AIOU Annual SDG Report 2022

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



An annual conceptual report of key facts and figures about the Allama Iqbal Open University's impact upon and progress towards the UN Sustainable Development Goals



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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 1 - NO POVERTY



End poverty in all its forms everywhere

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- Allama Iqbal Open University completely understands the current financial scenario of the motherland and it is thus working with all its attributes to serve the nation and pave the way towards a prosperous future. The university in the context of No Poverty can proudly boast the work of its faculty members as in the year 2022, the university has published 104 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG
- 12 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Various departments of the university are running about 32 courses that are relevant to target SDG
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748
- Student support schemes/Facilities provided to students relevant to target SDG
 - Financial Support Scheme SSF-101
 - Earn to Learn Scheme SSF-102
 - Merit Scholarship Scheme SSF-103
 - Final Year Project Grant SSF-105
 - Scholarship for Communities Scheme SSF-106
 - Matric Free Education Plan (Balochistan, Fata & Gilgit Baltistan)

3) OPERATIONS

 The Department of Business Administration, Computer Science, Commerce, and the Faculty of Education are eagerly working with all their elements to uphold no poverty through various courses, publications, activities and student internships. Overall, 67 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people

- AIOU is the only university in Pakistan that has established its own endowment fund and from the current fiscal year, all payments of pension would be made from its interest.
- The pension check of the employee is given on the day of retirement.
- In the Flood of 2022, AIOU has actively played its role in the flood relief activities and all the nearby regional centers have provided food and medical aid to the flood victims.
- AIOU had also donated a significant amount to the flood victims which was collected by the employees and students.
- AIOU had also contributed Rs1.77 million in the form of fee concessions to students who had been affected by the floods.

4) PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- One Day Interactive Workshop on "Awareness Opportunities for International Career Paths" - A Initiative for Faculty Development and Students Career Opportunities
- Online Session on "TiE University Program and its Service Offerings" on Tuesday, 1st February 2022 one-day Ceremony on "Entrepreneurial and Research Award" on 1st June 2022
- Find Way to Success, 1st Gilgit Baltistan Career Fest
- Seminar on Career Counselling in Information Technology
- Free Summer Workshop "How to earn money using the Internet"
- 3 Days Research Capacity Building Program arranged by HEC in collaboration with the British Council from February 14-16, 2022
- One-Day Ceremony on "Entrepreneurial and Research Award" on 1st June 2022
- AIOU Big Ideas Competition
- First International Conference" Climate Resilient Agriculture for Sustainable Development & Food Security"

5) OUTREACH & PARTNERSHIP

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- c) Find Way to Success, 1st Gilgit Baltistan Career Fest
- d) 3 Days Research Capacity Building Program arranged by HEC in collaboration with the British Council from February 14-16, 2022
- e) Vocational and Hotel Management training in GB.





6) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS RELATED TO SDG

- AIOU Waives Fee for Flood Victims
- AIOU provides Free Educational Scholarships for Remote Area Students
- AIOU Relaunches English Access Micro Scholarship Program

1) Free Accessible Lecturers

2 ZERO HUNGER

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 2 – ZERO HUNGER

End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of Zero Hunger, as in the year 2022 university has published 105 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG Research Publications relevant to target SDG
- 15 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Number of courses relevant to target SDG 38 and only agricultural sciences is running about
 13 relevant courses
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748
 - Financial Support Scheme SSF-101
 - Earn to Learn Scheme SSF-102
 - Merit Scholarship Scheme SSF-103
 - Final Year Project Grant SSF-105
 - Scholarship for Communities Scheme SSF-106

3) OPERATIONS

4) The Department of Business Administration, Computer Science, Commerce, Agricultural Sciences, and the Faculty of Education are eagerly working with all their elements to uphold no poverty through various courses, publications, activities, and student internships. Overall, 72 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people

5) PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- The Department of Agricultural Sciences is giving Technical and generating Skills in the Farmers of the Locality.
- Framers Day is organized
- Field Demonstration facilities are given to the farmers
- One Day Interactive Workshop on "Awareness of Opportunities for International Career Paths" A Initiative for Faculty Development and Students Career Opportunities

- Free Summer Workshop "How to earn money using the Internet"
- First International Conference" Climate Resilient Agriculture for Sustainable Development & Food Security"

6) OUTREACH & PARTNERSHIP:

 Department of Agriculture Sciences is working with national and international universities PCRWR, NARC, PARC, AARI, Faisalabad, Aurat Foundation, The network of consumer protection, FAO. Asian Disaster Preparedness Center (ADPC) to promote activities related to zero hunger.

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7) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS RELATED TO SDG

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- AIOU provides Free Educational Scholarships for Remote Area Students
- AIOU Relaunches English Access Micro Scholarship Program
- Carrer Guide Expo 2022

8) FREE ACCESSIBLE LECTURERS ON SDG 2

3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 3 – GOOD HEALTH AND WELL BEING

Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of Good Health and Wellbeing, as in the year 2022 university has published 211 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG Research Publications relevant to target SDG
- 18 Research grants have been won by the various faculty in the year 2022 members that are relevant to target SDG

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Various departments of the university are running about 104 courses that are relevant to target SDG
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748

3) OPERATIONS:

- The Department of Environmental Design And Health And Nutritional Sciences, Agricultural Sciences and Environmental Sciences are eagerly working with all their attributes in the upholding of Good Health and well-being through various courses, publications, activities, and student internships. Overall, 21 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people.
- Policy: Smoke-Free Campus, Enforcement of Tobacco Control Laws in Universities of Pakistan on 12th September 2017

4) PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- A National Seminar on awareness related to "BREAST CANCER AWARENESS" has been organized by EDHNS.
- Training of foster mothers from Rawalpindi division related to child health
- First International Conference" Climate Resilient Agriculture for Sustainable Development & Food Security"

5) OUTREACH & PARTNERSHIP

- Network for Human Social Development (NHSD)
- Shifa International Hospital
- Scaling up nutrition Pakistan (SUN)
- UNISEF
- University of Dundee

- Kings College London
- Nine Wells Hospital Dundee
- Rozan
- Shifa Eye Trust
- Health Services Academy
- Institute Of Community Ophthalmology
- Rawalpindi Eye Donor Organization REDO
- Marie Adelaide Leprosy Centre

6) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS RELATED TO SDG

- National Seminar on awareness related to "Breast Cancer Awareness" November 2022
- AIOU launches dengue awareness campaign



Awareness Event against Thalassemia Lahore





Azadi Cup Cricket Tournament

7) NEWS

- AIOU launches dengue awareness campaign
- AIOU Waives Fee for Flood Victims
- 8) Free Accessible Lecturers on SDG 3



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 4 - QUALITY EDUCATION



Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of Quality Education, as in the in the year 2022, university has published 245 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG
- 30 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Various departments of the university are running about 117 courses that are relevant to target SDG
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748
 - FINANCIAL SUPPORT SCHEME SSF-101
 - EARN TO LEARN SCHEME SSF-102
 - MERIT SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME SSF-103
 - FINAL YEAR PROJECT GRANT SSF-105
 - SCHOLARSHIP FOR COMMUNITIES SCHEME SSF-106

3) OPERATIONS

 The faculty of education and the Department of Environmental Design and Health and Nutritional Sciences, Agricultural sciences and environmental sciences are eagerly working with all their attributes to uphold quality education through various courses, publications, activities, and student internships. Overall, 49 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people.

4) PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT



5) OUTREACH & PARTNERSHIP

- a) AIOU, JICA commit to raising the literacy rate in Pakistan
- b) AIOU collaborates with JICA for women empowerment)

International collaborations with other academic institutes

- a) USEFP Fulbright Scholarship
- b) Commonwealth
- c) Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU) / Chevening
- d) Erasmus +
- e) Australia Award Scholarship
- f) DAAD, Germany
- g) Chinese Scholarship Council (CSC)
- h) Jiangsu University, China
- i) University of Leicester, UK
- j) Darul Najah, Indonesia

6) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS RELATED TO SDG

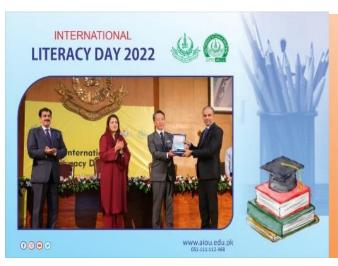
AIOU considered best for distance learning: digital transformation policy started for promotion of education via the internet



POTOHAR Literacy Festival held at AIOU





















7) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS RELATED TO SDG

- AIOU Waives Fee for Flood Victims
- AIOU provides Free Educational Scholarships for Remote Area Students
- AIOU Relaunches English Access Micro Scholarship Program
- Carrer Guide Expo 2022

8) Free Accessible Lecturers on SDG 4

5 GENDER EQUALITY

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 5 - GENDER EQUALITY



Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of Gender Equality, as in in the year 2022 university has published 63 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG Research Publications relevant to target SDG
- 10 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG

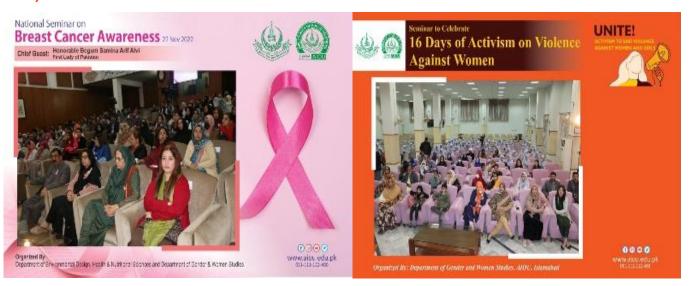
2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Various departments of the university are running about 21 courses that are relevant to target SDG
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748

3) OPERATIONS

- The Department of Gender Studies and the Department of Sociology are eagerly working with all their resources the uphold quality education by various courses, publications, activities and student internships. Overall, 10 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people.
- Adoption of Protection against Harassment of Women at the Workplace Act No. 6 of 2010 on 12th July, 2011

4) PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT



5) OUTREACH & PARTNERSHIP

- AIOU collaborates with JICA for women empowerment
- AIOU collaborates with Sanjh Preet for women empowerment
- AIOU collaborates with Rozan Team for women empowerment

6) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS RELATED TO SDG

AIOU VC Dr. Zia ul-Qayyum directed to offer free education to transgenders



7) Free Accessible Lecturers on SDG 5





SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 6 - CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION

Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of Clean Water and Sanitation, as in the year 2022 university has published 25 Research Publications in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG
- 05 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members that are relevant to target SDG

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Various departments of the university are running about 16 courses that are relevant to target SDG
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748
- Student support schemes/Facilities provided to students relevant to target SDG (data from DSA)

3) OPERATIONS

- The Department of Environmental Sciences, Department of Chemistry and Department of Environmental Design and Health and Nutritional Sciences are eagerly working with all their resources for the cause of clean water and sanitation through various courses, publications, activities and student internships. Overall, 21 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people.
- A water meter is installed to measure the amount of rainwater that has been used. More than 60% of used water is recycled and reused.
- The recycled water is also used for garden sprinkler systems, toilet flush, cooling systems and in forests.
- Water filtration Systems are installed. Stored water is filtered and used for drinking
- Rainwater Harvesting Sites have been developed for groundwater recharge
- Automatic Taps are installed in newly constructed buildings and renovated washrooms which has reduced water usage
- Toilet tanks with 4.5 L/Flush have been installed to save on water usage.
- Showers with lower speed i.e. 9L/min have been installed in hostels, guest houses and AIOU colony flats.
- Most washing machines being used at residential colonies are manual which use less water as compared to normal automatic washing machines.

- Water filtration plants are installed and treated water is used for drinking
- Treated water is saved in underground water tanks and is used for gardening
- Treated water is used in toilet flush
- Treated water is used in botanical Garden
- Treated water is used for construction requirements
- Allama Igbal Open University has overall Pollution Control Policy states that:

"Toxic and hazardous waste shall not be dumped in the university water system by any means. University lake and stream shall not be used for waste disposal. No kind of pollution shall be tolerated in the university premises and the culprits shall be fined heavily if found guilty."

4) PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT



5) OUTREACH & PARTNERSHIP



 Water filtration Systems are installed. Stored water is filtered and used for drinking and Recycled water is used for watering plants and other gardening purposes

6) Free Accessible Lecturers on SDG 6



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 7 – AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY

Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION:

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of Affordable and Clean Energy, as in the year 2022 university has published 25 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG
- 05 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Various departments of the university are running about 10 courses that are relevant to target SDG
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748

3) OPERATIONS

• The Department of Agricultural Sciences, Environmental Sciences and Department of Environmental Design And Health And Nutritional Sciences are eagerly working with all their resources for Affordable and Clean Energy through various courses, publications, activities and student internships. Overall, 21 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people

4) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS RELATED TO SDG



Energy efficient inverters (Combined Cooling Heating and Power Integration Unit)



Solar Panels installed at main campus and some regional campuses

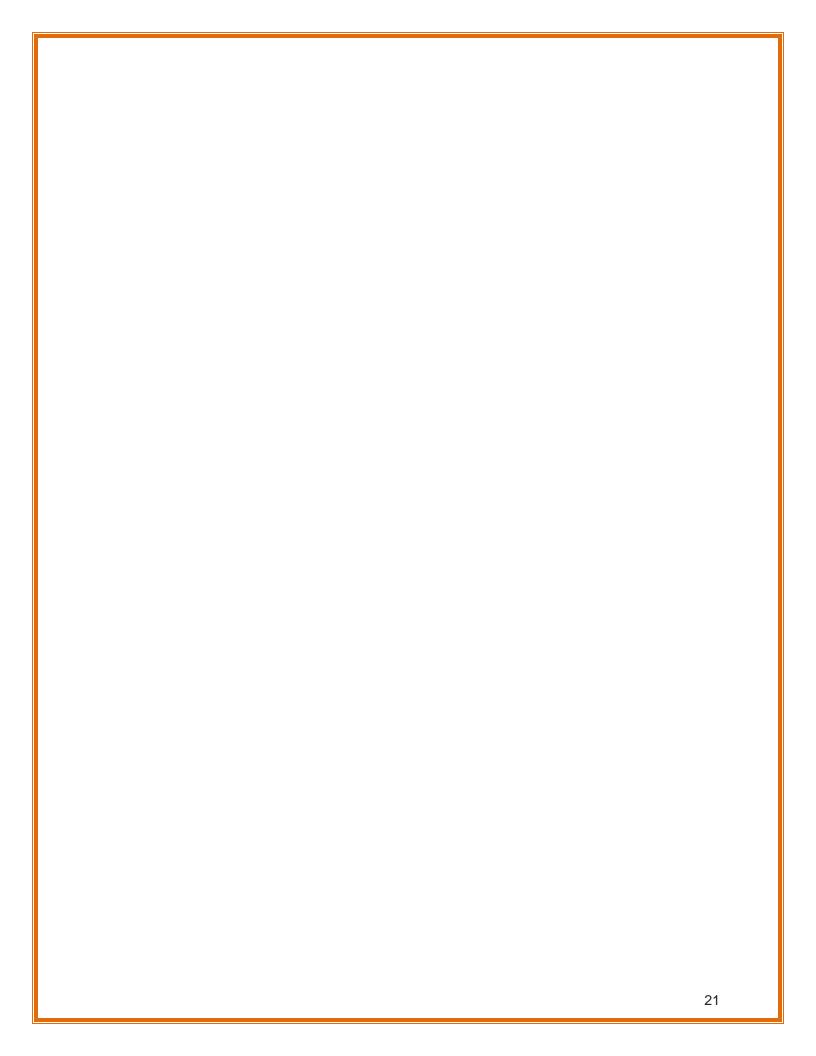


Zero emission vehicles for in-campus shuttle service



Energy savers being used to save energy consumption

7) Free Accessible Lecturers on SDG 7







SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 8 - DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH as in the year 2022 university has published 100 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG
- 15 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- 184 educational programs from basic level to doctorate level that are directly and indirectly related to SDG 8
- 334 Various certificates, diplomas and professional courses to target the scheme of SDG 8
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748
 - FINANCIAL SUPPORT SCHEME SSF-101
 - EARN TO LEARN SCHEME SSF-102
 - MERIT SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME SSF-103
 - FINAL YEAR PROJECT GRANT SSF-105
 - SCHOLARSHIP FOR COMMUNITIES SCHEME SSF-106
 - Matric Free Education Plan (Balochistan, FATA & Gilgit Baltistan)

3) OPERATIONS

- The Department of Agricultural Sciences, Environmental Design And Health And Nutritional Sciences and the Department of Environmental Sciences are eagerly working with all their resources for DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH through various courses, publications, activities and student internships. Overall, 21 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people
- House Building Finance
- Car Advance

4) PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

AIOU BIG IDEAS COMPETITION

• AIOU INTERNAL FUNDED RESEARCH PROJECT GRANTS 2020-21

5) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS RELATED TO SDG

- COVID Honorarium to 500 employees
- Un-deducted salary in covid crisis



6) Free Accessible Lecturers on SDG 8

9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 9 - INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE as in the in the year 2022 university has published 170 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG
- 20 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Various departments of the university are running about 40 courses that are relevant to target SDG
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748

3) OPERATIONS

 The department of Agricultural Sciences, Chemistry Department, Physics Department and Department of Environmental Design and Health And Nutritional Sciences are eagerly working with all their resources for INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE by various courses, publications, activities and student internships. Overall, 36 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people

4) PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- AIOU BIG IDEAS COMPETITION
- AIOU INTERNAL FUNDED RESEARCH PROJECT GRANTS 2020-21

5) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS RELATED TO SDG

- AIOU considered best for distance learning: digital transformation policy started for promotion of education via the internet
- AIOU striving to facilitate 1.4 million students by incorporating the use of the latest technology



3 Days Research Capacity Building Program arranged by HEC in collaboration with the British Council from February 14-16, 2022



Figure 1: One-Day Ceremony on "Entrepreneurial and Research Award" on 1st June, 2022

7) Free Accessible Lecturers on SDG 9



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 10 - REDUCED INEQUALITIES

Reduce inequality within and among countries

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of REDUCED INEQUALITIES as in the year 2022 university has published 70 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG
- 05 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Various departments of the university are running about 03 courses that are relevant to target SDG
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748

3) OPERATIONS

- The department of Special Education, Department of Sociology and Gender Studies are eagerly working with all their resources for REDUCED INEQUALITIES by various courses, publications, activities and student internships. Overall, 13 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people
- Adoption of Protection against Harassment of Women at the Workplace Act No. 6 of 2010 on 12th July 2011

4) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS RELATED TO SDG



AIOU VC Dr. Zia ul-Qayyum directed to offer free education to transgenders



Event for Transgender Community





Campus facilities for disable, special needs and or maternity care

- AIOU gives fee concession to disabled students
- Afghan education Minister seeks AIOU's help in reconstruction of educational infrastructure
- AIOU introduces skill development course in GB (thenews.com.pk/print/975754-aiou-introduces-skill-development-course-in-gbenhance their practical skills.)
- AIOU relaunches scholarship program (https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/949862-aiourelaunches-scholarship-programme)
- AIOU offers fee concession to deserving students

5) Free Accessible Lectures on SDG 10





SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 11 - SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES as in the year 2022 university has published 50 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG
- 15 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Various departments of the university are running about 36 courses that are relevant to target SDG
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748

3) OPERATIONS

- The department of Agricultural Sciences and Department of Environmental Sciences are eagerly working with all their resources for SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES through various courses, publications, activities and student internships. Overall, 12 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people
- Smoke-Free Campus, Enforcement of Tobacco Control Laws in Universities of Pakistan on 12th September 2017

Zero Emission Vehicles (ZEV) Policy on Campus, Zero Emission vehicles will soon join the AIOU transport fleet to facilitate the movement of students and staff within the university premises.

All purchase formalities have been completed.

- Shuttle/bus stand to reduce entry of private vehicles
- Out of Campus Parking for private vehicles
- Encouragement to use carpool services
- Restriction on vehicle entry at academic areas and hostels
- Shifting of Public Facilitation Center from inside campus to the gate
- https://www.urdupoint.com/en/pakistan/allama-iqbal-open-university-aiou-launches-603176.html

4) OUTREACH & PARTNERSHIP

- Shifa International Hospital
- Scaling up nutrition Pakistan (SUN)

- UNISEF
- University of Dundee

5) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS RELATED TO SDG





"AIOU's Green Houses" and Olive orchard planted by AIOU



Old furniture is recycled by making new furniture items from them or using them for bio-fuel purposes



Organic waste is collected in separate bins and is processed at agricultural department for production of high-quality compost

6) Free Accessible Lecturer on SDG 11



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 12 - RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION

Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION as in the year 2022 university has published 32 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG
- 05 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Number of courses relevant to target SDG are 19 among them 13 courses are offered by agricultural sciences department
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748

3) OPERATIONS

 The department of Agricultural Sciences, Department of Physics and department of Environmental Sciences are eagerly working with all their resources for SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES by various courses, publications, activities and student internships. Overall, 21 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people



Energy efficient inverters (Combined Cooling Heating and Power Integration Unit) and Solar Panels installed at main campus and some regional campuses



Zero emission vehicles for in-campus shuttle service and Energy savers being used to save energy consumption





Figure 2:One-day Seminar on "World Environment Day" on June 29, 2022

4) Free Accessible Lecturers on SDG 12

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UhO8XHFUcDg

5) ANY OTHER

• "Carbon Footprint Assessment of Allamah Iqbal Open University" is a report made by the Biology Department declaring the institute to be a green university as the carbon consumption in AIOU per head is 0.7 tons.

13 CLIMATE ACTION

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 13 - CLIMATE ACTION



Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of CLIMATE ACTION as in the year 2022 university has published 30 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG
- 15 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Various departments of the university are running about 31 courses that are relevant to target SDG
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748

3) OPERATIONS

 The department of Agricultural Sciences, Department of Chemistry, Department of Physics and department of Environmental Sciences are eagerly working with all their resources for CLIMATE ACTION by various courses, publications, activities and student internships. Overall, 29 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people • Smoke Free Campus, Enforcement of Tobacco Control Laws in Universities of Pakistan on 12th September, 2017

4) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS RELATED TO SDG



Google map showing planted vegetation at AIOU





Zero-Emission Vehicle

- 5) Free Accessible Lecturers on SDG 13
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UhO8XHFUcDg

14 LIFE BELOW WATER

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 14 – LIFE BELOW WATER

Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of LIFE BELOW WATER as in the year 2022 university has published 20 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG
- 2 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Various departments of the university are running about 08 courses that are relevant to target SDG
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748

3) OPERATIONS

The department of Agricultural Sciences, Biology, Environmental Sciences, Department of Chemistry, Environmental Design And Health And Nutritional Sciences are eagerly working with all their resources for LIFE BELOW WATER by various courses, publications, activities and student internships. Overall, 37 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people

- University has built various water absorption areas and rain water collection repository. Total water absorption area: 145442 m²
- AIOU has constructed three water recharge wells at the campus with the technical assistance of the PCRWR team in 2021. These wells are fully operational and play their role in recharging depleted zones of underground water. Maximum rainwater is being harvested from catchment areas and sent back to underground from aquifer recharge.
- Rain water collection points are installed at main campus and some of the regional campuses where collected rain water from the roofs of the buildings is discharged into the local ponds and canals around the buildings. The rainwater collected is used mainly for toilet flushing and for watering the plants inside the building and washing buses.
- AIOU plays an active role in creating mass awareness on water conservation.
- Additional Links: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H4kVmG4Zlj4
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VvY4AaclyIE





Water canals have been constructed to conserve rainwater and used water



Water Conservation in GroundWater Tank at AIOU, Forest Lake at AIOU for Water Conservation

- 4) Free Accessible Lecturers on SDG 14
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UhO8XHFUcDg





SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 15 - LIFE ON LAND

Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of LIFE ON LAND as in the year 2022 university has published 62 Research Publications that are relevant to this SDG.
- 15 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Various departments of the university are running about 27 courses that are relevant to target SDG
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748
- Student support schemes/Facilities provided to students relevant to target SDG (data from DSA)

3) OPERATIONS

- The department of Agricultural Sciences, Biology, Environmental Sciences, Department of Chemistry, Environmental Design And Health And Nutritional Sciences are eagerly working with all their resources for LIFE ON LAND by various courses, publications, activities and student internships. Overall, 37 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people
- AIOU's any policy relevant to target SDG. Please give its link. (Policy reference with name and year of initiation)

4) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS RELATED TO SDG





One-day Seminar on "World Environment Day" on June 29, 2022





Plant a tree Program



Animals/Wildlife at AIOU



Carbon free Zones

5) Free Accessible Lecturers on SDG 15

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UhO8XHFUcDg



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

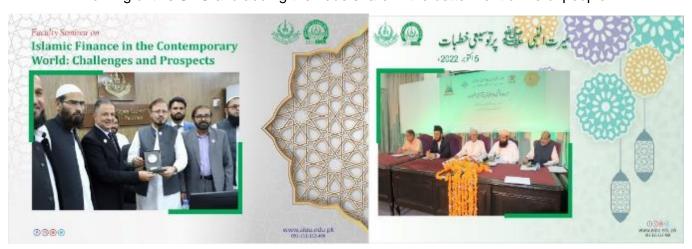
- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS as in the year 2022 university has published 150 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG (34)
- 15 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG (01)

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Various departments of the university are running about 10 courses that are relevant to target SDG
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748

3) OPERATIONS

 The department of Sociology and Faculty of Arabic are eagerly working with all their resources for PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS by various courses, publications, activities and student internships. Overall, 35 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people





- 4) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS RELATED TO SDG
- 5) Free Accessible Lecturers on SDG 16

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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 17 – PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development

1) RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- The university can proudly boast the work of its faculty members in the context of PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS as in the year 2022 university has published 45 Research Publications that are relevant to target SDG
- 10 Research grants have been won by the various faculty members in the year 2022 that are relevant to target SDG
- Following is the list of AIOU Publications in Google Scholar and Projects won against each SDG (both Internal and External)

| SDGs | Number of Publications in Google Scholar | Projects won against each SDG (both Internal and External) |
|---|--|--|
| No Poverty | 104 | 12 |
| Zero Hunger | 105 | 15 |
| Good Health and Well-Being | 211 | 18 |
| Quality Education | 245 | 30 |
| Gender Equality | 63 | 10 |
| Clean Water and Sanitation | 25 | 10 |
| Affordable And Clean Energy | 25 | 05 |
| Decent Work and Economic Growth | 100 | 15 |
| Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure | 170 | 20 |
| Reduced Inequalities | 70 | 05 |
| Sustainable Cities and Communities | 50 | 15 |
| Responsible Consumption and Production | 32 | 05 |
| Climate Action | 30 | 15 |
| Life Below Water | 20 | 02 |

| Life on Land; | 62 | 15 |
|-------------------------------------|-----|----|
| Peace, Justice, Strong Institutions | 150 | 15 |
| Partnerships for the Goals. | 45 | 10 |

2) TEACHING & STUDENTS

- Various departments of the university are running about 5 courses that are relevant to target SDG
- Link to course inventory http://oric.aiou.edu.pk/?page_id=1748
- Student support schemes/Facilities provided to students relevant to target SDG (data from DSA)

3) OPERATIONS

 The faculty of sciences, faculty of education, department of business administration and commerce Department are eagerly working with all their resources for PEACE, PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS by various courses, publications, activities and student internships. Overall, 114 faculty members are currently engaged in the working of this SDG and adding their due share in the betterment of life of people











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SDGs Google Form - Data Compilation - Guiding Session



Allama Iqbal Open University has been elected as a member of Executive Board of the Asian Association of Open Universities (AAOU) for the third consecutive time for a span of three years (2023-2025).



Independence Day Celebration Islamabad

4) OUTREACH & PARTNERSHIP



AIOU reaches out to international students

International collaborations with the other academic institutes

- a. USEFP Fulbright Scholarship
- b. Commonwealth
- c. Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU) / Chevening
- d. Erasmus +
- e. Australia Award Scholarship
- f. DAAD, Germany
- g. Chinese Scholarship Council (CSC)
- h. Jiangsu University, China
- i. University of Leicester, UK

5) UNIVERSITY ACTIVITY/NEWS

AIOU and Zong ink MOU to facilitate students and employees.



AIOU signs MOU with Zong, Alight Pakistan, Hazara University for cooperation

Universitas Terbuka (UT) signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Allama Iqbal Open University (AIOU)

Two Chinese language centers being set up at AIOU

- AIOU Collaboration with Indonesian Open University
- AIOU reaches out to international students
- Professors, academicians from Turkey visit AIOU
- AIOU Inks MoU with Necmettin Erbakan University, Turkey
- AIOU all set to establish regional office in Afghanistan
- AIOU starts six-week training course in GB' Skardu to boost tourism sector
- AIOU Announces Fully Funded PhD Scholarships for UK



Afghan education Minister seeks AIOU's help in reconstruction of educational infrastructure



Ibn Haldun University (IHU) and AIOU signed a Memorandum of Understanding



AIOU signs letter of Intent with ILKE Foundation Istanbul.



Allama Iqbal Open University (AIOU) and Anadolu University, Turkey signed an MoU for developing exchange programmes for academia, students, administrative staff and assisting each other in the relevant academic fields for their mutual benefit.

6) Free Accessible Lecturers on SDG 17

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