BALOCHISTAN UNIVERSITY OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & MANAGEMENT SCIENCES, QUETTA

EDITORIAL

Intelligentsia has done well during first fifty years of our existence as an independent nation. Excellent books have been written on history, literature, poetry, politics, humour, religion etc. Mushtaq Ahmed Yousafi, Ibn-e-Insha, Syed Zamir Jaffery, Qudrutullh Shahab, Mumtaz Mufti, Mukhtar Masood, Intizar Hussain and Atta Shad are few names from the long list of authors of excellent caliber. Is our new generation aware of their contributions?

Following questions were put to 50 undergraduate students. How many of them spare time for reading material other than textbooks? What type of books do they read? How many of them go through national and international newspapers and journals regularly? How many are used to read a book before going to bed?

Only seven of them were readers of other than textbook material. One was reader of material on Philosophy of Islam. There were three who read a national English daily or an international weekly magazine. Most of them were browsers of daily Urdu news papers. However none of them was aware of classics like Shahab Nama, Loh-e-Ayam, Awaz-e Dost, Moj-e-Kausar, Aabe-Gum, Alakh Nagari or Udas Naslien.

It is worrisome that new generation has little awareness about such a treasure. Lack of good libraries may be one of the reasons. There was a good library in every street of Quetta two decades ago. Now there are internet cafes instead. It is true that access to knowledge is extremely fast via internet, but libraries have their own role. Pleasure of reading a book is completely different from excitement of scrolling a document on the monitor. We should build our libraries, link them through internet and make information about in -stock books available to readers.

Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences is committed in building of good reading habits of its students. Establishment of a good library, housing Urdu and English classics in addition to technical books is our goal. Linkage to other libraries via internet is the next step. We are striving for making our library facilities available to students of other universities on reciprocal basis.

Coordination Council for Public Sector Universities in Balochistan

The Honourable Governor of Balochistan constituted a council of faculty members of the public sector universities in Balochistan vide order no. SGB/2003/2-13/1066-70 dated Quetta, the 11th September 2003. The council comprises of:

1) Justice M.A Rashid, (Chairman)
Vice Chancellor, Balochistan University (for a period of three months)
2) Dr. Mohammad Hussain, (Member)
Dean, Faculty of Management Sciences, BUITMS.
3) Dr. Sabir Hussain Usmani, (Member)
Dean/ Chairman Electronics Engineering Faculty of Computer & Emerging Sciences, BUITMS.
4) Dr. Mohammad Nawaz, (Member)
Chairman, Computer & Emerging Sciences, BUITMS.
5) Prof. Dr. Mohsin Raza, (Member)
Dean, Faculty of Physical Sciences, University of Balochistan.
6) Prof. Dr. Abbas Haider, (Member)
Dean, Faculty of Chemical and Biological Sciences University of Balochistan.
7) Prof. Dr. Masoom Yasinzai, (Member)
Institute of Bio-Chemistry University of Balochistan.
8) Mr. Aftab Ahmed Farooq, (Member)
Assistant Professor, Civil Deptt: BUET, Khuzdar.
9) Mr. Mohammad Usman, (Member)
Assistant Professor, Electrical Deptt: BUET, Khuzdar.
10) Mr. Bashir Ahmed Leghari, (Member)s
Assistant Professor Mechanical, BUET, Khuzdar.

Honorable Chancellor Owais Ghani enacts Universities consortia facilitatin bilateral ties and issues bilateral

This Council has been assigned the following terms of reference and shall submit progress report on fortnightly basis to the Chancellor.

a) To coordinate with the Higher Education Commission for tapping the myriad programmes launched by the Higher Education Commission for promotion of Specialized and Technical Education in the country and to timely inform the candidate belonging to this Province for benefitting from these programmes.

b) To ensure that the Professional Courses in the Universities are in tune with Development requirements of the Province.
The demand and supply of various expertise may be properly projected so that the students can avail opportunity.

c) Suggest modifications/ changes in the curricula of various sciences according to the requirement of prevalent market force.

d) Suggest courses in emerging areas i.e. Environmental Management Sciences and Bio Technologies, Marine Sciences, Genetics and Artificial Intelligence.

e)   Suggest improvements in the standard of quality education in the Universities and affiliated colleges.

f)   Suggest ways and means for fostering Higher Education for females which hitherto is being neglected in acquiring their due share.

g)   Suggest such policies/guidelines for access of students from backward and remote areas of Balochistan for acquiring opportunities in the new emerging fields of Higher Education

First meeting of Coordination Council

The first meeting of Coordination Council for universities in Balochistan was held in the Governor's House on 18-09-2003 at 1.00 p.m. Honourable Governor of Balochistan Mr. Owais Ghani chaired the meeting. Vice Chancellors of three public sector universities of Balochistan attended this meeting with their teams. Team of Balochistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences Comprised of Dr Mohammad Abbas Chaudhary, Vice Chancellor, Dr Mohammad Hussain, Dr Sabir Hussain Usmani and Dr Mohammad Nawaz.

Honourable Governor of Balochistan said "The Federal Ministry of Education has announced several schemes for promotion of higher education and Dr Atta ur Rehman, Adviser to President for Science and Technology has special consideration for Balochistan in this respect. He stressed that it is responsibility of administration and academia of universities to benefit from schemes of HEC like scholarships for Ph D, Indigenous Ph D program, Foreign Faculty Hiring, Student/Faculty exchange programme etc. He proposed that each university should choose at least one discipline for excellence. He said that the academia has better understanding of their problems and they can come up with adequate solutions.

Owais Ghani Chairs meeting of CC reiterating Universities to benefit from HEC Schemes

"One objective of this council is to provide a platform for interaction among the academia. Meet with each other, discuss the plans for promotion of higher education and then apprise me of your deliberations, I will do every thing possible to get your proposals approved at highest level" he remarked. It is not too late; we can start from small things and reach at the highest level of excellence. Start with immediate problems for example shortage of faculty, prepare proposals in the light of schemes of HEC like foreign faculty hiring and send these proposals to HEC. He said that there are at least 22 programmes of HEC in the domains of Social Sciences, curriculum development, grooming of young scientists, post-graduate and post-doctoral schemes and merit scholarships we can get benefit from. Faculty development should be at the top of our priority list.

"We have to be ambitious aiming at highest targets. We can engage Pakistani Professors working in U.S.A and other advanced countries under foreign Faculty Hiring Scheme. Explore these schemes and keep me updated. Identify the people from Pakistan and abroad then we will contact the HEC for hiring them. Meet me frequently at least once every fortnight. I have discussed all aspects of higher education with Dr Atta-ur-Rehman in reference to Balochistan. He is very considerate in this respect".

Dr. Mohammad Abbas Choudhary, Vice Chancellor Balochistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences, proposed a two-phase plan. Phase-1 for short term objectives (duration two years) and the Phase-II for long term objectives (duration five years). He also mentioned a seminar aimed at faculty development on Data-communication and scheduled on 26-27 September 2003 at BUITMS in collaboration with HEC. Funding for this seminar was received from HEC within one week from date of submission of the proposal.

Vice Chancellor BUITMS proposed II phase plan, epitomizing the cherished objectives of Chancellor

The Honourable Governor said that using HEC scheme, we can hire faculty from Pakistan and abroad and train our junior teachers. Dr. Mohammad Abbas Choudhary mentioned that BUITMS has initiated programs for which faculty from Karachi, Lahore and

Islamabad come to Quetta twice a month. Dr. Mohammad Hussain, Dean Faculty of Management Sciences, said that we have to augment our resources and utilize these optimally. Public sector universities of Balochistan should have joint supervisory committee for M Phil and PhD programs, a student exchange program and inter library loan scheme should be started for students of these universities. It was remarked that each of public sector universities of Balochistan should have training facilities in at least one particular discipline.

A member of council mentioned that GRE is a pre requisite for PhD Program. The Governor proposed that the potential candidates of Ph D should be trained for GRE test. Relaxation of age and condition of first division for Ph D candidature was also discussed.

Two-day Workshop on Data Communication, Computer Networks and Network Security in Collaboration with HEC Islamabad, 26-27 September 2003

A two-day workshop on Data Communication, Computer Networks and Network Security was held in the auditorium of Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences, Jinnah Town Quetta on 26-27 September 2003. The workshop was organized by the Faculty of Computer and Emerging Sciences in collaboration

Workshop on networks: BUITMS re-affirms its pledge to serve as a platform for the development and provision of Technological progress and needs.

with Higher Education Commission Islamabad.

Mr. Ather Mehboob (MS Florida State University U S A)
Institute of Business Administration, Karachi
And Mr. Farrukh Nizami (BS California State University USA)

Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology, Karachi were the resource person for this workshop. Organizing committee comprised of Dr Mohammad Nawaz, Mr. Khalid Mengal, Mr. Ikramullah Khan and Mr. Irfan Ahmed Shah.

Registration for the workshop started at 08-45 a.m. and lasted for half an hour. Each participant was given a folder which contained the Mission Statement of BUITMS, aims and objectives of the workshop, schedule for the workshop, handouts and some stationary.

After registration the participants gathered in the auditorium of BUITMS which is fully equipped with all necessary equipment like multimedia, networking, sound system and state of the art furnishing. A student of BUITMS recited verses from Holy Quran.

Dr Mohammad Nawaz introduced the resource persons to the participants. He said that this workshop is the first in the series of four workshops scheduled in collaboration with Higher Education Commission Islamabad at Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences Quetta. The four workshops are:

- Data Communication, Computer
- Networks and Network Security
- Automata Theory
- Problem Solving Algorithms Object Oriented Design.

He said that human resource development in the domain of Information Technology is the main objective of these workshops.

> *Workshop is to develop the faculty of BUITMS in particular and human resources of Balochistan in general said Vice Chancellor*

Dr Muhammad Abbas Chaudhary, Vice Chancellor of BUITMS welcomed the resource persons and the participants of the workshop. He paid heartiest homage to the insight and vision of Mr. Owais Ghani, Honorable Chancellor of the university on whose approval these workshops have been launched. He impressed upon the importance of Data Communication, Computer Networks and Network Security, Automata Theory, Problem Solving Algorithms and Object Oriented Design in reference to the discipline of Information Technology. He said that these areas were identified in consultation with academia of the university. Main objective of these workshops is to develop the faculty of BUITMS in particular and human resource of Balochistan in general. He extended open invitation to all the interested circles for participation in these and other workshops held at the auspices of Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences Quetta. He expressed his gratitude to Higher Education Commission for sponsoring this workshop and to the resource persons who spared their time on very short notice. He referred to Law of Network Effects and said that joining hands together we can excel exponentially in the domain of Information Technology. Such workshops will not only enhance our knowledge but will also provide a platform to sit together and share the ideas.

The workshop was split in four technical sessions, two sessions on each day. The participants were fully involved during all the sessions, they asked several questions and recognized the expertise of resource persons with big applauses several times during the sessions.

The workshop concluded at about 8.00 p.m. Dr Muhammad Abbas Chaudhary, Vice Chancellor BUITMS paid the vote of thanks and distributed the certificates among the participants of the workshop. After distribution of certificates the participants got a photo session with Vice Chancellor and the resource persons.

Organizations which participated in the workshop

The workshop was attended by all the faculty members of Faculty of Computer and Emerging Sciences. Some administrative staff also attended the workshop. Several nominees from various departments participated in this workshop as well. These organizations include:

1. Govt. Girls College Quarry Road Quetta
2. Govt. Science College Quetta.
3. R&D Cell.
4. Technical Education Project, Quetta.
5. Garrison Academy Quetta Cantt.
6. Technical Education Project, Quetta.
7. Women Technical Centre, Quetta.
8. Education Department, Quetta.
9. PTV Centre, Quetta.
10. Directorate of Industries Deptt, Quetta.
11. Chief Mi nister Secretariat, Quetta.
12. SDRB UNDP
13. Women Technical Centre, Quetta.
14. College of Physician and Surgeon, Quetta.
15. UNHCR (Repatriation Unit), Quetta.
16. University of Balochistan, Quetta.
17. Govt. College, Sar-e-Ab Road Quetta
18. Govt. Girls College Quetta.
19. Govt. Girls Inter College Jinnah Town Quetta.
20. PTCL Quetta.
21. PAF Inter College Quetta.
22. NTC, Quetta.
23. Govt. Girls Degree College Quetta Cantt.
24. Govt. Satellite Town College, Quetta.
25. Pearl Institution, Quetta.
26. Garrison Academy Quetta Cantt.
27. General Mohammad Musa Inter College Quetta.
28. Balochistan University of Engineering and Technology Khuzdar
29. Govt. Girls College Satellite Town Quetta.
30. Iqra Army Public School Quetta Cantt.
31. IUCN Balochistan Programme.
32. Staff College IT Wing Quetta.
33. National Institute of Public Administration.

Zero Semester

In the second meeting of syndicate of Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences Quetta the Federal Minister for Education Madam Zubaidah Jalal stressed upon the need for induction of students from remote areas of Balochistan in

mainstream of higher education. For this purpose the syndicate recommended that the failures of entry test (of Fall Semester 2003) and other candidates from remote areas may be given pre-entry test training. Concept of Zero Semester emerged from this discussion. To fulfill the commitment made in second meeting of syndicate Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences launched Zero Semeater on 15-10-2003, which was the orientation day. A total 40 students got registered on this day. This number rose to 80 within a week. Classes commenced from Monday 20th October 2003. Prof. Ghulam Shabbir, Dr. Ashfaq Ahmed and Mr. Sadiq Bugti were assigned the responsibility of teaching English, Mathematics and Computer Science to the trainees.

Commencement of New Classes Semester Fall 2003

Classes for first semester fall 2003 commenced from 11th September 2003. September 8 was the orientation day. Time Table was displayed on 8th September.
Two textbook dealers displayed textbooks in the entrance hall for students.

Stringent Procedure well comes another 320 Students to a Culture of openness truth, dialogue and pragmatism at BUITMS

Three new classrooms are prepared by modifying the existing building which used to house dead stock. Existing parking shed has been converted into canteen.

Orientation for Students of First Semester of BS (CS), BS (CE), BS (BA) and BS (EE)

Orientation for fall semester of BUITMS was conducted on 8th September 2003 for students of BS (CS), BS (CE), BS (EE) and BS(BA).

The students were addressed in the Auditorium by Dr. Mohammad Nawaz, Chairman Department of Computer and emerging sciences and Dr. Mohammad Hussain Dean Faculty of Management sciences. They welcomed the students and explained the functioning of the university. They emphasized also on the main rules regarding no smoking, neat and clean environment, attendance, semester system, grade point system, credit hours, syllabi and textbooks. Then Mr. Manzoor Ahmed Khilji gave a presentation on multimedia regarding disciplinary rules, code of conduct, laboratory rules and student teacher relationship. After Mr. Khilji's presentation, folders containing time table, names of textbooks, The Mission Statement, list of courses for eight semesters and rules and regulations, were distributed among the students.

Welcome Party to Newcomers by Senior Students
(Report by Safa Anjum BS (CS)III)

Seniors students of **BUITMS** arranged a welcome party for newcomers on 25th of September 2003. Miss AF heen and Mubashir

Malik helped the students in organization of this party. The program included skits, dramas, songs, qawalis, national songs and poetry.

Sana Anjum, Hina Manzoor, Kamran Ali and Ali Afzal were the comperes. The programme started with recitation of holy verses from Holy Quran by Hafiz Manzoor of BS(EE) 1st semester, Naat by Syed Afraz Ali MS(CS) and Milli naghma by Hafsa Dar BS(CE) 3rd semester.

Other programs included welcome song to introduce teachers by Safa Anjum & Mehwish of BS(CS) 3rd semester, welcome speech (duplicate V.C) by Syed Afraz Ali of MS(CS), song by Jahanzaib of MS(CS), poem by Inaamullah of MBA, Funny News by students of BS (BA) 2nd semester, drama by Usman and group of BS(CE) 3rd semester, song by khawaja Bilal BS(EE) 1st, performance on Rahim Shah's song by Qayyum of MBA, drama (khan) by Mudasir of BS(EE) 1st, funny poetry by Imran Riaz of BS (BA) 2nd, drama (Khan 2) by Mudasir of BS(EE) 1st, gifts for comperes , boy of the evening and girl of the evening BS(CS) 3rd by Safa and Mehwish.

The ceremony concluded with address to newcomers, old students and the faculty by Worthy Vice Chancellor. At the end, Hafsa Dar and all the participants of the program sang the national anthem.
Dinner was served to all the participants at the end.

BUITMS wins first two positions in ITAP Software Exhibition
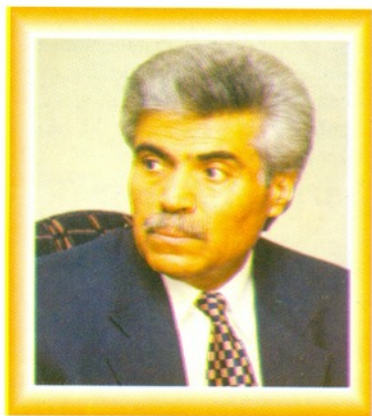### (Report by Mohammad Ajmal BS CS III)

The three -day Software Exhibition ITAP 2003 (Information Technology Awareness and Promotion) started on Friday 17th o October 2003, at Iqra University, Quetta Campus. The Exhibition had three parts, Software Exhibition, Quiz Competition and On-spo Programming Competition. Honorable Governor Balochistan Mr Owais Ghani was the chief guest. From BUITMS, Zafar Saeed and Juma Khan of BS(CS) 2nd semester got first prize and Hafsa Dar and Haseeb of BS(CE) 3rd Semester got the second prize in Software Exhibition. Zafar Saeed and Mohammed Ajmal Khan of BUITMS go second position in Quiz Competition.

BUITMS Successfully completes 2nd Free IT Awareness Program: A Milestone Towards Fulfilling Social Responsibility

Certificate distribution ceremony of Free IT Awareness Programme was held on 4-9-2003 at 10.00 a.m. in the auditorium with Mr. Ayub Baloch, Secretary Information Technology in chair. The ceremony started with recitation from Holy Quran. Dr Mohammad Nawaz presented the brief report of the training. Among the trainees, there were housewives, doctors, engineers, children and journalists. The training was fully run by senior students of BUITMS under guidance from faculty. Miss Safia Raza designed the course outline for this training. Syed Irfan Ahmed, Mr. Qadeem Kakar and Miss Fouzia Inayat looked after the administrative issues.

Secretary I.T says BUITMS heralds success for the Province of Balochistan now and for times to come

Mr. Ayub Baloch said that he sees his dream come true in the form of Balochistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences. One had to travel out from Balochistan in order to see a good institution, now we have an international university of our own. BUITMS sounds like beauty. I imagine this university emerging as a leader in Information Technology. Balochistan is a repository of not only of lead, stones, mines but also of intellectualism. Future of Pakistan is tied with Balochistan. He stressed that we should concentrate on development of Balochistan.

He said, "I appreciate that BUITMS students have taught elders how to use a computer. It is like lighting one candle by another. In fact Abbas Sahib and his faculty have lit a bulk of bulbs. I appreciate your vision and perpetual efforts for promotion of Information Technology".

In his address Dr. Mohammad Abbas Choudhary extolled the efforts of Mr. Ayub Baloch and Mr. Israr Hussain for establishment of Balochistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences. He said that this University stands on four pillars, the Faculty, the Student, the Environment and the Society. This is our philosophy that is being accepted and adopted by others, and it is our success.

The University stands on four pillars, the Faculty, the Student, the Environment and the Society said Vice Chancellor BUITMS

He said that initially 370 people got registered for free I.T program and 254 attended the classes regularly. This bond with society is our strength. He recalled a remark of Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman that the Balochistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences, Quetta has the potential of becoming an international university. He quoted "I am impressed by shine on faces of these children" and said that he is also impressed by shine on the faces of Free I.T students. He impressed upon importance of scholarship and recalled the vision of Abul Kalam Azad who once wrote 54 Urdu, Arabic and Persian verses in one letter. Abul Kalam Azad started two magazines Azad and Al-Hilal at the age of 15. He emphasized the

importance of real research and advised to avoid mere imitation. He appreciated the remark by Ayub Baloch that below every stone of Balochistan there is a doctorate. We are ever willing to train people in I.T may their number be 10000 or 100000, he said.

At the end of the ceremony, some participants of the training expressed their views. Certificates were distributed by the chief guest and the Vice Chancellor Dr Muhammad Abbas Choudhary.

IT Clusters in Balochistan

In the meeting regarding IT Clusters in Balochistan held on 27th September, 2003 in the auditorium of BUITMS, the participants deliberated on following

- Helping the IT Industry to flourish in Pakistan by playing our part in Balochistan.
- Development of environment conducive to promotion of IT industry that is availability of Hardware/Software, Manpower, adequacy of regulatory structure, tax & tariffs structure, business services, R&D Support services.
- Promotion of IT Entrepreneurship in Balochistan
- To help produce top quality IT manpower in Balochistan.
- Helping the government in use of IT resources for the excellence in service delivery
- Strengthening IT infrastructure for the benefit of the common man.
- Creation of IT incubators in Balochistan
- Creation of IT Park in Balochistan

The meeting was attended by Mr. Maumber Shahzada, General Manager PTCL, Quetta, Mr. Abdul Zahir Achakzai, Divisional Engineer, Paknet Ltd Quetta, Professor Rayaz Ahmed Tameer-nau public college Quetta, Mr. Nasrullah Khilji Executive Director PEARL Organization Quetta, Ms. Humera Khanam Associate Professor Girls College Satellite Town Quetta, Mr. Safdar Hussain IDSP-Pakistan Quetta, Mr. Ali Ahmed Khan UNDP Quetta, Mr. Noman Qazi SCSPEB Quetta, Mr. Jawaid Raisani Computer Resources Quetta.

Workshop on Theoretical Aspects of Computer Science at LUMS
(Report by Mr. Ikramullah Khan)

LUMS has been hosting workshops on Theoretical Computer Science for last two years. Faculty members and students from all-around Asia are invited to contribute to the ongoing advancements of theoretical computer science. The purpose of these workshops is to impress upon those aspects of computer science that can enhance the foundations rather than linear development in a single direction.

Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Science, realizing the need for the development of theoretical aspects of Computer Science, fully

participated in this 12-day workshop from June 30 to July 12. The workshop selection committee at LUMS selected Ms. Safia Raza and Mr. Ikramullah Khan from Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences for this workshop. At the end of the workshop Mr. Ikramullah Khan was selected as a penal member for the final penal discussion in the workshop amongst all faculty members attending this workshop who had come from India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and from many institutes within Pakistan,. He also had the privilege of initiating a theoretical computer science email group for exchange of ideas and resolution of problems that the group members face during their research. The group solved the problems of many members from the day of its creation. Also it's a very good source of information about latest developments and workshops being organized in Asia. All the people who participated in the workshop are members of this group and any one interested is welcome to join this group, just send your request to Mr. Ikramullah Khan at ikram@buitms.edu.pk.

The workshop's major areas of discussion were Discrete Mathematics, Probability Theory, Automata Theory, Data Structures, Algorithm Analysis and Design, Distributed Computing, Computer Security and a few special sessions on Teaching and Research Methodologies. The teachers and the teaching assistants of the workshop were very hard-working. The participants were given a busy schedule for the workshop. Every working day started with a test in the morning that encompassed all the concepts taught on the previous day. A merit list comprising of the first, second and third positions in the previous-day test was regularly displayed. This created a sense of competition among the attendees and resulted in acquisition of better knowledge both in quantitative and qualitative terms. Teaching assistants were available during the break and after the classes as well. They even helped at residence and made us work hard till late night.

The faculty who taught these courses is among the best resources in computer science not only in Pakistan but throughout Asia. Few of them are Dr. Arif Zaman, Dr. Sarmad Abbasi, Mr. Fakhar Lodhi and Dr. Shafiq-ur-Rehman.

Quiz Competition on September 6, 2003

A quiz competition was organized in Balochistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences Quetta on 6th September 2003. The theme of the competition was " The Mother of Nation Mohtarma Fatima Jinnah". Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences, University of Balochistan, Govt. Girls college Quetta cantt, Tameer-e-Nau college, FG college and Iqra University participated in this competition. Famous writer and journalist Mr. Imdad Nizami was the chief guest. Dr. Muhammad Abbas Choudhary voice chancellor of Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences welcomed the participants, judges and the audience. Mr. Dostain Khan Jamaldini, organizer and compere of the competition, explained the rules and regulations to the participants. The program had three rounds, each round comprised of three questions from each participant. At the end of each round competitors scoring minimum score were knocked out. In the final round competition was among the students of BUITMS, University of Balochistan and Govt. Girls College Quetta. After a tough competition Mr. Noor Yaseen of Balochstan University won the competition and stood first, Ms. Rabia of BUITMS stood 2nd

A quiz competition held to commemorate years of Mohtarma Fatima Jinnah, Imdad Nizami stressed the need of solidarity among Muslims.

and Ms. Zakra of Govt. Girls college took 3rd position.

At the end the honorable chief guest Mr. Imdad Nizami addressed the students and shared his good memories regarding Pakistan Movement and war of September 1965. He said that "getting the degree of MA or MSc does not mean that you have finished learning, in fact this degree means that now you have come to know how to learn and it is the starting point of learning". He advised the students to bring harmony among themselves and show unity as good Pakistanis and strive hard for prosperity of Pakistan. There is no

difference of any type among Pakistanis. He explained the objective behind creation of Pakistan, that is unity and for this purpose all Muslims gathered under one flag of Islam and as a result they found Pakistan, and also it was the unity and harmony that brought us success September 1965 war despite the fact that Indian Army was six times stronger than us.

Refresher Course (Economics) at PIDE
(By Mr. Abdul Raziq Khan)

Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences (BUITMS) is devoted to theoretical and empirical research in Development Economics in general and on Pakistan related economic issues in particular. In order to update its resources with the changing world, Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences (BUITMS) sent Abdul Raziq Khan to participate in the refresher courses at Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE). The duration of the courses was 09 weeks (from June 16, 2003 to August 16, 2003).

The courses were aimed to meet the needs of junior / mid career professionals, teaching faculty at various academic institutions and students who wish to pursue higher studies, both within and outside Pakistan.

Following subjects were discussed in detail regarding their practical importance.
- Microeconomic theory
- Macroeconomic theory
- Mathematics for Economists

BUITMS participates in Sports events announced by Higher Education Commission Pakistan University Sports Board Islamabad

Higher Education Commission Pakistan University Sports Board Islamabad has announced a schedule for forth coming events in October 2003. BUITMS will host the mountaineering events on 22-23 March, 2004. BUITMS will also participate in Cricket tournament on 13.03.2004 in Peshawar, athletics competition on 15-16 February 2004 in University of Punjab Lahore, Badminton tournament at Mehran University Jamshoro on 02.01.2004, Rifle shooting in Engineering University Taxila on 15-16 May 2004 and Table Tennis in University of Balochistan on 19-20 March 2004. Female students of BUITMS will also participate in athletics events at Punjab University.

BUITMS is placed in Zone A along with Northern Areas, Azad Kashmir and Federal Areas.

BUITMS is also taking part in First Pakistan Universitie. Games 2004. Schedule for these games will be announced by Higher Education Commission Pakistan University Sports Board by the end of December 2003.

First Anniversary of BUITMS:
(Report by Safa Anjum BS CS III)

Ceremony for first anniversary of BUITMS was held in the compound of BUITMS at 9.30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. on 5th October 2003. Mr. Ayub Baloch Secretay Information Technology was the chief guest. The program was divided into three sessions. Miss Itrat and Mr. Zulfiqar were comperes for the first session. Hafiz Khalid Mehmood, Rehman Mehmood Butt, Hafsa Dar, Khawaja Bilal, Safa Anjum , Mehwish, Mubashir, Hina manzoor presented different events. Dr Mohammad Abbas Chaudhary Vice chancellor BUITMS addressed the students and their parents. Finally the chief guest Mr. Ayub baloch addressed the participants. Mr. Fazal mohammad expressed views on behalf of parents. Vice Chancellor & Chief Guest cut the cake at the end of first session.

Comperes for second session were Mr. Rehman Mehmood Butt & Miss Mona Jamali, other participants were Hafsa Dar, Muzaffar, Bilal Jelani, Rozi Khan, Usman and Group.

Comperes for third session were Mohammad Jahanzaib Shahid & Uzma Batool. Events were presented by Rehman Mehmood Butt, Rozi Khan, Muzaffar, Khawaja Bilal, Ali Baloch. At the end of this session National Antham was presented by Hafsa Dar & all participants.

New Team Members

Sadique Ahmed Bugti

Mr. Sadique Ahmed Bugti joined BUITMS as Research Associate in September 2003.

He is a student of MS Computer Sciences at BUITMS as well. He has got very good teaching experience behind him, he started his teaching careering at P.A.C.C (Pakistan American Cultural Center) as the English Language teacher while he was student of BSc, worked there for 4 years from 1996 to 2000, as he passed his Master in Computer Sciences back in 1998, he joined a college named College of Modern Sciences (CMS).

He worked there 2 years as a lecture from 1998 to 2000, then he joined an institute named (ATITM) affiliated with University of Mehran, taught programming languages from 2001 to 2002, then he joined The City School as I.T teacher for O'Level students and had training of NCC. There he prepared students for ICDL (International Computer Driving License) from January 2002 to October 2003. His career as a teacher remained outstanding everywhere he worked.

Ms. Qurat-ul-Ain

Qurat-ul-Ain has recently received her degree of M.Com from University of Balochistan with distinction. Her areas of specialization are Human Resource Management and Financial Management. Her research topic was the Role of HRD played by public sector in NGOs."

She has also worked out the Business plans feasibility reports for private firms.

She has been the Recipient of many Awards on provincial and national level based on Academic and Extra-curricular performance.

Ahmed Raza

Ahmed Raza got his BS (Computer System Engineering) Degree from GIKI (Ghulam Ishaq Khan Institute of Engineering Sciences and Technology) in May 2003. His Final year Project was " Design and Implementation of MPEG Video Transcoder". His main area of interest is software Engineering and parallel processing.

Ahmed Raza has been scholarship holder of Balochistan for GIKI. He got 5th position throughout Pakistan in GIKI entrance test. He complected his F.Sc. From Cadet College Mastung. He has also been gold medalist of Balochistan Board in F.Sc. (1998) and Matriculation (1996). He is also a professional calligraphist.

Mr. Sohaib Majeed

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09:00 09:30	Registration
9:30 09:35	Recitation from the Holy Quran
09:35 09:45	Welcome Address And Introduction (Prof. M.A.K. Malghani)
09:45 10:05	Keynote Address (Dr. Muhammad Abbas Choudhary)
10:05 10:15	Address by the Chief Guest
10:15 10:30	Refreshment
10:30 01:00	**Session I**
	Chair: **Dr. S. Riazuddin** Co-Chair: **Dr. M. Siddique,**
01:00 2:00	Lunch & Prayer Break
02:00 06:00	**Session II**
	Chair: **Dr. Philippe M. Frossard** Co-Chair: **Dr. Shahana Urooj**
08:00 09:00	Conference Dinner Hosted by the Vice Chancellor, BUITMS

Tuesday, December 16, 2003

10:00 11:45	**Session III**
	Chair: **Dr. A.J. Jaffar**. Co-Chair: **Dr. Sajjad ur-Rehamn,**
11:45 12:00	Tea Break
12:00 01:30	**Session IV**
	Chiar: **Dr. Zafar Iqbal Randhawa** Co-Chair: **Dr. Ikram-ul Haq**
1:30 2:30	Lunch & Prayer Break
2:30 6:00	**Session V**
	Chair: **Dr. Khan Zada** Co-Chair: **Dr. Shakeel Babar,**

Wednesday, December 17, 2003

10:00 12:00	**Panel Formation and Discussions**
	1- Human Resource development for Biotechnology.
	2- Industry and University relationship for the future of biotechnology and informatics.
	3- Research directions for Biotechnology in Pakistani Universities.
	4- Role of Bioinformatics for development of Science and Technology in Pakistan
12:00 02:00	**Concluding Session**
	Presentation of the recommendations to the chief Guest.
	Vote of Thanks
	Address by the Vice Chancellor
	Address by the Chief Guest
	Conclusion
02:00 03:00	**Lunch**