INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES ON SATURDAY

IPM Research Group, Department of Entomology in collaboration with Pakistan Entomological Society is organizing the International Conference on Integrated Pest Management of Fruits and Vegetables on 30-11-2013 (Saturday) at 10:00 am at New Senate Hall. The session will be chaired by Worthy Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Iqrar Ahmad Khan (S.I) whereas US renowned scientist Prof. Dr. Oscar E. Liburd from University of Florida will deliver a special lecture on the issue. It is one of Worthy Vice Chancellor’s initiatives of the internationalization which is meant to sharing the knowledge in accordance with globalized innovative approaches. The conference is aimed at sensitizing the public about latest challenges confronting the agricultural sectors with the especial reference to pest management. All teaching and research campus community is requested to participate in this thought-provoking moot.

SITUATION VACANT

Punjab Food Authority has invited applications for making recruitments against the vacant positions in its Lahore office. The positions are (i) Public Analyst BS-18 (one position), Food Safety Officers BS-17 (9 positions), Assistant Food Safety Officers BS-16 (18 positions) and other administrative positions with the qualifications mentioned in advertisement appeared in Daily Tribune Dated November 20, 2013. The candidates are required to submit their application form up to December 05, 2013 during office hours. The application forms and other information can be downloaded from www.punjabfoodauthority.gov.pk.

UAF PhD CLUB SWELLS TO 1087

On the recommendations of the external examiners and after fulfilling all the requirements, Muhammad Amjad S/o Muhammad Akram, Reg. No. 2003-ag-1578, Institute of Soil and Environmental Sciences, Fahad Masoud Wattoo S/o Mian Khalid Masoud Wattoo, Reg. No. 2002-ag-1619, Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics, Muhammad Sajid Arshad S/o Muhammad Shawi Arshad, Reg. No. 2003-ag-1791, National Institute of Food Science and Technology, Naima Nawaz D/o Khizar Nawaz Bajwa, Reg. No. 96-ag-847, Department of Rural Sociology, Sajida Mushtaq D/o Mushtaq Ahmad, Reg. No. 2005-ag-334, Department of Zoology and Fisheries, Madiha Rohi D/o Ch. Muhammad Hafeez, Reg. No. 2003-ag-1501, National Institute of Food Science and Technology have passed the final examination for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (2013). The Vice Chancellor is pleased to sanction their admission to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. The titles of their PhD research were “Role of foliar and soil application of potassium in salt tolerance and quality enhancement of tomato (Lycopersicon esculentum)”, “Genetics of physio-agronomic traits in maize under water deficit conditions”, “Production and biochemical assay of antioxidants enriched broiler meat”, “A study of health status of elderly women in socio-economic and cultural context in Punjab Pakistan”, “Synergetic role of syrphids in the crop system of Faisalabad”, “Occurrence and variability of B vitamins in spring wheats”. Now the number of UAF PhD club has been raised up to 1087.

GRE SUBJECT TYPE TEST FOR PhD ON FEBRUARY 09, 2013

The University of Agriculture, Faisalabad will conduct GRE (Subject) type test in the following disciplines on 09-02-2013:- Agronomy, Crop Physiology, Entomology, Horticulture, Plant Pathology, Soil Science, Biotechnology, Environmental Sciences, Environmental & Resource Economics, Rural Sociology, Agro. Engineering, Water Resource Engineering, Food Technology, Animal Breeding & Genetics, Animal Nutrition, Livestock Management, Poultry Science, Clinical Medicine & Surgery, Parasitology, Pathology,
Physiology, Pharmacology and Theriogenology, Ecology, Genetics and Physics. Candidates who are willing to appear in the said test should submit a Bank Draft or Bank Receipt of Rs. 1500/- from the National Bank/Habib Bank UAF branch drawn in favour of Treasurer UAF up to 31-01-2014. The test will be held on 09-02-2014 (Sunday) at 10:00 am in the Examination Hall, Laboratory High School Boys. The candidates must bring their original computerized ID cards at the time of test. Application forms may be obtained from the office of the Director Graduate Studies or be downloaded from the University website http://www.uaf.edu.pk and may submit up to 31-01-2014 during office hours. Note: Test is an eligibility criteria and not a guarantee for admission.

ASSUMPTION OF CHARGE AS PRINCIPAL
Dr. Bushra Sultana has assumed the charge of the duties of Principal, Jr. Lab. School/Lab. Girls Higher Sec. School, UAF w.e.f. 01-11-2013 (F.N). In future all official and semi-official correspondence may please be addressed to her.

PLACEMENT OF PhD THESIS FOR PEER REVIEW
PhD thesis of Mr. Muhammad Luqman, Regd. No. 97-ag-1165, entitled “Rural development vision and practices of culturally rooted social movement organizations in North West Pakistan: Implications for Agr. Extension” will be placed in the office of the Director, Institute of Agricultural Extension and Rural Development for one week i.e. from 29-11-2013 to 05-12-2013. The faculty and the students are invited to review the thesis for positive criticism and suggestions.

PhD THESIS/SYNOPSIS DEFENSE
1. Mr. Muhammad Amjad, Regd. No. 88-ag-1784, PhD student in the Department of Rural Sociology will defend his research synopsis entitled “Causes and consequences of obesity among school going children: A Comprehensive study of Rural and Urban areas of Punjab” on 30-11-2013 at 11:00 am in the video conference room. All concerned are requested to please participate in seminar.
2. Mr. Allah Ditta, Regd. No. 2003-ag-1793, PhD student of the Institute of Soil & Environmental Sciences will defend his PhD thesis in the Faculty of Agriculture Museum (Video Conference Room), on 14-12-2013 at 02:30 pm. All concerned are requested to kindly make it convenient to attend and contribute for improving the thesis. The title of his thesis is “Impact of rock phosphate-enriched compost (RP-EC) and phosphate solubilizing microorganisms (PSMs) on nodulation, growth and yield of chickpea and lentil.”
3. The synopsis defense of Mr. Muhammad Akhtar, Regd. No. 84-ag-760, a PhD student, Institute of Animal Nutrition and Feed Technology was scheduled to be held on 22-11-2013 but it was postponed due to some unavoidable circumstances. Now he will defend his synopsis entitled “Effects of supplementation of amipro (bypass protein) on growth and milk production of ruminants” at University level on 28-11-2013 at 10:30 am in the Conference/Seminar Room, Faculty of Animal Husbandry. All interested are cordially invited to attend the seminar.
4. Mr. Abdul Rehman, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1544, a PhD student, Department of Agronomy, will defend his PhD synopsis on 30-11-2013 at 09:00 am in the Department of Agronomy, UAF as suggested by the Supervisory Committee. The title of his synopsis is “Zinc Nutrition and Microbial Allelopathy for Improving Productivity, Grain Biofortification and Resistance against Abiotic Stresses in Wheat”. All interested persons are invited to participate.
5. Mr. Ahmed Bilal, Regd. No. 2006-ag-1702, a PhD student, Department of Agronomy, will defend his PhD synopsis on 07-12-2013 (Saturday) at 09:30 am in the Department of Agronomy, UAF as suggested by the Supervisory Committee. The title of his synopsis is “Quantification of Spatial and Temporal Bt. Cotton Yield Variability under Changing Climate Though DSSAT Model”. All interested persons are invited to participate.
6. Saba Iqbal, Regd. No. 2010-ag-646, a PhD student, Department of Agronomy, will defend his PhD synopsis on 30-11-2013 at 09:00 am in the Department of Agronomy, UAF as suggested by the Supervisory Committee. The title of his synopsis is “Boron Nutrition and Microbial Allelopathy for improving Productivity, Grain Biofortification and Resistance against Abiotic Stresses in wheat”. All interested persons are invited to participate.

7. Mr. Muhammad Moazam Jalees Regd. No. 95-ag-968 PhD Scholar, Institute of Microbiology has successfully defended his revised synopsis on 18-11-2013. The title of his synopsis is “Epidemiology of Peste des Petits Ruminants in small ruminants of Punjab”. The previous title of his synopsis was “Isolation of Peste des Petits Ruminants virus and experimental model for its Pathogenicity in Laboratory animals”.

8. Miss Raheela Jabeen, Regd. No. 2004-ag-153 student of PhD Biochemistry, Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry will re-defend her synopsis titled “Antimicrobial and anticancer potential of fungal induced peptides and isolation of antimicrobial genes from Riccinis communis” will be held on 30-11-2013 at 11:00 am in the Biochemistry Lecture Room. All interested ones are invited to attend.

9. Miss Shumaila Khan, Regd. No. 2005-ag-264 student of PhD Biochemistry, Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry will re-defend her synopsis titled “Antimicrobial and anticancer potential of funga induced peptides and isolation of antimicrobial genes from Psoralea corylifolia” will be held on 30-11-2013 at 11:00 am in the Biochemistry Lecture Room. All interested ones are invited to attend.

10. Mr. Rana Nauman Shabbir, Regd. No. 2007-ag-11, a student of PhD Agronomy has successfully defended his thesis on 11-11-2013. The title of his thesis is “Nutrient management strategies for alleviation of drought stress in wheat (Triticum aestivum L.)”.

11. Mr. Fahim Nawaz, Regd. No. 2003-ag-1820, a student of PhD Agronomy has successfully defended his thesis on 11-11-2013. The title of his thesis is “Wheat (Triticum aestivum L.) response to exogenous selenium supply under drought stress”.

OPTION FOR THE ALLOTMENT OF HOUSE AT CAMPUS

The Lecturer's who are interested in the allotment / shifting to House # 20-Lalazar Colony, 06-Gobindpura Road & House No. 24-International Houses Rajawala are requested to convey their willingness in writing to the Chairman, Department of Estate Management upto November 30, 2013. Their case will, however be processed on seniority basis. Provided that during last year of service, whether an employee has proceeded on LPR or opted to avail leaves encashment in lieu of LPR, shall not be entitled for allotment of house at the University Campus. Provided that the allottee shall be allowed shifting during last year of service, whether an employee has proceeded on LPR or opted to avail leave encashment in lieu of LPR, shall not be entitled for shifting of house.

TENDER NOTICE

The University of Agriculture, Faisalabad invites sealed tenders on the basis of market rates approved by the Competent Authority for the following works from the approved contractors of the University who have deposited their enlistment/renewal fee for the current financial year 2013-2014. Tender documents can be obtained from office of the Executive Engineer, UAF during office hours up to 06-12-2013 on submission of written application supported with copy of enlistment/renewal order for the financial year 2013-14, PEC License, Authority letter on contractor/firm pad, contractor/managing partner NIC and registered Power of Attorney. The tenders will opened by the tender opening committee on 07-12-2013 at 11:00 am in the presence of contractors/authorized representative. In case of cancellation/postponed tender shall be received/opened subsequently on 13-12-2013 at 11:00 am for which tenders from can be obtained upto 12-12-2013. 2% earnest money in shape of CDR in favor of Executive Engineer, UAF should be attached with tender documents. The work shall be executed under the supervision of Engineer Incharge. Other usual conditions are as per tender documents and Government instructions. The Executive Engineer (ECD-M) reserved the right to reject or accept all or any tender without assigning any reason. The Executive Engineer (ECD-M) will not issue tender documents to those firms/contractors whose performance of work remained unsatisfactory from the previous projects/Works.

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<td>Repair and Renovation work of sewerage system at old building of Ex-Division of Education and Extension and Currently IMBS premises, UAF</td>
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AUCTION NOTICE

Approximately 13 (mounds) cotton and stalks of the cotton (6 ½ acres) stalks will be sold through open auction at the Site office UAF Sub Campus Toba Tek Singh on 05-12-2013 at 10:00 am. All interested are invited to bid. Terms and conditions for bidding could be obtained from the office of the Principal UAF Sub Campus, Near Railway Station, Toba Tek Singh. One third of the total price will be recovered on the spot.
National ICT R&D Fund is inviting nominations for its program "National Grassroots ICT Research Initiative". This initiative aims to promote, enable, and encourage R&D culture at the grassroots level. The Fund will provide financial support to selected Final Year Projects (FYPs) of undergraduate students enrolled in ICT related disciplines like Computer Science & Information Technology, Electrical, Electronics, Telecom, Computer, and Software Engineering.

The break-up of budget for each FYP under this initiative is as follows:

- **Equipment:** Maximum up to Rs. 65,000/-
- **Miscellaneous:** Maximum up to Rs. 10,000/-
- **Stipend for Students:** For up to 4 Students @ Rs. 3,750/- per student
- **Honorarium for FYP Supervisor:** Rs. 10,000/- (only for one FYP supervisor)

For further information visit: www.ictrdf.org.pk/ngiri

How to Apply

The nominations for Final Year Projects may be furnished through respective Head of Departments on the prescribed nomination form and sent at the following address (No online submission is accepted):

**General Manager – Monitoring**

National ICT R&D Fund,
6th Floor, HBL Tower, Jinnah Avenue,
Blue Area, Islamabad

For queries: ngiri@ictrdf.org.pk