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By the grace of God and with the kind generosity shown by the people of Pakistan, the passion to deliver educational excellence to the most deserving of Pakistan's population continues with all its might. **The 1st batch of Namal College (32 students) has graduated and out of the 27 students who passed out, 9 have been employed with an average salary of PKR 22,000 while another 11 have been admitted into prestigious graduate programs at universities like University of Lahore, GIKI and Manchester University UK. Seeing the first batch achieve such results gives the management of the college great hope for 300 students currently enrolled in Namal College. Alhamdulillah, Namal College is now in its 5th year of operations and the classes for the 5th batch have started since October, 2012.**

With these humble beginning, we remain steadfast in our commitment to transform this beautiful area into the largest knowledge city of Pakistan.

Namal's Demographics

In the past two years, the diversity of the student body has increased drastically and the college's success can be drawn from the fact that **for the first batch, a total of 90 student applications (from 6 districts of Pakistan) were received whereas for the 5th batch**

(2012) a total of 1800 student applications (from 86 districts of Pakistan) were received. This is a unique attribute of Namal College as such a rural and urban blend is hard to find even in the biggest institutes of Pakistan's Education Sector.



Faculty Updates

Professor Dr. Muhammad Ashraf Iqbal, has over 35 years experience of teaching and research in Computer Sciences. He received his Ph.D. from University of Engineering and Technology and was a Professor at the School of Science and Engineering (SSE) at LUMS. He has also worked as the head of Computer Science Department at LUMS from the year 2000 to 2003. We are pleased to share that Dr. Iqbal has joined the Computer Science Department at Namal College as an Adjunct Faculty Member.

Mr. Junaid Akhtar, who completed his Ph.D. in Evolutionary Computation from Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), has recently joined Namal College's full-time faculty for Computer Sciences. He has previously taught in the CS Department of Kinnaird College for Women.

Dr. Ijaz Akhter, after defending his Ph.D. dissertation at the Department of Computer Science at LUMS on 'Modelling Spatiotemporal Regularity in Deformable Structures', joined the Department of Computer Science at Namal College in September, 2012 as an Assistant Professor.

With these excellent additions to the team of Namal College, there are now a total of 8 full-time and another 3 part-time Ph.D. faculty members.



Dr. Muhammad Ashraf Iqbal



Dr. Junaid Akhtar



Dr. Ijaz Akhter

Collaborative Research and Publications

The faculty of Namal College is currently involved in the following areas of collaborative research:

1. Digital Signal Processing (Joint Project with MCS-NUST and CASE)
2. Applied Machine Learning (Joint Project with LUMS)
3. Computer Vision (Joint Project with LUMS and CMU)
4. Technology Based Learning (Joint Project with SEECS-NUST)
5. Evidence Based Software Engineering (Joint Project with KFUPM, KSA)
6. Electronic System Level Design (with Comsats IIT and University of Glasgow)

Moreover, in the year 2012 the Faculty of Namal College has contributed to the following publications:

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| 1. 2 ISI Indexed Journals: | 2. 6 International Conferences: |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ACM Transactions on Graphics• The Computer, Oxford University Press | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• GCIS• INMIC• FIT |

I AM NAMAL



Aman Ullah

I come from Southern Waziristan which is an under-developed area of Pakistan. Attaining education was very difficult for me but as it was always my passion, I managed a scholarship after my SSC exam from WANA. Due to financial

limitations, I was not able to pursue further education for about a year and started to teach in a private school to support my family. However, it was only after an admission into Namal College and an offer of a 100% scholarship that I got an opportunity to strive for Higher Education. I am thankful to Allah and the management of Namal College for starting this project in the underserved area of Mianwali.



Amjad Khalil Abid

I wish to undertake my Ph.D. and contribute back to the Pakistani Society by building a world class varsity in my native town 11ML (referred to as Gayara Chawk in the native language). I feel immense pain when I see people of my

locality not being able to attain a stature or position half as close to the urbanites residing in Lahore, Karachi and Islamabad despite their intelligence or hard work. Namal has given me the will to resort to my belief that every human being can aim for greatness and actually attain that stature. Therefore, to motivate others in the light of this belief, I will build a university like Namal College and if I can complete this ambitious project in my life, I will consider myself a lucky man.

Extracurricular Activities

Sports Gala

To expose students to a healthy lifestyle, Namal College organised a sports gala from 9th November till 11th November, 2012 which included Cricket, Football, Badminton, Table-tennis, Volley-ball, Tug-of-war and Chess. The organisational committee and the players organised a number of activities and showed great sportsman spirit.



Dr. Zsuzsanna Fajcsak's Visit

On November 10, 2012 Dr. Zsuzsanna visited Namal College and conducted interactive sessions. She holds a doctoral degree in Nutrition and is a Certified Neuro Linguistic Programmer and a certified Nutrition Specialist. Both the students and faculty have benefited greatly from her expertise and positivity.



Namal Debating Competition



Namal College arranged a Declamation Contest for students on November 6, 2012. This was a remarkable opportunity for students to voice their emotions and give a dramatic boost to their level of self-confidence. Tahira Iqbal from Year 2 was declared the best speaker and the Chief Guest of the Ceremony, Dr. Syed Waqar Nabi (Dean of Namal College), gave away the Trophies to the winners.

A Journey into the Mind of an Employer

Mr. Sohail Khan, the Executive Vice President and Head of Sybrid (Pvt) Ltd (a part of Lakson Group of Industries), visited Namal College on November 21, 2012 and presented his thoughts on 'A Journey into the Mind of an Employer'. This provided career counselling to the many young minds seated in the audience and Mr. Khan also answered various questions students had in regards to their careers' progression. This interactive session allowed students to understand how employers think and what they look for in an employee.



Bilingual Speech Contest (Iqbal Day Celebrations)

Namal Literary and Debating Society arranged a Bilingual Speech Contest to celebrate the month of Dr. Allama Muhammad Iqbal's birth. English and Urdu speakers both spoke eloquently and successfully highlighted different aspects of Iqbal's illustrious career. Taha Afzal from Year 1 was declared the best English Speaker and Saad Feroze from Year 2 won the Trophy for the best Urdu Speaker.



Adeel Hashmi's Visit

On September 22, 2012 Creative Writer, Actor and Director Adeel Hashmi (the paternal grandson of famous poet Late Faiz Ahmed Faiz) visited Namal College. During his visit, Adeel Hashmi had interactive sessions with students for his upcoming documentary on Namal College and patronised the passion of students towards Creativity, Art and Literature.



The team of Namal College would like to express its profound gratitude to **Mr. Zia Hameed** (for sponsoring the scholarship of 10 Namal students), and **Mr. Khawaja Sarwar** (for sponsoring the scholarship of 5 Namal students).

UK Fundraiser

Muslim Care Organization is a London based Charity which has been endeavouring to promote quality education for the deprived communities in Pakistan since 2004. Early this year Muslim Care Organization provided £55,000 to Namal Education Foundation and pledged to give the proceeds of its annual dinner to support the institution. This year, the dinner was chaired by Mr. Imran Khan and attended by several important figures from around the world including Professor Mark Cleary (VC of the University of Bradford). The event's proceeds amounted to £225,000 and a scholarship for 12 students of Namal College was secured. We'd like to extend our deepest gratitude to Mr. Munir Diwan (Chairman of Muslim Care Organization) and to all Muslim Care Trustees for this remarkable achievement.

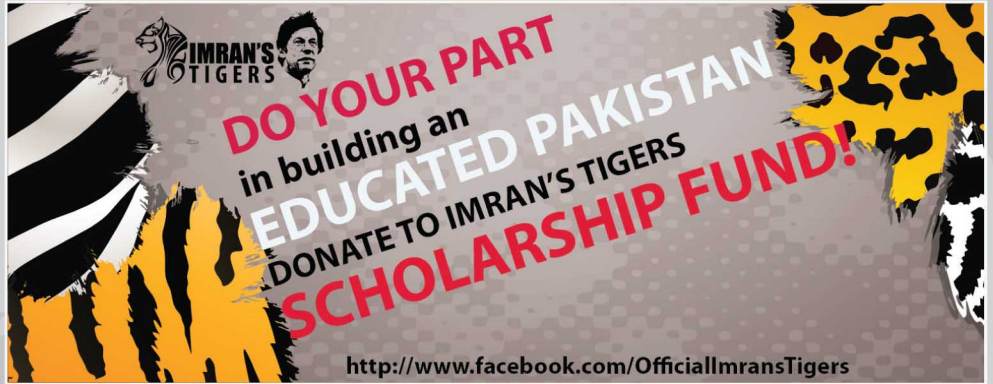


Singapore Fundraiser

Sajjad Foundation is a Singapore-based philanthropic organisation focussed on improving the lives of billions of people in Asia. Thanks to the generosity of Mr. Ali Hussain (Chairman of Sajjad Foundation), a fund of \$225,000 has been collected for the benefit of Shaukat Khanum Memorial Hospital and Namal Education Foundation.

Imran's Tigers

Imran's Tigers were the revolutionary group of individuals who, back in the 1990's, made the dream of Shaukat Khanum Memorial Hospital possible. After providing a basis to Imran Khan's dream of building and maintaining the first-ever Cancer Hospital in Pakistan, Imran Khan is yet again calling his Tigers to help him realise his dream of building the largest Knowledge City in Pakistan:



Namal Knowledge City. He envisions this Knowledge City to create future leaders of Pakistan by providing the deserving youth of this country world-class education.

With this new Mission, Imran Khan wishes to see his original Tigers from the 90's and the youth of today, to once again make the impossible possible by contributing to Imran's Tigers Scholarship Fund. Explore the Official Facebook Page of Imran's Tigers and Official Website of Namal College to make a contribution to this ambitious and much-needed project.

"For Pakistan to fulfill its potential, Namal Knowledge City must be developed. I want your support in making this essential project possible. Donate and play your part in helping me build Pakistan."

Imran Khan

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