

IMSciences celebrates 4th Convocation

The Institute of Management Sciences (IMSciences), Peshawar concluded the celebrations of its 4th Convocation on the 27th of December, 2018. Taking place after a gap of four years, the turnout of graduates for their convocation was overwhelming. In order to cater to all the graduates, the Convocation was divided into three days whereby the first day was devoted to the Masters Program graduates, the second day was devoted to the Bachelors in Business Administration (BBA) Program graduates and the last day was devoted to graduates of the remaining BS Programs including BS Computer Science, BS Social Science, BS Economics, BS Accounting & Finance, BS Software Engineering and BS Business Studies. Convocation for Masters Program, BBA and remaining BS Programs graduates was held on 23rd, 26th and 27th of December respectively.

On each of the three days, Director IMSciences, Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan and Joint Director IMSciences, Dr. Usman Ghani accompanied the chief guests to the convocation hall amid graduates, parents and distinguished faculty of IMSciences standing in their honour.

Dr. Mohsin officially welcomed graduates, parents, guests, members of the press and the Chief Guest. He would congratulate the Graduates on their achievement and remind them how fortunate they were to be among the top eight percent of Pakistan's population who had acquired higher education. He then briefly informed the chief guests regarding IMSciences' many accomplishments in the fields of research, academics and social causes.

The Chief Guest on the first day of Convocation i.e. 23rd of December was Mr. Nouman Wazir Khattak, Member of the Senate of Pakistan and Chief Executive of *FF Steel*. Mr. Nouman in his speech addressed the graduates and shared some personal experiences in order to push the graduates to keep persevering in their practical lives regardless of the hardships that are bound to come along their way. He reminded all the graduates what an honour and accomplishment it is to be in the seats that they occupied.

After his speech, Mr. Nouman Wazir along with Dr. Mohsin and Dr. Usman Ghani presented graduates with their respective medals and degrees. A total of 319 graduates were awarded on the 23rd of December, out of which 46 graduates received gold medals and 24 received silver medals. Females accounted for roughly 40% of the total number of graduates that showed up for their convocation that day.

The Chief Guest of the ceremony on the second day of IMSciences 4th Convocation i.e. 26th of December was Provincial Minister of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa for Finance, Mr. Taimur Saleem Khan Jhagra. Mr. Jhagra in his speech addressed the graduates and expressed his desire to see IMSciences as the leading business school in the country. He mentioned how teaching, besides being an art and a science, is also the work of passion. He informed the graduates that they are the people who will bring about change. Whether that change is positive is up to them. Mr. Jhagra also stressed on working hard in the life ahead for every graduate. Everyone ought to go where their hearts take them, whether it is making money, devoting to philanthropy or simply being good, because life only comes to everyone once.

After his speech, Mr. Taimur Jhagra along with Dr. Mohsin and Dr. Usman started presented graduates with their respective medals and degrees. A total of 240 graduates were awarded that day, out of which 5 graduates received gold medals and 4 received silver medals. Female graduates accounted for roughly 30% of all the graduates present during the ceremony.

The Chief Guest on the final day i.e. 27th of December, of IMSciences' 4th Convocation was Mr. Kamran Khan Bangash, Special Assistant to Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on Science & Technology and Information Technology. Mr. Kamran Bangash in his speech addressed the graduates and congratulated them upon their graduation. He told the graduates that they shouldn't expect to get very far in life based on the knowledge they have acquired upto that point. He stressed on the need of constant learning as being key to progressing in life successfully in this fast evolving world. Mr. Bangash remarked that degrees in hand are not enough unless graduates carry dreams in their minds.

After his speech, Mr. Kamran Bangash, along with Dr. Mohsin and Dr. Usman Ghani, started presenting graduates with their respective medals and degrees. A total of 246 graduates were awarded on that day, out of which 15 graduates received gold medals and 10 received silver medals. Female students accounted for roughly 45% of the total number of graduates attending the last day of IMSciences' 4th convocation.

The ceremony concluded with all graduates paying homage to the age old tradition of throwing their caps in the air.

IMSciences is at the vanguard in the field of business studies. A claim of this stature is not without solid reasoning however. The highly specialized knowledge base of the faculty here has helped expand their role from mere teaching to consultancy services for both, foreign &

domestic institutions and government departments. The utilization of our faculty's knowledge in this respect has enhanced their expertise to disseminate knowledge with greater appositeness.