

Community Development Program –CDP Planning & Development Department, Government of Sindh



IBA SINDH FOUNDATION PROGRAM- BATCH 2015

Orientation Programme, December 22, 2014, Monday

Karachi, December 22, 2014: IBA Karachi held an orientation ceremony for the third batch of Sindh Foundation Program (SFP) 2014-15. Dr. Zeenat Ismail, the Program Coordinator, welcomed Mr. Aijaz Ahmed Mahesar, Additional Secretary, Community Development Program (CDP), Planning & Development Department, Government of Sindh and the Registrar, Capt.(Retd.) Ahmed Zaheer. Dr. Zeenat also introduced the Sindh Foundation Program and shed light on the academic significance of the program.

The Sindh Foundation program is a unique six-month initiative - in joint collaboration of IBA with CDP - which aims to promote the meritorious-cum-needy students from less privileged areas of Sindh to develop the skills required to fulfill the entrance requirements of undergraduate programs offered at IBA Karachi, specifically. During the program, students will be facilitated with free lodging and accommodation at the IBA hostel, free course materials and a monthly stipend to cover personal expenses. The primary objective of the program is to groom the students for success at IBA or other Institution's entrance examinations for Undergraduate programs. Around 68 students have already benefited from the Sindh Foundation Program's batch of 2013 and 2014, of which 24 are successfully pursuing undergraduate degrees at IBA.

During her address, the Coordinator, Dr. Zeenat Ismail, urged the students to avail IBA's facilities to the fullest and emphasized on seeking to understand concepts over rote learning. She also informed the students to spend more time in the library and the Writing Center to improve writing skills which is one of the requirements of the entrance tests. Mr. Aijaz also emphasized the importance of the program as a unique opportunity for students to groom themselves rather than just clearing the tests of universities. The Registrar, Capt (Retd.) Ahmed Zaheer briefed the students about the security measures and polices at IBA.

Several star students from the previous batches of SFP Program, including Mr. Surrendar Kumar and Mr. Mithan Lal, shared their experiences of the Program during the event. A special note of thanks was delivered by Mr. Mithan Lal in Sindhi to the audience.

The event concluded with honorary plaques being exchanged between Dr. Zeenat Ismail and Mr. Aijaz Ahmed in recognition of the success of the program.

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