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## International Labor Day Seminar-MNSUAM

A seminar on International Labor Day was organized by the Directorate of Public Relations and the Directorate of State Management on May 1, 2023, at MNSUAM. Addressing the event, Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (T.I.), Vice-Chancellor of MNSUAM, highlighted the heart-wrenching financial and social disparity between the laborer and owner classes, which has widened to the extent that laborers struggle to earn a meager livelihood with their salaries, while the owner class spends the equivalent of their laborers' one month's salary on a single meal. He added that this current situation has had a profound impact on the economy, with workers being the most affected. Asif Ali emphasized the need for laws like Social Security to implement labor rights in Pakistan, which would enable workers to obtain their labor rights and other entitlements. He stated that if the workers are happy, only then can the country be truly on the path to progress. He further highlighted that it is the duty of laborers to perform their duties honestly, and likewise, it is the duty of owners to fully pay the wages of laborers. Dr. Unsar Naeem Ullah stressed the indispensability of exchanging goods and skills with one another to effectively run the system of collective social life. He emphasized that no one can fulfill all their needs or accomplish everything alone; instead, we need the support of others and must work mutually for each other. At the end of the seminar, the gardeners, financial workers, and security personnel of the university, along with the Vice-Chancellor, faculty, and staff, took part in a walk to commemorate International Laborers' Day.



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“Social security is necessary to implement labor rights in Pakistan which will facilitate workers to get their labor rights because when worker will be happy, then and only then the country will achieve a higher happiness index and will be truly on the track to progression.”

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (T.I.)



## Seminar on World Book Day-MNSUAM

A seminar was organized at MNS University of Agriculture to commemorate World Book Day. Shakir Hussain Shakir, while addressing the event, expressed concern about the younger generation's decreasing interest in reading books, despite books being valuable companions in life's struggles. He emphasized that reading books, especially those related to history and general life, not only improves one's personal life but also equips individuals with practical insights for success. Shakir advised the youth in attendance to cultivate the habit of reading books. Additionally, he firmly disagreed with the claim that the love for books would diminish by the end of this century, believing instead that books and the passion for reading would endure indefinitely.

Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (T.I.), Vice-Chancellor of MNSUAM, spoke at the event, highlighting that reading a book opens a new way of living for individuals. He acknowledged the digital advancements that enable online book reading. Each time a person opens a book, they enter a gateway to a new world. Asif Ali also mentioned the Garrison Library in Pakistan, which stands as one of the country's finest libraries, serving as a gift to the citizens of Multan. He expressed his belief that awareness seminars like this would promote increased readership among the youth. The seminar was attended by notable individuals, including Prof. Dr. Mubasher Mehdi, Mr. Zulfqar Ali Tabassum, Dr. Ambreen Naz, Dr. Unsar Neem Ullah, Dr. Mirza Abdul Qayyum, Dr. Usman Jamshed, Dr. Wazir Ahmed, and a large number of students.



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Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (T.I.)

## Seminar on Mother's Day-MNSUAM

Addressing a seminar organized by the Directorate of Public Relations on May 12, 2023 at MNSUAM to celebrate Mother's Day, Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (T.I.) expressed that a mother's love is a clear example of sincerity and loyalty. He likened a mother to a tree, whose dense shade remains unwavering. Dr. Asif Ali further emphasized that the greatness of mothers is recognized in every religion and culture. While every day is Mother's Day, the purpose of celebrating this day is to honor and highlight the glory of mothers.

During the event, Dr. Ambreen Naz, Dr. Ayesha Hakeem, Dr. Nighat Raza, and Dr. Madiha Gohar shared their views, highlighting the extraordinary nature of giving birth and the selfless love of mothers. They emphasized how mothers sacrifice their own comfort and desires for the education and well-being of their children, always concealing their sorrows. Ms. Aimen Batool expressed her perspective that a mother is the most valuable and greatest treasure in the universe, and her love and compassion cannot be fully expressed in words.

The event was attended by Registrar Mr. Imran Mehmood, Treasurer Mr. Rafiq Farooqi, Senior Tutor Dr. Usman Jamshed, Dr. Umar Ejaz, Mr. Asif Nawaz, Ms. Hafiza Tahira Gul, Ms. Anam Bukhari, Dr. Sehrish Ejaz, Ms. Shafa Nayab, and many other students who added grace to the occasion with their presence.



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Vice Chancellor  
Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (T.I.)



## **Training Session on Provision of First Aid and Bleeding Control-MNSUAM**

A training session focusing on the provision of First Aid and Bleeding Control was conducted at MNSUAM in collaboration with Rover Scouts Unit, Rescue 1122, Rotaract Club, and Public Health Society, MNSUAM. The session was part of the Pakistan Live Saver Program and saw participation from over 80 students and scouts. The main objective of the training was to equip the students with the skills to administer first aid in emergency situations, enabling them to save precious lives.

Dean Prof. Dr. Irfan Ahmed Baig, addressing the event, appreciated the efforts of the organizers and emphasized the importance of such training sessions to empower the young generation to play a constructive role in critical emergencies. Mr. Zahid Hussain and Mr. Muhammad Imran from Rescue 1122 provided training on blood control and conducted an open mic session to address students' queries. Dr. Usman Jamshed, Dr. Amir Bakhtawar, Dr. Umair Waqas, Dr. Umar Ijaz, along with other faculty members and a large number of students, were present at the training session.



## International Congress on Academic Studies, Changing World Opportunities and Challenges-MNSUAM

A three-day International Congress on Academic Studies, Changing World Opportunities and Challenges was organized by the Faculty of Social Sciences from May 10-12, 2023 at MNS University of Agriculture. The conference was attended by Dr. Hasan, Dr. Mustafa Aslaan, Dr. Usman, Dr. Ibrahim and Mr. Mark Drew, agricultural scientists from Turkey, Australia, America, Germany, Japan, Malaysia, India and Nigeria. On this occasion, Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (T.I.), Vice-Chancellor of MNSUAM articulated his pleasure and gratitude at the fact that the conference is being held simultaneously in different languages. The world is changing rapidly, if we didn't keep up with the pace of innovation and time, progress will be impossible and we will be left behind in the race of life. He foregrounded that such transnational conferences are quintessential as they facilitate us with the opportunity to be aware of the changes globally taking place in a timely manner so that we can achieve better results. Agricultural scientists stressed that it is impossible to think of development without information technology. The importance of IT in every sphere of life is paramount. All the experts discussed a plethora of topics ranging from agriculture, food security, environment, economics, culture and society and development technology. The occasion was graced by Dr. Sophia Anwar, Dean of Social Sciences College, University of Faisalabad, Prof. Dr. Shafqat Saeed, Prof. Dr. Irfan Ahmed Baig, Prof. Dr. Mubasher Mehdi, Prof. Dr. Nasir Nadeem, Prof. Dr. Hammad Nadeem, Prof. Dr. Tanvir-ul-Haq, Prof. Dr. Umar Farooq including a large number of other faculty members, industry representatives and students.



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Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr.  
Asif Ali (T.I.)



## Graduate Research Day-MNSUAM

The Directorate of Graduate Studies and Graduate Resource Center-MNSUAM organized Graduate Research Day on May 17, 2023, at MNS University of Agriculture Multan. The event was graced by Prof. Dr. Irfan Baig, the Dean of FSSH, as the chief guest. In his address to the audience, Prof. Dr. Irfan Baig highly praised such co-curricular activities for fostering coordination between academia and industry, providing students with a platform to showcase their creativity. Prof. Dr. Nasir Nadeem, the Director of Graduate Studies, emphasized the significance and necessity of organizing constructive and creative co-curricular activities, encouraging students to actively participate in such endeavors.

To ensure transparency and diversity, the evaluation committee comprised 15 judges from various domains, including prominent individuals such as Prof. Dr. Shafqat Saeed (Dean Faculty of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences), Prof. Dr. Irfan Baig (Dean Faculty of Social Sciences), Prof. Dr. Asif Raza (Dean Faculty of Veterinary and Animal Sciences), Prof. Dr. Mubasher Mehdi (Director Business Incubation Center), Prof. Dr. Nasir Nadeem (Director Graduate Studies), Prof. Dr. Muhammad Babar (BZU), Prof. Dr. Umar Farooq (Head of Department of Human Nutrition and Dietetics), Prof. Dr. Tanveer-ul-Haq (Head of Department of Soil and Environmental Sciences), Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana (Chairman National Agriculture Education Accreditation Council), Prof. Dr. Waqas Malik (BZU), Dr. Muhammad Asif Khan (Associate Professor, Institute of Plant Breeding and Biotechnology), Dr. Ayesha Hakeem (Assistant Professor Department of Computer Science), and Mr. Sheikh Farrukh Iqbal (PepsiCo). The judges provided encouragement and support to the students throughout the event.



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“MNSUAM is strongly committed to enhancing the coordination between academia and industry, aiming to build a knowledge-based economy through intellectual and social transformation. Graduate Research Day is one of the encouraging co-curricular activities that support this commitment.”

Dean Prof. Dr. Irfan Baig



## HIV/Hepatitis Screening and Awareness Seminar – MNSUAM

The Public Health Society/Faculty of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, in collaboration with the Punjab AIDS Control Program (PACP) and the Primary and Secondary Healthcare Department, organized a two-day event at MNS-University of Agriculture Multan on May 17 and 18, 2023. The event aimed to provide free HIV/Hepatitis B, C, and E screening tests to students and staff while also conducting a seminar to raise awareness about these diseases. The event witnessed significant collaboration between various organizations dedicated to promoting public health in Pakistan. As part of the event, a seminar was held to educate participants about the prevalence and transmission of HIV. Dr. Atif, the coordinator of PACP, delivered an enlightening session to raise awareness among students and staff, highlighting the alarming prevalence of HIV in Pakistan and emphasizing the urgent need to address this critical public health issue. Dr. Atif also dispelled common misconceptions about HIV transmission, clarifying that the virus does not spread through casual contact such as living together, sharing meals, or using the same toilet. Addressing the stigma associated with the disease, he emphasized the importance of eliminating discrimination and promoting a supportive environment for individuals living with HIV. The screening conducted at MNS-University of Agriculture Multan was part of the HIV/Hepatitis campus free drive, which aligns with the Punjab government's initiative to tackle these ailments.



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“Eliminating discrimination and promoting a supportive environment for individuals living with HIV is of utmost importance in mitigating the stigma associated with the disease.”  
Provincial Treatment Coordinator  
PACP Dr. Atif Ali

### **HIV/Hepatitis Screening and Awareness Seminar – MNSUAM**

During the two-day event, more than 1,100 students and staff members voluntarily underwent HIV/Hepatitis screening tests. The efforts of the organizing committee and participating organizations were highly appreciated by Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (T.I.), Vice-Chancellor, MNSUAM, fortifying the significance of such initiatives in promoting public health awareness and addressing critical health issues. The Punjab AIDS Control Program has committed to continuing this screening practice at regular intervals throughout the year. This proactive approach aims to identify cases early, provide timely treatment, and promote a healthier community.





## Martyrs' Day commemoration-MNSUAM

A solidarity walk, alongside an event, was organized by the students, teachers, and scholars of MNSUAM as a testament to their camaraderie with Pakistan's forces and martyrs. Pakistan, a land acquired and preserved through the blood of martyrs, became a subject of mockery among global spectators due to the violent incidents on May 9. Exploiting the uncertainty stemming from political turmoil, certain unpatriotic elements targeted sensitive national sites, memorials, martyrs, and properties during this state of political instability. The entire nation was left stunned and immersed in profound grief by this situation. Understanding the gravity of the circumstances, a decision was made to commemorate May 25 as Martyrs' Day. MNSUAM took up the responsibility and led the main event at Ghanta Ghar Chowk, Multan. The students, teachers, and staff of MNSUAM organized a series of engaging activities, including a Solidarity Walk, impassioned speeches, patriotic songs, and candle lighting, all to pay tribute to the blood of martyrs. It was emphasized that the honor of our motherland's security forces, and the sacrifices of our martyrs will be staunchly defended in every possible way. Addressing the event, Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (T.I.), Vice-Chancellor, MNSUAM, articulated that our country stands as a living memorial to the blood shed by millions of martyrs. Disrespecting the martyrs is contrary to the conduct expected of civilized nations. The young generation must fight for a better future and the stability of Pakistan, always mindful of the sacrifices made by their martyrs, as this ongoing battle can only be won by staying deeply rooted in our traditions.



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“Pakistan stands as a living memorial, bearing the blood of millions of martyrs. The young generation must fight for a better future and the stability of Pakistan, while always remembering the sacrifices of their martyrs. This war can only be won by remaining connected to our traditions.”

Vice Chancellor Prof.  
Dr. Asif Ali (T.I.)



## Accolade for MNSUAM at National Games 2023 Cycling Competition

Under the leadership of Muhammad Nawaz Sharif University of Agriculture Multan, the HEC Women's Cycling Team participated in the National Games 2023 Cycling Competition held in Lahore. Teams from all four provinces, namely Punjab, KPK, Sindh, Baluchistan, along with departmental teams such as Army, WAPDA, and Railway, took part in these competitions. The competitions commenced on May 15, 2023, in DHA Phase 9, Lahore. The HEC Women's Cycling Team secured the 3rd position in the competition. During the closing ceremony, Brigadier Muneer Ahmed acknowledged the effective leadership and managerial skills of MNSUAM and awarded a medal to the HEC Women's Cycling Team. Additionally, an honorary shield was presented to Director of Sports MNSUAM, Mr. Arqam Iqbal, for efficiently managing the event. Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (T.I.), Vice Chancellor of MNSUAM, expressed his gratitude for this achievement and congratulated the HEC Women's Cycling Team. He also emphasized the importance of sports in the mental and moral development of youth and highlighted MNSUAM's consistent contribution to sports competitions, reaffirming their commitment to offering services in sports in the future.



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“Sports play an important role in the mental and moral development of youth, and therefore, our university has always prominently contributed to sports competitions and will continue to offer its services for sports in the future.”

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Asif Ali (T.I.)