

# UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, NOWSHERA (SHUHADA-E-APS UOT)

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#### Title: Shuhada-e-APS University of Technology Nowshera main campus land foundation stone laying ceremony

A momentous occasion unfolded in Nowshera on November 2, 2023 as Governor Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Haji Ghulam Ali, laid the foundation stone for the new site of University of Technology Nowshera near the Kernal Sher Khan Interchange on Motorway M-1. This ceremony, graced by esteemed dignitaries and officials, transpired a significant step in advancing higher education and technological development in the region.

Distinguished figures from the fields of education and industry, including Mr. Aamir Abdullah, Minister for Industries, Commerce, and Technical Education, Engr. Imtiaz Gillani, Chairman of the National Technology Council (NTC), Prof. Dr. Muhammad Mujahid, Rector of Pak-Austria Fachhochschule Institute of Applied Sciences and Technology, and Prof. Dr. Nasir Jamal Khattak, Vice Chancellor of the University of Swabi, graced the ceremony with their presence to commemorate this momentous occasion.

Vice Chancellor of the University of Technology Nowshera, Prof. Dr. Zaffar Muhammad Khan, extended a warm welcome to Governor Haji Ghulam Ali on his arrival and presented a bouquet of flowers as a token of appreciation. The proceedings began with a recitation of the Holy Quran. In his welcoming address, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zaffar Muhammad Khan expressed his gratitude to all the guests and acknowledged the Governor's steadfast support in expediting the land acquisition process for the university. He highlighted the strategic importance of the new site for the university's growth and its potential to make substantial contributions to higher education and technological advancements in the region.

The ceremony featured speeches from Minister for Industries, Commerce, and Technical Education, and Chairman NTC, who emphasized the pivotal role of technological education in shaping the future of the region. The highlight of the event was the Chief Guest, Governor Haji Ghulam Ali, who applauded the efforts of the Vice Chancellor in achieving this significant milestone. He congratulated Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zaffar Muhammad Khan on this remarkable achievement and pledged his wholehearted support in making this project a reality. Governor Haji Ghulam Ali also recognized the efforts and dedication of those who contributed to the success of this project by presenting certificates of appreciation. As a symbolic gesture, Governor Haji Ghulam Ali planted a tree, symbolizing the beginning of a project that holds the promise of fostering knowledge, innovation, and progress in the region.



## University of Technology Secures Second Place at Kalam Robo Tech 2023 Project Exhibition

The University of Technology (UoT) has achieved a significant milestone, securing the second position in the highly competitive final year project exhibition at Kalam Robo Tech 2023 held on September 16, 2023. This notable achievement reflects the unwavering dedication and innovative prowess demonstrated by the faculty and students of UoT. Among 400 projects from various universities nationwide, UoT's performance is notable, showing the institution's commitment to fostering creativity, technological advancement, and academic excellence. Congratulations to the entire UoT community for their hard work, which was rightfully recognized and



celebrated on this prestigious platform. This success serves as motivation for future endeavors, highlighting UoT's role in the field of technology and innovation.

## Peshawar Commissioner Inaugurates State-of-the-Art Digital Library

Peshawar Commissioner Muhammad Zubair Khan inaugurated the digital library at UoT-N, emphasizing the vital role of such modern amenities in today's era. He praised the University's decision to incorporate a digital library into its main facility, recognizing the significance of adapting to contemporary needs. During the event, he actively participated in a tree planting initiative as part of the university's broader environmental efforts.



### One-day workshop, enhancing educational standards through OBE/QOBE training.

The Quality Enhancement Cell (QEC) at the University of Technology (UoT) Nowshera organized a "One-day Outcome-Based Education (OBE)/QOBE Training Workshop" at UoT Nowshera on September 1, 2023. Dr. Arbad Waheed Ahmad, the Head of the Department of Electrical Engineering and the designated OBE focal person for the institute, Pak-Austria Fachhochschule: Institute of Applied Sciences and Technology (PAF-IAST) Pakistan, served as the focal person for this training workshop.

The workshop was attended by both full-time and visiting faculty members of the university. The event was divided into two distinct sessions. The first session primarily addressed topics related to Outcome-Based Education (OBE), while the second session placed its main emphasis on training faculty in the use of the Quality Outcome-Based Education (QOBE) software.

During the training, faculty members were equipped with the necessary knowledge and skills pertaining to Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) practices, particularly in relation to Program Learning Outcomes (PLO) and Course Learning Outcomes (CLO) assessment cycles. The entire workshop was characterized by its informative and interactive nature, resulting in an enhanced level of knowledge and proficiency among the participating faculty members.



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### Minister for Tribal Affairs/Industries Commerce & Technical Education Department Visited UoT, Nowshera.

Dr. Syed Amer Abdullah, Minister for Tribal Affairs/Industries Commerce & Technical Education Department, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, visited the University of Technology, Nowshera on September 22, 2023. He was warmly welcomed by Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zaffar Muhammad Khan, the Honorable Minister received a detailed briefing on the University's progress, achievements, and challenges. The Minister pledged his support to address any longstanding issues faced by the institution. The distinguished minister actively participated in a tree-plantation, highlighting a dedication to environmental responsibility. Following this, he inaugurated the Bank of Khyber's UoT Branch, symbolizing a strengthened partnership between the financial institution and the university. He also visited the ORIC Department, where he received a brief overview of various showcased projects and conveyed his appreciation for their innovative nature.



## FBR Assistant Commissioner Conducts Training Session at UoT Nowshera on NTN Registration and Returns Filing

On 05-10-2023 FBR's Assistant Commissioner led a targeted tax compliance drive at UoT Nowshera, focusing on NTN registration and returns filing. Joined by FBR officials, a dynamic training session engaged university staff in interactive discussions and Q&A sessions. The Assistant Commissioner emphasized the pivotal role of educational institutions in promoting financial responsibility. The Vice-Chancellor commended



FBR's proactive collaboration, anticipating improved financial processes. This partnership signifies a broader push for transparency and compliance. Participants were equipped with essential skills, marking a proactive step in FBR's ongoing outreach initiatives for enhanced financial literacy and tax compliance.

## UoT Nowshera Holds Solidarity Walk in Support of the People of Kashmir

In a powerful demonstration of solidarity, the University of Technology (UoT) Nowshera organized a solidarity walk on 27-10-2023 in support of the people of Kashmir. The students and staff marched through the campus, carrying banners and chanting messages of peace.

The action-oriented event aimed to raise awareness



about the challenges faced by Kashmiris and emphasized the importance of global unity. The Vice-Chancellor, addressing the crowd, highlighted the university's commitment to fostering a culture of empathy. In his address he said, "Today's walk is a testament to our shared humanity. Let's actively stand with those in need and contribute to a more compassionate world."

The UoT Nowshera solidarity walk signifies a tangible effort by the university community to make a positive impact, sending a clear message of support for the people of Kashmir and advocating for a peaceful resolution of the Kashmir's issue.

## UoT Nowshera's Engineering Tech Programs Undergo Successful NTC Accreditation Visit.

The National Technology Council (NTC) conducted an accreditation visit of the University of Technology (UoT) Nowshera's Engineering Technology programs on November 13 and 14, 2023. The NTC team



conducted a thorough examination of facilities, laboratories, and course materials. With a specific focus on Mechanical Engineering Technology, Energy Engineering Technology, and Information Engineering Technology programs, the review aimed to ensure alignment with national standards. Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zaffar M Khan expressed gratitude for the NTC's dedication and commitment to deliver high-quality Engineering Technology education. As UoT Nowshera awaits the outcome, there is high anticipation that a successful accreditation will further enhance its reputation as a center of excellence in Engineering Technology education.

## Vice-Chancellor UoT Nowshera Elevates Collaborative Excellence at Nowshera Chamber Event with KP Governor:

On November 21, 2023, The Nowshera Chambers of Commerce and Industries welcomed UoT, Nowshera's Vice-Chancellor to an award distribution ceremony, with Governor KP as the Chief Guest. In an impactful address, the Vice-Chan-cellor underscored the university's



significance and its impactful collaborations with industry, emphasizing innovation, skill development, and regional economic growth. The event solidified a commitment to actionable initiatives, paving the way for a brighter, more prosperous future through dynamic university-industry partnerships."

## University of Technology Nowshera fuels up collaboration with Small Industries Development Board and Industries.

The Office of Research, Innovation, and Commercialization (ORIC) of University of Technology, Nowshera, in collaboration withthe Small Industries Development Board (SIDB), successfully convened a pivotal meeting on 23 November 2023 at UoT-Nowshera. The distinguished participants include 15 prominent industrialists from different sectors, officials of the SIDB and UoT Nowshera. The gathering aimed at fostering facilitation and collaboration in the realm

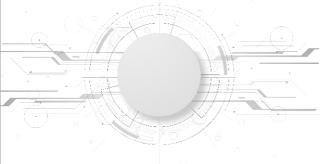


of research and development within various industries. Universities have demonstrated a proactive commitment to providing their technical expertise to industries, fostering collaborative partnerships aimed at addressing and resolving the specific challenges faced by local industries. Universities can contribute by aligning their research and academic programs with the evolving needs of industries, ensuring that graduates possess the skills and knowledge required in the professional landscape.

Facilitating internship programs and industrial attachments allows students to gain real-world experience, bridging the gap between theory and practice. The industries, on the other hand, can actively engage with universities by providing insights into market trends, participating in collaborative research projects, and offering mentorship opportunities. The SIDB plays a crucial role in facilitating this collaboration by acting as a conduit, providing support and resources to both academic institutions and industries. Considering the vital connection between academia and industry, the discussions focused on building a mutually beneficial relationship through stronger linkages. The event



served as a platform for dialogue, emphasizing the pivotal role of research and development in shaping the future of industries and fostering innovation. The University of Technology, Nowshera, remains committed to bridging the gap between academia and industry for the collective advancement of knowledge and economic growth.



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