



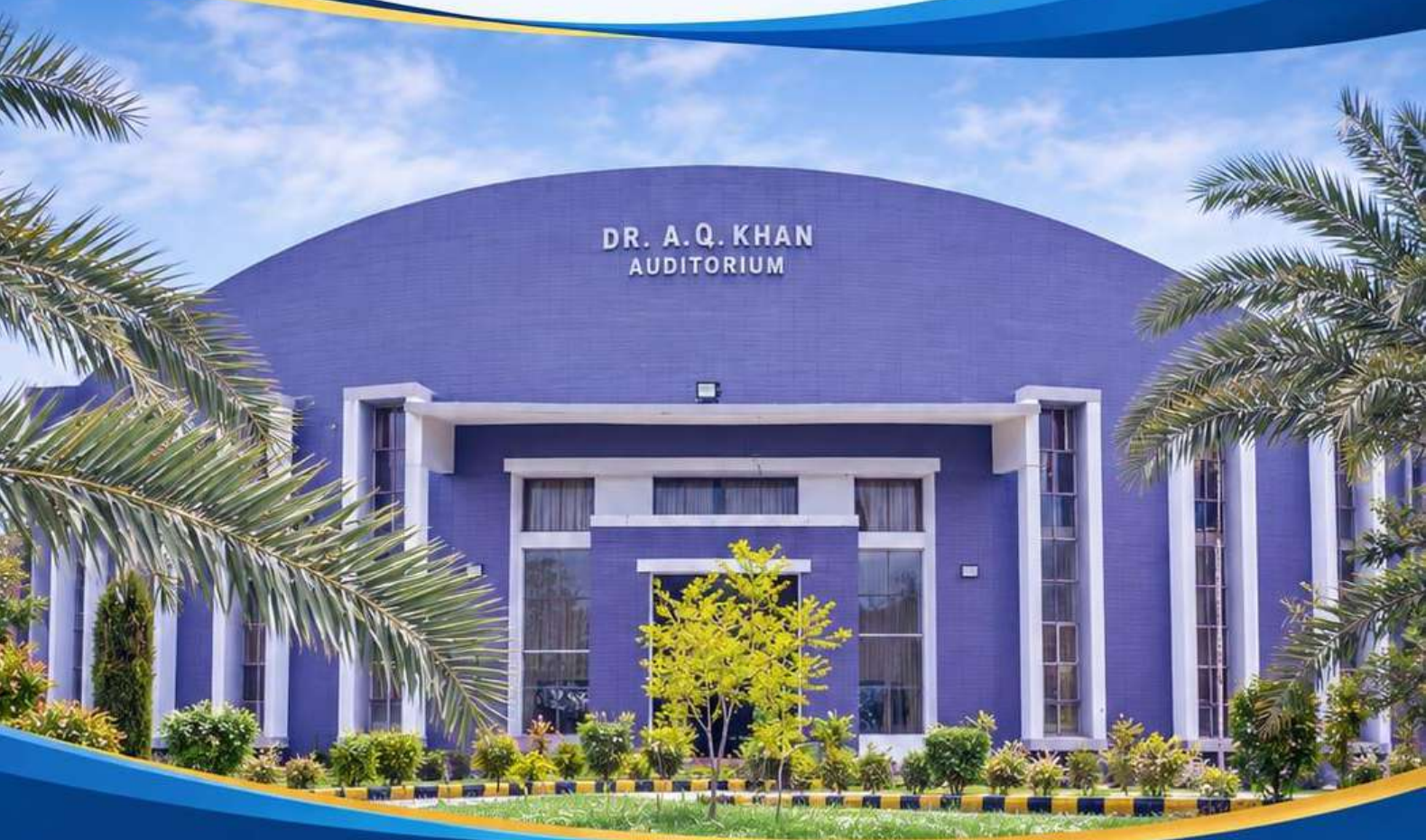
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WELCOME NOTE

Welcome to the second edition of the Gomal University ORIC E-Newsletter. This quarterly newsletter highlights the University's achievements in research, innovation, commercialization, academic excellence, and industry-academia collaboration. It brings together key developments, activities, events, research initiatives, partnerships, and accomplishments from across the University during April-June 2026. Through this newsletter, ORIC aims to promote research and innovation, encourage collaboration, and showcase the valuable contributions of faculty, researchers, students, and supporting staff.

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ABOUT ORIC

The Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC), Gomal University works to strengthen the University's research and innovation ecosystem. ORIC facilitates research activities, encourages collaboration among researchers and institutions, promotes innovation and entrepreneurship, and supports the commercialization of research outcomes.

The office also aims to strengthen linkages between academia, industry, government organizations and society so that research and knowledge generated at the University can contribute to practical solutions and socio-economic development.

DIRECTOR ORIC's MESSAGE

On the directives of Higher Education Commission, Islamabad, the full-fledged Office of Research Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC) in Gomal University has been established in 2014 to link research and commercialization from the Gomal University with emerging and existing firms across Pakistan and around the world. ORIC will develop its mechanism for research commercialization and will establish a Business/Technology Incubator to work closely for innovation and entrepreneurship.

Gomal University laid the foundation of ORIC in September 2014. Since inception, ORIC had started working its activities as per HEC guideline. ORIC is committed to provide continuous support and facilitation to the researchers for the conduct of quality research in the university. Contributions of this office are reflecting in the Annual Report of Gomal University, 2024-25. First time in the history of Gomal University, ORIC obtained 45 points in the HEC Annual ORIC Score Card and secured the position In Y Category. 19 research projects were submitted to HEC & Non-HEC funding agencies, 3 research projects were approved and 6 research projects were completed during 2024-25 besides winning numerous start up research grants by fresh Ph.D. faculty members appointed as Intern Placement for Foreign Students (IPFP), which have also recently



been awarded. ORIC has started work on IPR and three patents have been filed to IPO Pakistan. Z. JANS pharmaceutical industries agreed to commercialize a product from Gomal University via ORIC.

Dr. Muzammil Ahmad Khan

Director ORIC

Gomal University

VISION, MISSION, CORE VALUES OF GOMAL UNIVERSITY

Vision

To be a premier seat of learning that transforms lives. Through merit-based excellence, fostering a knowledge-based economy rooted in Islamic values and national pride.

Mission

To provide affordable, high-quality multidisciplinary education that ensures equal opportunity for students from all socio-economic backgrounds, particularly those from underserved regions. To advance a culture of innovation and indigenous research aimed at solving local socio-economic challenges and contributing to the nation-building process.

To facilitate the behavioral transformation and moral grooming of students, producing graduates who are technically proficient, ethically grounded, and socially responsible. To cultivate entrepreneurial mindsets and employable skills, equipping our youth to become leaders in the global digital.

Core Values

We uphold the highest standards of transparency and fairness, ensuring that meritocracy remains the sole bridge to success in all academic and administrative pursuits. We are committed to character building and moral grooming in light of Islamic principles and the ideology of Pakistan.

We dedicate our intellectual resources to socio-economic transformation, prioritizing the welfare of our community and the prosperity of the federation. We encourage a spirit of inquiry and creative problem-solving to address the evolving needs of the 21st-century workforce.

We champion the right to affordable education, removing barriers to ensure that talent is never stifled by financial or social constraints. We take collective ownership of our performance, ensuring institutional excellence through rigorous self-evaluation and HEC compliance. We foster a culture of perseverance and adaptability.

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES & ACHIEVEMENTS

New Academic Programs

In alignment with HEC national curriculum frameworks and Pakistan's evolving digital economy, Gomal University introduced new academic programs during 2025–26. This expansion strengthens the University's academic portfolio and responds to emerging educational, technological, and professional needs.

Flagship Programs.

- Artificial Intelligence.
- Fashion Designing.
- Fine Arts.
- Public Policy & Governance.
- Islamic Banking.
- Genetics.
- Dairy Sciences.
- Business Analytics.
- Defense & Strategic Studies.
- Educational Planning & Management.
- Peace & Conflict Studies.
- Tourism & Hospitality Management.
- Data Science.
- Cybersecurity.
- Entrepreneurship.
- Renewable Energy Technology.

Establishment of New Departments

Gomal University further expanded and strengthened its academic structure through the establishment and restructuring of departments and academic units. These developments reflect the University's continued commitment to academic excellence, innovation, research, and diversified opportunities for higher education.

New Academic Units

- Department of Physiotherapy and Institute of Allied & Paramedical Sciences under the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences (FAHS).
- Department of Fine Arts.
- Department of Soil Science.
- Department of Environmental Science, established following its separation from the Institute of Soil & Environmental Sciences.
- Center of English Language (CEL), initially proposed at Quaid-e-Azam Campus and subsequently shifted to WENSAM College.

HONORS & AWARDS



Gold Medal Recipient – Arsalan Nawaz Honored for outstanding academic excellence in the field of Soil Science.



Gold Medal Recipient Muhammad Uzair Honored for outstanding academic excellence in the field of Soil Science.



Four Ph.D. Scholars from the Institute of Biological Sciences (Zoology Department), Gomal University Have Been Selected for Wildlife Department Research Scholarships.

OPEN KACHERI HELD AT GOMAL UNIVERSITY

On April 17, 2026, Gomal University, Dera Ismail Khan, organized a special Open Kacheri under the leadership of Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zafar Iqbal, in line with the directions of the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Naimatullah Babar, Registrar Zahir Shah Marwat, Deans, and Heads of Departments also participated. The initiative provided students and members of the university community with a direct platform to present their academic, administrative, and other concerns to the university administration. A large number of students participated and shared their complaints, suggestions, and views. The Vice Chancellor assured the participants that their issues would be addressed on a priority basis, with immediate action taken wherever possible. He emphasized that such initiatives help strengthen communication between students and administration, promote transparency, and ensure timely resolution of students' concerns.



INDUSTRY DELEGATION VISIT

Gomal University hosted a visit by Mr. Ghulam Mouhi-U-Din Shahzad, DGM Administration, Almoiz Industries Limited, Mianwali Power and Beet Plant. The visit provided an opportunity to strengthen university-industry engagement and explore potential avenues for future collaboration, knowledge exchange, and mutually beneficial initiatives.



CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS & TRAINING

S.No	Conference / Seminar/ Workshop/Training	Date
01	Seminar on Genetic Diagnosis & Precision Medicine at Gomal University	24 April 2026
02	Gomal University Hosts Capstone Research Event on Climate Change & Health	24 April 2026
03	Special Event Held to Honor Students From Balochistan at Gomal University	07 May 2026
04	Seminar on student Mental Health & well being	09 May 2026
05	Gomal University Hosts Successful Two-Day Free Physical Therapy camp	15 May 2026
06	Gomal University Hosts Seminar on Environmental Awareness in Agriculture	15 May 2026
07	Gomal University Political Science Department Hosts Grand Seerat Conference	16 May 2026

GLIMPSES OF ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES



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QUARTERLY HIGHLIGHTS

20 April 2026

Gomal University Holds 188th Advanced Studies & Research Board (ASRB) Meeting.



26 April 2026

Gomal University Opens State-of-The-Art Moot Court Room at Nawab Khan Law College.



08 May 2026

Gomal University Marks 52 Years of Institute of Business Administration.



20 April 2026

Gomal University Hosts 55th Academic Council Meeting to Shape future Educational Policies.



01 May 2026

Gomal University Celebrates 52nd Foundation Day, Major General Mudassir Saeed Attends as Chief Guest.



05 June 2026

AHPC Inspection Team Visits Faculty of Allied Health Sciences at Gomal University.





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Closing Remarks

As we conclude this edition of the ORIC E-Newsletter, we sincerely appreciate the faculty, administrative officers, staff, scholars and academic departments for their valuable contributions and continued support.

Under the leadership and supervision of **Dr. Muzammil Ahmad Khan, Director ORIC**, the Office of Research, Innovation & Commercialization continues to promote research excellence, innovation, collaboration, commercialization and impactful academic initiatives across Gomal University.

We look forward to continued collaboration and meaningful engagement in the coming quarters.



Supporting Staff

The ORIC team comprises dedicated and committed staff members who support the Office in research, innovation, commercialization, coordination and administrative activities.

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Together, we contribute, collaborate and create impact.

