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## Newsletter

**Convocation Special**



### VC's New Year Message

Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences is proud of her progress during the past four years. Quantitatively 4 years may mark a tiny component in an institutions' life, but qualitatively this period stands out gloriously, representing the sound and solid foundations for our onward march to greater success and recognition. We have set the wheels rolling and have already produced two batches of genuinely qualified and competent graduates warmly accepted by the employers. We bow our heads in gratitude to Allah Almighty who gave us the capability to do so and pray to Him to continue showering his blessings on this toddling institution and sustain our progress to a sturdy and stout state of fruitfulness.

A child of 4 starts looking around with curiosity. Like wise we have to look around and observe what the institutions of the developed world are doing. They are actively engaged in discovering new truths and making new truths happen. The publication of an immense number of research papers by them is contributing to change our planet managed by force and awe into an intelligently managed planet. The truth stands dazzlingly bright before our eyes. Such a transition is geared by the momentum of immense knowledge that is welling out of the reputed alma maters of the developed countries. In order to keep pace with such dizzying rate of advancement, we have to fly at jet speed instead of seeking ways and means of accelerating on land only. I expect my students to be prepared to accept the challenge of the knowledge boom. Knowledge, being inexhaustible and non-linear offers inexhaustible and non-linear scope of moving ahead.

May Allah grant my students greater determination to take their share of the valuable commodity of knowledge.







Since her birth as a highly promising quality institution in 2002, the Balochistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences has been focusing on the quality and competence aspects of students' education. The University has endeavored to provide the best of facilities and faculty, equipment and environment and technical know-how and training. Access to such enviable facilities is conducive to quality production.

On this very occasion the University had the privilege of getting attention from Gen. Pervez Musharaf, President of Pakistan; Mr. Shaukat Aziz, Prime Minister of Pakistan; Engineer Owais Ahmed Ghani, Chancellor BUITMS and Governor Balochistan; Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman, Chairman HEC and Mir Jam Muhammad Yousaf, Chief Minister Balochistan. All of them expressed felicitation on the eve of holding of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Convocation and praised the institution in their messages\_

### President's Message



I am highly pleased to learn that the Balochistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences is holding its 2<sup>nd</sup> Convocation today.

Keeping in view the prompt acceptance and absorption of the previous graduates in the job market, it is indeed a land mark in

the history of Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences, Quetta that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Convocation is being held today and a new batch of the post-graduates is being ushered into the domain of practical achievements. I extend my heartiest greetings to all of them and hope that would face the challenges of the future with courage and assurance, and consolidate the achievements of their predecessors.

Balochistan University of Information Technology and Management Sciences was established a little more than three years back with the avowed objective of providing quality education in keeping with the rapidly changing technical, social, political and economic needs of the country. This rapidly growing institution is aimed at setting revolutionary trends regarding concepts of learning and at triggering the

zeal for inquisitive research among the students. I hope the students passing out today would be fairly equipped with the capabilities and skills to tackle the issues in their respective fields and to set new standards of excellence in their work.

I congratulate the Vice Chancellor and his team on the successful accomplishment of the trial phase of their task and hope that they would keep up the pace of their endeavors and establish valuable traditions which set an institution on the high pedestal of glory.

*Pakistan Paindabad!*

### Message from the Prime Minister



I take this opportunity, to extend heart felt felicitations to the Management and Staff of the Balochistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences on the eve of their 2<sup>nd</sup> Convocation.

It is heartening to note that this institution is living upto its avowed mission of providing quality education on modern lines. The world is changing fast and with it the human resource requirements are also undergoing changes with equal rapidity. Our universities need to produce graduates who are well equipped with skills and capabilities to meet the requirements of the evolving global society. BUITMS is striving hard to live upto such expectations, in a part of the country which unfortunately remained neglected in the academic field in the past.

I am pleased to learn that the Balochistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences is growing both physically in the form of expansion of physical facilities, and academically by introducing new programs like Electronic Engineering, Computer Engineering; Petroleum and Gas Engineering, Chemical Engineering and Environmental Studies acutely needed for the future development of the province.

The University offers commendable promise of quality education, evident from the fact that all the previously passed-out graduates have been respectably absorbed in the job market.

I offer warm congratulations to the Vice Chancellor, to the faculty and to the graduating students on this happy occasion and expect that future would show still more remarkable performance on their part.

*Pakistan Zindabad*





## Chancellor's Message



On the eve of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Convocation of the Baluchistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences, I extend my heart-felt felicitation to the Vice Chancellor, to the learned faculty and to the students, especially those who are going to receive their

degrees on this auspicious occasion. It is, no doubt, a commendable achievement that within a short span of about 4 years, the university has equipped the second batch of graduates and post graduates for the challenges of practical life.

I am personally committed to provide all out support and encouragement to such educational institutions which offer the promise of providing quality education and thereby extending the boundaries of knowledge. We must keep up with the far-reaching changes that are taking place around us. The university is the best centre to provide knowledge, insight and guidance for facing the challenges of the changing global scenario. If we are supportive to the expanding knowledge needs of the society, we expect to push forward to the front of the intellectually demanding world of today.

It is gratifying to note that the Baluchistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences is keeping up to the expectations attached to this institution some four years back. The university is focusing on exposing the students to the perspectives of the international society, through the approaches of in-depth learning, meaningful research and integrating the students' community into academic network available abroad. The university has established linkage for research collaboration and students/faculty exchange programs with some of the renowned universities in USA, UK and Australia.

I appreciate the pace at which this university has taken strides to emerge as a reputed seat of learning not only in the province but in the overall academic circles in the country. The expansion of physical facilities is still going on at a rapid pace, but it is the faculty and the students who utilize the facilities to the best possible limits and earn fame as capable and constructive units of the new emerging society. The state of the art laboratories, modern electronically equipped classrooms and highly conducive atmosphere serve to enhance the zeal for achieving academic excellence among the staff and the students.

The holding of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Convocation in such a short period is indicative that the set-up is geared to continue rolling out top class products. The young men and women passing out today must pledge to put all their knowledge and talents in seeking a name of respect and honor not only for themselves but for their motherland as well, as they owe this debt to the government and to the institution as well as to the province and the country at large that they repay it with their high class dedicated services to their fellow citizens.

I congratulate the Vice Chancellor, Dr. Muhammad Abbas Choudhary and the learned faculty members on their achievement in the form of producing knowledgeable and competent builders for the future. I also congratulate the passing out graduates and post graduates and wish them ever greater success in life. Pakistan Paindabad!

## Message from the Chairman, HEC



On the eve of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Convocation of the Baluchistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences, I extend heart-felt congratulations to the Vice Chancellor, to the faculty and to the passing-out Graduates. It is a matter of gratification for all of us

to see that an ambitious academic project, based on the aspirations of the government and the people of Baluchistan has started yielding fruit in the form of well-prepared capable graduates and post-graduates. This journey towards self-reliance and self-sufficiency in highly technical fields is an indication of the immense talent, lying unexploited in the province.

In 2002, the University of Information Technology & Management Science was just a dream, wrought with apprehensions and misgiving. Today the dream has been transformed into a reality and the clouds of apprehensions and misgivings have been cleared. The University has emerged as a symbol of hope, as a mark of success and as a proof of the sincerity of purpose on the part of the federal and the provincial governments.

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firm footings both academically and in terms of physical facilities. It is expected to fulfill all the major requirements of a university as it has established linkages with renowned universities of USA, UK and Australia for research cooperation and faculty and students exchange program. With such a head-start, BUITMS gives clear indications that it has the capability of coming upto the expectations of creation and growth of knowledge. The main emphasis has to be on research and publication of quality research papers. The holding of a number of national and international conferences and publication of conference is direct proof that the institution is moving in the right direction.

It is heartening to learn that the previous batch of passing-out Graduates received immediate acceptance in the job market. It is hoped that this kind of warm acceptance will continue to grow in future, as the reputation and renown of the University spreads in the circle of employers.

I congratulate the Vice Chancellor, learned faculty members and the students of BUITMS on their success and wish them all success in future.

### Chief Minister's Message



It is a pleasure to know that the BUITMS is going to hold its 2<sup>nd</sup> Convocation. The country, in general, and Balochistan in particular needed, few years back, a higher education institute in the field of information technology and management sciences. The establishment of BUITMS

dream into reality. The devoted faculty members staff and students who are an asset of BUITMS, are worthy of praise for their devotion to this university. The university has made worth mentioning progress since its establishment and its current two campuses in Jinnah town and Balili and third under construction proposed campus in Hazar Gangi are signs of its success within a short span of time. But still there is a long way to go and I hope that all the faculty members, students and other staff will continue to work with great zeal and dedication to meet the upcoming challenges.

On the momentous occasion of its 2<sup>nd</sup> Convocation I heartily felicitate Balochistan University of Information Technology & Management Sciences for achieving this tremendous success. This convocation is a symbol of devotion and dedication of all the faculty members led by the dynamic leadership of

Worthy Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Muhammad Abbas Choudhary. They, therefore, deserve utmost commendation for their invaluable services rendered to this institution. I would like to congratulate all the successful students as well and hope that bright future wants to hail them.

This convocation, in short, is the beginning of new era of learning, and I hope that BUITMS will play a leading role in the field of education during the next few years.

### Message from the VC



This convocation is an occasion to celebrate the institution's progress and to forecast where the university is heading. At the outset, I wish to extend my deepest pleasure to present greetings for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Convocation of BUITMS. I extend heartiest greetings to the students honored in this ceremony.

We are also here to pay tribute to the Chancellor of BUITMS for helping us in the Herculean achievement of establishing and running the first IT University in the most backward province of Pakistan. It was, indeed a dire need of the society.

We are entering a new chapter in the evolution of our institution. We must keep up with profound changes that are taking place in society. If universities are to remain centers of life-long learning; if we are not supportive to expanding knowledge needs of the society, other educational enterprises would supersede us in this intellectually demanding world.

Certainly we must encourage the development of skills. These include the skills of information sciences and technology and multicultural skills that assure success in an internalized society. We must continue to expose students to new perspectives. Involving students in a meaningful research and integrating the community into academic experiences of our students are promising approaches to help mould tomorrow's leaders. Research opportunities provide students with experience in dealing with real-life situations in business organizations and communities. These experiences have many rewards e.g. they provide the impetus for critical reflection and good citizenship.

I wish we would continue following these lines for success.

Thank you!





### BUITMS \_Convocation Fall 2006

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Convocation of BUITMS was another landmark in the history of BUITMS as it projected the realization of a dream of students of BS(CS), BS(CE), BS(BA), MBA(Regular) and MBA(Executive) who were to be conferred upon with the degrees in their respective fields.



*The Guest of Honor being escorted to the Convocation Hall*

November 30, 2006 was a colorful day when the passing out graduates assembled in front of the prestigious Expo-Centre, Takatu Campus, robed in their traditional red colored gowns and oriental caps of scholars. Their faces were shining with delight and satisfaction upon their achievements in their professional fields. The faculty members were also robed in their traditional blue and green gowns thus making the whole event an extravaganza of colour and light.



*Registrar & Controller Examination leading the Procession*

The academic procession was led by the passing out graduates followed by the faculty members in ascending order of their status i.e. Research Associates, Lecturers, Assistant Professors and Professors. The dais was bedecked with the presence of Syndicate Members, Registrar, Controller Examinations, Vice Chancellor and the guest of honor- Mr. Owais Ahmed Ghani, Chancellor BUITMS.



*A view of the Centre stage*

On the arrival of the procession in the Convocation Hall, the national anthem was played. Following which the Vice Chancellor Baluchistan University of Information of Information Technology & Management Sciences requested the Chancellor to declare open the 2<sup>nd</sup> Convocation of BUITMS to which he consented delightfully and declared open the convocation.



*VC requesting the Chief Guest to open the Convocation*

Mr. M. Saad, Faculty of Petroleum & Gas Engineering recited a few verses from the Holy Quran to open the proceedings.

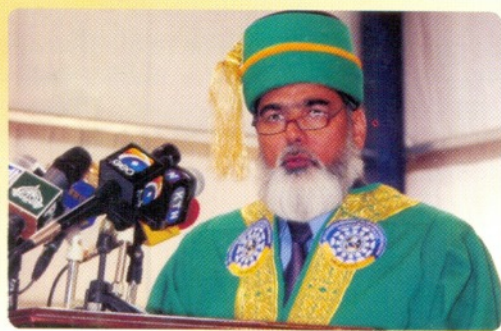


*A section of the passing-out graduates*





In his welcome address, Dr. Muhammad Abbas Choudhary, VC BUITMS expressed his gratitude to the Almighty Allah for bringing a successful conclusion to the 4 years of hard work of the students who would ultimately get the seal of the institution today. He also thanked the chief guest Mr. Owais Ahmed Ghani, Chancellor BUITMS for being there and giving his all out support and guidance to make the institution one of the best of Pakistan.



*VC presenting the welcome address*

He said that this university was announced by the president Pervez Musharaf as a gift for the people of Balochistan in February 2001 and since its inception it has not lost a single day of productivity, this has yielded the results in the form of passing out graduates today. He highlighted the facilities presented to the students and programs offered at the institution.



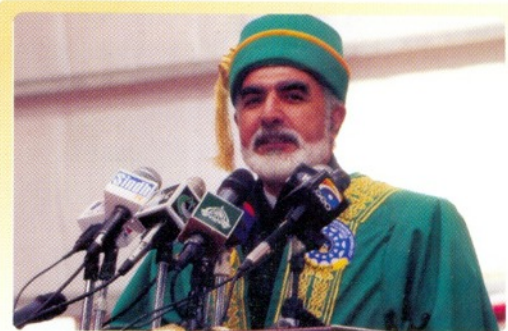
*A batch of BS Computer Science graduates*

The theme of VC's speech was "Living 21<sup>st</sup> Century". He said: The Nature has quoted, James Martin in his book, "The Meaning of 21<sup>st</sup> Century: A Vital Blueprint for Ensuring our Survival" a very alarming trend.



*Faculty members at the Convocation*

I quote from Nature, "the past 50 years have probably seen more changes than the previous 500 years and those 500 witnessed more advances than the previous 5000. The current century will surely surpass the lot, with an onrush of scientific, technological, economic, social and political, all of a character and on the scale way beyond anything we have experienced to date. James Martin predicts a, "grand transition from a planet on a self destructive course to the planet that is intelligently managed".



*Governor addressing the gathering*

The intelligence will feed on itself becoming more intelligent until there is a chain reaction of Computer intelligence which we term singularity the term coined by Ray Kurzweil in his recent book, "The Singularity is near". James Marin agrees with Martin Rees, President Royal Society London that humankind has only a 50/50 chance of surviving the century: we have the capacity for unimaginable human advancement, but if we fail to address the key issues, we might face disruption that could set us back by centuries or even eliminate us altogether".





*Some prominent figures seen at the Convocation*

This was perhaps not shocking for me that James Martin donated US 100 million dollars to Oxford University to support establishment of a school, "to identify and find solutions to the biggest challenges facing humanity in the 21<sup>st</sup> century and to find the biggest opportunities".



*Governor conferring degree upon a passing-out graduate*

Dr. Muhammad Abbas Choudhary emphasized on the need of higher budget on education as according to him education can identify and find solutions to the biggest challenges facing humanity in the 21<sup>st</sup> century and to find the biggest opportunities.



*A passing-out graduate receiving degree*

He said: In today's globalized economy, knowledge is the most potent force and an engine that energizes societal progress and economic development. Knowledge economy, knowledge workers, knowledge base, knowledge factor, knowledge engineering are and will continue to be the name of the game during 21<sup>st</sup> century. Knowledge is inexhaustible, non-linear small bit of right information can make difference and a decision based on small bit of wrong information can lead to dire consequence.



In his speech in 1943 at Harvard University, Winston Churchill observed, "Empire of Future are Empires of Mind".

*Ms. Nida Iftikhar  
a Gold Medalist*



*Faculty Members during the Convocation*

The VC BUITMS said: We want this university to have 50,000 students by 2025 from all over Pakistan and all over the world. I am sure to realize our vision you are with us HEC is with us and Government of Pakistan is with us.



*Governor & VC making Dua'a*





Addressing the passing out graduates he said: Character, courage and industry and professionalism are the fundamental assets of any person. Do not undervalue your abilities, be positive and optimistic. Thomas L Friedman, the author of "The World is Flat" Suggest that "small shall act big". One way small companies flourish in the flat world is by learning to act really big. And the key to being small and acting big is being quick to take advantage of all the tools for collaboration to reach farther, faster, wider and deeper. Best companies are the best collaborators it creates and adds value and regularly monitors the health of your establishment".



*Mr. Muhammad Shakeel being decorated with a gold medal*

He concluded his speech by once again thanking Mr. Chancellor and wishing the passing out graduates best luck in the future.



*Deans & some of the guests*

The conferment of degrees was the focal point of the whole event. Dean, faculty of Computer and Emerging Sciences and Dean, Faculty of Management Sciences presented the graduates to the Vice Chancellor for the conferment of BS(CS), BS(CE), BS(BA), MBA(Executive) and MBA(Regular) degrees respectively.

The distinguished graduates who got top position in their respective program of study were awarded gold medals on their Herculean achievement. The gold medalists were:



*Governor & Speaker Balochistan Assembly*

- Ms. Nida Iftikhar, top position and highest CGPA in BS(Computer Sciences)
- Ms. Wajiha Iftikhar, top position and highest CGPA in BS(Computer Engineering)



*Gold Medalists standing tall*

- Ms. Sehrish Haroon, top position and highest CGPA in BS(Business Administration)
- Mr. Muhammad Shakeel, top position and highest CGPA in MBA(Executive)



*Jubilant graduates after receiving degrees*

Later the member of Faculty and celebrities were presented with university shields.