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CM Balochistan Chairs High-Level Meeting to Address Financial and Administrative Issues in Public Universities



The Chief Minister of Balochistan, Mir Sarfraz Bugti, led a high-level meeting in Quetta to address the financial and administrative challenges faced by public sector universities. Attendees included key provincial ministers, such as Education Minister Raheela Hameed Khan Durrani, Planning & Development Minister Mir Zahoor Ahmed Buledi and Finance Minister Mir Shoaib Noshervani, as well as Vice Chancellors, including Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir from the University of Gwadar.

The Chief Minister emphasized the need for financial reforms, ordering the immediate payment of salaries and pensions for faculty and staff. He also mandated action against absentee employees, stating, "Only those who work will receive their salaries." Key decisions included a freeze on new hires, halting non-essential construction, and implementing ad-hoc recruitment for critical teaching staff. A committee led by Chief Secretary Shakeel Qadir Khan was formed to explore public-private partnerships to enhance the financial independence of universities. These reforms highlight the government's dedication to stabilizing university finances and improving governance for quality education in the province.

Governor Calls for Quality Education Reforms in Balochistan



Balochistan Governor Jaffar Khan Mandokhail, presiding over the Vice Chancellors' Conference at the Governor House on December 6, 2024, underscored the urgent need for action-oriented leadership to enhance the quality of education in public sector universities.

As Chancellor, he reaffirmed his commitment to fostering sustainable progress and implementing a robust monitoring mechanism to achieve shared educational goals. Addressing vice-chancellors, pro-vice chancellors, Higher Education Commission representatives, and other officials, the governor emphasized the significance of innovation, disciplined leadership, and financial self-reliance for universities.

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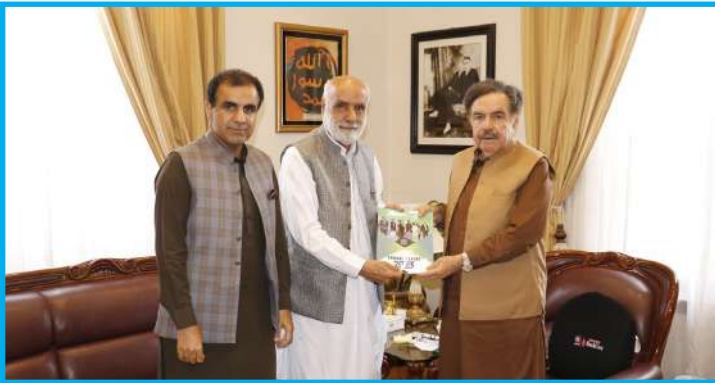
Vice Chancellor University of Gwadar Called on Chancellor



Gwadar Port, a deep-sea port with strategic economic importance, is positioned as a key gateway for maritime trade. During a meeting at Governor House Quetta, Balochistan Governor Jaffer Khan Mandokhail highlighted the port's potential to transform the region into a logistical hub for economic growth. He emphasized the vital role of the University of Gwadar, led by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir, in preparing youth with advanced knowledge and research skills to address future challenges.

The Governor urged prioritizing blue economy initiatives, including aquaculture and marine trade, to ensure sustainable coastal development. He also advocated for expanding university programs in information technology and life skills to equip students for the digital age, fostering innovation, and securing a prosperous future for the region.

VC & Pro-VC UG presenting Annual Report 2023 to Governor Balochistan



Governor Balochistan Jafar Khan Mandokhail has urged Gwadar University to focus on researching the blue economy, modern maritime industry, and coastal tourism to unlock the economic potential of Balochistan's 700-kilometer coastline. He called for a grand seminar on the blue economy to guide political and economic priorities and stressed integrating revenue generation into the university's strategic plan. The governor praised the university's efforts in modern skill development and improving education in the region.

During a meeting with Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir, the governor highlighted Gwadar Port's potential to end regional economic stagnation and pledged support for enhancing educational opportunities in Makran Division. The University of Gwadar Annual Report 2023 was also presented during the meeting.

HEC Chairman Urges Collaboration to Strengthen Higher Education in Balochistan



Prof. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed, Chairman of the Higher Education Commission has called for enhanced collaboration to address challenges and improve the quality of education in Balochistan's universities. Speaking at a meeting with vice-chancellors at BUIITEMS Quetta, he emphasized the need for joint efforts to foster academic excellence and meet modern educational demands.

Dr. Ahmed assured HEC's support for universities in overcoming financial and infrastructural constraints while urging institutions to provide competitive education. Provincial Education Minister Mrs. Rahila Hameed Durrani reaffirmed the government's commitment to addressing resource limitations and promoting sustainable growth. Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Gwadar, highlighted his institution's progress and contributions to expanding opportunities in the coastal region, emphasizing the need for stronger support from HEC and the government. The meeting concluded with a shared commitment to advancing higher education and research in Balochistan.

VCs of Balochistan Universities Meet HEC Chairman Over Financial Crisis



A delegation of Vice Chancellors from public universities in Balochistan, led by Education Minister Rahilla Hameed Durrani, met HEC Chairman Prof. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed to discuss the financial crisis affecting the region's universities. The delegation highlighted funding shortages hindering education quality, with the University of Gwadar requesting immediate funds for its new campus construction.

Minister Durrani emphasized higher education's role in Balochistan's socio-economic development and urged tailored solutions for the region's challenges. The HEC Chairman assured support, pledging to collaborate with the provincial government and stakeholders to develop a sustainable financial plan for the universities.

Provincial Minister Zahoor Ahmed Buledi Inaugurates Mir Ahmed Bakhsh Lehri Auditorium at PCT&VI



Provincial Minister for Planning and Development Balochistan, Mir Zahoor Ahmed Buledi, inaugurated the Mir Ahmed Bakhsh Lehri Auditorium at the Pak-China Technical & Vocational Institute on October 7, 2024. The event was attended by notable figures, including the Vice Chancellor of the University of Gwadar, Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir, Chairman of Gwadar Port Pasand Khan Buledi, and other key dignitaries. Minister Buledi commended the collaboration between the University of Gwadar and the Gwadar Port Authority in advancing technical and vocational education.

The modern auditorium is designed to host academic conferences, seminars, and training programs, contributing to the region's development under CPEC. The ceremony highlighted the institute's commitment to equipping the youth with skills for a competitive global economy.

Noor-ul-Haq Baloch, Chairperson of Balochistan Revenue Authority, Visits UG



The University of Gwadar hosted Mr. Noor-ul-Haq Baloch, Chairperson of the Balochistan Revenue Authority, to strengthen collaboration and enhance educational opportunities in the region. Welcomed by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir and Pro Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed, Mr. Baloch commended UG's efforts in advancing education and skill development. During his visit, he toured the Pak-China Technical & Vocational Institute, praising its role in equipping students with technical skills essential for regional socioeconomic progress, emphasizing the importance of partnerships between government entities and academic institutions.

UG signs MoUs with other stockholders



The University of Gwadar and the Gwadar Development Authority (GDA) have signed an MoU to collaborate on education, research, and urban development. Signed by Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir and Mr. Shafqat Anwar Shawani, the agreement focuses on joint research, sustainable city planning, capacity building, and internships for students in GDA's projects. This partnership aims to foster regional growth and reflects the University's commitment to the development of Gwadar and Balochistan.



UG and Gwadar Police Sign MoU to Enhance Community Safety and Collaboration

The University of Gwadar and the Gwadar Police Department have signed an MoU to collaborate on community safety, research, and capacity building. Signed by Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed and SSP Gwadar Najeeb Ullah Pandarani, the partnership focuses on joint research, community outreach, and training workshops to benefit students, police personnel, and the broader community, fostering a safer and more informed environment in Gwadar.



UG and IIRMR Sign MoU to Boost Research and Socio-Economic Development

The University of Gwadar and the Institute of International Relations and Media Research (IIRMR) have signed an MoU to collaborate on research, academic exchanges, and socio-economic development in Balochistan. Signed by Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed and IIRMR President Yasir Habib Khan, the partnership focuses on economic development, socio-cultural issues, CPEC, and Gwadar Port, aiming to address regional challenges and promote educational innovation.



UG and Karakoram International University Sign MoU for Academic Collaboration

The University of Gwadar (UG) and Karakoram International University (KIU) signed an MoU on September 10, 2024, to collaborate in applied and social sciences, focusing on faculty development, research, and scholarly exchange. The agreement, highlighted by a message from KIU Vice Chancellor Dr. Atta Ullah Shah, aims to foster innovation and academic excellence.



UG and SIUK Pakistan Sign MoU to Expand Global Opportunities for Students

The University of Gwadar (UG) and SIUK Pakistan have signed an MoU to enhance higher education and career development opportunities. The partnership will provide UG students with access to international study programs, career counseling, and guidance for pursuing education abroad, particularly in the UK. SIUK Pakistan will also assist in organizing seminars and workshops to help students make informed decisions about their education and career paths, aligning with UG's goal of expanding global opportunities.

UG Hosts Virtual Seminar on CPEC and Federalism in Pakistan



The CPEC Study Center at the University of Gwadar hosted a virtual seminar on “CPEC and Federalism in Pakistan,” featuring Dr. Filippo Boni from The Open University, UK, as the keynote speaker. Dr. Boni discussed CPEC’s national and provincial impacts, highlighting the preference for the eastern route over the western route and the need for greater provincial inclusion through platforms like the Council of Common Interests. He also praised initiatives like the Pakistan-China Technical and Vocational Institute for fostering Gwadar’s socio-economic development. The session ended with a Q&A.

University of Gwadar Hosts Orientation Session for Newly Enrolled Students



The University of Gwadar held an orientation session on October 16, 2024, at the Mir Ahmad Bakhsh Lehri Auditorium, PCT&VI, to welcome newly enrolled students. Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed encouraged students to embrace opportunities and strive for excellence. SSP Gwadar Najeeb Ullah Pandarani emphasized maintaining a safe and conducive environment. Prof. Dr. Jan Muhammad, Dean of Social Sciences, outlined the university’s education system, scholarships, and policies. Senior faculty, staff, students, and parents attended the event, which highlighted the university’s commitment to academic excellence and student development. Farooq Haider, Director of Students Affairs, managed the stage. The session marked the start of a promising academic journey for the students.

Chairman GPA and Pro-Vice Chancellor UG Represent Pakistan at World TVET Conference in Tianjin, China



Mr. Passand Khan Buledi, Chairman of the Gwadar Port Authority, and Dr. Manzoor Ahmed, Pro-Vice Chancellor of the University of Gwadar and Executive Director of the Pakistan-China Technical and Vocational Institute, represented Pakistan at the World Technical and Vocational Education Development Conference in Tianjin, China, on November 21-22, 2024.

The event brought together delegates from various countries to discuss the future of technical and vocational education and its role in economic progress. Dr. Manzoor Ahmed delivered a keynote speech titled “The Critical Role of Technical and Vocational Education in the Industrial Development of Pakistan,” emphasizing partnerships, skill-based education, and aligning training with industrial needs. His speech was widely appreciated, showcasing Pakistan’s commitment to advancing TVE to global standards.

Mr. Passand Khan Buledi’s participation highlighted Pakistan’s dedication to linking technical education with economic development, particularly in Gwadar’s strategic growth as a regional trade hub. The delegation underscored Pakistan’s focus on leveraging TVE for sustainable development and industrial innovation.

Gwadar University, GPA and PCT&VI Leadership Advances Sino-Pak Educational Ties



Dr. Manzoor Ahmed, Pro-Vice Chancellor of Gwadar University, and Mr. Passand Khan Buledi, Chairman of Gwadar Port Authority, participated in the China-Pakistan Dialogue on Industry and Education Cooperation in Jinan, China. During the event, they signed agreements with top Chinese institutions, including Shandong Institute of Commerce and Technology and Beijing Institute of Economics and Management, marking the establishment of the Luba-Mozi College (COPHC) in Pakistan.

This college will focus on research, technical training, and bridging the gap between academia and industry in Gwadar. The initiative supports the Belt and Road Initiative, CPEC, and the Maritime Silk Route, promoting innovation and socio-economic development between China and Pakistan.

Advancing Educational Excellence Through Pakistan-China Collaboration



Six faculty members from Pak-China Technical and Vocational Institute, Gwadar University successfully completed a six-month intensive training at the Shandong Institute of Commerce and Technology, China. The program, which began on July 4, 2024, was facilitated by PCT&VI with support from Mr. Pasand Khan Buledi, Chairman of Gwadar Port Authority. The training enhanced faculty expertise, contributing to improved education and vocational training in Gwadar.

Meanwhile, Dr. Manzoor Ahmed, Pro Vice-Chancellor of Gwadar University, and Mr. Pasand Khan Buledi participated in the China-Pakistan Dialogue on Industry and Education Cooperation in Jinan, China. Key agreements were signed with SICT and the Beijing Institute of Economics and Management to establish Luba-Mozi College (COPHC) in Pakistan, a pioneering initiative under CPEC and the Belt and Road Initiative.

The Luba-Mozi College will serve as a hub for technical training, research, and industry-academia collaboration, driving socio-economic development and strengthening Sino-Pak educational ties.



UG Holds First Board of Studies Meeting for M.Phil, Chemistry Courses



The University of Gwadar's Faculty of Science, Engineering, and Technology held its inaugural Board of Studies meeting for the M.Phil. Chemistry program, chaired by Dr. Mohib Ullah, Dean of the Faculty. The session, attended by academic experts from various institutions, focused on finalizing the two-year program structure, which includes 24 credit hours of coursework in the first year and research in the second year. Key subjects like Research Methodology, Nanochemistry, and Nuclear Magnetic Resonance in Organic Chemistry were discussed and approved. Dr. Mohib thanked participants for their contributions, highlighting the program's potential to enhance the academic and professional development of future students.

University of Gwadar Holds Board of Studies Meeting for M.Phil. Education



The Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Gwadar held its second Board of Studies meeting for the M.Phil. Education program, chaired by Madam Shahnaz Noor. The session focused on finalizing the academic framework and aligning BS programs with the Undergraduate Education Policy 2023.

Held at PCT&VI UG, the meeting gathered regional academic experts, including Prof. Dr. Jan Muhammad, Prof. Dr. Nehmat Ullah, Madam Mahnaz, Dr. Rabia, and Mukhtar Bashir. The proposed two-year M.Phil. program

includes 24 credit hours of coursework in the first year, followed by research in the second year.

The board collaboratively reviewed the curriculum to enhance research, educational theory, and applied methodologies. Madam Shahnaz Noor thanked participants, emphasizing the program's role in shaping future education leaders.

Vice Chancellor Welcomes Zero Semester Students at UG, Batch-2025



The University of Gwadar warmly welcomed newly admitted Zero Semester students as Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir, Vice Chancellor, addressed them during a campus visit. The Zero Semester program is designed to ease students' transition into university life by providing a strong academic foundation.

Congratulating the students, Dr. Sabir encouraged them to make the most of UG's modern facilities, infrastructure, and academic resources. He emphasized the importance of skill development and urged students to strive for excellence, contributing to the progress of Gwadar and beyond.

The session concluded on a positive note, with students expressing appreciation for the University's support and motivation. The visit reaffirmed UG's commitment to fostering a student-centered learning environment.

HEC-NAHE Skill-Building Training Program at PCT&VI, University of Gwadar



The HEC-National Academy of Higher Education's (NAHE) five-day training program for the administrative staff of the University of Gwadar concluded successfully. The closing ceremony, held at the CPEC Study Center's conference hall, was presided over by Pro Vice-Chancellor Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed and attended by senior faculty and officials.

Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir and HEC Director Ms. Amina Noor Malik addressed the event via video link, encouraging participants to share their newly acquired skills. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed highlighted the importance of such programs in enhancing professional capacities in Balochistan's educational institutions.

The program featured special sessions on financial management led by former Deputy Governor of the State Bank of Pakistan, Qazi Abdul Muqtadir. Certificates were distributed to participants for their active engagement and successful completion.



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The University of Gwadar proudly announces that **Mr. Muhammad Irshad Buledi**, Senior Faculty Member and Director of ORIC, has achieved international recognition for his article published in Humanities and Social Sciences Communications (Springer Nature, USA), with 171,000 downloads and ranking as the 4th most cited paper. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir and Pro Vice-Chancellor Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed commended his impactful research, emphasizing its role in enhancing the university's global reputation and advancing academic contributions.



Students and faculty from the Pak China Technical and Vocational Institute, University of Gwadar, recently toured key Gwadar Port sites. The group, specializing in various fields, explored the port, Business Commercial Complex, and terminal, receiving briefings on operations and strategic significance.



They also learned about the Green City initiative, RO Plant, and China Business Centre, gaining practical insights into Gwadar's development. The visit reinforced PCT&VI's commitment to combining academics with hands-on learning experiences.



Gwadar University Students Shine at Digital Media Conference

Sanji (Education, 8th) and Gulpara (IT, 4th) represented Gwadar University at the Conference on Digital Media Businesses in Karachi, engaging with industry leaders and experts on emerging digital trends.



Selected for their academic excellence, they participated in panel discussions and workshops on digital marketing, content creation, and media technologies.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir praised their involvement, reinforcing UG's commitment to real-world learning. Their experience will inspire peers and enhance UG's digital media program.



The University of Gwadar football team showcased impressive talent at the NAB Sports Gala 2024, held at Baba Bizenjo Football Ground. Competing against four teams, they triumphed in their opening match against Gwadar Football Academy, securing a place in the final.

In a thrilling final against Kinara Football Club Gwadar, UG fought valiantly but narrowly missed the title, losing by a single goal. Captain Abdul Rehman Allah Bakhsh (Education Department) led the team, with strong support from Director of Sports Sagheer Naseem.

University of Gwadar Hosts Successful Two-Day Business & Cultural Gala



Gwadar, December 6, 2024: The University of Gwadar concluded its two-day Business and Cultural Gala 2024 with resounding success, celebrating innovation, cultural pride, and youth empowerment.

The event was inaugurated by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir, who emphasized the importance of fostering leadership and preserving Gwadar's rich cultural heritage. Distinguished guests, including Brigadier Ehtisham Sattar (Commander, 440 Brigade Gwadar), DIG Police Pervaiz Umrani, and Deputy Commissioner Hamood ur Rehman, highlighted the university's role in bridging academia, business, and the community.

The gala featured business exhibitions, student-led startups, cultural performances, and panel discussions on entrepreneurship and cultural preservation. Vibrant displays of traditional Balochi music, dance, and crafts captivated audiences, while innovative stalls showcased Gwadar's entrepreneurial potential.

At the grand closing ceremony, Brigadier Saeed Ibrar, Brigadier Staff 44 Division, lauded the event as a platform for dialogue and collaboration, calling it a symbol of Gwadar's immense potential. Shields and certifications were awarded to outstanding participants, with the Vice Chancellor expressing gratitude to all contributors for their dedication. This landmark initiative reflects the University of Gwadar's commitment to fostering education, innovation, and cultural pride, setting a benchmark for future endeavors.



UG Holds 1st Departmental Accounts Committee Meeting



The Vice Chancellor of the University of Gwadar, Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir, convened the first meeting of the Departmental Accounts Committee on December 19th, 2024, at the HEC Regional Center, Quetta.

Prof Dr. Manzoor Ahmed (Pro Vice-Chancellor UG), Dolat Khan (Registrar UG), Rehmatullah (Acting Director Finance UG), Syed Sanaullah (Director of Audit Balochistan), Syed Mehdi (AG office), Mr. Amanullah Barraich (representative from the Finance Department, Government of Balochistan), and Muhammad Amin (Internal Auditor, University of Gwadar) attended the meeting. Besides the settlements of audit paras, key matters related to the university's financial oversight and audit processes were discussed, marking a significant step toward enhancing transparency and accountability within the institution.

The Vice-Chancellor emphasized the importance of collaborative efforts in ensuring effective financial governance to support the university's academic and administrative goals.

University of Gwadar 5th Finance and Planning Committee meeting



The University of Gwadar held its 5th Finance and Planning Committee meeting on November 12, 2024, at the CPEC Study Centre. Chaired by Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir, the meeting focused on strengthening financial stability and academic growth.

Key approvals included the 2024-25 budget estimates, updates on previous decisions, and the formation of a committee to review rates for the Benevolent Fund supporting regular employees. HEC representative Ms. Samina Durrani commended the finance wing's efforts and provided suggestions for further improvement.

The Vice-Chancellor emphasized the significance of these measures in enhancing staff welfare and academic excellence. He appreciated the committee members' dedication, expressing optimism about the university's continued progress and impact.

University of Gwadar 4th Syndicate meeting



The fourth meeting of the Syndicate of the University of Gwadar was held at the HEC Regional Center in Quetta, chaired by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir and attended by key Syndicate members, including Pro Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Syed Manzoor Ahmed, Secretary Hafiz Muhammad Tahir, and representatives from Balochistan’s Finance Department and university faculties.

The Registrar, Mr. Dolat Khan, presented the agenda, leading to detailed discussions on administrative, academic, and research matters. The Syndicate approved minutes from the Academic Council, Finance and Planning Committee, and Selection Board meetings. Immediate issues related to academic, administrative, and financial operations were also resolved.

The Vice Chancellor concluded by thanking participants for their valuable input, emphasizing their contributions to the university’s growth and development.

University of Gwadar’s 7th Academic Council meeting






The University of Gwadar’s seventh Academic Council meeting, chaired by Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Abdul Razzaq Sabir at the CPEC Study Center, focused on academic enhancement and institutional development. Attendees included Pro-Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Manzoor Ahmad, Registrar Dolat Khan, and other academic officials.

Key decisions included approving HEC’s “Institutional Affiliation Policy 2024,” adding Pakistan Studies to undergraduate programs, and introducing MS courses in Management Sciences, Chemistry, and Education to address regional needs. The council also approved the establishment of a Zoology department and specialized Fisheries courses to align with Gwadar’s coastal context and selected members for the Faculty Council and Advanced Research Board to strengthen research.

The Vice-Chancellor praised the collective efforts driving the university’s growth and reaffirmed the commitment to academic excellence and community impact.

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