

REPORT ON INTERFAITH HARMONY WEEK CELEBRATION

Institute of Humanities and Arts, Khwaja Fareed University of Engineering and Information Technology (KFUEIT)

Date: 1-7 February 2025

Event Title: "United in Diversity: Promoting Interfaith Harmony"

The Institute of Humanities and Arts, Khwaja Fareed University of Engineering and Information Technology (KFUEIT), in collaboration with Rural Educational and Economic Development Society (Reeds Pakistan), KFUIT Ethics and Peace for Sustainable Environment Society (KEPSES), Pakistan Interfaith Forum, and NGO "LIOS-SOIL" Vienna, Austria, successfully celebrated Interfaith Harmony Week. The event was attended by leaders from Christian, Hindu, Muslim, and other religious communities, highlighting the spirit of unity and mutual respect.

Key Highlights:

1. **Grand Ceremony:** A grand ceremony was held at the university's Civil Auditorium, attended by esteemed guests, including Vice Chancellor Prof. Ir. Dr. Amir Azam Khan, PhD (France), PEng (Pak), CEng (UK), FIMMM (UK), EUR ING (Brussels), Palmes Académiques (France).
2. **Distinguished Speakers:** Several distinguished speakers addressed the gathering, including Dr. Afsar Rathor, Founding Member of NGO "LIOS-SOIL" Vienna, Austria, and Pastor Kamran Shafqat, Christian Religious Leader.
3. **Peace Rally:** A peace rally was organized, symbolizing unity, coexistence, and the message of interfaith harmony.
4. **Interfaith Harmony Lunch:** An interfaith lunch was hosted, bringing together people of different faiths to share a meal and engage in dialogue.

Exposure Visit: A visit was organized to various worship places of different religions, providing an opportunity for participants to learn about and appreciate the diversity of faiths and traditions.

6. **Certificate and Shield Distribution:** Certificates and shields were distributed to participants and organizers of the events, recognizing their contributions to promoting interfaith harmony and understanding.

Quotes from Distinguished Speakers:

- "The true essence of a peaceful world lies in mutual respect for all religions. As responsible citizens, it is our duty to honor each other's beliefs, religious ideologies, and sacred texts." - Vice Chancellor Prof. Ir. Dr. Amir Azam Khan

- "We can only progress as a society when we accept diversity in religions, races, colors, and languages. The most successful nations are those that welcome people from all backgrounds without discrimination." - Vice Chancellor Prof. Ir. Dr. Amir Azam Khan

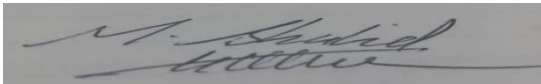
Conclusion:

The Interfaith Harmony Week celebrations at KFUEIT were a resounding success, promoting mutual respect, understanding, and peaceful coexistence among people of different faiths and backgrounds. The event reinforced the university's dedication to fostering a peaceful and inclusive society, and its commitment to promoting interfaith harmony and understanding.

Recommendations:

1. Future Initiatives: KFUEIT should continue to organize such events to promote interfaith harmony and understanding.
2. Collaboration: The university should collaborate with other organizations to promote interfaith harmony and peaceful coexistence.
3. 3. Community Engagement: The university should engage with the local community to promote interfaith harmony and understanding.

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