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Aror University Sukkur Hosts Successful Open House Seminar on 3D Animation, VR & Simulation in Collaboration with

Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage Sukkur, in collaboration with Microvision (School of Animation), successfully hosted an Open House Seminar focused on cutting-edge technologies such as 3D Animation, Virtual Reality (VR), and Simulation. The event attracted a diverse group of students, professionals, and technology enthusiasts eager to explore the growing significance of these fields in the modern world.

During his welcome speech, Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, the Vice Chancellor of Aror University, welcomed all participants and shared his valuable insights on the future of technology and the importance of market-oriented skills such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), gaming, Augmented Reality (AR), and Visual Realities. Dr. Khand emphasized that the future of these fields is bright and the students must harness these evolving skills to stay competitive in the ever-changing job market.

The team from Microvision (School of Animation) expertly led a comprehensive session on 3D Animation, VR, and Simulation. Their detailed presentation provided attendees with a deeper understanding of these technologies and their practical applications across various industries. The team also demonstrated the immersive power of VR with a live demo, offering participants an opportunity to experience first-hand the transformative potential of these technologies.

The seminar concluded with an interactive Q&A session, where participants engaged with the experts, asking insightful questions and discussing real-world implications of VR, 3D animation, and simulation.



Norwegian University of Science and Technology NTNU Delegates Visit Aror University of Art Architecture Design Heritage Sukkur

April 09, 2025 – A distinguished delegation from NTNU Ministry of Planning, Development & Special Initiatives visited Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur. The delegation was warmly welcomed by the Vice Chancellor of Aror University, Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand who discussed the possible collaborations to foster academic & cultural exchange between NTNU and Aror University Sukkur, providing the delegation with insights into the region's higher education landscape, research initiatives, explore opportunities for faculty capacity building & students exchange programs.

The comprehensive presentation was given by Director HR on the university's vision, mission, and strategic plan. This marked the delegation's second visit to the university, where they commended the leadership for its innovative initiatives and significant advancements in education. The delegation highlighted the importance of effective educational leadership in fostering regional development and promoting academic excellence.

The visit concluded with an extensive campus tour, allowing the delegation to observe the university's state-of-the-art infrastructure, cultural preservation and the dynamic nurturing environment being cultivated for both students and faculty. A monitoring team from the Projects Wing of the Planning Commission of Pakistan,

Ministry of Planning, Development & Special Initiatives (M/o PD&SI), conducted a visit to review the PSDP-funded project. The team comprised the following officials:

- Mr. Asad Khurshid – Chief Monitoring Officer
- Mr. Irshad Khaliq – Deputy Director
- Mr. Shahid Iqbal – Monitoring Officer

During the visit, the team was briefed on the progress and quality of the project by the university's administration. The session concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by the esteemed Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand. Following a comprehensive review, the monitoring team expressed satisfaction with the progress and quality of work undertaken so far.

The delegation also toured the university campus, observing academic activities, the university museum, and various laboratories. The team appreciated the visionary leadership and commitment of the university staff.

To conclude the visit, the guests were honored with the traditional Sindhi Ajrak and participated in a tree-planting ceremony – symbolizing growth and the promising future of the university.



Aror University Sukkur Successfully Conducts Admission Entry Test for Fall 2025 Round 01

Sukkur, April 13, 2025-Aror University of Art, Tourism & Hospitality and BS Archaeology, Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur successfully Under the visionary leadership of Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain conducted Admission Entry Test for the Academic Khand, Vice Chancellor, Aror University Sukkur, the Session Fall 2025 (Round 01). More than 1000 test was conducted at the university premises, where all candidates across the country appeared in the Entry necessary facilitations were made for the candidates. A Test for admission in Fourteen Degree Programs dedicated area was arranged for parents sitting. The including BS Artificial Intelligence, BS Multimedia & test was conducted smoothly under a highly secured Gaming, BS Cyber Security, Bachelor of Architecture, and controlled environment where the university took BS Civil Engineering, BS Environmental Sciences, BS all security measures, Team of Rescue 1122, Emergency Fashion Design, BS Textile Design, BS Ceramic Design, Mobile Health unit, Police security, and a General BS Visual Arts, BS Pakistan Studies, BS History, BS Physician to ensure smooth conduct of the test.



5-Day Capacity Building Program for University Management Kicks Off at Aror University Sukkur

Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur, in collaboration with the National Academy of Higher Education (NAHE), Higher Education Commission (HEC) Islamabad, has launched a 5-day Capacity Building Program aimed at strengthening university management and leadership.

The Training program commenced with a welcome address by Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, the Vice Chancellor who greeted participants and emphasized the importance of leadership development in higher education institutions.



Mr. Asim Khanzada, Deputy Director of the Monitoring and Evaluation Division of the Higher Education Commission (HEC) Pakistan, recently conducted an on-site monitoring visit of a PSDP-funded project of Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design and Heritage Sukkur.

During the visit, the university administration provided a comprehensive briefing on the project's progress and quality. The session concluded with a vote of thanks from Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand. After a thorough review, Mr. Khanzada expressed satisfaction with the project's current physical and financial progress. He applauded the university administration role under the dedicated leadership of the Vice Chancellor. He also toured the university campus, observing academic activities, the university museum, various labs & facilities. In particular, he visited the Faculty of Design's sewing labs, where he appreciated student assignments crafted from recycled materials. The visit concluded with Mr. Khanzada being honored with the souvenir, acknowledging his engagement and support.



Aror University Sukkur Delegation Visits National Textile University NTU Faisalabad

A distinguished delegation from Aror University, comprising the esteemed Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, Senate Member Mr. Adnan Kehar, and Prof. Dr Zamir Ahmed Abro, Dean of the Faculty of Design were received by Prof. Dr Hafsa Jamshed and Prof. Dr Zafar Javed of the National Textile University (NTU), along with Prof. Dr Yasir Nawab, Vice Chancellor of University of Kamalia, and Dr Mubashir Hussain. During this two-day gathering, meaningful discussions took place, culminating in the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the institutions. The MoU facilitates student and faculty exchange programs across various undergraduate, MS, and PhD disciplines. The visit concluded with a comprehensive tour of the campus, showcasing the host institutions' research and technological facilities.

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Industrial Visit to Beacon Impex Faisalabad

Aror University Sukkur has partnered with Beacon Impex, Faisalabad, one of Pakistan’s leading apparel exporters, to create valuable opportunities for students in Textile and Fashion Design.

During an official visit led by Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, the Vice Chancellor to Beacon Impex’s state-of-the-art facility, University leadership explored cutting-edge operations, including 3D visualization, automated supply chains, and RFID-enabled production with full traceability. The visit showed the company’s innovation and sustainability focus.

Facilitated by Mr. Sarfraz Gill, Group Head of Corporate HR, the collaboration resulted in an agreement to offer internships and job placements for over 30 students, bridging academic learning with real-world experience.



Aror University Team Visits LUMS to Lay Foundation for Aror Learning Institute ALI

A delegation from Aror University recently visited the Learning Institute and Entrepreneurship Center at LUMS, Lahore, to explore collaborative opportunities in faculty development and student training.

Aror University plans to create the Aror Learning Institute (ALI) a future-focused center for faculty capacity building, student innovation, and entrepreneurship. In collaboration with LUMS, ALI will blend academic excellence with real-world relevance.

This initiative aims to enhance academic quality, foster innovation, and equip students and faculty with essential 21st-century skills.



Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, the Vice Chancellor of Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design and Heritage, Sukkur, Sindh along with his team visited the Pakistan Institute of Fashion and Design (PIFD), Lahore and met with Vice Chancellor Prof. Ms Hina Tayyaba Khalil.

The purpose of the visit was to explore future collaborations in academic initiatives, student and faculty exchange programs, and joint workshops between the two institutions.



Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design, and Heritage, Sukkur, visited China along with a delegation of Pakistani and Chinese representatives.

During the visit from April 21 to 26, the delegation explored leading universities, industries, and cultural sites and discussed opportunities for collaboration between Pakistan and China. The visit included important meetings at the International Department of the Communist Party of China (CPC), Peking University, and Fudan University. The delegates also visited major industrial groups such as Beijing Automotive Industry Holding Co., Ltd. (BAIC) and the Commercial Aircraft Corporation of China, Ltd. (COMAC), highlighting innovation and technology. This visit is expected to open new avenues for academic exchange, research collaboration, and cultural understanding.



Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur conducted Interviews for Admission Fall-2025 (Round 01) of Test held on April 13, 2025. The large number of candidates appeared in the interview and selected their desired program.



An award-winning documentary titled “Indus Blues: The Forgotten Music of Pakistan” was screened at Aror University.

This compelling documentary highlights the rich tapestry of Pakistan’s musical heritage, focusing on traditional instruments that are at risk of disappearing due to neglect by authorities. The event sparked vibrant discussions among students and faculty, emphasizing the profound significance of music in enriching our lives and preserving our cultural identity.



April 30 2025 Aror University of Art Architecture Design Heritage Sukkur has signed an MoU with Government Sadiq College Women University GSCWU Bahawalpur

The MoU sets the foundation for a wideranging academic partnership with the following key objectives

- Joint ventures in teacher education and resource development faculty library resources infrastructure
- Engagement of faculty from both institutions in academic programs across respective regions
- Joint research training sessions and knowledgesharing initiatives
- Exchange of academic publications library resources and research materials
- Nomination of subject experts for the evaluation of academic programs
- Additional collaborative projects as mutually agreed upon in the future.

The signing ceremony was led by Prof Dr Zahid Hussain Khand Vice Chancellor Aror University Prof Dr Shazia Anjum Vice Chancellor GSCWU Bahawalpur.



Prof Dr Zahid Hussain Khand Vice Chancellor Aror University Sukkur Graces Closing Ceremony of IMCEET25 as Chief Guest

Khairpur – April 29, 2025: Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, the Vice Chancellor of Aror University Sukkur, was invited as the Chief Guest at the Closing Ceremony of the 3rd International Conference on Emerging Trends in Engineering Technology (IMCEET-25) organized by Benazir Bhutto Shaheed University of Technology and Skill Development (BBSUTECH), Khairpur. The prestigious event brought together researchers, academics, and professionals to discuss innovations and advancements shaping the future of engineering and technology. In his address, Prof. Dr Khand emphasized the significance of interdisciplinary collaboration, innovation, and research in driving sustainable development and technological growth in Pakistan and beyond. He also appreciated the efforts of Prof. Dr Rasool Bux Mahar, Vice Chancellor, BBSU-TECH & his Team in organizing an international platform for knowledge exchange and fostering a culture of academic excellence.



Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage Sukkur proudly hosted the Pakistan Education Endowment Fund (PEEF) Arts & Culture scholarship cheques distribution ceremony.

The event was honored by the presence of Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, who congratulated the successful students and encouraged them to focus on their studies without financial stress. He emphasized the importance of creativity and urged students to aim high, reminding them that with dedication they can not only succeed but also represent our rich culture on a global stage — Learn, Earn & Grow!



A Board of Studies (BoS) meeting for the proposed BS Digital Art program was held today at Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design, and Heritage, chaired by Mr. Habib Rahman, Chairman In-charge, Department of Visual Arts.

Convened in the university's Conference Hall, the meeting aimed to review the program's curriculum, objectives, vision, mission, PEOs, PLOs and its alignment with industry.

Distinguished external experts in attendance included: Dr. Jamshed Butt, Ms. Rohma Khan, Mr. Arsalan Nasir, Ms. Uzma Noor

Participating BoS members from the university were: Prof. Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro, Mr. Musadiq Badar Bhutto, Mr. Zahid Hussain Soomro, Mr. Kashif Ali Mangi, Ms. Aqsa Ahad, Mr. Shoukat Ali

The meeting featured detailed discussions on course

content, Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs), teaching strategies, and the integration of modern digital tools. Expert recommendations will contribute significantly to developing an innovative and industry-relevant curriculum.



Aror University Sukkur in collaboration with the Hope for All Social Development Organization, hosted an engaging panel discussion titled “Breaking the Silence: Understanding Mental Health.”

The speakers included experts in the field, such as Dr. Zulifqar Rahujo, Dr. Haresh Kumar, and Ms. Sobia Falak Rao, the Assistant Commissioner of Sukkur, who shared valuable insights into the root causes of mental health issues and possible solutions. Ms. Rabia Mirza, Chairperson of the Hope for All Organization, along with Dr. Qasim Sodhar, addressed the stigmas surrounding mental health and the challenges faced by students. The session was skillfully moderated by Ms Uzma, a student counsellor with a degree in Psychology.

In conclusion, Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice-Chancellor of Aror University, delivered closing remarks, praised organizing this important and insightful seminar on mental health, and encouraged that such activities should continue in the university, which creates a positive impact on students.



The 5th Meeting of the Syndicate of Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design and Heritage, Sukkur was held on Saturday, May 10, 2025.

The meeting was chaired by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, attended by Engr. Nazeer Hussain, DG HEC Regional Centre Karachi, Engr. Prof. Dr. Madad Ali Shah, Nominee Sindh HEC, Ms. Zaibun-Nisa Mangi, Former Director School Education, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ramzan, VC Emerson University Multan, Mr. Adnan A. Kehar, Certified Public Accountant, Mr. Shahid Nazeer, Deputy Secretary U & B Department, Govt. of Sindh, Dr. Hafiz Muhammad Khalid Shafi, Member Syndicate, Prof. Dr. Abdul Qadir Chachar, Nominee, College Education Department, Govt. of Sindh, Mr. Aamir Ghouri, Member Syndicate, Prof. Dr. Zamir Abro, Dean FoD, Dr. Pir Suhail Ahmed Sarhandi, Registrar, Dr. M. Qasim Sodhar, Assistant Professor, Dr. Nadia Samo, Controller of Examination, Mr. Shoukat Ali Abbasi, Director Human Resources

(Special Invitee) & Mr. Abdul Haleem Soomro, Director Finance (Special Invitee) attended the meeting.

The learned members of the Syndicate praised the efforts of the Vice Chancellor and his team for their dedication and contributions towards the progress of the Aror University, both in academic and administrative domains.

The house unanimously approved Administrative & HR Matters of the Aror University Sukkur i.e. Recommendations for 6th Selection Board, Adoption of KPIs of Key Positions, Employee Appraisal Framework, Cases of Ex Pakistan Leave, Employees JDs Handbook. Financial Matters of the Aror University Sukkur i.e. Revised Budget FY 2024-25, Annual Audited Accounts for the Year 2023-24 & Annual Report 2023-2024.



A distinguished delegation of scholars and academicians from Pakistan visited China from April 21-27, 2025. The delegation was graciously hosted for dinner by H.E. Yang Yundong, the Consul General of China & his colleagues on May 09, 2025.

Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University Sukkur, had the honor of being part of the delegation led by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ali Shaikh. The delegation comprised prominent academic leaders, including: Dr Arshad Aziz (Dean, Iqra University), Dr M. Kashif (Dean, IoBM), Dr Shuja Mahesar (Director, PSC, University of Sindh), Dr Erum Muzafar (In-charge Director, PSC, University of Karachi), Dr Mukesh Kumar (Director, FE&SEA, University of Sindh), Dr

Sadiq Khan (Chairman, CSD, University of Karachi), and Dr Khadim Hussain (in-charge Chairman, ED, BBSUL, Karachi).

During the dinner, meaningful discussions were held on strengthening academic collaboration and exploring new avenues for cooperation between the two nations. The visit marked a significant step toward fostering mutual understanding and partnership in higher education.



Aror University Sukkur pays heartfelt tribute to our brave armed forces On the Day of Youm-e-Tashakur

With unmatched courage and unwavering dedication, they safeguard our nation and secure our future. Their sacrifices echo through generations, and their strength remains a beacon of inspiration. Today and always, we stand proud, united, and deeply grateful to those who serve.



Aror University Sukkur was honored to host Mr. Haris Nizam, General Manager of Junaid Jamshed (J.), along with his Team

Mr. Nizam was warmly welcomed by the Aror University team and was presented with an overview of the University's strategic vision. The discussions focused on fostering stronger industry-academia linkages to enhance students' engagement and career readiness. The visit concluded with a campus tour, during which Mr. Nizam interacted with students and experienced the dynamic academic environment of the University.



Sukkur, May 15, 2025 – Aror University Sukkur, in collaboration with the National Academy of Higher Education (NAHE), HEC Islamabad, has launched the National Outreach Program for Higher Education Faculty, running from May 15 to June 5, 2025.

The module focused on enhancing faculty capacity in research and development, led by Prof. Dr. Javed Ahmed Shahani from Sukkur IBA University, covered critical research areas including research fundamentals, socio-economic impact, research design, proposal writing, academic writing, and academic integrity.

This initiative aims to strengthen academic excellence and promote a robust research culture in Pakistan's higher education sector.



Recruitment Test for Teaching Positions Conducted at Aror University Sukkur

May 17, 2025 – Aror University Sukkur successfully conducted the Recruitment Test for various teaching positions, reaffirming its commitment to transparency and merit-based selection.

Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University visited the Test Center & showed the satisfaction over the arrangements. His active involvement ensured the university's dedication to maintaining a fair, transparent, and high-quality testing environment.



Third-year Visual Arts students guided by instructors Ms. Aqsa Ahad and Mr. Zahid Hussain Soomro, engaged in an Outdoor Drawing session at Lab-e-Mehran, Sukkur—an enriching activity that enhances observation, sparks creativity, relieves stress, sharpens focus, and reinforces practical artistic skills.



Certificate Distribution Ceremony Final Day of Capacity Building Program for University Management

Aror University Sukkur, in collaboration with the National Academy of Higher Education (NAHE), HEC Islamabad, successfully concludes the Capacity Building Program for University Management with a Certificate Distribution Ceremony.

Program Dates: April 14–18, 2025 (Rescheduled from May 15–16, 2025)

This impactful program celebrated growth, learning, and collaboration in higher education leadership.

- Resource Person: Mr. Mubashir Ali
- NAHE Representatives: Mr. Tahir Mehmood & Ms. Sadia Bukhari
- Participants: University management professionals from across Sindh.



Zakat Need cum Merit Scholarship Interviews Held at Aror University Sukkur

May 20, 2025-Aror University Sukkur conducted interviews for the Zakat Need-cum-Merit Scholarships. A total of 55 students appeared for the assessment.

The interview committee was convened by Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro, Dean, Faculty of Design. Key members included Mr. Yasir Ghulam Yaseen Abbasi, District Zakat Officer & Representative of Sindh Zakat Council; Mr. Masood Ahmed Mahar, Accountant Zakat District Sukkur; Mr. Muhammad Junaid Dhalet, DM Admissions (Co-opted Member); and Mr. Najamuddin Mangi, AD (SFAO), and served as Secretary of the Committee.

The committee interviewed all candidates and finalized the list of deserving students for the scholarship awards.



Department of Environmental Sciences Celebrates International Day of Biodiversity 22 May 2025



The Department of Environmental Sciences commemorated the International Day of Biodiversity (22 May 2025). On this occasion, students from all academic batches actively participated and presented their research and survey-based work focusing on the biodiversity of Pakistan, particularly the Sindh province.

Both students and faculty members emphasized the critical importance of biodiversity and its ecological role in sustaining life on Earth. The presentations highlighted various endangered species native to Sindh and Pakistan, while also proposing actionable plans aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor visited the event and commended the efforts of Dr. Altaf Alam, Chairman of the Department, Mr. Fida Hussain Channa (Lecturer and supervisor), and the participating students for their valuable contributions and dedication.



The firstyear students of the Architecture Department showcased their project models as part of the Model Making course conducted under the guidance of Ar Raja Zafar

The exhibition was honored by the presence of the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, who took keen interest in the students work, and appreciated their creativity and effort.

Additionally, Mr. Kashif Mangi was invited to serve as a juror for the student projects. His valuable insights and constructive feedback provided an enriching experience for the students, further enhancing the academic value of the display.

The event served as an inspiring platform for students to present their ideas and receive recognition for their hard work.



Prof Dr Zahid Hussain Khand Graces ICRWELL2025 as Guest of Honour at BNBWU Sukkur

Sukkur, May 24, 2025 — The Begum Nusrat Bhutto Women University (BNBWU), Sukkur, proudly hosted the International Conference on the Role of Women in Education, Leadership, and Literature (ICRWELL-2025) today, bringing together leading scholars, educators, and change-makers from across the country and abroad.

The conference was graced by Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University Sukkur, who was invited as the Guest of Honour. His presence added significant prestige to the event and inspired both participants and organizers.

In his keynote address, Prof. Dr Khand emphasized the vital role women play in shaping societies through education and leadership. He stated, “Empowering women in education and literature is not only a matter of gender equality but a prerequisite for sustainable development and cultural enrichment. Universities must serve as catalysts for inclusive progress.”

He appreciated BNBWU’s commitment to fostering women’s academic and professional advancement and encouraged further collaborations between institutions to promote inclusive research and leadership platforms.



May 26 2025 Aror University of Art Architecture Design Heritage Sukkur has signed an MoU with Shahed University Tehran Iran

The MoU sets the foundation for a wideranging academic partnership with the following key objectives

- i. Collaborate in academic programs by sharing extending the facilities to students and faculty
- ii. Sharing of the relevant academic data publications and information
- iii. Access to research laboratories and accommodating the provision of necessary facilities
- iv. Collaboration in developing joint academic programs
- v. Exchange of faculty and students for academic and

research purposes

vi. Collaboration in research projects joint conferences seminars workshops and other such activities.

The signing ceremony was led by Prof Dr Zahid Hussain Khand Vice Chancellor Aror University Dr Mohammad Hossein Nohehkhani Senior Advisor President Shahed University Tehran Iran.



The 3rd Board of Studies (BOS) Meeting was successfully held on May 27, 2025 for the Department of Environmental Sciences.

Dr Altaf Alam Noonari, Chairman Department; Engr. Ghulam Nabi Mahar, lecturer; Dr Akhtar Hussain Lashari, Director QEC attended the meeting.

Prof. Dr Sheeraz Ahmed Memon; Prof. Dr Mahmood Laghari and Associate Prof. Dr Amanullah Mahar shared the valuable suggestions as BOS respectable members.



May 29 2025 Aror University of Art Architecture Design Heritage Sukkur signs MoU with University of Kamalia Toba Tek Singh Punjab

The MoU sets the foundation for a wideranging academic partnership with the following key objectives

- Joint ventures in teacher education and resource development faculty library resources infrastructure
- Engagement of faculty from both institutions in academic programs across respective regions
- Joint research training sessions and knowledgesharing initiatives
- Exchange of academic publications library resources and research materials
- Nomination of subject experts for the evaluation of academic programs
- Additional collaborative projects as mutually agreed upon in the future.

The signing ceremony was led by ProfDr Zahid Hussain Khand Vice Chancellor Aror University Sukkur Prof Dr Yasir Nawab Vice Chancellor University of Kamalia The MoU signing Ceremony was also attended by Northumbria University Newcastle and National Textile University Delegates.



Visit of Banana Fiber Plant at Saleh Pat A Sustainable Joint Initiative by Aror University Sukkur Northumbria University UK National Textile University Faisalabad and University of Kamalia

Sukkur, May 29, 2025 – Aror University Sukkur organized a significant visit to the Banana Fiber Plant at Saleh Pat, bringing together delegates from Northumbria University, Newcastle, UK; National Textile University, Faisalabad; and University of Kamalia. The initiative marks a collaborative effort focused on sustainable environmental practices through the innovative use of banana waste for fiber production. The visit aimed to assess the potential for large-scale production of banana fiber—a biodegradable and eco-friendly alternative to synthetic fibers—while exploring avenues for academic and industrial collaboration in sustainable materials.

During the visit, the delegation engaged in a productive meeting with Syed Inayat Hussain Shah, the landowner and key supporter of the project. Discussions centered on the technical and commercial execution of banana fiber production from agricultural waste, highlighting the project's potential to contribute positively to both the local economy and global environmental goals.

This joint initiative exemplifies the commitment of all four partner institutions to promoting sustainable development through research, innovation, and community engagement. The visit also served to strengthen international academic ties and lay the groundwork for future collaborative research and technology transfer in the field of sustainable textiles.



Aror University Sukkur Hosts Dinner Qawali Night to Honour Delegates from Partner Universities

Sukkur, May 29, 2025 –Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design and Heritage, Sukkur hosted a memorable Dinner & Qawali Night in honour of distinguished delegates from Northumbria University, Newcastle, UK; National Textile University, Faisalabad; and University of Kamalia.

The Event marked a pivotal step in strengthening ties between academia and industry. The event provided a vibrant platform to celebrate the success of the collaborative initiative on Banana Fiber Production from Banana Waste, an innovative and sustainable approach aimed at promoting eco-friendly textile practices.

In his address, Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice-Chancellor of Aror University, highlighted the university's commitment to sustainable innovation and skill-based education. He emphasized the importance of the banana fiber project, which serves as a prime example of turning agricultural waste into valuable economic and environmental assets.

Prof. Dr Yasir Nawab, Vice Chancellor of the University of Kamalia, commended Aror University's visionary leadership, commending the focus on market-driven skill development and sustainability.

Dr John Arthur, Consultant from Northumbria

University, Newcastle, UK, expressed his heartfelt gratitude for the warm hospitality extended by Aror University and the people of Pakistan. He emphasized the potential for continued collaboration in research and sustainable development.

Mr. Fayaz Hussain Abbasi, Commissioner Sukkur, praised the leadership of Aror University for “bridging fields, fabrics, and sustainable futures” — especially through projects in underrepresented areas like Saleh Pat.

The evening was further graced by the presence of several esteemed dignitaries and guests, including: Syed Inayat Hussain Shah, Landlord, Dr. Ahmed Ali Sirohey, Director General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Aamir Ghouri, CEO, ICON by Ghouri's, Mr. Shabir Memon, Assistant Director, Sweet Home Sukkur, Mr. Abdul Haleem Mahar, General Manager (Sales & Marketing), SBL Pvt. Ltd, representatives from Sukkur Chamber of Commerce and other distinguished individuals and notable figures from the Sukkur city

The night concluded with a mesmerizing Qawali performance, celebrating the rich cultural heritage of the region and further strengthening the bond between local and international partners.



Aror University Sukkur hosted a Lecture on The Currency of Influence

May 30, 2025, Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design, and Heritage hosted an insightful lecture by Dr Ahmed Ali Sirohey, Director General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, at the Senate Hall. The talk, titled “The Currency of Influence: Economic Diplomacy and Public Perception through Public Diplomacy,” explored the strategic role of diplomacy in shaping global economic relations.

Dr. Sirohey shared valuable insights from his diplomatic career, emphasizing the importance of public diplomacy, cultural exchange, and perception management in modern foreign policy. Students & faculty actively engaged during the Q&A session, reflecting a strong interest in international affairs and diplomacy.

In his concluding remarks, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand thanked Dr. Sirohey for his enlightening session and highlighted the value of such interactions in bridging academia and policy.



Vice Chancellor of Aror University Graces Book Launch Ceremony as Guest of Honour at Sukkur Arts Council

May 02, 2025, Sukkur –Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor was invited as Guest of Honour at the launching ceremony of the book titled “ سفر زندگی جو ”, held at the Sukkur Arts Council.

In his address, Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand commended the literary and intellectual legacy of Dr Iqbal Qureshi, stating, “This work is not just a biography, but a reflection of our cultural and scholarly traditions. Documenting the life stories of great minds like Dr. Qureshi is vital for inspiring future generations.”

The event drew participation from scholars, students, writers, and members of the cultural community who gathered to celebrate the literary milestone. Dr Khand’s presence and insights added significant value to the occasion, reflecting his continued support for literary excellence and regional cultural promotion.



The Department of Environmental Sciences celebrated the World Environment Day on June 5 2025 at Aror University

The Honorable Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand inaugurated the event with an Awareness Walk on the theme: "Ending Plastic Pollution" to reaffirm the commitment of Aror University to a greener and more sustainable future. Following the walk, students of the Department of Environmental Sciences namely Mr. Sham Kumar (F-24) delivered presentation on the _Impacts of Plastic Pollution and Yousuf Khan (F-23) highlighted some Sustainable Alternatives to Plastics. A documentary on plastic pollution in Pakistan was also played on screen to uncover the fact that it has become a silent killer in Pakistan. The event was hosted by Engr. Zafarullah Rind, Lecturer, Department of Environmental Sciences. At the end of the session, the Chairman, Dr. Altaf Alam thanked the faculty, management and students for their participation on World Environment Day.



Aror University Hosts Orientation Day for Fall 2025 Round-1

Intake

June 10, 2025 — Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur, held an Orientation Day for newly enrolled Fall 2025 (Round-1) Students, marking the beginning of their academic journey at the university.

Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr Zahid Hussain Khand, accompanied by faculty heads, the Registrar, and administrative staff, warmly welcomed the students & given the introductory presentation. In his address, Dr Khand highlighted the importance of the Foundation Course in building essential academic and professional competencies. He highlighted Aror University's distinct

educational model, rooted in heritage, innovation, and community-focused practices.

“80% of our graduates will be entrepreneurs—job creators, not job seekers,” Dr. Khand stated, reflecting the university's commitment to fostering entrepreneurship and self-reliance.

The day concluded with an interactive Q&A session, during which students engaged with faculty and staff to clarify expectations. Document verification was also completed to ensure a smooth transition into university life.



Aror University of Art Architecture Design Heritage Sukkur hosts 2nd International Symposium

June 21 2025 Sukkur Aror University of Art Architecture Design Heritage Sukkur proudly hosted the 2nd International Symposium on Drastic Challenges of Climate Fluctuations and Sustainability of Biodiversity Quality of Life and the Environment. The event brought together prominent national and international scholars environmental experts and thought leaders to deliberate on critical issues surrounding climate change and sustainability.

The Opening Ceremony was graced by Mr Muhammad Abbas Baloch Secretary Universities Boards Department Govt of Sindh as the Chief Guest. The Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Zahid Hussain Khand welcomed all esteemed guests and speakers. In his address he shared a comprehensive presentation outlining the University's vision mission and strategic goals.

The symposium featured thought-provoking keynote addresses by Dr Steven Bonta USA Prof Dr Zeliha Selamoglu Turkey Dr Ece Aksoy Italy Prof Dr Dengxin Li China and Dr Iqbal

Hussain Jafri JFK USA on global climate issues and environmental sustainability. Other distinguished Guests of Honour included Prof Dr Muhammad Yousif Khushk Vice Chancellor SALU Khairpur Prof Dr Asif Ahmed Shaikh Vice Chancellor SIBAU Mr Yousuf Bashir Qureshi CEO YBQ Studio Engr Prof Dr Altaf Ali Siyal Vice Chancellor Sindh Agriculture University Tandojam Prof Dr Mehmood ul Hassan Vice Chancellor Acting SAU Shikarpur Dr MB Raja Dharejo DC Sukkur Prof Dr Shazia Anjum Vice Chancellor Government Sadiq College Women University Bahawalpur and Prof Dr Syed Mir Muhammad Shah PVC Sukkur IBA University who highlighted the key factors of climate change shared valuable insights for sustainable environment leading to quality of life. Participants also visited an Exhibition of student projects which shows the University's slogan ie Learn Earn and Grow received widespread appreciation for showcasing creative and sustainable solutions to environmental challenges.

The event featured two engaging panel discussions.

Panel I: The Global Impact of Climate Change on Human Health and Livelihoods.

Panel II: Impact of Climate Change on the Sustainability of Biodiversity and Environment. A keynote address by Mr Naseer Memon Climate Change Expert further deepened the dialogue with expert insights and solutions. The closing ceremony was graced by Mr Fayaz Hussain Abbasi Commissioner Sukkur and Prof Dr Syed Mir Muhammad Shah PVC Sukkur IBA University who applauded the leadership of Aror University for organizing a world-class academic event in the historic region of Aror and Rohri. In his closing remarks Prof Dr Zahid Hussain Khand Vice Chancellor expressed heartfelt gratitude to all national and international speakers Sindh HEC Sukkur Beverages Pvt Ltd and the organizing team for their dedicated efforts in making the symposium a resounding success.



The Department of AI and MMG along with its students efforts, organized a seminar on the Topic “From a Remote Village in Sindh to the Helm of a Global Brand: A journey of Entrepreneurial Success”, Delivered by Mr.Mehboob Shar(Founder and CEO of iCreativez Technologies) on June 24, 2025.

The keypoints of session were:

1. Entrepreneurial Journey of Mr.Mehboob from a small village to a global Tech Brand
2. Current Market Trends and Jobs
3. How to begin your own Startup

4. Connecting students with International Tech Community

5. 100 passes for NASTP sponsored by iCreativez for AI and MMG students, The event to be held in October 2025.

6. 10 Paid Internships upon the request of Departmental Head for AI and MMG students

7. Future Collaborations between Icreativez Technologies and Aror University.

The session concluded with a vote of Thanks by Mr.Abdul Haseeb Shaikh, HOD of the Department.



A heritage trip for Dr. Steven Bonta was organized to various historical sites in Khairpur and Kotdeji.

Dr. Bonta, along with a delegation from Aror University, visited the renowned Faiz Mahal in Khairpur, where they learned about the history of the former Princely State of Khairpur. Afterward, they toured Mehrano, a wildlife farm. The group then visited Kotdeji Fort, where Dr. Bonta received a briefing from the team about the fort's rich history. Finally, the delegation explored the Shahi Mahal in Kotdeji, which also boasts an extensive historical background.



Mr Ejaz ur Rehman SBCC Specialist at UNICEF recently visited Aror University Sukkur where received a warm welcome by the Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Zahid Hussain Khand

During the visit, Mr. Rehman was briefed on the University's mission, vision, and strategic plan. He commended the leadership of Aror University for successfully launching and running diverse degree programs within a short span of time, and also appreciated the dedication of the faculty/Satff and state-of-the-art facilities.



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The meeting focused on key financial matters including the Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2025–26, the financial progress of ADP & PSDP projects, and the adoption of the Defined Contribution Pension Scheme. Chaired by Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, Vice Chancellor of Aror University, the meeting witnessed active participation and valuable input from all learned members. The Vice Chancellor extended his sincere

appreciation to the attendees for their dedication and constructive deliberations.

During the session, all agenda items were thoroughly discussed, and the committee unanimously approved the Budget Estimates for FY 2025–26, reviewed the progress of ongoing development programs, and supported the adoption of the Defined Contribution Pension Scheme for the University's employees — a significant policy reform in line with national fiscal management trends.

The meeting was attended by the following distinguished members:

- 01. Prof. Dr. Syed Mir Muhammad Shah – Member, Syndicate
- 02. Mr. Shahid Nazeer Lund – Deputy Secretary, Universities & Boards Department, Government of Sindh
- 03. Mr. Feroze Ahmed Mahar – Director Finance, Sindh Higher Education Commission
- 04. Prof. Dr. Zamir Ahmed Abro – Dean, Faculty of Design, Aror University
- 05. Mr. Abdul Haleem Soomro – Director Finance, Aror University

The Finance & Planning Committee reaffirmed its commitment to strengthening financial governance, enhancing transparency, and aligning the University’s fiscal planning with its long-term strategic goals.



Aror University Sukkur Successfully Conducts Admission Entry Test for Fall 2025 Round 02

Sukkur, June 29, 2025 – Aror University of Art, Architecture, Design & Heritage, Sukkur, has successfully conducted the Entry Test for Fall-2025 Admissions (Round 02). Over 1,700 candidates across the country applied & more than 1,500 candidates appeared for the test to seek admission in 13 undergraduate degree programs including BS Cyber Security, BS Artificial Intelligence, BS Multimedia & Gaming, Bachelor of Architecture, BS Civil Engineering, BS Environmental Sciences, BS Fashion Design, BS Textile Design, BS Digital Art, BS Visual Arts, BS Pakistan Studies, BS Archaeology, and BS Tourism & Hospitality. Under the dynamic leadership of Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zahid Hussain Khand, the entry test was smoothly conducted on campus, ensuring a secure, transparent, and well-facilitated environment for candidates. Special arrangements were made for accompanying parents, including a designated waiting area with basic amenities and guided tours of the campus, boys’ hostel, and girls’ hostel, where visitors appreciated the university’s state-of-the-art infrastructure and student-centric services. To ensure safety and medical readiness, the university collaborated with Rescue 1122, deployed a Mobile Health Unit, Police Security, and an on-site General Physician, reflecting Aror University’s commitment to student well-being and operational excellence.

