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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **UET PESHAWAR HOLDS CONVOCATION 2025**

550 degrees conferred upon the graduating students

**PESHAWAR February 21:** The Convocation 2025 of the University of Engineering and Technology, Peshawar was held here today at the Convocation Hall University of Peshawar to commemorate the academic accomplishments of the graduating students for the academic session, 2023-2024. The Chancellor / Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Ali Amin Gandapur conferred degrees in presence of Mr. Meena Khan Pro-Chancellor/Minister for Higher Education, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Syndicate, Senate members, faculty and parents. This was the first-ever convocation of any public sector university in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa that he presided over since taking charge as Chancellor. In total, 550 graduates were conferred degrees in engineering and non-engineering programs including 510 B.Sc. degrees, 05 Ph.D. degrees and 40 M.Sc. degrees. At the Convocation 23 Gold Medals were also conferred upon the high achievers in their relevant technologies.

The Chief Minister extended heartfelt congratulations to the graduates and scholars and praised UET Peshawar for its progress in developing cutting-edge technologies in Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, and Cyber Security. He acknowledged the challenges that universities are currently facing, particularly regarding pension issues and said the outstanding pension liability has been reduced from 75 billion Rs to Rs. 25 billion and assured that this would be completely cleared by the end of the year. He also reiterated his commitment to making public sector universities self-sustainable by the end of the year. He also highlighted the fact that the provincial government has awarded scholarships totaling around Rs. 55 crore, with plans to increase the amount further, reaffirming the government's commitment to providing free education to the girls.

The Vice Chancellor UET Peshawar Prof. Dr. Qaisar Ali expressed his gratitude towards the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Higher Education Department KP, HEC and guests. He congratulated the graduates and their parents on their marvelous achievements. He said, UET Peshawar has produced 25, 800 alumni since its inception in 1952 who have been serving the nation in leading positions. He acknowledged that no university can sustain itself without government support however, highlighted that UET Peshawar has made a significant shift in generating revenue by introducing new programs with market demand, focusing on energy efficiency, and optimizing human resources. Later, the Vice Chancellor presented university shield to the chief guest and Minister for Higher Education, Mr. Meena Khan ###