Shah commended Dr. Khand's visionary leadership and glorified the university's efforts to integrate innovation with community welfare. He pledged his continued support for Aror University's initiatives and announced cash prizes for outstanding students and faculty participating in the Ceramic Design Workshop.

The event concluded with a heartfelt presentation of traditional souvenirs to the Chief Guest, symbolizing gratitude and the strengthening of ties between the university and local leadership. This inauguration marks another step forward in Aror University's mission to foster creativity, sustainability, and academic excellence.

Another Feather in the Cap of Aror University Sukkur: Pioneering Pakistan's First Paperless University

ror University Sukkur proudly marks a significant milestone with the successful **A**completion of End User Training (EUT) for the Human Capital Management (HCM) SAP system. This achievement underscores the university's commitment to digital transformation and operational excellence, as it continues its journey toward becoming Pakistan's first fully paperless institution.

The intensive training program empowered administrative personnel with practical expertise across key HCM modules, including Personnel Administration, Organizational Management, Payroll Processing, and Time Management. Through hands-on learning and expert guidance, participants are now equipped to optimize system functionality, streamline HR processes, and support data-driven decisionmaking.



Aror University Celebrates the Inauguration of **Fashion Design Studios and Scholarship Awards** Ceremony

Oof Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur, proudly hosted the inauguration of its cutting-edge Fashion Design Studios alongside a prestigious Scholarship Cheques Distribution Ceremony, marking a transformative moment in the university's journey toward creative excellence and academic empowerment.

Khursheed Ahmed Shah, Member of the National Assembly, who officially inaugurated the new studios. His presence highlighted the significance of the university's expanding role in Sindh and beyond.

Cukkur, November 25, 2024 — Aror University Following the ribbon-cutting, Prof. Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro, Dean of the Faculty of Design, welcomed the distinguished guests and delivered an insightful presentation on the vision behind the Fashion Design Studios. He emphasized their role in fostering hands-on learning, artistic exploration, and industry-relevant skill development for aspiring designers.

The event was graced by the Honorable Syed In his keynote address, Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University, expressed pride in the institution's rapid growth and its unwavering commitment to delivering world-class education. He highlighted the nurturing innovation and entrepreneurship in importance of such initiatives in cultivating talent, promoting creative industries, and





and strengthening community engagement through academic excellence.

The ceremony continued with the distribution of scholarship cheques and research awards, honoring outstanding students and faculty members for their academic achievements and contributions to research and innovation. This initiative reflects Aror University's dedication to supporting merit and motivating future leaders.

In a heartfelt and inspiring speech, Chief Guest Syed Khursheed Ahmed Shah commended the university's efforts in advancing education and creativity. He emphasized the critical role of institutions like Aror University in empowering the youth and shaping a progressive, knowledge-driven society.

As a token of appreciation, souvenirs were presented to the Chief Guest, acknowledging his continued support in elevating Aror University to the status of a premier educational institution. The event concluded with a celebratory dinner and live musical performances, offering guests an opportunity to connect, reflect, and enjoy the vibrant spirit of the occasion.

On December 14, 2024, Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage Sukkur Convened its 3rd Senate Meeting, marking a pivotal moment in the institution's journey toward academic distinction and robust governance. Chaired by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand—with the formal approval of the Chief Minister Sindh—the meeting brought together an esteemed panel of Senate members representing academia, industry, government, and civil society. strengthening community engagement through academic excellence.

Aror University Holds 3rd Senate Meeting, Advancing Visionary Governance and Academic Excellence



Among the distinguished attendees were:

- Engr. Syed Abdul Qadir Shah, Former
 Chairman, PEC
- Prof. Dr. AQ Mughal, Research Professor, Greenwich University, Karachi
- Engr. Prof. Dr. Madad Ali Shah, Vice Chancellor, SBBU Nawabshah
- Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ramzan, Vice Chancellor, Emerson University, Multan
- Prof. Dr. Arbella Bhutto, Vice Chancellor, SABS University, Jamshoro
- Engr. Nazeer Hussain, DG, HEC Regional
 Centre
- Mr. Khalid Mehmood Soomro, Former Civil Servant
- Mr. Adnan A. Kehar, Certified Public Accountant
- Mr. Aamir Ghouri, CEO, ICON by Ghouri's, Sukkur
- Mr. Ihsanullah Laghari, Nominee, College Education Dept., Govt. of Sindh
- Dr. Hafiz M. Khalid Shafi, Former AP, Sukkur IBA University
- Ms. Zaib Un Nisa, Former Director, School Education
- Mr. Sohail Anwar Baloch, Additional Secretary, U&B Dept., Govt. of Sindh
- Engr. Iqbal Qureshi, CEO, Abdullah Builders, Hyderabad (online)
- Prof. Dr. Noman Ahmed, Dean, NED University, Karachi (online)
- Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh, Former VC,

SMIU, Karachi (online)

- Prof. Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro, Dean, Faculty of Design
- Dr. Pir Suhail Sarhandi, Registrar
- Dr. Nadia Samo, Controller of Examinations
- Abdul Haleem Soomro, Director Finance
- Mr. Shoukat Ali Abbasi, Director HR (online)
- Dr. Rehan Ali Shah, Chairman, Dept. of AI & MMG (online)
- Mr. Rafique Ahmed Palh, Chairman, BISE Sukkur
- Prof. Dr. Waqas Ahmed Mahar, Chairman, Dept. of Architecture
- Dr. Sabab Ali Shah, Director ORIC
- Dr. Muhammad Qasim Sodhar, Head, Faculty of Heritage
- Dr. Mujahid Mehdi, Director QEC
- Mr. Gul Hassan, Librarian

The meeting commenced with the formal confirmation of minutes from the 2nd Senate Meeting, reaffirming the University's commitment to transparency and procedural rigor. Major agenda items included:

- Approval of the Revised Budget for FY 2024–25
- Budget Estimates for FY 2024–25
- Annual Audited Accounts for FY 2022–23
- Endorsement of the Strategic Plan 2023–2030, outlining a bold roadmap for institutional growth and academic innovation



The Senate also approved the Service Statutes–2022 and amendments to the Aror University Sindh Act IX of 2020, recently passed by the Provincial Assembly of Sindh—further strengthening the University's governance framework.

The meeting concluded with resounding appreciation for the leadership of Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand and his dedicated team. Senate members commended the transformative progress made under his stewardship and pledged continued support to elevate Aror University's stature both nationally and internationally.

Aror University Hosts SEEF Scholarship 2023–24 Interviews, Supporting Educational Empowerment Across Sindh



On December 20, 2024, Aror University Sukkur proudly hosted the interview process for the Sindh Education Endowment Fund (SEEF) Scholarship 2023–24, welcoming a total of 212 student applicants seeking financial support for their academic journey.

The interview panel included:

- Mr. Wagar Ahmed Shar, Section Officer Endowment, SEEF Karachi
- Mr. Attaullah Jatoi, Additional Director, SFAO, Sukkur IBA University
- Mr. Imran Ali Mirani, SEEF Karachi

Representing Aror University, Mr. Najamuddin Mangi, Assistant Director – Student Financial Aid Office (SFAO), extended a warm welcome to the SEEF team and ensured seamless coordination throughout the interview process.

This initiative reflects the university's commitment to fostering equal access to education and supporting talented youth across Sindh. The SEEF Scholarship continues to play a vital role in empowering students to pursue higher education without financial barriers.

We extend our heartfelt best wishes to all the students who participated and commend the SEEF team for their unwavering dedication to educational advancement in the region.



Aror University and PHMA Sign MoU to Strengthen Industry-Academia

On December 20, 2024, Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design, and Heritage, Sukkur signed a landmark Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Pakistan Hosiery Manufacturers and Exporters Association (PHMA), establishing a strategic framework to bridge the gap between academia and industry.

The MoU was formally signed by Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University, and Mr. Faisal Arshad Shaikh, Chairman (South Zone) and Vice Chairman (Central) of PHMA. The ceremony was further honored by the presence of Mr. Aamir Haider Butt, Director of Fashionwear (Pvt.) Ltd., who witnessed the proceedings.

This partnership aims to foster collaboration across several key domains:

- Faculty Training: Enhancing pedagogical practices through exposure to industry standards
- Skill Development: Equipping students with practical expertise aligned with market needs
- Industry-Aligned Research: Encouraging innovation through joint research initiatives
- Internships & Job Placements: Creating direct pathways for student employment
- Curriculum Development: Aligning academic content with the evolving textile and garment sectors
- Material Support: Providing access to professional-grade tools and resources
- Faculty Exchange: Facilitating knowledge sharing between academic and industry professionals.

This alliance marks a significant milestone in advancing Pakistan's textile and garment industry by nurturing talent, promoting innovation, and reinforcing the role of higher education in economic development. Both institutions reaffirmed their commitment to empowering students and professionals through meaningful collaboration and shared expertise.

Aror University Holds Inaugural Board of Studies Meeting for BS Cyber Security Program



On December 26, 2024, Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design and Heritage, Sukkur convened its 1st Board of Studies meeting to formally initiate the launch of its BS Cyber Security program; it is a strategic addition to its academic portfolio aimed at addressing the growing demand for cybersecurity professionals.

The meeting marked a significant milestone in the program's development and was attended by a panel of distinguished experts and academic leaders, including:

Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor

- Dr. Rehan Shah, Chairman, Department of AI & Multimedia Gaming (MMG)
- Dr. Munawar Ali, Board Member
- Mr. Zafar Sahab, Board Member
- Mr. Faraz, Industry Representative
- Dr. Zulfiqar Zardari, Board Member
- Mr. Abdul Haseeb, Program In-charge, AI & MMG

The session commenced with the recitation of the Holy Quran, followed by a welcome address from the Vice Chancellor. Dr. Rehan Shah presented the working papers, which were unanimously approved by the Board members. Constructive feedback and suggestions were also shared to further refine the program's structure and relevance.

Key agenda items included the finalization of the programs:

- Vision and Mission Statements
- Program Educational Objectives (PEOs)
- Curriculum Framework and Course Structure

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks from the Vice Chancellor, acknowledging the valuable contributions of all participants and reaffirming the University's commitment to academic excellence and industry alignment.

This initiative reflects Aror University's forward-looking approach to equipping students with innovative skills in cybersecurity; it is an essential field in today's digital landscape.



On December 23, 2024, the Department of Environmental Sciences at Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design, and Heritage, Sukkur hosted the Zero Visit for accreditation by the National Agricultural Education Accreditation Council (NAEAC), HEC Islamabad, a pivotal step toward formal recognition of the department's academic and research excellence.

The NAEAC delegation was warmly received by the university's leadership. Prof. Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro, Dean, delivered the welcome address, setting a collaborative and forward-looking tone for the session.

Dr. Sabab Ali Shah, Chairman of the Department of Environmental Sciences, presented a comprehensive briefing that highlighted:

- Academic programs and curriculum development
- Ongoing research initiatives
- Departmental policies and governance
- Infrastructure and laboratory facilities
- Student and faculty support systems

The session also featured an insightful presentation by Dr. Abdul Jaffar, Secretary of NAEAC, who outlined the council's framework, operational functions, and the critical role of accreditation in elevating academic standards and institutional credibility.

The visit concluded with a strategic meeting between the NAEAC team and Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University. Dr. Khand shared the university's ongoing initiatives, innovative practices, and its broader vision for academic excellence and environmental stewardship.

The NAEAC team commended the university's progress and expressed appreciation for its commitment to quality education and research. This visit marks a significant milestone for the Department of Environmental Sciences, reinforcing its dedication to achieving national benchmarks and contributing meaningfully to sustainable development.

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Strategic Meeting Held to Advance Natural Fibers **Research and Eco-Friendly Innovation** ror University Sukkur convened a and regional economic growth.

Ahigh-level meeting to explore future collaboration for the establishment of a Natural Fibers Research and Development Center, aimed at promoting sustainable innovation and entrepreneurship in the region.

The meeting was chaired by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, who emphasized the strategic importance of launching natural fiber-based startups in the vicinity of Sukkur. These ventures would focus on producing eco-friendly products by harnessing locally available natural resources, with a strong emphasis on recycling waste materials into creative handicrafts and value-added goods. The initiative aspires to position these products for commercialization at both national and international markets, contributing to environmental sustainability

The discussion brought together key stakeholders, including Syed Inayat Hussain Shah, respected landowner and community partner; Mr. Aamir Haider Butt, Director of Fashionwear (Pvt) Ltd and a leading voice in the fashion and textile industry; Mr. Adnan Kehar, Syndicate Member and long-time supporter of Aror University; along with members of the Aror University Management Team.

This collaborative dialogue marks significant step toward building a researchdriven, sustainable ecosystem that integrates traditional craftsmanship with innovation, reinforcing Aror University's role as a promoter for regional development and environmental stewardship.





Aror University Explores Collaboration with Nasarpur Indigenous Traditional Arts (NITA)





The Vice Chancellor of Aror University Sukkur, Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, led a distinguished delegation to Nasarpur Indigenous Traditional Arts (NITA) to explore avenues for academic and cultural collaboration. Accompanying him were Prof. Dr. Zamir Abro, Dean of the Faculty of Design; Engr. Shabir Ahmed Mamonai, Technical Advisor; Dr. Sabab Ali Shah, Director ORIC; Najeeb Jatoi, Assistant Professor; and Salal Bugti, Lecturer in Ceramics.

During the visit, the team was deeply awe-struck by the exceptional craftsmanship displayed in ceramic art, reflecting the region's rich artistic inheritance. The primary focus of the visit was to assess the potential for establishing a state-of-the-art Ceramic Arts Lab at Aror University—an initiative aimed at blending indigenous techniques with contemporary design practices to foster innovation and preserve cultural heritage.

The delegation also observed traditional Ajrak block printing methods, gaining valuable insights into the intricate processes that define this iconic Sindhi textile art. This engagement underscores the university's commitment to promoting regional arts and integrating traditional knowledge into modern academic framework.

Aror University Explores Research Collaboration with JETRO on Banana Fiber Innovation

Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University Sukkur, held a strategic meeting with representatives of the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) in Karachi to discuss potential collaboration on banana fiber research and development. The dialogue centered on fostering joint initiatives that leverage the unique properties of banana fiber for innovative industrial applications.

This emerging partnership between Aror University and JETRO reflects a shared commitment to advancing sustainable technologies and promoting cross-border academic and trade cooperation. By exploring the untapped potential of banana fiber, the collaboration aims to contribute to eco-friendly solutions across sectors such as textiles, packaging, and agriculture.

The meeting marked a significant step toward integrating academic research with global industry practices, positioning Aror University as a forward-thinking institution driving regional innovation through international engagement.





Aror University VC Advocates Climate Action at International Sustainability Conference



Vice of Aror University of Art, environmental practices. He Design, Architecture, Heritage, Sukkur, was invited across Pakistan and the broader as Guest of Honor at the 1st region must take a leading role International Climate Change Environmental Sustainability, held on November 16, 2024, at the Benazir Bhutto Shaheed University of Technology and Skills Development, Khairpur Mir's.

Khand underscored

Zahid Hussain climate vulnerability and the between academia, industry, Chancellor critical need for sustainable and emphasized that universities Conference in driving climate-conscious and research, education, and innovation.

Dr. Khand called for the stewardship. development of robust academic presence and insights reinforced aimed at mitigating climate sustainability and its growing risks and promoting long- influence in shaping regional In his keynote address, Dr. term sustainability. He also discourse on climate action. the highlighted the importance of urgent challenges posed by fostering strategic partnerships

and government to formulate actionable solutions for climate resilience.

His remarks resonated with the conference's mission to unite thought leaders, researchers, and policymakers in a shared commitment to environmental Dr. Khand's frameworks Aror University's dedication to

Aror University Spends a Day with the Pakistan Army — Hosted by Pano Aqil Cantonment

ror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur, had the privilege of spending an inspiring and insightful day with the Pakistan Army, hosted by Pano Agil Cantonment. The visit offered faculty and students a rare opportunity to witness the discipline, resilience, and operational excellence that define the armed forces.

The day began with a solemn wreath-laying ceremony at Pak Chowk, honoring the martyrs who laid down their lives for the nation. A group photo session followed, symbolizing unity and mutual respect between academia and the military.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand held a productive meeting with senior army officials, reinforcing the importance of collaborative engagement between educational institutions and national defense forces.





The highlight of the day was an interactive session at the JMPH Hall, led by Maj. Gen. Shehryar Qureshi, GOC 16 Division. His powerful keynote on leadership, discipline, and national service set the tone for a dynamic two-hour Q&A session, where students and faculty engaged in meaningful dialogue on defense strategies, military life, and the youth's role in nation-building.

A heartfelt souvenir exchange ceremony added a personal touch to the proceedings, followed by a working lunch that encouraged open



conversations on national security, education, and leadership development.

The visit concluded with an exploration of military stalls and an exhilarating ride in an Armored Personnel Carrier (APC), offering participants a hands-on experience of the Pakistan Army's technological capabilities.

The event, aptly titled "A Day with the Army," left a lasting impression, instilling pride, deepening respect for the armed forces, and inspiring a renewed commitment to national progress among the future leaders of Aror University.

Aror University Developments Eco-Smart Campus Initiative for Sustainable Development

December 5, 2024 — The Green Campus Committee of Aror University Sukkur convened to advance the Eco-Smart Campus initiative, a strategic effort to set in sustainability and eco-conscious practices into university operations.

Discussions focused on key areas including the integration of renewable energy solutions, minimizing paper usage through digital transformation, expanding green spaces, and enhancing waste management systems. The committee also emphasized active student engagement through tree plantation drives, environmental workshops, and research-based projects addressing ecological challenges.

This initiative underscores Aror University's long-term commitment to environmental stewardship and its vision for a cleaner, greener academic ecosystem.



Aror University Strengthens Industry Ties with Mustaqim Group of Companies



December 5, 2024 — Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University Sukkur, visited the Mustaqim Group of Companies to explore avenues for strategic collaboration between academia and industry. The delegation included Prof. Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro, Dean of the Faculty of Design; Abdul Haleem Soomro, Director Finance; and Engr. Shabir Mamonai, Technical Advisor to the Vice Chancellor.

The team was warmly received by Mr. Saqib Bilwani, who facilitated discussions centered on bridging the skills gap through targeted training programs for faculty and students. The visit marked a promising step toward fostering innovation, practical learning, and industry-aligned academic development.

A ror University and Sukkur Beverages vigorous Visionary Partnership for Cultural and Urban Development

December 5, 2024 — In a collaborative meeting held at Sukkur Beverages Pvt. Limited, Mrs. Sayeeda Leghari, CEO, welcomed Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage Sukkur, along with his team: Prof. Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro, Dean of the Faculty of Design; Abdul Haleem Soomro, Director Finance; and Engr. Shabir Mamonai, Technical Advisor to the Vice Chancellor.

The discussion centered on academic collaboration and a series of visionary projects, including the beautification of Sukkur city, revival of regional culture, and the promotion of art, design, architecture, and heritage across Sindh and beyond. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks and the exchange of souvenirs, symbolizing a shared commitment to innovation, cultural enrichment, and sustainable urban





Chinese Consul General Hosts Educational Dialogue to Strengthen China-Pakistan Academic Collaboration

On December 19, 2024, His Excellency Mr. Yang Yundong, Chinese Consul General in Karachi, hosted a high-level session followed by a dinner focused on advancing China-Pakistan collaboration in education. The event brought together Chancellors, Vice Chancellors, Presidents, and Rectors from 25 leading universities across Sindh, Session development dialogue on strategic academic partnerships. The keynote address was delivered by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh, who warmly welcomed and setting an interconnected tone for the evening.

During the session, Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University Sukkur, shared insights into the university's active collaborations with various Chinese institutions. These include:

- Semester-based student exchange programs
- MS/PhD scholarship opportunities for faculty members
- Prospective joint research centers in partnership with Chinese companies operating in Pakistan.
- Winter exchange programs for Chinese

students

 Curriculum alignment with industry requirements to enhance employability and innovation.

His Excellency Mr. Yang Yundong welcomed all suggestions with enthusiasm, reaffirming China's commitment to expanding educational ties with Pakistan. The session concluded with mutual appreciation and a shared vision for expanding academic cooperation that supports innovation, cultural exchange, and regional development.



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ORIC Workshop Explores Strategic Restructuring for Innovation and Financial Sustainability

The Office of Research, Innovation, and Commercialization (ORIC) at Aror University Sukkur successfully organized a thought-provoking workshop titled "Transforming Universities: Restructuring ORICs for Sustainable Financial Independence and Innovation." The event brought together academic leaders and experts to explore strategic approaches for enhancing university-based research commercialization and innovation ecosystems.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand inaugurated the session with a warm welcome to the distinguished guests and emphasized the intact commercialization potential of traditional ceramics, highlighting its relevance in both cultural preservation and economic development.

The workshop featured Prof. Tahir Mahmood Chaudhary as the keynote resource person, who shared valuable intuitions on fostering institutional innovation and achieving financial impartiality through structured commercialization frameworks, industry linkages, and entrepreneurial initiatives.

The session was skillfully moderated by Mr. Shafique Ahmed, ensuring a dynamic and engaging dialogue among participants. This initiative reflects Aror University's commitment to empowering its research community and aligning academic outputs with sustainable development goals.



Industry-Academia Synergy: Aror University Hosts Fashionwear Director for Strategic Dialogue



A ror University Sukkur had the honor of hosting Mr. Aamir Haider Butt, Director of Fashionwear (Pvt) Ltd, a prominent leader in Pakistan's fashion and textile industry, for an insightful session titled "Bridging the Gap Between Industry and Academia." The event served as a dynamic platform for fostering collaboration between academic institutions and industry stakeholders.

During the session, Mr. Butt shared invaluable standpoints on aligning academic training with evolving industry demands. Key themes included the integration of market-relevant skills into university curriculum, the development of robust internship and mentorship programs, and the importance of sustained dialogue between academia and industry to ensure graduates are well-prepared for professional challenges.

The session concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, who emphasized the university's commitment to nurturing industry-ready talent. As a gesture of appreciation, souvenirs were presented to Mr. Aamir Haider Butt and Mr. Adnan Kehar, a long-standing supporter and friend of Aror University.

The event wrapped up with a guided campus tour, featuring a visit to the university's art gallery, where guests admired the creative work of Visual Arts students—highlighting the institution's dedication and commitment to artistic excellence and innovation.

Empowering Academic Leadership: Phase II of **Professional Development Program for University Deans in Sindh**



The Sindh Higher Education Commission **▲** (SHEC) successfully organized Phase II of the Professional Development Program for Future Leaders (Deans) of Universities in Sindh, held from Tuesday, November 5 to Thursday, November 7, 2024. This transformative initiative brought together deans from both public and private universities across the province, aiming strengthen institutional leadership governance in higher education.

Among the distinguished participants was Prof. Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro, Dean of the Faculty of Design, who joined fellow academic leaders in a The Pakistan Council of Architects and Town rigorous training focused on strategic leadership, networking.

symbolic flag-raising led jointly by the youngest excellence.

and most senior deans, reflecting the program's commitment to inclusive leadership. The threeday event culminated in a graduation ceremony graced by prominent figures including Prof. Dr. S.M. Tariq Rafi, Chairman of SHEC; Mr. Moin Uddin Siddiqui, Secretary of SHEC; Dr. Syed Saif Ur Rehman, Director General of the National Institute of Public Administration Karachi; and vice-chancellors from leading universities.

This initiative underscores SHEC's dedication to cultivating visionary leadership in academia, equipping deans with the tools and insights necessary to navigate the evolving landscape of higher education in Sindh.

Aror University Faculty Participate in PCATP **Accreditation Workshop**



■ Planners (PCATP) successfully organized a financial management, procurement protocols, specialized training workshop for Evaluators and audit practices, research commercialization, and Observers on November 15, 2024, at Beach Luxury the operational dynamics of statutory bodies. Hotel, Karachi. This initiative is part of PCATP's The program also served as a vital platform for ongoing efforts to strengthen the accreditation fostering inter-university collaboration and peer framework for architecture programs across Pakistan by equipping professionals The inauguration ceremony was marked by a the necessary expertise to uphold academic Representing Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur, two esteemed faculty members—Ar. Dr. Waqas Ahmed Mahar (Chairman, Department of Architecture) and Ar. Mehnaz Soomro (Assistant Professor, Architecture)—actively participated in the workshop. The session offered a comprehensive overview of the accreditation process, emphasizing the critical role of evaluators and observers in maintaining and elevating educational standards within the architectural discipline.

Aror University extends its congratulations to PCATP for organizing this impactful workshop and including its faculty in this important professional development opportunity. Engagements like these not only deepen institutional understanding of accreditation protocols but also empower educators to contribute meaningfully to the advancement of architecture education nationwide.

Aror University Sukkur Launches Faculty Training Program in Collaboration with Mustaqim Group of Companies



December 31, 2024 — Sukkur: In a forward-looking initiative to strengthen academia & industry linkages, the Faculty of Design at Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage has launched a 10-day faculty training program in collaboration with the Mustaqim Group of Companies.

This strategic partnership was designed to enhance the proficiencies of faculty members, ensuring that graduates were equipped with the practical, industry-relevant skills necessary to thrive in today's competitive job market.

The training program offers captivating, direct exposure to core industry operations, with a focus on:

- Spinning and Weaving Techniques
- Textile Design and Manufacturing Processes
- Product Development and Innovation

Sessions being hosted at two of Mustaqim Group's leading facilities—Mustaqim Dyeing and Printing and Bonanza Satrangi—providing faculty members with direct insight into the operational dynamics of the textile and design sectors.

By engaging with industry professionals and observing production workflows in real time, participants will gain a deeper understanding of current market trends, technological advancements, and practical challenges. This experience is expected to significantly enhance pedagogical approaches and contribute to the development of a curriculum that is both contemporary and industry aligned.

Aror University remains committed to fostering meaningful collaborations that elevate academic

Weaving Knowledge with Experience: Textile & Fashion Design Students Embark on Transformative Study Tour





from the BS Textile and Fashion Design program at Aror University Sukkur recently embarked on a dynamic and immersive study tour to Karachian experience that completely blended creativity, industry exposure, and cultural enrichment. The journey began at Zaman Textile Mill and Studio, where students looked into the intricate processes of textile production, gaining firsthand insight into design development and material innovation. Their next stop, Popular Textile Mill, offered a deep insight into the operational scale and professional practices of the textile industry, bridging classroom theory with real-world application.

The second day brought fresh inspiration at Orient Textile Mill and Studio, where cutting-edge techniques and contemporary

Tudents of the 3rd and 4th semesters design philosophies expanded students' from the BS Textile and Fashion Design program at Aror University craftsmanship. The tour culminated in a visit to Hala, where students witnessed the traditional Sindhi Ajrak block printing process—an awe-inspiring encounter with the cultural heritage of Sindh that underscored the timeless artistry of indigenous textile traditions.

Beyond the educational value, the tour sparked promising collaborations. Industrial focal persons expressed keen interest in partnering with Aror University through internships, guest lectures, and hands-on workshops—strengthening the vital link between academia and industry. This initiative not only broadened students' horizons but also reinforced the university's commitment to experiential learning and professional development in the textile and fashion design sector.

Bridging Academia and Industry: Environmental Sciences Students Visit Fauji Fertilizer Company



In a bold stride toward experiential learning Land sustainable innovation, the Department of Environmental Sciences at Aror University Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur, organized an immersive study tour to the renowned Fauji Fertilizer Company (FFC), Mirpur Mathelo. This initiative reflects the university's unwavering commitment to equipping students with real-world exposure to cutting-edge industrial practices and ecoconscious technologies.

The visit served as a significant bridge between academia and industry, spotlighting the shared mission of shaping a greener, smarter future. Students observed FFC's high-impact operational workflows, advanced product development systems, and state-of-the-art environmental management protocol recognizing standards in the fertilizer sector.

Led by the visionary Dr. Sabab Ali Shah, Chairman of the Department, the tour emphasized the critical importance of integrating industrial expertise with academic insight. Dr. Shah passionately highlighted how such collaborations empower students to tackle complex environmental challenges with confidence, creativity, purpose.

From hands-on learning to strategic dialogue, the tour was a promoter for inspiration igniting curiosity, fostering innovation, and emphasizing the role of future environmental leaders in driving sustainable development across Pakistan and tailored to the spiritual and communal needs beyond.



Study Tour to Bhong Mosque and SSD Temple: A Journey Through Architectural

s part of their experiential learning, architecture students from Aror University embarked on an insightful study tour to Bhong Mosque in Rahim Yar Khan and the Sacho Satram Das (SSD) Temple in Raharki, Ghotki, on 9th November 2024. These visits are aimed to deepen students' understanding of architectural design, cultural symbolism, and spatial planning through direct engagement with historically significant sites.

Guided by esteemed faculty members, students explored the aesthetic, structural, and cultural dimensions of these landmarks, gaining valuable exposure to diverse architectural philosophies and religious contexts.

Bhong Mosque

Renowned for its elaborate ornamentation and eclectic use of materials-including stone, gold marble, and mirror work-Bhong Mosque offered students a vivid example of craftsmanship and Islamic architectural heritage. The site visit was enriched by insights from the mosque's caretaker, who shared the legacy of its founder, Rais Ghazi, and highlighted design elements inspired by Mughal and Ottoman traditions. Students were particularly captivated by the intricate calligraphy, geometric patterns, and vegetal motifs that adorn the structure, reflecting a fusion of artistry and devotion.

SSD Temple

The visit to SSD Temple provided a unique opportunity to study architectural planning of the Hindu community. Welcomed by temple guide Mr. Viki Kumar, students toured the expansive 100-acre complex, which includes monumental structures, a temple, guest accommodation, and a cafeteria. The experience allowed students to analyze spatial organization, security considerations, and techniques for designing large-span areas within a culturally sensitive framework.

This educational excursion not only broadened students' architectural perspectives but also reinforced the importance of cultural empathy and contextual design in shaping meaningful built environments.

Heritage Study Trip Deepens Students' Connection to Sindh's Cultural Legacy

on December 14, 2024, the Faculty of Heritage at Aror University Sukkur organized an immersive study trip for students, offering a rare opportunity to explore three iconic sites: Faiz Mahal, Kot Deji Fort, and the Kot Deji Museum. Guided by faculty members, the visit aimed to foster a deeper appreciation for Sindh's rich cultural and historical heritage.

The journey began at Faiz Mahal, where students were captivated by the majestic architecture and artistic grandeur of the Talpur dynasty. The intricate design and historical significance of the palace served as a vivid reminder of Sindh's regal past.

At Kot Deji Fort, the group examined its formidable defensive structure, strategically built by Mir Sohrab Khan Talpur. The fort's elevated position and robust design highlighted

its historical role in regional defense and governance.

The final stop at the Kot Deji Museum offered a compelling glimpse into the pre-Harappan Kot Deji civilization. Exhibits featuring ancient pottery, tools, and artifacts helped students trace the roots of Sindh's prehistoric culture and its enduring legacy.

This educational excursion not only enriched students' academic understanding but also underscored the importance of heritage conservation and historical continuity. It reinforced the collective responsibility to preserve these cultural treasures for future generations, ensuring that Sindh's legacy remains vibrant and accessible.







Bridging Media and Academia: A Milestone Visit to **Aror University** Sukkur



Lmedia collaboration, Embarrass the university's and its presented with an in-depth impression of societal progress.

In a breakthrough moment for academic- Aror University's bold strategic vision for a renowned 2023-2030, spotlighting transformative journalist delegation from the National initiatives led by Vice Chancellor Prof. Press Club Islamabad was warmly Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand. Journalists received at Aror University Sukkur. The praised the university's avant-garde visit, hosted by esteemed university leadership and its role in determining officials - Dr. Pir Suhail Ahmed Sarhandi a vivacious academic ecosystem. The (Registrar), Prof. Dr. Zamir Abro (Dean, visit culminated in a guided campus Faculty of Design), and Mr. Haleem tour, offering firsthand insight into Soomro (Director Finance). Respected the institution's evolving substructure dynamic, student-centered commitment to transparency, innovation, environment—an inspiring witness to the and regional impact. The delegation was power of visionary education in driving

Bridging Institutions, Building Futures: Civil Engineering Students Connect at Aror University Sukkur



n a remarkable initiative to promote Lacademic collaboration and experiential students the Civil learning, from Engineering Department of MUET SZAB Campus recently visited Aror University Sukkur. The educational tour offered an enriching glimpse into Aror University's state-of-the-art Civil Engineering labs, advanced equipment, and hands-on studio environments. Students engaged with ongoing building construction projects, gaining practical exposure to modern engineering techniques and

infrastructure development.

The visit initiated meaningful dialogue and exchange between students and faculty from both institutions, fostering a spirit of innovation and partnership. This interaction not only broadened technical understanding but also laid the groundwork for future collaborations in research, training, and joint ventures, strengthening the collective vision for excellence in Civil Engineering across Sindh.

Rousing Young Creatives: Sukkur Arts Council Students Explore Visual Arts at Aror University



n Monday, October 14, 2024, the Department and Painting. Through hands-on demonstrations of Visual Arts at Aror University Sukkur and insightful discussions, they gained a deeper warmly welcomed students from the Sukkur Arts Council for an engaging campus visit. Guided by Assistant Professors Habib Rahman and Musadiq Badar, along with Lecturer Kashif Ali, the visit offered a lively introduction to the university's creative ecosystem and the diverse opportunities within the BS Visual Arts Program. The students engaged enthusiastically as they toured the department's specialized studios, such

formal education at Aror University. These visits not only fostered community engagement but also reinforced the university's role in nurturing emerging talent and inspiring the next generation of creative professionals.

understanding of the academic and professional

pathways available in the visual arts. The energy

and curiosity displayed by the visiting students reflected a genuine passion for artistic growth,

with many utterly keen interests in pursuing

Jazz Pakistan Leadership Visits **Aror University to Explore Collaborative Innovation**

as Miniature Painting, Sculpture, Printmaking,

ror University Sukkur had the privilege of Ahosting Mr. Wahib Aslam, Regional Business Head at Jazz Pakistan, along with his team, for a strategic visit aimed at fostering industryacademia collaboration. The delegation was welcomed with a comprehensive presentation by Dr. Pir Suhail Sarhandi, Registrar, who outlined the university's vision, mission, and strategic roadmap for academic and infrastructural growth.

The session was attended by Prof. Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro and Mr. Abdul Haleem Soomro, Director of Finance, who shared insights into the university's ongoing initiatives and future aspirations. During the campus tour, the guests explored various labs, studios, and development projects, commending the leadership of Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand for his transformative role in shaping a forwardthinking academic environment.

Mr. Aslam and his team engaged with students and faculty, expressing admiration for the artistic talent, technical creativity, and innovative spirit evident across disciplines. Impressed by the university's dynamic culture, Mr. Aslam pledged Jazz Pakistan's support for future collaborative projects focused on equipping students with cutting-edge technological skills, preparing them for success in an increasingly digital and competitive world.



Parliamentary Reporters Association Delegation Visits Aror University Sukkur

On November 4, 2024, Aror University Sukkur had the honor of hosting a distinguished delegation from the Parliamentary Reporters Association of Pakistan (PRA). The delegation was warmly received by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, who led an engaging and informative session outlining the university's mission, vision, and its ambitious Strategic Plan for 2023–2030.

During the visit, the PRA representatives expressed deep appreciation for the university's visionary leadership and its commitment to transformative growth. They commended the institution's forward-looking initiatives, emphasizing the critical role of educational leadership in fostering regional development and advancing academic excellence.

The visit concluded with a guided campus tour, offering a delegation firsthand insight into the university's state-of-the-art infrastructure and the vibrant academic environment being cultivated for both students and faculty.





Strengthening Academic Ties: SAU Tandojam VC Visits Aror University

Prof. Dr. Fateh Muhammad Marri, Vice Chancellor of Sindh Agriculture University (SAU), Tandojam, recently paid an official visit to Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design, and Heritage, Sukkur. He was warmly welcomed by Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University, in a gesture that underscored mutual respect and institutional munificence.

The visit served as a platform for meaningful dialogue between the two academic leaders, who explored avenues for collaboration in education, research, and innovation. Discussions focused on joint initiatives that could enrich academic offerings, promote interdisciplinary research, and foster capacity-building across both universities.

To celebrate the occasion, Prof. Dr. Marri was presented with a ceremonial shield, symbolizing the spirit of partnership and the shared commitment to advancing higher education in Sindh. The visit marked the beginning of a promising alliance poised to benefit students, faculty, and the broader academic community.



Team IBA Karachi Visits Aror University Sukkur to Explore Strategic Collaboration



(IBA) Karachi visited Aror University of Art, Hussain Khand for his role in advancing key Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur, marking a significant step toward academic and creative studios, and sustainable green campus institutional collaboration.

The visit commenced with a comprehensive presentation led by Prof. Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro, Dean of the Faculty of Design, who, along with his team, outlined the university's vision, mission, and strategic roadmap. The dialogue between both institutions centered on exploring a strategic alliance, with shared interests in goodwill. This interaction laid the foundation student engagement, leadership development, communications, growth initiatives.

n November 22, 2024, a delegation from The IBA team toured the campus, commending the Institute of Business Administration the leadership of Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid projects, including state-of-the-art laboratories, initiatives. They engaged with faculty, and staff, expressing admiration for the innovative work and forward-thinking ideas showcased across disciplines.

> The visit concluded with a heartfelt souvenir exchange, reflecting Aror University's commitment to hospitality and academic for future collaborations aimed at enriching the and broader professional educational landscape of Pakistan.

SIEHS-1122 Leadership Visits Aror University to Strengthen **Emergency Care Awareness**



Tovember 29, 2024 – Col. Ghulam Mustafa, Regional Manager SIEHS-1122 Operations North, and Zonal Manager Raza Iqbal visited Aror University Sukkur to discuss emergency response initiatives. They met Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, presenting a detailed overview of SIEHS-1122's ambulance services and operational framework.

The Vice Chancellor commended their lifesaving efforts, while Professor Ghulam Hussain Manghar honored Col. Mustafa with a book as token of appreciation, recognizing the team's dedication to advancing pre-hospital emergency care.

Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Delegation Commends Aror University's **Progress and Vision**



ecember 5, 2024 – A distinguished audit delegation from Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal (PBM) visited Aror University Sukkur to assess fund utilization, academic performance, and campus infrastructure. The team comprised senior officials including Mr. Tahir Iqbal, Mr. Imtiaz Shah, Mr. Shabir Ahmed Memon, Mr. Imtiaz Nasir, and Mr. Noman Rasheed.

Welcomed by Mr. Najamuddin Mangi, Assistant Director SFAO, the delegation received a comprehensive briefing on the university's rapid development under the visionary leadership of Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand. Impressed by the institution's commitment to academic excellence and student welfare, the PBM team pledged continued support for future collaborations-particularly in extending financial aid to talented and deserving students pursuing higher education.

Cadet College Pano Aqil Students Visit Aror University **Sukkur for Academic Exposure**



n December 11, 2024, a group of enthusiastic insightful tour of various departments, allowing students from Cadet College Pano Aqil them to explore diverse fields of study and visited Aror University Sukkur for an enriching academic experience. The visit was part of the university's outreach initiative aimed at fostering educational awareness and career readiness among young learners.

During their visit on campus, the cadets received a comprehensive orientation led by faculty members and the Department of Admissions & Marketing. The session included detailed guidance on the university's admission procedures, scholarship opportunities, academic programs. Students were also given an

research.

A dedicated career counseling segment helped students understand potential career paths aligned with their interests and academic strengths. The interactive discussions aroused curiosity and inspired many to consider higher education options at Aror University.

The visit concluded with a group photo and a token of appreciation, marking a successful day of learning, engagement, and future-building.

Prominent Delegation Visits Aror University Sukkur to Commend Academic Excellence



On December 12, 2024, Aror University Sukkur had the honor of hosting a distinguished delegation comprising eminent academicians and industrial leaders. The visiting group included Mr. Abdul Shakoor Sheikh, Executive Director of State Life of Pakistan; Prof. Dr. Naimatullah Laghari, former Dean of Tando Jam Agricultural University; Agha Shamsuddin Pathan and Mr. Rizwan Khan, respected businessmen; Mr. Zaheer Shaikh, retired banker; Dr. Rasool Bux, renowned cardiac surgeon from Medicare Hospital Karachi; and Mr. Abdul Fatah Sheikh, former President of the Sukkur Chamber of Commerce.

The delegation was warmly received by Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University Sukkur. A comprehensive presentation was delivered by the University Registrar, highlighting the institution's academic programs, research initiatives, and strategic vision.

The guests expressed profound admiration for the transformative leadership of Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand and his unwavering commitment to building a world-class center of higher education in Sukkur. They lauded the university's dedication to academic rigor, innovation, and meaningful community engagement.

The visit concluded with a gesture of cultural appreciation, as the Vice Chancellor presented traditional Ajrak to the esteemed guests, symbolizing hospitality and respect.

Prominent Delegation Visits Aror University Sukkur to Commend Academic Excellence



Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur had the honor of hosting Member of the National Assembly (MNA) Pir Syed Fazal Ali Shah Jillani, who visited the campus to engage with students and explore the university's creative and environmental initiatives.

The distinguished guest was warmly received by Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University, along with Prof. Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro, Dean of the Faculty of Design. The visit featured a vibrant garments exhibition, where students showcased their artistic integration of traditional embroidery techniques into modern denim jackets and shirts—demonstrating a fusion of heritage and contemporary fashion.

As a token of appreciation, shields and shawls designed by the university's creative hub, Aror Design House (ADH), were presented to the guest, reflecting the institution's commitment to craftsmanship and cultural expression.

In a symbolic act of environmental stewardship, Pir Syed Fazal Ali Shah Jillani planted a tree on campus and commended the university's "Go Green Aror" initiative. He praised the leadership for promoting sustainability and encouraging students to take active roles in preserving the environment.

Empowering Education Through Technology: Aror University Joins Landmark Google for Education Partnership



Chancellor of Aror University Sukkur, 31 other Vice Chancellors from universities across the province.

In a transformative move to modernize Through this initiative, universities under $oldsymbol{1}$ higher education across Sindh, Tech SHEC's jurisdiction will gain access to Valley Pakistan-Google for Education's Google Workspace for Education-a trusted partner-has joined forces with globally recognized suite of tools used the Sindh Higher Education Commission by over 75% of the world's workforce. (SHEC) and the Information Science Students, faculty, and staff will benefit and Technology Department (ISTD) to from powerful platforms such as Gmail, equip universities with essential digital Drive, Docs, Sheets, and Slides, enabling tools for the 21st-century workforce, seamless communication, collaboration, This groundbreaking collaboration was and productivity. This partnership not formally endorsed by Sindh Chief Minister only enhances the digital infrastructure Syed Murad Ali Shah and signed by Vice of public universities but also aligns them with global standards, preparing Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, alongside graduates to thrive in competitive, techdriven environments and fostering a culture of innovation across Sindh's academic landscape.

Aror University Sukkur Shines at Punjab Affordable Housing Program with Sustainable Innovations

Paculty members from the Faculty of University secured an impressive 6th Architecture and Planning (FATP) position demonstrating its commitment at Aror University Sukkur proudly represented the university at the Punjab Affordable Housing Program, held at the prestigious Royal Palm & Country Golf Club in Lahore on October 11, 2024. Competing among 26 institutions, Aror

'Architecture and Planning (FATP) position demonstrating its commitment to sustainable engineering and forwardthinking design solutions.

> Led by Engr. Gulzar Hussain, Program In-charge of Civil Engineering, the team included Engr. Shuban Ali, Engr. Saifal Hameed, and Mr. Zafarullah Rind, who

developed within the university's civil engineering labs. Highlights included the production of green concrete blocks, the visionary blue roads concept, and the pioneering plastic waste road initiative—each reflecting the university's dedication to environmentally responsible infrastructure and practical research.

This achievement underscores Aror University's growing influence in sustainable development and its active role in addressing real-world challenges through academic excellence and innovation.



Exploring Gender, Power, and Progress: Book Talk with Dr. Nadia Agha Inspires Dialogue at Aror University Sukkur



Aror University Sukkur recently hosted a thought-provoking book talk featuring "Kinship, Patriarchal Structure and Women's Bargaining with Patriarchy in Rural Sindh, Pakistan", authored by Prof. Dr. Nadia Agha, esteemed Professor of Sociology at Shah Abdul Latif University, Khairpur. Recognized as the Best Book by the Higher Education Commission (HEC) Islamabad, Dr. Agha's work offers a compelling exploration of gender dynamics, social structures, and the resilience of women navigating patriarchal norms in rural Sindh.

Session Moderated by Dr. Qasim Sodhar, In-Charge of the Faculty of Heritage, the session adopted an engaging conversational format. Dr. Agha shared the inspiration behind her research, applying the methodologies she employed and the nuanced comparisons between the status of women in Pakistan and those in the global North. Her insights into patriarchy, feminism, and the socio-cultural landscape initiated meaningful dialogue on gender equity and the pathways toward transformative change.

The event was marked by vibrant student participation, with attendees from diverse academic backgrounds contributing personal reflections, posing incisive questions, and engaging in open discussion. The session concluded with a heartfelt gesture of appreciation, as Dr. Qasim Sodhar and Ms. Uzma Memon, Student Counsellor, presented souvenirs to Dr. Agha in recognition of her impactful scholarship and inspiring presence.

Aror University Conducts Field Density Testing at Sheikh Ayaz University, Shikarpur



On October 19, 2024, the Civil Engineering Department of Aror University Sukkur, through its specialized unit Aror Material Testing Services, conducted a comprehensive Field Density Test (FDT) using the Sand Cone Replacement Method at multiple locations within the ongoing road network construction project at Sheikh Ayaz University, Shikarpur.

The primary objective of the test was to determine the in-situ density of soil and assess the quality of soil compaction, a critical factor in ensuring the structural integrity and longevity of road infrastructure. The testing was carried out under the supervision of Lab In-charge Engr. Shuban

Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur Successfully Conducts Recruitment Test for Cadet Colleges

A ror University Sukkur, successfully administered the recruitment test for various Cadet Colleges across Sindh on November 3, 2024. The examination took place on the university campus, where meticulous arrangements were made to ensure a smooth and efficient experience for all candidates.

To uphold a secure and supportive testing

Ali and Lecturer Engr. Shahbaz Ali, utilizing advanced equipment and adhering strictly to standardized engineering protocols.

This collaborative effort between Aror University and regional academic institutions exemplifies the growing emphasis on academic-industry partnerships in the field of Civil Engineering. By integrating practical fieldwork with academic expertise, such initiatives contribute to the enhancement of construction quality, promote knowledge exchange, and support regional development through applied research and innovation.





environment, the university implemented comprehensive safety protocols. These included the deployment of Rescue 1122 teams, an Emergency Mobile Health Unit, police personnel, and an on-site general physician to safeguard the health and well-being of participants.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand personally oversaw the preparations, reaffirming the university's dedication to maintaining high

Aror University Sukkur Hosts PEEF Scholarship Interviews



Aror University Sukkur proudly hosted the scholarship interviews for the esteemed Pakistan Education Endowment Fund (PEEF), under the distinguished chairmanship of Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand. The Institutional Scholarship Award Committee (ISAC) convened with the presence of prominent academic figures, including Prof. Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro, Dr. Javaria Manzoor Shaikh, and Mr. Najamuddin Mangi.

Representatives from PEFF Islamabad—Mr. Majeed Asif Shaikh (Manager Scholarships) and Mr. Shabir Ahmed Memon (Director, Pakistan Sweet Home Sukkur)—also participated as ISAC members, offering valuable perspectives to the selection process. A total of 70 meritorious students were interviewed, each demonstrating exceptional promise and dedication to their academic pursuits.

The initiative reflects PEEF's ongoing commitment to fostering educational equity by empowering talented individuals and removing financial obstacles to higher learning.

standards in academic assessment. His presence underscored the institution's commitment to fairness, transparency, and excellence in testing procedures.

Dr. Khand extended his appreciation to the testing team for their professionalism and diligence, commending their pivotal role in ensuring the successful execution of the recruitment test.

Aror University Sukkur Successfully Conducts Lab Engineer Recruitment Test



November 30, 2024 — Aror University Sukkur, successfully conducted the recruitment test for ad-hoc Lab Engineer positions. Held on campus, the test drew a high turnout of candidates that was marked by meticulous planning and execution.

To ensure a secure and supportive environment, the university deployed Rescue 1122 teams, an Emergency Mobile Health Unit, police personnel, and an on-site physician, reflecting its commitment to candidate safety and well-being. The testing halls were equipped with all necessary resources, and staff member were appointed throughout the venue to assist participants.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand personally inspected the arrangements, emphasizing the university's dedication to fair and transparent recruitment process. He praised the Testing team for their professionalism and efficiency, noting that such efforts reinforce the institution's reputation for academic integrity and operational excellence.

Aror University Represents at Pak Water and Energy Expo 2024



December 5, 2024 — Dr. Sabab Ali Shah, Chairman of the Department of Environmental Sciences at Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur, actively participated in the Pak Water and Energy Expo, Exhibition, and Conference held at Expo Center Karachi.

The event convened leading experts, researchers, and industry stakeholders to discuss innovative and sustainable solutions to Pakistan's water and energy challenges. Dr. Shah's presence underscored Aror University's commitment to environmental stewardship and its role in fostering interdisciplinary collaboration for sustainable development. His engagement reflects the university's growing influence in shaping policy and practice around critical ecological issues.

Seminar Sparks Collective Action Against Gender-Based Violence

An inspiring awareness seminar titled "The Women United for Change Movement" was held on Thursday, December 5, 2024, at Sukkur IBA University. Organized by the DIGP Sukkur Range, the event aligned with the global campaign 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence (GBV), observed annually from November 25 to December 10.

The seminar drew a diverse and engaged audience, including police officials, FIA representatives, members of various NGOs, and students and faculty from multiple universities. Aror University also joined as a collaborating partner, with two of its representatives actively participating.

A highlight of the event was a compelling panel discussion moderated by Ms. Uzma, Student Counselor at Aror University. The dialogue featured prominent voices, including Dr. Qasim Sodhar, Head of the Faculty of Heritage, who

shared valuable perspectives on the issue.

The seminar concluded with a powerful call to action, urging institutions and individuals alike to take ownership in combating Gender-Based Violence. The collective message was clear: united efforts can drive meaningful change and foster safer, more equitable communities.



Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & heritage, Sukkur Successfully Conducts Lecturer Recruitment Test at SBBU, Shaheed Benazirabad

On December 21, 2024, Aror University Sukkur, successfully conducted the Recruitment Test for Lecturer positions at Shaheed Benazir Bhutto University (SBBU), Shaheed Benazirabad. The test was held on the SBBU university premises, where comprehensive arrangements were made to ensure a smooth and well-organized experience for all candidates.

Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University Sukkur, personally inspected the facilities and organizational setup, reaffirming the university's commitment to delivering a transparent and eminent assessment process.

Engr. Prof. Dr. Madad Ali Shah, Vice Chancellor of SBBU, also visited the test venue and praised the testing team for their professionalism and dedication. He praised the team's efforts in establishing a fair, well-managed, and conducive testing environment, and expressed his appreciation for their role in facilitating a satisfactory recruitment process.

This successful collaboration between Aror University and SBBU imitates a shared assurance to academic integrity, institutional excellence, and the advancement of merit-based recruitment in higher education.







Student curricular & co-curricular

A Canvas as debut: Visual Arts Students Debut at Aror University

The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. **▲** Zahid Hussain Khand, proudly inaugurated the Art Exhibition organized by 3rd semester Visual Arts students—a stirring moment in their creative journey. This debut showcase marked students' first foray into the world of professional art galleries, where their work was presented for jury evaluation. The exhibition reflected months of dedication, as these emerging artists honed essential skills—from canvas preparation artwork production framing and curating galleryready displays. Vice Chancelor Dr. Khand applauded faculty and students for their hard work, with each brushstroke and installation, they demonstrated not technical development but also a thickening artistic voice, setting the leg for future contributions to the visual arts landscape.





Aror University Observes Kashmir Black Day in Solidarity with the People of Kashmir



Day, reaffirming its unwavering solidarity message on the importance of civic awareness with the people of Jammu and Kashmir in and empathy. He encouraged students to remain their enduring struggle for freedom and selfdetermination. The observance marks the anniversary of the Indian military intervention on October 27, 1947, and serves as a poignant reminder of the ongoing humanitarian and political challenges faced by Kashmiris.

The event commenced at 10:30 AM with the recitation of the Holy Quran, followed by playing the national anthem, setting a respectful and reflective tone. A series of student-led speeches, delivered passionately in Urdu and Sindhi, emphasized the moral imperative of standing with the oppressed and highlighted the deep-rooted historical and cultural ties between Pakistan and Kashmir.

Empowering Futures: Aror University Hosts Seminar on Securing Global Scholarships

n October 31, 2024, Aror University Sukkur held an inspiring session titled "Pathways to Global Education: How to Navigate & Secure International Scholarships" in the Senate Hall, aimed at guiding students and faculty toward international academic opportunities.

The session featured two distinguished speakers: Prof. Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro, Dean of the Faculty of Design, and Dr. Waqas Ahmed Mahar, Chairman of the Department of Architecture.

Dr. Abro shared valuable insights scholarship programs in China, detailing the application process, success metrics, and the strategic importance of learning Mandarin. He also highlighted the MoUs signed between Aror University and leading Chinese institutions, reinforcing the university's commitment to global academic partnerships.

Dr. Mahar expanded the conversation to encompass worldwide scholarship opportunities for Pakistani students. He offered practical guidance on identifying, applying for, scholarships, emphasizing transformative impact of international education. He encouraged students and faculty alike to pursue these avenues, affirming that Pakistani

ctober 28, 2024 - Aror University Sukkur Dr. Zamir Abro, Dean of the Faculty of Design, solemnly commemorated Kashmir Black addressed the gathering with a powerful informed and actively engaged, advocating for a peaceful resolution and justice for the Kashmiri people through dialogue and international support.

> The event concluded with a solidarity walk, where students, faculty, and staff from various departments joined hands in a symbolic gesture of unity and support for the Kashmir cause. The walk reflected the university's commitment to fostering a socially conscious academic environment that champions human rights and global awareness.

> scholars possess remarkable talent and global potential.

> The session was moderated by Mr. Shafique Ahmed Mahar, Lecturer in History, who facilitated a lively and engaging dialogue. The event concluded with an interactive Q&A, where participants enthusiastically explored further possibilities for academic advancement.





Aror University Hosts Transformative Dialogue on Peace, Rights, and Climate Justice





In a powerful collaboration with Bhittai Social Watch & Advocacy (BSWA) and the Sindh Human Rights Commission (SHRC), Aror University Sukkur organized an insightful academic dialogue centered on Women, Peace & Security, Social Harmony, Democratic Culture, and Climate Justice. The event served as a vibrant platform for intellectual exchange and community engagement.

The session commenced with a warm welcome by Ms. Uzma Khatoon, Student Counsellor, followed by Mr. Khadim Hussain Mirani, Executive Director of BSWA, who introduced the project's vision and the objectives of the dialogue. A dynamic panel discussion ensued, featuring thought leaders and emerging voices:

- Ms. Safia Bano (IOM Shelter Sector, Sukkur)
- Prof. Dr. Taj Muhammad Lashari (Academic Advisor, BSWA)
- Dr. Sabab Ali Shah (Chairman, Environmental Sciences, Aror University)
- Mr. Basit (Peace Ambassador)
- Ms. Zoya and Mr. Uzair (Students, Faculty of Heritage)

The discussion was skillfully moderated by Dr. Ali Raza Lashari, Assistant Professor at SALU, who guided the conversation through critical themes and diverse perspectives.

Concluding the session, Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University, delivered a compelling address underscoring the indispensable role of women in shaping society and the power of individual action in driving collective progress.

Thought-Provoking Session Explores the Role of Knowledge in Society



between Knowledge and Society" in its Senate Hall, featuring distinguished writer and civil society advocate Mr. Naseer Memon as the keynote speaker. In a captivating address, Mr. Memon explored the historical evolution of knowledge dissemination, drawing parallels between Europe's transformation from the Dark Ages to its modern intellectual landscape. He thoughtfully connected these insights to the contemporary challenges facing Pakistan, particularly in Sindh, underscoring the pivotal role of universities in shaping informed and progressive societies.

Mr. Memon commended Aror University for its proactive efforts in narrowing the knowledge divided in northern Sindh, recognizing the institution as a vital force in regional development. The session began with a warm welcome from Dr. Qasim Sodhar, Head of the Faculty of Heritage, who praised Mr. Memon's scholarly contributions and his enduring impact on civil society.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand concluded the session with a powerful reflection the transformative potential of higher

ror University Sukkurhosted an intellectually education. Citing global examples such as Oxford Aenriching session titled "Bridging the Gap University, he emphasized that universities are not merely centers of learning, they are engines of innovation and opportunity. He affirmed that Aror University is committed to producing graduates who will become job creators and thought leaders.

> The session was skillfully moderated by Mr. Shafique Ahmed Khan, Lecturer in History. As a gesture of appreciation, souvenirs and shields were presented to the esteemed guests, including Mr. Naseer Memon and celebrated poet and writer Mr. Ayaz Gul, whose presence added distinction to the event.



Aror University Hosts Transformative Workshop on Peacebuilding in Collaboration with BSWA



Architecture, Design & Heritage Sukkur, in collaboration with Bhittai Social Watch & Advocacy (BSWA), organized a two-day training workshop titled "The Role of Academic Institutions in Peacebuilding." The workshop was led by Dr. Ali Raza Lashari, Assistant Professor at Shah Abdul Latif University (SALU), along with his team comprising Mr. Khadim Hussain Mirani, Executive Director of BSWA, and Prof. Dr. Taj Muhammad Lashari, Academic Advisor to BSWA.

The session commenced with opening remarks and a warm welcome from Ms. Uzma Khatoon, Student Counsellor, and Mr. Arif Hussain, Assistant Director of HR at Aror University. Their introductions set the tone for a deeply engaging and purposeful dialogue.

Igniting Innovation: Mobile App Development Workshop Empowers Future Tech Leaders at Aror University

The Department of Artificial Intelligence & ▲ Multimedia and Game Development (AI & MMG) at Aror University recently hosted an engaging Workshop on Mobile Application Development, aimed at equipping students with cutting-edge skills in mobile technology and entrepreneurial innovation. The event

n November 6, 2024, Aror University of Art, Designed to empower students with a deeper understanding of youth-led peace initiatives, the workshop emphasized the importance of self-accountability and proactive community engagement. Through interactive discussions and expert insights, participants explored how academic institutions can serve as foundational platforms for cultivating peaceful societies.

> Dr. Pir Suhail Ahmed Sarhandi, Registrar of Aror University, concluded the workshop by highlighting the importance of student involvement in peacebuilding efforts; beginning within their homes, classrooms, and broader communities.

> The training culminated in a certificate distribution ceremony, followed by a heartfelt vote of thanks from the coordinating bodies, marking the successful completion of meaningful and impactful event.

> commenced with a warm welcome by Dr. Rehan Ali, Chairman of the AI & MMG Department, setting the tone for a day of immersive learning and inspiration.

> In the first session, tech educator Noor Illahi took participants on a journey through the evolution of mobile technology-from basic handsets to sophisticated smartphones—while unpacking the phases and types of mobile applications. He emphasized the strategic advantages of crossplatform development, spotlighting Flutter as a powerful framework that enables developers to build high-performance apps with a unified





framework that enables developers to build high-performance apps with a unified codebase and seamless user experience across both iOS and Android platforms.

second The session, led bv Muhammad Hasnain, explored into "The 10x Tech Growth", a dynamic presentation that explored how technology and entrepreneurship can drive exponential impact. Students identify real-world learned to tech challenges, apply innovative strategies, and transform ideas into scalable, profitable solutions. Key insights included leveraging collaboration, embracing creative problem-solving, and amplifying through tech-driven growth innovation.

The workshop concluded with a ceremonial exchange of souvenirs and shields among the representatives, celebrating a successful event that left participants inspired and better prepared to shape the future of mobile technology.



Aror University Champions the Fusion of Art, AI, and Digital Innovation at Sukkur Arts Council

A ror University of Art, Architecture, Design, and Heritage, Sukkur, proudly collaborated in Organizing the landmark event "Art in the World of Digitalization and AI" held on November 15, 2024, at the Sukkur Arts Council. The gathering brought together visionary artists, technologists, and thought leaders to explore the dynamic intersection of creativity and emerging technologies.

In his keynote address, Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University, highlighted the institution's pioneering role in establishing Sindh's first Department of Artificial

Intelligence (AI) and Multimedia & Gaming (MMG). He emphasized the transformative potential of AI in redefining artistic expression, streamlining creative processes, and enhancing everyday life through digital innovation.

To actively engage the community and showcase its forward-thinking ethos, Aror University hosted an interactive exhibition stall during the event. The stall featured cutting-edge student projects, university-led initiatives, and hands-on demonstrations that illustrated the fusion of art and technology. Visitors received personalized guidance on academic programs and career pathways, while also learning about the university's upcoming admissions cycle, set to begin in February 2025.

This collaborative event underscored Aror University's commitment to bridging tradition with technology, fostering a culture of innovation, and positioning Sukkur as a vibrant hub for digital creativity and academic excellence.

Exploring the Geometry of Mughal Art: A Seminar on Architectural Philosophy



On November 25th, the Department of Architecture at Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur, hosted an intellectually enriching online seminar titled "Geometry and Its Basic Philosophy in Mughal Art and Architecture." The session featured a captivating lecture by Architect Mir Murtaza Narejo, a distinguished researcher in Islamic architecture known for his deep insights into historical design principles.

Ar. Mir Murtaza opened the seminar by talking about the geometric foundations that underpin both the planning and ornamentation of Mughal architecture. He skillfully unpacked the symbolic interpretations of shapes and the intricate layering of patterns that define the aesthetic and spiritual essence of this architectural tradition. His presentation offered students and faculty a rare glimpse into the philosophical depth behind the geometry that shaped centuries of Islamic art.

The seminar concluded with a dynamic Q&A session, where participants engaged in thoughtful dialogue, exploring the relevance of these principles in contemporary design practices.

Dr. Waqas Ahmed Mahar, Chairperson of the Department of Architecture, closed the event with a note of appreciation, acknowledging the speaker's valuable contribution and emphasizing the importance of such academic engagements in broadening architectural perspectives.

This seminar served as a meaningful platform for bridging historical wisdom with modern design thinking, inspiring attendees to explore the timeless elegance of geometry in architecture.

Aror University Hosts Insightful Session on AI & Cybersecurity

Architecture, Design, and Heritage, Sukkur, recently held an engaging and intellectually stimulating session titled "AI & Cybersecurity: The Future of Digital Defense." The event was led by Dr. Rehan Ali Shah, Chairman of the Department of Artificial Intelligence & Multimedia Gaming, who guided participants through a comprehensive exploration of how artificial intelligence is revolutionizing cybersecurity.

In his presentation, Dr. Shah highlighted the increasing complexity of cyber threats in an increasingly connected world and emphasized the critical role AI plays in preemptive threat detection, real-time response, and adaptive

security systems. He discussed the integration of machine learning algorithms in identifying anomalies, automating incident responses, and predicting potential vulnerabilities before they can be exploited.

The session also addressed ethical considerations and the importance of balancing automation with human oversight in cybersecurity frameworks. Dr. Shah encouraged students and faculty to think critically about the future of AI-driven security and its implications for data privacy, national infrastructure, and global digital ecosystems.

Organized by the Computer Science Society, the event drew a diverse audience of students, researchers, and faculty members, all eager to deepen their understanding of these transformative technologies. The interactive Q&A segment allowed participants to engage directly with the speaker, raising questions about AI applications in personal data protection, cloud security, and the challenges of securing smart devices.

This session not only developed academic discourse at Aror University but also reinforced the institution's commitment to staying at the forefront of technological innovation and digital resilience. It served as a valuable platform for inspiring future technologists to explore the intersection of artificial intelligence and cybersecurity with curiosity, responsibility, and purpose.



Aror University Honors Graduates of Prime Minister's Youth Development Program





December 3, 2024 – Aror University Sukkur held a Certificate Distribution Ceremony to celebrate the accomplishments of students who successfully completed skill-based courses under the Prime Minister's Youth Development Program, administered by NAVTTC. The program offered specialized training in high-demand fields including Digital Marketing & SEO, Artificial Intelligence (Robotics), Blockchain Programming, and IoT System Development & Applications.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand awarded certificates to the graduates, commending their commitment and perseverance. The event underscored the university's dedication to equipping youth with future-ready skills, fostering innovation, and enhancing employability in today's dynamic tech-driven landscape.

Empowering Minds: Webinar on Communication Skills and Confidence Building

dynamic and engaging webinar titled **"**Communication Skills Confidence and Building" was recently hosted, featuring Ms. Syeda Baseera Zahra—renowned clinical psychologist and faculty member at Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. The session offered a deep knowledge about practical tools and psychological techniques aimed at enhancing interpersonal communication and boosting self-confidence, particularly in academic and professional settings.

Students participated enthusiastically, sharing personal experiences and challenges related to classroom presentations. Their active involvement created a vibrant learning atmosphere, transforming the session into a collaborative exchange of ideas and strategies.

The webinar was skillfully moderated by Mr. Shafique Ahmed Khan, Lecturer in History, who ensured a smooth flow of discussion and encouraged thoughtful interaction. Concluding the session, Dr. Qasim Sodhar, Head of the Faculty of Heritage, extended heartfelt appreciation to Ms. Baseera for her insightful and inspiring contribution, emphasizing the importance of such initiatives in nurturing confident, articulate individuals.





Aror Cultural Festival Celebrates Regional Heritage and Student Unity





December 9, 2024 – The Aror University Students' Council (AUSC) proudly hosted the Aror Cultural Festival at Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur, transforming the campus into a vibrant celebration of Sindh's rich cultural legacy. The festival was marked by spirited participation and a festive atmosphere, reflecting the university's commitment to cultural preservation and student engagement.

The event was honored by the presence of distinguished guests, including Mr. Fayyaz Hussain Abbasi, Commissioner Sukkur; Mr. MB Raja Dharejo, Deputy Commissioner Sukkur; Prof. Dr. Yousuf Khushk, Vice Chancellor of Shah Abdul Latif University; and Mr. Shabir Memon, Assistant Director, Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Sukkur. They were warmly received by Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University, who emphasized the importance of cultural dialogue and youth, led initiatives.

Highlights of the festival included traditional performances, panel discussions, regional attire showcases, and a lively musical night followed by dinner, all curated to celebrate the artistic and historical identity of the region. The event served as a dynamic platform for students and community members to connect, fostering cultural awareness, inclusivity, and unity across generations.



Aror University Hosts Google Career Certificates Distribution Ceremony, Empowering Students for the Digital Future



of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur proudly hosted the Google Career Certificates Distribution Ceremony, celebrating student achievement and advancing its mission of skill-based learning. The event was graced by Chief Guest Mr. Noor Ahmed Samoo, Secretary, Information Science & Technology Department, Government of Sindh, and Guest of Honor Mr. Umar Farooq, CEO of Tech Valley Pakistan.

In his welcome address, Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University, expressed pride in the institution's growing impact in emerging fields such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), Multimedia and Gaming (MMG), and digital education. He emphasized the global dominance of technology firms and urged students to embrace IT skills to thrive in the modern economy. Dr. Khand also extended heartfelt thanks to Mr. Samoo and the Government of Sindh for their continued support in fostering student development and innovation.

Mr. Umar Farooq reaffirmed Tech Valley's commitment to strengthening ties with Aror University, announcing plans for additional scholarships and enhanced industry-academia collaboration. He shared his intention to visit the

campus again to explore further opportunities for student engagement and growth.

In his keynote remarks, Mr. Noor Ahmed Samoo commended the university's leadership and faculty for their proactive efforts in equipping students with globally recognized Google Career Certifications. He praised the institution's dedication to preparing students for success in the digital economy through practical, high-demand IT skills.

The event also featured an address by Dr. Shazeb Malik, Member (I.T), who encouraged students to continue building their technical competencies.

The ceremony culminated in the formal distribution of Google Career Certificates to students who successfully completed their courses, recognizing their commitment to learning and readiness for the evolving job market.

The day concluded with a guided campus tour, showcasing Aror University's cutting-edge facilities, including the OGDCL Game Design Lab and state-of-the-art computer labs. These advanced learning environments offer students hands-on experience and foster technological excellence.

AI & MMG Department Hosts Poster Presentation to Strengthen Software Engineering Skills





The Department of Artificial Intelligence & Multimedia Gaming (AI & MMG) at Aror University Sukkur recently organized a one-day poster presentation focused on key concepts in Software Engineering. The event featured engaging displays by 3rd semester students, who highlighted their understanding of various software engineering topics through visually compelling posters.

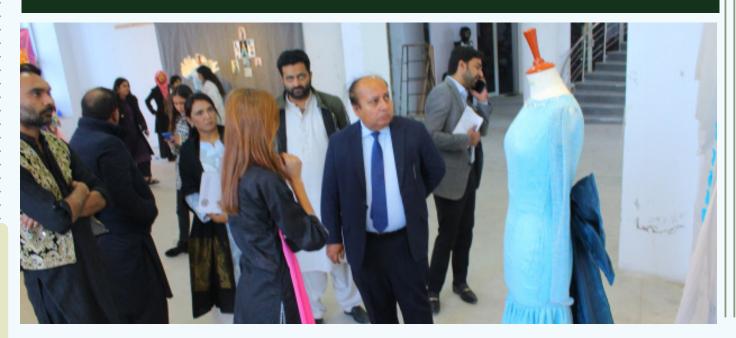
Dr. Rehan Ali Shah, Chairman of the department, along with faculty members, visited the exhibition and conducted viva voce sessions, engaging students in thoughtful discussions and asking critical questions to assess their grasp of the subject matter.

This academic activity was designed to:

- Enhance students' presentation and critical thinking skills.
- Deepen their understanding of feasibility reports and software project planning.
- Strengthen communication abilities through interactive feedback.
- Provide a platform for peer learning and faculty mentorship.

The initiative offered students a valuable opportunity to articulate their ideas, receive constructive feedback, and refine their academic and professional competencies; that reinforce the department's pledge to experiential learning and skill development.

Aror University Fashion Students Dazzle with trailblazing Final Project Showcase





Aror University Sukkur's 4th-semester BS Fashion students unveiled their final projects in alluring display themed around Avant-Garde fashion, demonstrating bold creativity, technical mastery, and a classy design sensibility. The showcase featured garments that pushed conventional boundaries, combining innovative concepts with advanced stitching techniques and striking visual presentations.

Each piece reflected the students' pledge to excellence, with designs that were both regal in aesthetic and meticulous in artisanry, setting a new benchmark for emerging talent in the fashion discipline.

The event was graced by the presence of Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University, and Prof. Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro, Dean of the Faculty of Design. Esteemed faculty members including Dr. Mujahid Mehdi, Mr. Murtaza Baloch, and Ms. Samina Junejo also attended, offering praise and encouragement to the students for their exceptional work.

This show case not only celebrated the artistic achievements of the students but also reinforced Aror University's commitment to nurturing innovation, technique, and industry-ready talent in the field