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# Library News

## TED Talk with the title "Tum Sy Na Ho Paye Ga"

COMSATS Literary Society, with the collaboration of Library Information Services, CUI Lahore, has arranged a TED Talk with the title "Tum sy na ho paye ga", on May 19, 2024 at 11.00 AM in the main library. Renowned thinkers and philosophers participated and shared their views on the topic. Prof. Dr. Syed Asad Hussain was the chief guest of the event. Shields were distributed among all speakers.



## Seminar with the title "Safe COMSATS"

With the collaboration of the Danish Society of Library Information Services, the Sociology Class of SP23-BAB of the Department of Management Science has organized a seminar with the title "Safe COMSATS" on May 21, 2024, at 10.00 AM. This is the third seminar of its type and before this, the library has also successfully organized "Clean COMSATS" and "Green COMSATS" in the previous semesters. The purpose of these seminars was to pay tribute to our staff including horticulturists, janitorial and security. Through the seminar "Safe COMSATS" the students has paid tribute to our security personnel who save our lives and give a peaceful and protected environment. Prof. Dr. Ghulam Hussian, Head of Management Science Department was the chief guest and the Col (R) Shahid sb was the guest of honor. Certificates were distributed to all security personnel, students of SP23-BBA and the library staff.



## "Safe COMSATS" series of Mock Fire Drill

As a part of CUI Health & Safety Policy to ensure the safety of employees and students at the workplace, an evacuation drill in case of fire has been conducted at the Department of Management Sciences on May 22, 2024. This drill is being organized by Sociology students of SP23-BBA of the Management Science Department and with the collaboration of DANISH SOCIETY of LIS CUI Lahore of COMSATS University Lahore Campus. The purpose of this Mock Fire Drill was to give awareness about "how we can secure life in case of fire incident". This drill is also part of the "Safe COMSATS" series of events. All faculty, staff and students participated in this drill. At the end, the security personnel also gave a demonstration on how to use fire extinguishers when and where needed.



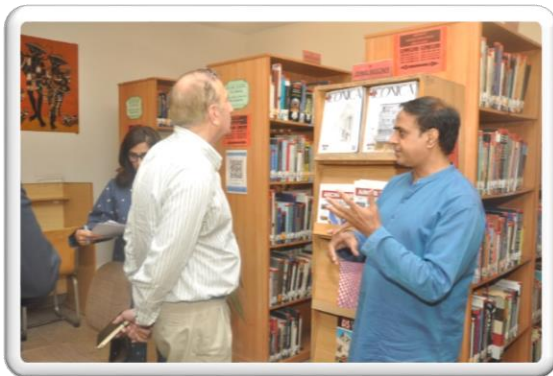
## Seminar on "City and the Partition 1947: Lahore during Partition days"

With the collaboration of the Danish Society of Library Information Services, CUI Lahore, the Sociology Class of SP23-BBA has arranged a seminar titled "City and the Partition 1947: Lahore during Partition days" on May 7, 2024. The speaker of the seminar was Adnan Tariq who is currently an Assistant Professor at the Department of Archives Studies, Institute of Global and Historical Studies, Government College University Lahore. The faculty members and students form different departments have attended the seminar. In the end, Dr. Dr-Muhammad Tariq presented the souvenir to the presenter.



## Visit of PCATP Delegation

A team of Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners (PCATP) visited Library Information Services, CUI Lahore and Departmental Library of Architecture and design on May 21, 2024. The delegations visited the library along Muhammad Taimur Sarwar (HOD) and with Senior Faculty members of Architecture Department, for the accreditation of BAR. Dr. Muhammad Tariq and Ms. Nasira Muneer welcomed the delegates and briefed them about library resources and services. The Delegation of PCATP also visited different sections of the library and admired the services and infrastructure that are being provided to the library users.



## Talk on "AI around us"

Dr. Muhammad Tariq, Incharge, Library Information Services COMSATS University Lahore Campus, Delivered a talk on "AI around us", on May 10, 2024, at NCRD Islamabad. The participants from different areas of Pakistan including Baluchistan, Sindh, Punjab and KPK, participated in the sessions. Thanks to NCRD and Kiran Butt for invitation to share thoughts with professional's colleagues.



## Birthday Celebrations of Mr. M. Ishtiaq Mr. M. Nawaz Mr. M. Nazim and Ms. Fatima Usman

As per Library tradition, the library staff celebrated the birthday party of Mr. Muhammad Ishtiaq Mr. Muhammad Nawaz and Ms. Fatima Usman. The entire library Staff participated and wished them a wonderful birthday. May this year be filled with adventures, blessings and lots of laughs for all of us?





## Student Aids

Library Information Service has introduced a service of "Student Aids" for the benefit students of CUI Lahore. Now you don't have to buy lecture notes from a photocopy shop as the online portal contains all of them. These student aids are available in soft form on the Digital Library of CUI, Lahore for absolutely free of cost. All they need to do is to click on the <http://dlib.cuilahore.edu.pk/...> (IP Based)



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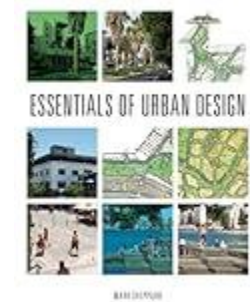
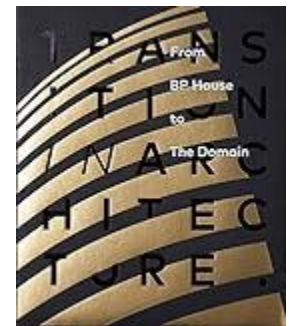
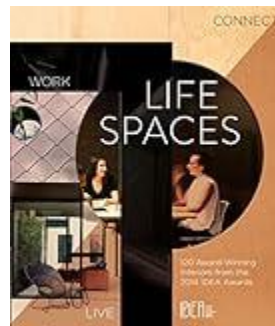
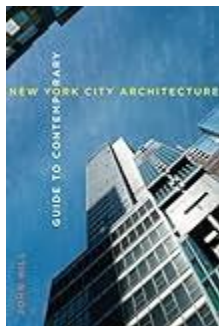
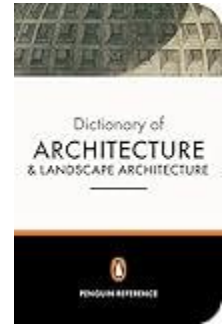
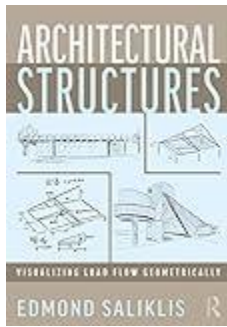
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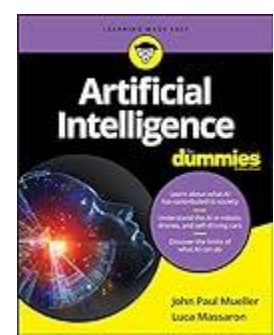
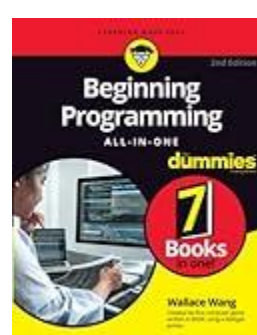
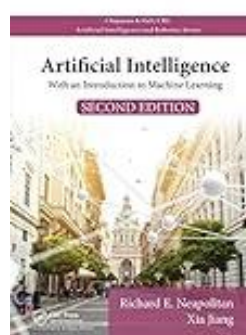
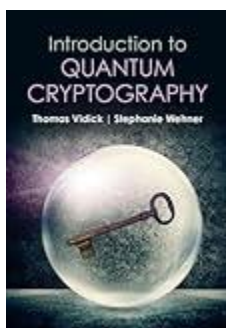
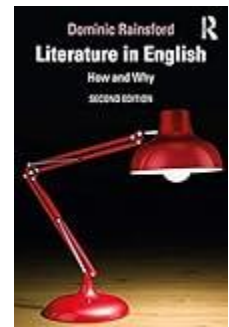
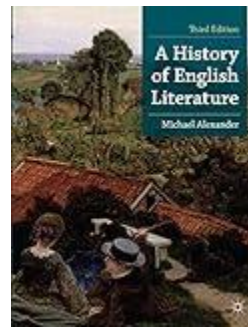
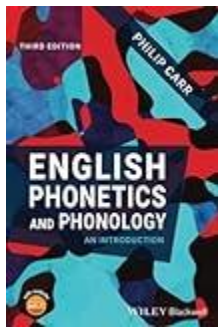
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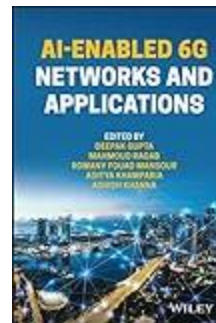
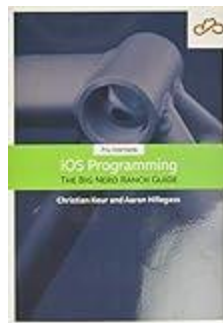
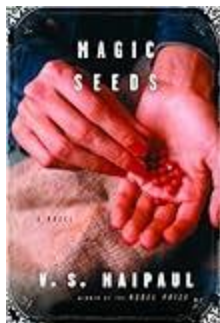
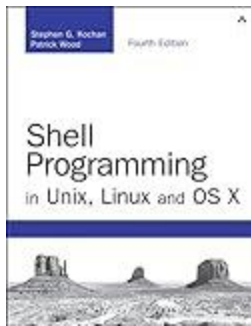
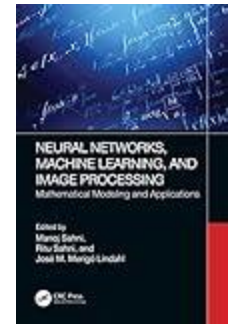
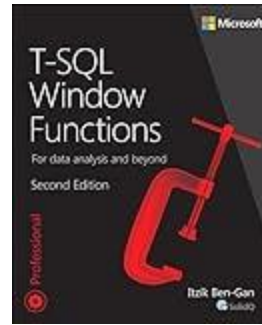


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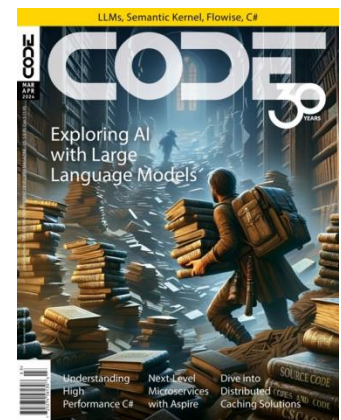


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Title: **HEC to Conduct USAT Test for Undergraduate Admission**

Source: Daily Times, Page: A2

Dated: April 03, 2024

Web Link: <https://dailytimes.com.pk/1182874/hec-to-conduct-usat-test-for-undergraduate-admission/>

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## HEC to conduct USAT test for undergraduate admission

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APRIL 3, 2024



The Higher Education Commission (HEC) has announced to conduct Undergraduate Studies Admission Test (USAT) for students seeking undergraduate admissions in Pakistani universities all over the country.

According to the official sources, the test application is open for students who have either passed their Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSSC) or equivalent/ Grade 12 education or are awaiting the final result on this level. It is pertinent to mention here that HEC has set the test date on April 28, 2024 (Tentative). HEC encouraged the students seeking for undergraduate admission to register themselves online at [etc.hec.gov.pk](http://etc.hec.gov.pk). The registration deadline to apply for the test is April 14, 2024.

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Title: **Doha chhota sa khoobasarat sahalee shahir article by Dr Abdus Sattar Abbasi**

Source: Daily Jang Sunday Magazine, Page: 07

Dated: April 21, 2024

Web Link: <https://jang.com.pk/news/1339627>

The screenshot shows a newspaper page with a header for 'Dunya' magazine, dated April 21, 2024. The main headline is 'دوہا..... چھوٹا سا، خوب صورت ساحلی شہر' (Doha..... A small, beautiful coastal city). The author's name, 'ڈاکٹر عبد الستار عباسی' (Dr. Abdus Sattar Abbasi), is visible. The article text is in Urdu, and there are several photographs of Doha, Qatar, including the Pearl Qatar and the Doha Museum of Islamic Art. The page number '7' is visible at the bottom.



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Title: **CUI Rector Accused of Changing Rules to accommodate blue-eyed Employees**

Source: Dawn, Page: 04

Dated: April 22, 2024

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# CUI rector accused of changing rules to accommodate blue-eyed employees

- Faculty members say rector was appointed on temporary basis and supposed to run day-to-day affairs only
- University official says changes to statute were made by senate, not by rector

By Kashif Abbasi

ISLAMABAD: Comsats University Islamabad (CUI), which has been functioning under an interim arrangement, is embroiled in an alleged controversy as a clause of its statute was recently changed by the university syndicate headed by the rector who is working on a look-after basis.

In July last year, following the acceptance of the resignation of rector Dr Muhammad T. Afzal, chancellor of the university, the then president Dr Arif Alvi, gave the look-after charge to senior Dean Prof Dr Sajid Qamar till the appointment of a regular rector.

Moreover, offices of the registrar, treasurer and controller are also being run under the interim arrangement while the position of pro-rector was never filled.

Meanwhile, a group of faculty members have leveled allegations of favoritism against the rector.

Talking to *Dawn*, they claimed that the look-after rector had been making blatant violations of rules and ignoring merit.

Requesting not to be named, they said Dr Sajid Qamar in order to accommodate his blue-eyed faculty members last month made changes to the statute regarding appointment of heads of departments.

As per the existing rules, a head of department (HOD) is appointed from amongst three senior professors and as many associate professors. The faculty members said the syndicate last month

changed the rule and increased the number to 10 senior most professors out of whom one would be picked as the HOD.

In other universities, the senior most faculty member is appointed as the HOD. At CUI, the clause was already questionable under which the HOD would be appointed from amongst three professors and three associate professors.

"This has been done to accommodate the rector's chosen ones," they alleged.

The group said Prof Qamar was supposed to deal with day-to-day affairs only, alleging that making an amendment to the rules was beyond his mandate.

To support their claim, the faculty members cited Establishment Division's letter dated April 9, 2021, regarding look-after charge. They added that the university senate was the competent authority to give financial and administrative powers to anyone and in case of a look-after rector, he was appointed by the chancellor.

The faculty members also alleged that Prof Waqas Masood was appointed the head of the Physics Department on June 18, 2021 for a period of three years, but was replaced by a junior professor in violation of rules by the rector last year.

They said when the matter reached Islamabad High Court, the rector had to reverse the appointment. But instead of appointing a senior professor, he picked an associate professor in February this year as the new head (though as per rules the appointment of an associate professor as the HOD is legitimate).

The faculty members also alleged that CUI in violation of rules allowed the transfer of a student of the Department of Computer Science at the Wah campus to the same department at the Islamabad campus. They also alleged that there had been two harassment cases against a faculty member, who was close to the look-after rector. The cases were supposed to be decided by the university's harassment committee which was formed in 2023 for a two-year term, but all of a sudden the convener and a member of the committee were removed last month.

They alleged that the rector had been using a PhD student to teach courses originally assigned to him (rector) in bachelor's course of Physics. "Students filed a complaint against this violation of their rights with the HOD on Jan 13, 2024. Despite several reminders, their complaint has not been taken up," they added.

Comsats Institute became Comsats University in 2018 under an Act which has not yet been fully implemented.

Registrar Prof Dr Sajjad A. Madani is running the office for the last over five years on a temporary basis whereas treasurer Muhammad Azam was appointed in 2018 for three years when Comsats was an institute, but he is still dealing with finances of the university.

#### Official version of Comsats

General Manager of Rector Secretariat Naveed Ahmed Khan rejected all alleg-

tions of the group and said the incumbent rector took all decisions in accordance with rules and regulations and had full authority to run the affairs of the university like previous interim rector.

"He [rector] has authority to chair meeting of syndicate and take decisions in interest of the university," he said and added that the syndicate, not the rector, approved changes to the statute related to appointment of HODs subject to approval of the university senate. He said shifting of a student from Wah to Islamabad was legal and a routine matter.

To a query, he said in the past a selection committee had recommended approval to the appointment of the current registrar for three-year term, but the senate did not approve the same because of an issue, which was later settled down.

Meanwhile, the registrar completed the three years and now his case will be referred to the senate to decide whether he should continue or fresh advertisement should be floated, he said.

He said a regular rector would be hired soon as a search committee was going to start interviews from Monday.

"The treasurer was appointed in 2017 when it was Comsats Institute and the treasurer's position was in grade OG-IV and the Act says no person will be lowered in rank after passing of the Act from parliament." He added that the convener and a member of the harassment committee were changed because of a delay on their part in finalising inquiries.

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Title: **HEC Pointed at Illegal Sub Campus of Universities**

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## ایچ ای سی نے غیر قانونی سب کیمپسز کی نشاندہی کر دی

**109 یونیورسٹیوں اور اداروں میں سے صرف 42 سب کیمپسز قانونی قرار**

گلبرگ (عمران پوس) ہائر ایجوکیشن کمیشن نے اداروں میں سے صرف 20 یونیورسٹیوں کے پرائیویٹ یونیورسٹیوں کے غیر قانونی سب کیمپسز کو قانونی قرار دے دیا ہے۔ کیمپسز کی نشاندہی کر دی۔ ایچ ای سی نے ایچ ای سی نے طلباء اور اساتذہ کو خبردار کر دیا ہے۔ ایچ ای سی کی سب کیمپسز سے جاری الٹ کے 109 یونیورسٹیوں اور اداروں میں سے صرف 42 سب کیمپسز کو قانونی قرار دیا۔ پرائیویٹ یونیورسٹیوں کے غیر قانونی سب کیمپسز کے مطابق طلباء غیر قانونی سب کیمپسز میں داخلوں سے خبردار رہیں، طلباء اپنے پیسوں اور وقت کا ضیاع نہ کریں، ایچ ای سی کے مطابق ایچ ای سی غیر قانونی سب کیمپسز سے جاری ڈگریوں کی تصدیق نہیں کرے گی۔

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Title: **Situation Vacant COMSATS University Islamabad (CUI)**

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Dated: May 12, 2024

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3.	<b>Vehari Campus</b>	
	Lecturer	• Computer Science (10)
4.	<b>Wah Campus</b>	
	Lecturer	• Computer Science (10)
	Lab Engineer	• Mechanical Engineering (1)
5.	<b>Islamabad Campus</b>	
	Assistant Professor	• Computer Science (2)
	Lecturer	• Computer Science (8)
6.	<b>Lahore Campus</b>	
	Lecturer	• Computer Science (10) • Pharmacy (5) • Media & Communication Studies (2)
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	Assistant Professor	• Civil Engineering (1)
	Lecturer	• Computer Science (15) • Pharmacy (0)
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	Software Developer (0)	

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**Last date for application submission: May 27, 2024**

Applications should be sent to:

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Title: **Admissions open Fall 2024 COMSATS University Islamabad**

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Dated: May 19, 2024

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Entry Test Date (Baccalaureate Undergraduate)  
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20 <sup>th</sup> June 2024, 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 and 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2024	24 <sup>th</sup> July 2024, 27 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 and 28 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	24 <sup>th</sup> July 2024, 28 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 and 11 <sup>th</sup> August 2024	07 <sup>th</sup> July 2024, 08 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 and 11 <sup>th</sup> August 2024

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Title: **Invitation to Bid COMSATS University Islamabad (CUI), Lahore Campus**

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### Invitation to Bid

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Title: **Varsity Teachers to observe black day to protest cut in HEC budget**

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## Varsity teachers to observe black day to protest cut in HEC budget

Centre reduces HEC budget from Rs65bn to Rs25bn; VCs fear the move to force varsties to shut down

Dawn Report

LAHORE/TORA TEK SINGH: The Federation of All Pakistan Universities Academic Staff Association (FAPUASA) on Tuesday announced to observe a black day on May 30 (Thursday) at all universities of the country in protest against the huge cut in the budget of the federal Higher Education Commission (HEC). The federal government has issued a notification to reduce the budget of the HEC for the financial year 2024-25 from Rs65bn to Rs25bn and it has been limited to only federal area universities though earlier it used to include provincial universities in its budget. Earlier, the HEC had sought Rs120bn for

more than 160 public universities in the country.

The FAPUASA executive council's emergency meeting was held on Tuesday chaired by its President Dr Aijaz Abbas Magri while General Secretary Dr Muhammad Usair moderated the proceedings.

The meeting was called to discuss the recent notification of the federal government where it had refused to allocate funds for the universities in the provinces. The participants took stock of the severity of the decision and rejected it unanimously due to its devastating effects on the higher education sector, which is already suffering a lot due to the apathy of the government.

The council unanimously decided to observe a black day on May 30 (Thursday) in all universities of the country to record a protest against the decision of the federal government.

The academic staff associations (ASAs) of all the universities were directed to hold meetings and bring all the stakeholders along to raise the common voice. The feder-

ation also decided to hold a sit-in in Islamabad next week for the legitimate rights of the universities.

Being the representative of the academic community across all universities in Pakistan, FAPUASA President Mr Magri and General Secretary Usair vehemently condemned the federal government's unilateral decision to remove the provincial universities from its budget.

They said that the decision was not only detrimental but also beyond the constitutional authority of the federal government. Any decision regarding the budget of the HEC must be placed before the Council of Common Interests (CCI) meeting, as mandated by the constitution.

They said the issue of the higher education budget was extremely crucial which affected the entire nation and the government must allocate funds in accordance with the provincial shares before making any cuts to the HEC budget. They said that the federal government's decision to cut the HEC budget would lead to the destruction of universities across provinces, many of which were

already facing severe financial challenges.

The federation representatives said that the federation, along with its provincial chapters, continuously raised its voice through the press, video messages and letters to Prime Minister Shabbaz Sharif and also organised protests but the government showed lack of seriousness in addressing the conditions of the universities. They said that higher education was playing a pivotal role in the economic development of a country and undermining the sector would have long-term detrimental effects on the nation's progress and prosperity.

The FAPUASA demanded the government immediately withdraw its decision regarding the cut in the HEC budget.

Moreover, the executive council of the federation urged the government to increase the higher education budget by up to Rs500bn in the upcoming federal budget.

The council said failure to reverse the decision would result in the closure of universities nationwide as most institutions would be unable to pay salaries and pensions. The council said the federal government's

budget cuts for universities would create a significant challenge, especially for provinces like Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) and Balochistan as both these provinces did not establish their provincial higher education commissions (HECs). It said these provinces lacked localised governance and strategic oversight necessary to mitigate the impact of reduced funding without the provincial HECs. The council said these institutions might need to enhance their efforts in securing research grants and donations while also advocating for interim support from the federal HEC to ensure continuation of educational standards and development projects.

The FAPUASA council hoped that the government would reverse the adverse decision and ensure that all constitutional formalities were fulfilled before making any decision affecting the budget of universities. The council said the future of the higher education system and the country would depend on it.

Meanwhile, the Vice-Chancellors Committee has also requested the federal

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government to continue extending support to the universities across the country as head of the federation, urging the provincial governments to make their contribution to their respective budgets for the universities.

The VCs Committee held an emergency online meeting in the wake of the reports of a major cut to the HEC funding for the Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget.

A press release said on Tuesday that chaired by UAF VC Dr Iqbal Ahmed Khan, also chairman of VCs committee, the forum was attended by the VCs and rectors of all the public sec-

tor universities. The universities' heads emphasised that the government must pay due importance to higher education sector in its efforts through 'Education Emergency' in the country. They said the government's plan to cut the HEC's recurring budget to Rs25bn for 2024-25 against Rs65bn in the previous financial year would jeopardise the futures of students as the universities were already suffering a shortfall of Rs60bn.

In his remarks, Dr Iqbal said in the report of government's plans to cut the HEC funds for the Year 2024-25 had sent shockwaves throughout the academic community as any such

move would force the public sector universities to shut down. He expressed his apprehension that the already financially strapped universities would not be able to survive and the future of Pakistani youth would be jeopardised if the federal government stopped giving required funds.

Expressing their views, the VCs of different universities said the provincial governments should make a contribution to the universities' finances; however, the federal government must continue extending financial support to universities in the provinces for the cause of national development, integration and unity. They termed

adequate budgetary allocation to higher education a matter of national interest, expressing fears that any cut in the HEC budget would put the students' future in danger.

Appreciating the HEC's role in the development of higher education sector across the country, they said any cut to the HEC budget was tantamount to making it dysfunctional. They said it was impossible to administer and operate universities without finances, adding that the universities' survival lay in the government's support to the HEC.

HEC Chairman Dr Mukhtar Ahmad and HEC Executive Director Dr Ziaul Qayyum said

the commission would take up the issue with the finance ministry and request for reconsideration of the matter with a sympathetic view.

They asserted that any cut to the HEC budget would put all the investments made in the higher education sector in the last over two decades in jeopardy. The federal and provincial governments must jointly put their contributions to end the crises facing the universities, they emphasised.

They said the federal government's funding for the higher education sector was a must to strengthen its efforts for national integration through youth.

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# ہائر ایجوکیشن کمیشن کے بجٹ میں 40 ارب روپے کی کٹوتی

وفاقی حکومت نے کمیشن کا مالی سال 2024-25 کا متواتر بجٹ 65 ارب سے کم کر کے 25 ارب روپے کر کے صرف وفاقی جامعات تک محدود کر دیا۔ اسلام آباد (خبرنگار خصوصی) ہائر ایجوکیشن کمیشن کے بجٹ میں بڑی کمی کر دی گئی۔ وفاقی حکومت نے ہائر ایجوکیشن کمیشن کے مالی سال 2024-25 کا ری کرٹ بجٹ (متواتر بجٹ) میں بڑی کٹوتی کرتے ہوئے 25 ارب روپے کر دیا گیا ہے اور بجٹ صرف وفاقی جامعات تک محدود کر دیا گیا ہے۔ کٹوتی کے بعد ہائر ایجوکیشن کمیشن کا بجٹ 65 سے 25 ارب ہو گیا۔ اب وفاقی ہائر ایجوکیشن کمیشن صوبوں کی جامعات کو فنڈنگ نہیں کر سکے گی اور صوبے اپنی جامعات کی خود فنڈنگ کریں گے۔ اس حوالے سے وزارت خزانہ نے ہائر ایجوکیشن کو خط بھی لکھ دیا ہے۔ ہائر ایجوکیشن کمیشن نے ملک کی 160 سے زائد سرکاری جامعات کے لیے 126 ارب کی درخواست کر رکھی تھی۔ اس بارے میں ہائر ایجوکیشن کمیشن کے چیئرمین ڈاکٹر مختار نے کہا کہ وزارت خزانہ کی جانب سے ری کرٹ گرانٹ جب کہ پلاننگ کمیشن کی جانب سے ترقیاتی گرانٹ کم کرنے سے متعلق خطوط موصول ہوئے ہیں اس معاملے پر وزیراعظم کو خطوط بھی لکھے ہیں۔ صوبوں اور فیڈریشن کو چاہیے کہ تعاون کرے۔

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## یونیورسٹیوں کی گرانٹ میں 40 ارب کی کٹوتی کے خلاف احتجاج

فیڈریشن آف آل پاکستان یونیورسٹیز اکیڈمک سٹاف ایسوسی ایشن نے ہائر ایجوکیشن بجٹ میں کمی کو مسترد کر دیا

حکومتی فیصلہ ٹیچنگ کمیونٹی اور ہزاروں ملازمین کا معاشی قتل، آج ملک بھر کی یونیورسٹیوں میں یوم سیاہ منایا جائیگا، ڈاکٹر امجد عباس گمسی

کینال روڈ (عمران پورس) وفاقی حکومت سے یونیورسٹیوں کی گرانٹ 65 ارب سے گمسی کے مطابق وفاقی یونیورسٹیز کے بجٹ نے یونیورسٹیوں کی گرانٹ 65 ارب سے کم کر کے 25 ارب کرنے پر فیڈریشن آف میں کمی اور وہائی یونیورسٹیز کو اس گرانٹ کر کے 25 ارب کروڑ، فیڈریشن آف آل پاکستان یونیورسٹیز اکیڈمک سٹاف سے محروم کرنے پر تحفظات ہیں، حکومتی پاکستان یونیورسٹیز اکیڈمک سٹاف ایسوسی ایشن نے ہائر ایجوکیشن بجٹ میں کمی کو خالصتاً فیصلہ ٹیچنگ کمیونٹی اور ہزاروں ایسوسی ایشن نے ہائر ایجوکیشن بجٹ میں کمی کو مسترد کر دیا۔ مرکزی صدر ڈاکٹر امجد عباس ملازمین کے معاشی قتل کے مترادف ہے، کر دیا۔ آج ملک بھر کی یونیورسٹیوں میں گمسی کے مطابق کل ملک بھر کی یونیورسٹیز صوبائی ایسیز غیر فعال، صوبائی حکومتی کو یوم سیاہ منایا جائے گا۔ وفاقی حکومت کی جانب میں یوم سیاہ منایا جائے گا، ڈاکٹر امجد عباس بجٹ دینا مستحسن نہیں۔



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Title: **Universities Teachers observed Black day' against cut in budget**

Source: Daily Jang, Page: 02

Dated: May 31, 2024

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## بجٹ میں کمی کے خلاف یونیورسٹیوں کے اساتذہ کا یوم سیاہ



2024 مئی 31

لاہور (خبرنگار) فیڈریشن آف آل پاکستان یونیورسٹی اسٹڈنٹس ایسوسی ایشن (فپو اسٹ) کی کال پر ملک بھر کی یونیورسٹیوں میں اساتذہ اور نان ٹیچنگ سٹاف نے یوم سیاہ منایا۔ فپو اسٹ کے مرکزی صدر ڈاکٹر امجد عباس مگسی نے پنجاب یونیورسٹی سے نکلنے والی ریلی کی قیادت کی ممکنہ بجٹ میں کمی پر احتجاجی دھرنے کا عندیہ دیا، انہوں نے کہا کہ فیڈرل گورنمنٹ کی جانب سے اعلیٰ تعلیم کے 65 بلین کے بجٹ کو 25 بلین کرنے کے بعد جامعات کے پاس اخراجات جاریہ کے لیے فیسوں میں اضافے کے سوا کوئی چارہ نہیں ہوگا۔ بہاؤ الدین زکریا یونیورسٹی ملتان، یونیورسٹی آف ایگریکلچر فیصل آباد یونیورسٹی آف اوکاڑہ میں بھی احتجاجی مظاہرے منعقد ہوئے۔ جی سی یونیورسٹی میں مظاہرے کی قیادت فپو اسٹ پنجاب چیپٹر کے صدر ڈاکٹر خاور نوازش اور مرکزی سیکرٹری اطلاعات ڈاکٹر احتشام علی نے کی۔ تمام صوبوں کی جامعات کے اساتذہ نے وزیر اعظم پاکستان شہباز شریف سے مطالبہ کیا کہ وہ فپو اسٹ پاکستان کی جانب سے کیے گئے مطالبات کا مثبت جواب دیں۔

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Title: **Varsity teachers protest against govt's education policy**

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## Varsity teachers protest against govt's education policy

### Our correspondent

LAHORE

TEACHERS and non-teaching staff in universities across the country observed Black Day on Thursday and strongly protested against the education policy of the government on the call of Federation of All Pakistan Universities Academic Staff Associations (FAPUASA).

The protesting teachers wore black armbands to protest against, what they termed, the anti-education measures taken by the government.

FAPUASA Pakistan Central President Dr Anjad Abbas Magsi led a protest rally from Punjab University and hinted at a

protest sit-in for not withdrawing the budget cut. Speaking on the occasion, he said that in the last few years, the number of universities across the country had increased to 150, but the total recurring grant, which was previously frozen at the level of Rs65 billion, has been eliminated by the federal govt in the upcoming budget. He said that the size of the federal government's budget has increased by 300% and in the previous election, all the government parties promised in their manifesto to increase the education budget to 3-4% of the GDP, and now they refused to provide financial support to the provincial universities.

On the call of FAPUASA, protests

were also held in major universities of Punjab such as Bahauddin Zakariya University Multan, University of Agriculture Faisalabad, University of Okara and Islamia University of Bahawalpur. The demonstration organised at GCU Lahore was led by the President of FAPUASA Punjab Chapter Dr Khawar and the Central Information Secy Dr Ahtisham Ali. The protests in Balochistan were led by the President of Balochistan Chapter Kaleemullah, the protests of KPK universities were led by the Central General Secy Dr M Uzair and the provincial president Dr Humayun Khan, while the protests in Sindh were led by the president of the Sindh Dr Akhtiar Ali Ghumro.

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Title: **All Provinces Universities Demand to Minimum budget 50 billion**

Source: Daily Nai Baat, Page: 09

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**تمام صوبوں سے یونیورسٹیوں کیلئے کم از کم 50 ارب مقرر کرنے کا مطالبہ**

کوئٹہ (نئی بات نیوز) فیڈریشن آف آل پاکستان یونیورسٹیز اکیڈمک سٹاف ایسوسی ایشن FAPUASA کے صدر امجد عباس مگسی اور جنرل سیکرٹری ڈاکٹر محمد عزیز کی قیادت میں آج تمام صوبوں کے وزرائے اعلیٰ کو مراسلہ جاری کیا ہے۔ ان خطوط میں وفاقی حکومت کی جانب سے موجودہ بجٹ میں کٹوتیوں کے اہم مسئلے کی نشاندہی کی گئی ہے اور ہر صوبے کو یونیورسٹیوں کیلئے اپنے متعلقہ بجٹ میں کم از کم 50 ارب روپے مختص کرنے کی فوری ضرورت پر زور دیا گیا ہے۔ مزید برآں خیبر پختونخوا اور بلوچستان میں صوبائی ہائر ایجوکیشن کمیشنز (ایچ ای سی) کے قیام کو فوری ضرورت کے طور پر اجاگر کیا گیا ہے۔ قیادت نے 18 ویں ترمیم کے بعد صوبائی HEC کے فعال قیام اور فنڈز کی باقاعدہ فراہمی پر حکومت سندھ کی تعریف کی ہے۔ پنجاب حکومت کو اپنے صوبائی ایچ ای سی کے قیام پر بھی سراہا گیا ہے تاہم نے وزیر اعلیٰ سندھ پر زور دیا ہے کہ وہ یونیورسٹیوں کے لیے فی الحال مجوزہ بجٹ کو 30 ارب روپے سے بڑھا کر کم از کم 50 ارب روپے کریں۔

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Title: **Centre Restores HEC's Rs65bn recurring budget, says chairman**

Source: Dawn, Page: 13

Dated: June 05, 2024

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## Rs55bn for development also 'revived'

# Centre restores HEC's Rs65bn recurring budget, says chairman

FAPUASA seeks further increase

By Ilyas Gabeel

LAHORE: Higher Education Commission (HEC) Chairman Dr Mokhtar Ahmed said on Tuesday that the government has reversed the decision to cut the commission's recurring budget from Rs65 billion to Rs25 billion and development budget from Rs55bn to Rs20bn.

In a video statement, the HEC chairman welcomed the federal government's decision to restore recurring and development budgets of the higher education

sector for FY 2024-25.

Two weeks ago, the federal government had issued a notification to reduce the budget of the HEC for the financial year 2024-25 from Rs65bn to Rs25bn and it has been limited to only federal area universities though earlier it used to include provincial universities in its budget.

Giving background of the reversal of the decision, Dr Ahmed says that the academic circles and teachers had shown concerns over the budget cut and the commission also had written letters to the federal and provincial governments to increase the budget. He says Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has taken notice of the budget cut as it will affect millions of students who will have to face financial problems in continuing their higher education.

He says the commission has been con-

veyed the message that the government has restored the recurring budget of Rs65bn and development budget of Rs55bn. He also demanded all the provincial governments to increase the higher education budget.

He praised and thanked the Sindh government for raising the higher education budget from Rs20bn to Rs30bn and appealed to other governments to follow example set by the Sindh government.

The Federation of All Pakistan Universities Academic Staff Association (FAPUASA) also welcomed the restoration of the HEC budget to Rs65bn.

However, FAPUASA contends that this increase is insufficient to address the severe financial crisis faced by the universities.

FAPUASA calls for a substantial grant

of Rs500bn to rescue Pakistani universities from dire economic conditions. The HEC had initially sought Rs125bn from the federal government. Unfortunately, the government reduced this amount to Rs25bn before finally restoring it to the current level of Rs65bn, a grant that had been frozen since 2018.

Given the precarious financial state of universities, FAPUASA vows to persist in its struggle until the recurring grant is significantly augmented. Additionally, FAPUASA demands that provincial governments allocate more funds to higher education.

The association announced to hold a peaceful demonstration in front of provincial offices across major cities in the country

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Title: **HEC 65 billion Recurring budget Restores**

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## ایچ ای سی کے بجٹ میں کٹوتی واپس، 65 ارب میزانیہ بحال

ہائر ایجوکیشن کمیشن کا بجٹ 65 ارب سے کم کر کے 25 ارب روپے کر دینے والی بات پریشان کن تھی: ڈاکٹر مختار

وزیر اعظم شہباز شریف سمیت تمام وزرائے اعلیٰ اور اسٹیک ہولڈرز کا شکریہ ادا کرتے ہیں: چیئر مین ایچ ای سی

اسلام آباد (ایجوکیشن رپورٹر، مانیٹرنگ ڈیسک) وفاقی وزارت خزانہ ہائر ایجوکیشن کمیشن (ایچ ای سی) کے سالانہ بجٹ میں 40 ارب روپے کٹوتی کا فیصلہ واپس لیتے ہوئے مال سال 2024-25 کے لیے 65 ارب ڈالر بجٹ بحال کر دیا۔ چیئر مین ایچ ای سی ڈاکٹر مختار احمد کے مطابق وزارت خزانہ نے ہائر ایجوکیشن کمیشن کے مالی سال 2024-25 کے لیے 40 ارب روپے کٹوتی کا فیصلہ واپس لیا اور گزشتہ برس کا بجٹ 65 ارب بحال کر دیا ہے۔ وزیر اعظم شہباز شریف سمیت تمام وزرائے اعلیٰ اور اسٹیک ہولڈرز کا شکریہ ادا کرتے ہوئے چیئر مین ایچ ای سی نے کہا کہ وزارت خزانہ نے بجٹ ونگ کو ایچ ای سی کے لیے 65 ارب روپے بجٹ مختص کرنے کی سفارش کر دی ہے۔ ڈاکٹر مختار احمد نے کہا کہ کافی روز سے ایچ ای سی کے بجٹ کے حوالے سے پریشان کن صورت حال تھی کہ ہائر ایجوکیشن کمیشن کا بجٹ 65 ارب سے کم کر کے 25 ارب روپے کر دیا گیا ہے، وائس چانسلرز صاحبان سمیت ایچ ای سی نے وزیر اعظم سمیت وزارت تعلیم، خزانہ اور وزرائے اعلیٰ کو مراسلے لکھے کہ جامعات کا بجٹ پہلے ہی کم ہے۔ ان کا کہنا تھا کہ مجھے یہ بتاتے ہوئے خوشی ہو رہی ہے کہ 2023-24 کا ریکرننگ بجٹ پچیس ارب اور ڈیولپمنٹ 59 ارب تھا، رواں مالی سال کے لیے بجٹ میں کمی کر کے 21 ارب کر دیا گیا تھا جو وزیر اعظم، وزیر خزانہ اور تعلیم و پلاننگ کی کوششوں سے دوبارہ 65 ارب روپے تک اور ڈیولپمنٹ بجٹ بحال کر دیا گیا ہے۔ چیئر مین ایچ ای سی نے کہا کہ اگرچہ 65 ارب روپے بھی ناکافی ہے، اس میں اضافہ ہونا چاہیے تھا۔

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Title: **Maldives NU, CUI join hands to strengthen higher education sector**

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Web Link: <https://dailytimes.com.pk/1198977/maldives-nu-cui-join-hands-to-strengthen-higher-education-sector/>

## Maldives NU, CUI join hands to strengthen higher education sector

**M**aldives National University and COMSATS University Islamabad (CUI) on Friday joined hands to strengthen cooperation in higher education sector.

This was agreed during a visit of a delegation from Maldives led by Dr. Aishath Shehenaz Adam, Vice Chancellor, Maldives National University (MNU) and Dr Raheema Abdul Raheem, Deputy Vice Chancellor, which called on Rector CUI, Prof. Dr. Sajid Qamar.

In a presentation held on the occasion, Head of CUI International Office, Dr. Hammad Omer informed that the collaboration between the

two universities had been flourishing since 2016, which was inked in a memorandum of understanding for scientific and educational cooperation and has furthered with exchange visits in 2016 and 2018.

For future collaborations, Dr. Omer suggested that MNU can avail various scholarship opportunities available for post-graduate students from Maldives as well as learn from CUI's experience in hybrid mode of education.

Dr. Tahir Naeem, Director P&D and HRD briefed on the training need assessment carried out by CUI in 2018 at MNU, highlighted the various areas of capacity building and

institutional development where CUI could provide technical assistance.

Dr. Aishath expressed keen interest in upgrading MNU's learning management system with CUI's expertise.

She invited CUI's technical team to visit Maldives and review MNU's existing system, provide recommendations, and train university staff members.

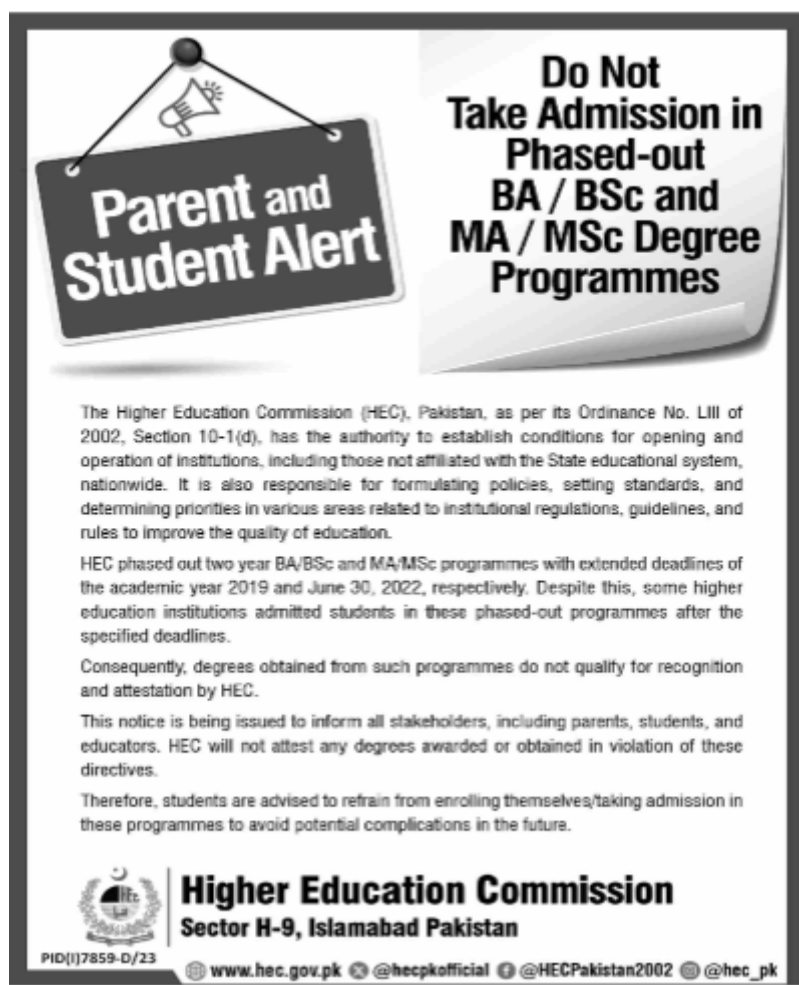
Dr. Bilal Zaka, Head Directorate of IT Services and Dr. Muhammad Asim Noor Head CU Online were also present in the meeting. Dr. Zaka assured full support in upgrading MNU's student management systems and other technical aspects. **APP**

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Title: **Parent and Student Alert do not take Admission in Phased-out Degree Programmes**

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**Parent and Student Alert**

**Do Not Take Admission in Phased-out BA / BSc and MA / MSc Degree Programmes**


The Higher Education Commission (HEC), Pakistan, as per its Ordinance No. LIII of 2002, Section 10-1(d), has the authority to establish conditions for opening and operation of institutions, including those not affiliated with the State educational system, nationwide. It is also responsible for formulating policies, setting standards, and determining priorities in various areas related to institutional regulations, guidelines, and rules to improve the quality of education.

HEC phased out two year BA/BSc and MA/MSc programmes with extended deadlines of the academic year 2019 and June 30, 2022, respectively. Despite this, some higher education institutions admitted students in these phased-out programmes after the specified deadlines.

Consequently, degrees obtained from such programmes do not qualify for recognition and attestation by HEC.

This notice is being issued to inform all stakeholders, including parents, students, and educators. HEC will not attest any degrees awarded or obtained in violation of these directives.

Therefore, students are advised to refrain from enrolling themselves/taking admission in these programmes to avoid potential complications in the future.

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Title: **Higher Education Undergraduate Studies Admission Test (USAT)**

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## Higher Education Undergraduate Studies ADMISSION TEST (USAT)

**FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS  
IN PAKISTANI UNIVERSITIES**

The Higher Education Commission (HEC) Viz Education Testing Council (ETC) will conduct Undergraduate Studies Admission Test (USAT) for admission at the undergraduate level in universities operating all over Pakistan.

USAT is designed on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) pattern. It is offered on quarterly basis and covers all known disciplines of Engineering, Medicine (Allied Health), IT, Management and Social Sciences at the undergraduate entry level. The students after qualifying respective USAT would stand eligible to all the relevant universities like the SAT, and also for the HEC Undergraduate Scholarships.

**Who can Apply for (USAT)?**

- ▶ Students who have passed the Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSSC) or equivalent/Grade 12 education
- ▶ Students who have appeared in the final examination and are awaiting results

**Which USAT Versions to Apply for based on Academic Streams?**

The USAT test is conducted in the following six categories based on relevant academic streams. The students should register accordingly:

Test Category	Stream/ Discipline
USAT – E	Pre Engineering
USAT – M	Pre Medical
USAT – A	Art & Humanities
USAT – CS	Computer Science
USAT – GS	General Science
USAT – COM	Commerce

Any score above and equal to 50 will be considered as a qualifying USAT score. The maximum score on USAT would be a perfect score of 100.

**Test Breakup/Marks Distribution**

The detailed breakup of tests and marks distribution for all the USAT versions is available at:  
<https://www.hec.gov.pk/english/services/students/etc/Documents/Content%20Weightages%20for%20USAT.pdf>

Proposed Test Schedule	Role of Universities
Test is simultaneously held on a quarterly basis in the major cities of Pakistan. More tests can, however, be arranged on need basis. Candidates may register themselves through ETC online registration portal: <a href="http://etc.hec.gov.pk">http://etc.hec.gov.pk</a> .	Universities will continue to announce their admission programme independently. Students applying to universities accepting USAT will submit their respective USAT – (category) ETC score card for inclusion in the weightage-based merit determining formula.

**How to Apply**

- ▶ Visit <http://etc.hec.gov.pk> for online registration
- ▶ In case of difficulty during online registration, visit <https://onlinehelp.hec.gov.pk>
- ▶ Only SUBMITTED applications will be considered. Applications in SAVE or INCOMPLETE mode will not be entertained.
- ▶ Fee will be submitted through 1Link/1Bill Invoice payment services with the generated consumer number.
- ▶ After depositing the fee through 1Link 1Bill Invoice, click on Verify Online Payment on ETC Dashboard.
- ▶ The test fee is non-refundable and non-transferable.
- ▶ Email/ SMS will be sent to the registered applicants for examination date, time, and venue. Candidates are required to provide valid email/ mobile number while filling their online application forms. SMS shall not be sent to the mobile numbers that have been converted from one network to another network.
- ▶ The candidates must get queries/complaints resolved before the closure of the web registration portal. Queries/complaints handling beyond the registration deadline is denied by the system due to logistics/security reasons.

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**Note:** Taking a mobile or any calculating, recording, communication, or imaging electronic device inside the test centre, as well as uploading or sharing the images of question book is strictly prohibited and an offence liable to punishment as per the ETC rules.

**LAST DATE  
FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION**  
June  
30  
 2024

Link

<https://etc.hec.gov.pk>

Education Testing Council

Helpline

0334-111-9432, 051-111-119-432

USAT Test will  
be held on:  
JULY 14, 2024  
Tentatively.

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Higher Education Commission, Sector H-9, Islamabad



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