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NED University of Engineering and Technology is one of the oldest institutions for teaching and producing engineering graduates in this country. It was founded as Prince of Wales Engineering College in 1921. The present name was given to it a few years later in recognition of generous donation by the family members of the well-known philanthropist, Mr. Nadirshaw Edulji Dinshaw. Historical records indicate that the need for qualified civil engineers for mega projects such as Sukkur Barrage led to development of this institution. After Pakistan came into being in 1947, NED continued to serve the nation. In 1977, it was upgraded as NED University of Engineering and Technology and relocated to its present main campus at University Road. More laurels were earned by the institution thereon. The prime pride of NED has been its graduates most of whom have done very well in their respective professional careers. NED alumnui have also played a pioneering role in various fields of engineering works after Pakistan came into being. Some domains of professional contribution include consultancy, professional advice, setting up laboratories, research, industrial development, technical training and education, collaborative assignments, entrepreneurship and expansion, quality assurance mechanisms, management of units, design innovations and several others. The work of this invaluable human resource has had far reaching impact over the period of time. Development of indigenous capabilities in design, management and operation of vital industries and enterprises, evolution and expansion of new forms of industrial arrangements in production and support for state policies of industrialization during various regimes are some salient mentions that have been vital for the progress and prosperity of the nation. In other words, this university has played a pivotal role in augmenting technological and industrial development by providing dependable cadres of engineering graduates. A sizable number of these graduates constitute the invaluable human capital in the form of overseas Pakistanis. They are gainfully employed or running their own enterprises in the Middle East, United Kingdom, United States, Malaysia, China, Europe and many other parts of the globe.

Many years ago, the university took the revolutionary step of obtaining

ISO 9000 certification to structure a quality management system whichcould transparently ensure prescription and practice of quality oriented approaches throughout the campus. All attempts that tend to threaten academic discipline are nipped in the bud in the larger interest of students and their future. It may also be noted that about 40 percent students are girls. The numbers of the fairer sex is also increasing in ranks of the faculty. Gender sensitivity in terms of safety, security and facilities is a foremost objective of the university administration.

Providing a wholesome atmosphere to students, a large number of cocurricular and sports activities are regularly perforned. Debates, exhibitions, seminars, conferences and other such events are a regular feature of the academic calendar. In addition, the students are also exposed to the needs of actual working environment through internships in the various industries. Industrial liaison directorate keeps close coordination and follow-up with industrial and public sector concerns of various ranks and profiles. The students in third year and other classes benefit from this vital exposure. In many cases, the employment of interns after graduation becomes guaranteed when the prospective employers view the potential and capacities of the students. As the country has launched China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) initiative, Chinese language (Level 1 & 2) is taught to all undergraduate students since the past two years. Besides, a community service programme for all the undergraduate students is a compulsory course where the students receive theoretical and practical association with a worthwhile community initiative in various sectors.

Institutions take ages to evolve. They take even greater time spans to depict their outputs and potential. But it is an even uphill task to maintain the high standards set during the process of evolution. The NED University has experienced a phase of rapid growth, expansion and development in its recent past. It now comprises three campuses via main campus on University Road, Latif Ebrahim Jamal Campus on Stadium Road and the City Campus on Maulana Din Mohammad Wafai Road. In 2019, the university also opened Thar Institute of Engineering, Sciences and Technology (TIEST) at Islamkot (Thar) to enable the bright young people of Sindh to benefit from quality higher education at their door steps. The classes already began in 2019.

For the future, the university is focusing on developing a broad based research culture amongst its faculty and scholars for accelerating generation of worthwhile contributions to knowledge in all the concerned domains.

Here are some of the notable glittering stars of NED, Our Alumnui's, our pride:

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