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MESSAGE FROM THE VICE CHANCELLOR

Empowering Minds, Shaping Futures



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SBBWUP

It gives me immense pleasure to present this latest edition of the Women's University Newsletter, capturing the remarkable achievements, initiatives, and activities from July to September 2025. These pages reflect the dedication, creativity, and hard work of our students, faculty, and staff who continue to uphold the university's vision with passion and purpose.

In this issue, you will find stories of academic distinction, research advancements, professional development, and community engagement. Each accomplishment stands as a testament to our collective commitment to fostering an environment where women can learn, grow, and lead with confidence.

I extend my sincere appreciation to our academic community for their ongoing efforts, and to the editorial team for their diligence in bringing this publication to life with clarity and care.

Let us celebrate these milestones together and move forward with renewed determination to build a future shaped by opportunity, excellence, and meaningful impact.



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SESSIONS / WORKSHOPS

TWO-DAY CIVIL DEFENCE TRAINING AT SBBWU

On 10 and 11 September 2025, the Department of Computer Science, SBBWU Peshawar, in collaboration with the Civil Defence Training School, Hayatabad, organized a two-day training titled "Civil Defence: The Frontline of Community Safety." Held as part of Defence Day celebrations, the training equipped students and faculty with essential emergency-response skills. Certified trainer Mr. Waqarullah Khan conducted sessions on types of fires, fire-safety precautions, emergency evacuation procedures, proper use of fire extinguishers, and basic first aid including CPR, with hands-on practice. Pro Vice Chancellor Dr. Farhat Amin attended the closing ceremony as chief guest, appreciated the efforts of the organizers, and emphasized the importance of civil defence awareness and student participation in co-curricular activities to promote a safer campus environment.



BLACKBOARD LMS FACULTY TRAINING AND IMPLEMENTATION

On 1 July 2025, Dr. Neelam Gohar, from the Department of Computer Science, attended the "HEC Auditorium-Based Training and Team Enablement Session for Blackboard LMS." She later organized online training sessions from 5–7 August 2025, attended by 140 faculty members, followed by in-person sessions held from 2–4 September 2025, training an additional 137 faculty members. As Project Manager for the Blackboard LMS implementation at SBBWU Peshawar, she ensured the smooth and successful adoption of the system across the university.



EVENTS

ASHARA RAHMATUL LIL ALAMEEN CELEBRATION

The Department of Islamiyat successfully conducted a one-month celebration of Ashara Rahmatul Lil Alameen under the guidance of the Higher Education Commission (HEC) and the Vice Chancellor of SBBWU. The celebration concluded with a closing ceremony on 26 September 2025, highlighting the department's commitment to promoting religious knowledge and cultural awareness.



HUM HAI SUKHAN NAWAZ - MUSHAIRA SEASON III

On 18 September 2025, SBBWU Peshawar hosted Hum Hain Sukhan Nawaz – Mushaira Season III in loving memory of Prof. Dr. Nazeer Tabassum at the Catering Hall. The event brought together renowned poets and literary figures for a day of poetry, literature, and expression, celebrating the beauty of words and promoting cultural harmony.



ACHIEVEMENTS

RESEARCH AND ACADEMIC WRITING COURSE - MS. SHUMAILA ASHEE

Ms. Shumaila Ashee, Lecturer in the Department of English, successfully completed a six-month course: "Understanding Research and Academic Writing," sponsored by RELO Pakistan and the Higher Education Commission (HEC), with the closing ceremony held on 25 July 2025. Her participation in this comprehensive program enhanced her research and academic writing skills, contributing to professional growth and teaching excellence.



MS RESEARCH DEGREE COMPLETION - MS. SHAKEELA NAZ

On 18 July 2025, Ms. Shakeela Naz, from the Department of Computer Science, successfully completed and defended her MS Research Degree under the supervision of Dr. Fouzia Jabeen. This achievement reflects her dedication and hard work throughout her research journey.

MS THESIS DEFENCE - MS. SAPNA SAHAR

On 28 August 2025, Ms. Sapna Sahar successfully completed and defended her MS Computer Science thesis under the supervision of Dr. Neelam Gohar. Her contribution adds to the department's growing record of academic excellence.

ACHIEVEMENTS

PhD COMPLETION - DR. NAZISH MASOOD

Dr. Nazish Masood, from the Department of Statistics, has successfully completed her PhD, marking a significant achievement in her academic and research career.

NGIRI FUNDING AWARD FOR FINAL YEAR PROJECT

In September 2025, the final year project titled "Voice Controlled Smart Home Automation" by Ms. Wareesha Shakeel and Ms. Maheen (Session 2020–2024), from the Department of Computer Science, received funding from the National Grassroot ICT Research Initiative (NGIRI) 2023–24. The project was supervised by Dr. Fouzia Jabeen, marking a significant accomplishment for the department.

EXTERNAL EXAMINER APPOINTMENT - DR. NEELAM GOHAR

On 25 September 2025, Dr. Neelam Gohar served as the External Examiner for the MS Computer Science thesis defence of a scholar at City University of Science and Information Technology, Peshawar, contributing her expertise to uphold academic quality and evaluation standards.

ACHIEVEMENTS

RESEARCH GRANT AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITION - MOMNA RASOOL

Momna Rasool, a 7th-semester student from the Department of Zoology, has shown outstanding academic and research excellence throughout her journey at SBBWU Peshawar. She was selected for the Undergraduate Research Support Program (URSP) by the Directorate of Science and Information Technology (DoST), receiving a research grant of Rs. 120,000 for her project titled "Antimicrobial Potential of Bee Venom against Multidrug-Resistant Bacteria," supervised by Dr. Asima Azam, Assistant Professor in the Department of Zoology. In January 2024, she was also awarded a laptop under the Prime Minister Youth Laptop Scheme (Phase III) in recognition of her academic performance. Alongside her studies, she actively contributed to departmental activities, including assisting in organizing the Dengue Awareness Seminar. Her consistent dedication and excellence in coursework earned her a Golden Merit Certificate, highlighting her commitment and passion for the field of Zoology.

