A delegation of US diplomats from US Consulate visited Isra University Hyderabad to talk about Exchanges and Education Opportunities in USA. This session was held on Thursday, 10th of October 2019 in Asadullah Kazi Auditorium, Isra University, Hyderabad. Key speakers were; Mr. Jason Green, Public Affairs officer (PAO), Cameron Thomas Shah, Cultural Attaché, Aisha Amanullah, Sara Asghar, Saif Jiskani and Sana Afreedi. The session was very informative and was helpful for students & faculty.

The World Heart Day was celebrated by Department of Cardiology, Isra University Hospital with an Awareness Walk followed by Awareness Program on Tuesday 01st October 2019 with the theme, “Be a Heart Hero, Make a Promise”, in Asadullah Kazi Auditorium Isra University Hospital, Hyderabad. Prof. Dr. Feroz Memon, Dr. Adnan Bawany & Dr. Muhammad Zubair Khan talked extensively on preventive strategies and provided awareness to the participants to have healthy diet, say no to smoking and be physically active. Around 280 doctors, medical students, paramedical staff and other health related personnel participated in this awareness and preventive program to mark World Heart Day 2019 and encourage healthy lifestyles.

The walk was organized by the Department of Cardiology Isra University Hospital, Hyderabad from main OPD block to Asadullah Kazi Auditorium. The purpose of the walk was to create awareness among general public.

In the end, Prof. Dr. Nazir Ashraf Laghari and Prof. Abdul Sattar Memon, Prof. Hussain Bux Kolachi, Prof. Nazir A. Memon emphasized on the balance.

October is a month of awareness about Breast Cancer problems over the world. In this connection health awareness walk was held at Isra University, Hyderabad. The purpose of this walk was to create more awareness to prevent Breast Cancer in Pakistan in which Medical students of 3rd Year MBBS, Nursing, DPT, House Officers, Consultants, Professors, and Faculty.

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Dear Readers,

Assalamu Alaikum! Isra News is an official organ of Isra University. This quarterly newsletter is designed to keep the Isra affiliated community well connected, and at the same time bring the readers up to date with the various cocurricular and extra-curricular activities taking place at the University along with the educational and social welfare programs, pursued by the parent organization, Isra Islamic Foundation.

In order to keep Isra News well populated, we rely on contribution of news items from the community members. When sending news items, please make sure to include the essential elements of an event: what took place, whom it concerns the most, where and when it took place. You are encouraged to send your news items by email to the address given below.

Last but not the least, your news contributions are important to us, so help us keep the Isra community connected by contributing regularly to Isra News. We appreciate your interest and contributions, and hope that you will find Isra News to be informative and pleasant to read.

Best Regards,
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Senior Superintendent of Police Mr. Adeel Chandio visited Isra University Hospital, Hyderabad on 09th of October 2019 to conduct an awareness session on the consumption of harmful substances by the people. Chairman Isra Islamic Foundation, Chancellor Isra University, Vice Chancellor Isra University and others welcomed the honorable guest.

While talking to the audience in Asadullah Kazi Auditorium, Mr. Adeel Chandio said that the consumption of substances like, gutka, poori, ice etc are injurious to one’s health. They are ruining our society and its future. He said that this drug consumption practice amongst our people needs to be controlled and he firmly believes that if students and educational institutes come forward and take necessary actions, this problem could be tackled and ultimately, eliminated.

Mr. Zhang Yang (Chief Representative of Chongqing Federation of Industry and Commerce), Mr. Jiang Yue (Deputy Chief Representative of Chongqing Federation of Industry and Commerce) along with Dr. Haris Shaikh (Business Representative of Chongqing General Chamber of Commerce in Pakistan) visited Isra University, Hyderabad on 28 December 2019 about upcoming future joint collaborations & ventures in the field of Vocational & Educational Skills. The team was very happy to see the services & facilities of Isra University. Team met with Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Engineering & Management Science, Isra University, and Hyderabad. The delegation expressed their wish that future Projects are organized just like the already successful and implemented trainings of different donors.
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One Day Workshop on Business Model Generation 2019

Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship (CIE) under ORIC, Isra University, Hyderabad organized “One day Workshop on Business Model Generation 2019” on 28th October 2019 at Asadullah Kazi Auditorium, Isra University, Hyderabad. The objective of the workshop was to train youth to become business leaders by building enterprises. Moreover, it architected emerging ideas into profitable business concepts by applying the latest global techniques of business modeling. The facilitators of this workshop were Ms. Erum Masood (CEO, Shajar Management Consultant) and Ms. Yasra Aslam (Assistant Professor, Department of Management Sciences, Isra University, Hyderabad). In this workshop, there were more than 150 participants from Roxford Cambridge College Hyderabad, University of Sufism & Modern Sciences Bhitshah, Sindh University Jamshoro, Hyderabad Institute of Arts, Science & Technology (HiAST) Hyderabad and Isra University, Hyderabad. The organizing committee consisted of a team of Office of Research, Innovation & Commercialization (ORIC) and members of Isra Entrepreneurial Society.
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members took part in the walk which started from Block A and terminated at Asadullah Kazi Auditorium. The walk and gathering were addressed by Dr. Naeem Laghari (Oncology Consultant of Isra Hospital), Dr. Manzoor Jamali (Psychiatrist), Ms. Nargis Baloch (Nursing Superintendent), Dr. Sajjad Kazi (Deputy Administrator Isra Hospital), and Professor Husain Bux Kolachi (Dean Basic Medical Sciences). They told that breast cancer is a major public problem in Pakistan, where forty thousand new cases are attributed to breast cancer. The self-breast examination, early mammography, and fine needle biopsy can be diagnosed at the early stages of breast cancer. Obesity, high fat diet, less walk, smoking, and low breastfeeding are the causes and risk factors that need more attention and community awareness. The walk was organized as a Higher Education Commission, and the Federal Ministry of Health regulation has directed Universities to hold awareness programs on their campuses.

The walk is one of the high impact awareness activity, and Isra University is holding such events on major public health issues like Rabies, Typhoid, Hepatitis, TB, Malaria, Diabetes, and Breast cancer every year. More than two hundred students, faculty members participated in the health awareness walk.

One day seminar on Nutritional Support in Surgical Patients

One day seminar on “Nutritional Support in Surgical Patients” organized by the department of the Surgery Isra University, Hyderabad, on 12-11-2019.

The seminar was basically held to provide information about nutritional support in surgical patients that Nutrition support is the provision of nutrients via a tube placed into the stomach or small intestine, or intravenously for patients who are unable to eat adequately when provided a normal diet. These two types of nutrition support are called enteral nutrition and parenteral nutrition.

Enteral and parenteral nutrition are usually administered to patients for short periods of time in the hospital, but are occasionally needed for extended periods of time for patients at home or in long-term care facilities. The seminar was held under the chairmanship of Prof. Abdul Sattar Memon at Lecture Hall-III (Old IT Lab) Isra University Hospital Hyderabad.

Career Counselling Session by Pakistan Air Force Office of Research, Innovation & Commercialization (ORIC), Isra University, Hyderabad organized a session on “Career Counselling by Pakistan Air Force (PAF)” on Thursday, 14th November 2019 at Block-B, Isra University, Hyderabad. The Facilitator of the session was Dr. Nasir Majeed (Officer Commanding – Pakistan Air Force, Selection Center, Hyderabad). The objectives of the session were to counsel & build the capacity of students & graduates to apply for their upcoming different career opportunities at Pakistan Air Force to serve the nation.
diet, regular exercise, smoking cessation and periodical check-up of blood pressure, cholesterol & blood sugar.

Dr. Shazia Kazi formally welcomed all the attending participants, chief guests and executive guests. The program was well appreciated by all the faculty members and the session was concluded by Dr. Bushra Aqeel with the vote of thanks.

Isra University organized PEC CPD Seminar on Integrated Management Systems on 16 November 2019. The resource person was Engr. Muhammad Saleh Rind, Deputy Chief Engineer, SSGC and Member, Governing Board, PEC. Moreover, Participants from the fields take part in this session (Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Mechanical Engineering along with undergraduate students), the participants were from Isra University, Hyderabad and from the adjoining areas. The session was started with welcome address of Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Engineering & Management Sciences, Isra University, and Hyderabad, Pakistan. He encouraged the students to take part in these types of PEC CPD seminars in future as PEC is giving points on the basis of attending the seminars as PEC will give the status of Professional Engineer (PE) on attaining a certain amount of CPD Points. This seminar was of 01 CPD points. After the addresses Engr. Saleh honored with Sindhi Topi, Ajrak and with the Shield.

Afterwards, Engr. M. Saleh Rind delivered his Seminar which lasted for a complete day. While speaking on the occasion he stressed the need of Safety Systems while working as a professional and student. He shared his experiences of safety at SSGC and shed light on different safety mechanisms and frameworks also involving quality standards such as ISO-9001, ISO-14001, and BS-OHSAS-18001. In the end Certificates was distributed among the participants, speakers and the organizers and the event was organized at the Faculty of Engineering, Science & Technology.
Seminar on "Digital Marketing"

Department of Management Sciences, Isra University Hyderabad organized a seminar on “DIGITAL MARKETING” at Asadullah Kazi Auditorium, Isra University Hyderabad on Tuesday, 19th November 2019. The facilitator of the session was Fareed Ahmed, CEO of Xcl Technology. The seminar was attended by faculty members, staff and students. The event started with recitation of HOLY QURAN followed by the welcome address and souvenir presentation to the main speaker and his Assistant Manager Nadia Bhutto by Professor Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Pro Vice Chancellor, Engineering and Management Sciences. The objective of this seminar was to bring awareness about the increasing importance of digital marketing, and make students know how things work in the real world. New opportunities were introduced to them with an additional incentive of an open invitation for the fresh grads to work with Xcl tech. Other than that, an inspiring story of the speaker himself had left a lasting impact on the listeners. In the end Chairperson of Management Sciences, Dr. Qamaruddin Mehr gave closing remarks. He appreciated the management on organizing such a fruitful seminar and thanked the guest speaker for his valuable time and knowledge.

Session on Small and Medium Sized Businesses Loaning

Department of Management Sciences organized the session on "Small and Medium Sized Businesses Loaning" with the collaboration of State Bank of Pakistan. Mr. Ghulam Ali manager at SBP Hyderabad delivered this session. The main agenda of this session was to promote youth for startups and to explain how to get different loanings with ease. A number of schemes for youth and female entrepreneurs were discussed with students. Prof. Dr. Abdul Subhan Kazi Dean FCE&MS, Chairman Dr. Qamaruddin Mahar and all the faculty members attended the session with great interest. Students actively participated in the question & answer session. Dr. Qamaruddin Mahar, Dr. Vivek Anand and Ms. Annam Inayat were the ones who facilitated this session.

Director General, NAVTTC, Sindh Visit for Prime Minister Kamyab Jawan Program

Ms. Nabila Umer, Director General, NAVTTC, Sindh and Mr. Aziz Chandio, Deputy Director, NAVTTC, Sindh, visited Isra University, Hyderabad on 16 December 2019 with regard to Prime Minister Kamyab Jawan Program for imparting Youth Skills Development Training to the youth of Sindh. The team was very happy to see the services, facilities and the trainings that organized previously by Isra University. Team met with Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Engineering & Management Science, Isra University, Hyderabad, Project Director, NAVTTC, and Prime Minister Kamyab Jawan Program for Youth Skills Development Programs. The participants expressed their continued support and hoped that in future to the upcoming Kamyab Jawan Program will be fully implemented just like previous trainings.
Testimonials of Interns

Career Development Center, under the Office of Research, Innovation & Commercialization (ORIC), Isra University, Hyderabad provided internship opportunities to students of various disciplines including BBA, MBA, Electrical Engineering, Software Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, ICT & Computer Science in the academic year 2018-19. Most prominent industries and companies who welcomed the students are Pakistan Telecommunication Company Ltd, Archroma Pakistan Ltd and Khushhali Bank Ltd. Students were provided with the professional environment where they practiced according to their respective field of specialization that will surely open up the doors of opportunities for them in future. Some of the testimonials are received from the interns who completed their internships and have shared their feedback as follows:

"I Fariz Ahmed, say thanks to ORIC for being supportive in directing me towards the right path as I got the best opportunity at PTCL. I met with professionals and worked in the best environment and enhanced my skills and experience."

"I Pashmina Chachar, want to say that overall, my experience at PTCL was wonderful. I learnt how to deal with the different situations and how to make immediate decisions. I was working on the project which assistant manager assigned me in which my skills are polished to work for next level. Thanks to ORIC team for your support in getting this opportunity."

"I Arisha Chachar, say thanks to ORIC team who gave me opportunity to gain experience in PTCL. I learned a lot of new techniques. They gave us individual assignments which enhanced my skills and understood how to communicate with coworkers, how to handle pressure and adapt new culture."

"I Maryam Chandio, am very thankful to ORIC who gave me that wonderful PTCL Internship opportunity, where I was given with ample opportunities to use my academic skillset in my internship with PTCL. My tasks included Pre-Audit of invoices, Parking of Invoices on ERP (SAP), Reconciliation of Bank Statements & Trend Analysis. Most importantly, the internship has given me a better outlook into what I would want to pursue in the future."

"I Miandad, did my internship at the multinational company ‘Archroma Pakistan Ltd’, with the help of ORIC, Isra University where I worked in professional environment and learned new techniques in production chemical & dyes and also got overview of all the departments working in operation."
Isra University organized PEC CPD Seminar on Alternate Business Model of Sustainability on 20 December 2019. The source person was Engr. Mehfoze Qazi, Project Director, and Sind Alternate Energy Project. Moreover, Participants from the field take part in this session (Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Mechanical Engineering along with undergraduate students.), the participants were from Isra University, Hyderabad and from the adjoining areas.

The session was start with the welcoming address of Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Engineering & Management Sciences, Isra University, and Hyderabad. He encouraged the students to take part in these types of PEC CPD seminars in future as PEC will give the status of Professional Engineer (PE) on attaining a certain amount of CPD Points. This seminar was of 0.5 CPD points. Afterwards, the speaker delivered his Seminar which lasted for a complete day. While speaking on the occasion he stressed the need of Alternate Energy in the today’s world as the conventional modes of energy are quickly exhausting and are becoming very expensive. After the addresses Engr. Mehfoze Qazi honored with Sindhi Topi, Ajrak and with the Shield. In the end Certificates distributed among the participants, speakers and the organizers, the event organized at the Faculty of Engineering, Science & Technology.
SECOND UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC PRESENTING SESSION 2019

Second Undergraduate Academic Presenting Session 2019 was a full day Academic promotion seminar, organized by Department of Science of Dental Materials, Isra Dental College in Asadullah Kazi auditorium, Isra University Hyderabad on 15th October 2019.

This is an annually conducted academic activity for dental undergraduates. Objective of this seminar was to promote the academic activities in dental undergraduate students. Chairman Seminar, Assistant Prof. Dr. Ashar Hussain, Head of Department of Science of Dental Materials IDC appreciated students on their presentations and outstanding management skills. Assistant Prof. Dr. Muslim Khaharo and Assistant Prof. Dr. Hafiz Mehmood Azam attended the seminar as the members of jury. Special guests, Prof. Dr. Navaid Kazi, Dr. Sajjad Kazi and Prof. Dr. Syed Murtaza Ali also attended the seminar.

In the end, best presenting students were awarded with certificates and shields. Chairman Seminar Assistant Prof. Dr. Ashar Hussain also presented a Souvenir to the members of jury and special guests.

POSTER PRESENTATION OF BBA RESEARCH PROJECTS

Department of Management Sciences organized a "Poster Presentation of BBA Research Projects" on November 14, 2019, at Block B, DMS, Isra University, Hyderabad. After working on their projects for an entire year, the final year BBA students were given an opportunity to showcase their hard work in front of both internal and external evaluators and get their valuable feedback. A total of 9 groups presented their innovative ideas to the evaluating team in a very competitive environment, where their efforts and dedication were highly appreciated. The winning team "Healthy Tiffin" comprised of Khairunissa Noonari, Yusra Feroz, Huda Siddiqui, Mahnoor Rahim and Manisha Ramesh, whose idea was a restaurant serving healthy, calorie-counted meals prepared from organic ingredients, specifically for health-conscious people. Working under the expert supervision of Dr. Abdul Subhan Kazi, Dean, Department of Management Sciences, the team was ranked first for their tremendous efforts and received a cash prize of Rs.10,000. The first runner-up team called "Tourflix", supervised by Mr. Mansoor Ahmed & Ms. Ujala Shah, secured second position and was awarded a cash prize of Rs. 8,000, whereas the second runner-up team "Rent a Look", supervised by Ms. Yasra Aslam, was given a cash prize of Rs. 7,000. The evaluating team comprised of Dr. Qamaruddin Mahar, Chairperson, DMS, Mr. Kaleemullah Shaikh, Manager, Atlas Honda Ltd., Mr. Furkan Mazhar, Manager, SMEDA, Dr. Nadeem Qureshi, Assistant Professor, DMS & Dr. Zafar Siddiqui, Deputy Director, ORIC, Isra University, Hyderabad. The hard work and efforts put in by the teams were evident from the presentation of their well-thought-out ideas. The evaluating team was highly impressed and praised the creativity, diligence and entrepreneurial mindset of the presenting students. The event came to an end with an award distribution ceremony in which Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Pro Vice Chancellor, and Dr. Qamaruddin Mahar, Chairperson, DMS, highly commended the determination and efforts of the graduating students and wished them the best for their future. After presenting certificates to all supervisors and the organizing team as well as cash prizes to the winning teams, group photographs were taken, marking the end of the event.

MOCK INTERVIEW

The Career Development Center (CDC) under the Office of Research, Innovation & Commercialization (ORIC) conducted Mock Interviews for the final year students. Interviews were held on Tuesday, 12th November 2019 at Block – C, Isra University, Hyderabad.

The purpose of this activity was to provide an opportunity to the students where they could practice their interviewing skills in an environment similar to the actual interviews. The interview was conducted by Mr. Muhammad Saad Alam (Human Resource Business Partner at Jaffer Brothers (Pvt.) Ltd), Mr. Haseebullah Memon (Manager of ORIC) and Ms. Donia Niaz Bughio (Manager of ORIC).
One-day seminar on Career Counselling & Communication Skills

Office of Research, Innovation & Commercialization (ORIC) in collaboration with Career Development Center (CDC), Isra University, Hyderabad organized a one-day seminar on “Career Counselling & Communication Skills”. It was held on Thursday, 31st October 2019 at Isra University Hyderabad. The facilitator of this seminar was Mr. Muntazir Haider (Senior Partner & Consultant – The Brand Consultants). The objective of the seminar was to counsel & build the capacity of students, faculty & staff in their career selection and help them to groom their communication skills.

IEEE Isra Student Branch Elections

IEEE Isra Student Branch Elections held on 29 November 2019 to select team for Year 2020. The yearly elections held at the faculty of engineering, science & technology. The newly elected office bearers were Kosain Rais, Ihsan Junejo, Iqra Naeem and Qirat Vohra who were elected as Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and General Secretary respectively. Two each elected from Computer Science & Electrical Engineering departments.

Moreover, Prof. Dr. Hameedullah Kazi, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Engineering & Management Sciences, Isra University, Hyderabad, Pakistan and Head of Executive Council, IEEE Isra Student Branch & Engr. Saad Khan Baloch, Counselor, IEEE Isra Student Branch congratulated the newly elected body and wished them best of the luck for Year 2020.

Final Year Presentation and Evaluation Session

The final year project presentation and evaluation session of Computer Science department conducted on Thursday, 26th December 2019. The evaluation held by both internal and external committee members, the external examiners, Dr. Mukhtiar Memon (Assistant Professor Sindh Agriculture University, Tandojam) and Mr. Jawad Qureshi (CEO Logical Technologist) evaluated the projects.

Students from various disciplines presented their projects. Both external examiners as well as faculty appreciated the efforts of the students and encouraged them to work more on market and research-oriented projects. The session ended with a group photograph of faculty members and external examiners.

Final Year Projects Presentations

Final Year Project Presentation of the department of Electrical Engineering organized on 30 December 2019 at the department. Engr. Prof. Dr. M. Saad, HOD, QUEST department of Electronics Engineering, was the external along with Engr. Mehfoze Qazi, Project Director, and Sindh Alternate Energy Project. The externals were very happy to see the final year projects and the work done by the students of 1601-BEEE students as the quality of work was equally like the market need and demand.
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