17.2.1 Relationships with regional NGOs and government for SDG policy

1. University–Industry Collaborative Engagement with Troon Technologies for Skills Development and Sustainable Development

The University strengthened its engagement with the regional technology sector through collaboration with Troon Technologies, providing final-year students with opportunities to connect academic learning with contemporary industry practices. Through this collaborative engagement, students interacted with technology professionals, explored modern software development practices and real-world projects, and gained insights into professional work environments and emerging career opportunities. The engagement contributed to strengthening university–community/industry relationships and creating a platform for knowledge exchange between academia and the professional sector, supporting the development of skills and capacities relevant to sustainable development, innovation, and decent employment.

2. First Women Software Technology Park

Women University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, Bagh, inaugurated the First Women Software Technology Park in September 2025. The initiative was supported by the Government of Pakistan and the Pakistan Software Export Board (PSEB), with the university highlighting education, innovation and industry linkages as central components of the initiative. The establishment of the Technology Park demonstrates collaboration among higher education, government and the technology/industry sector and provides an institutional platform for advancing digital skills, innovation and women's participation in the technology sector. The initiative consequently represents a significant university–government–industry partnership contributing to sustainable economic and technological development.

3. Institutional Engagement with Pakistan Software Export Board for Women’s Digital Economy and Technology Development

The Department of Computer Science & IT engaged with the Pakistan Software Export Board (PSEB), a government-associated body, through institutional discussions on the development of the Women Software Technology Park (WSTP) at the University. The engagement involved discussions on infrastructure, facilities, industry collaboration, and opportunities for women in the IT and software sector, with the broader objective of strengthening the regional technology ecosystem, employability, entrepreneurship and

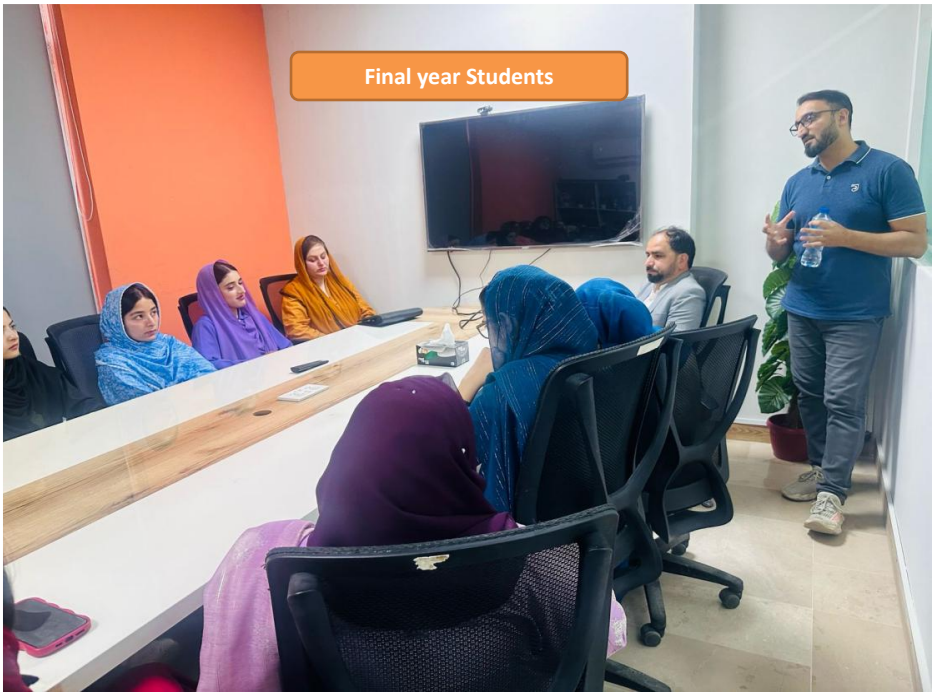
women's participation in the digital economy. The Department also held a separate meeting with the Senior Manager of PSEB concerning opportunities for IT graduates, internship placements, industry linkages and hands-on workshops. These engagements demonstrate institutional interaction with a government-sector organisation on regional technology development and capacity-building priorities.

4. Meeting with COMSATS Headquarters regarding University Management Information System

The Vice Chancellor of Women University of AJ&K, Bagh, held a meeting with Ambassador Dr. Mohammad Nafees Zakaria, Executive Director of COMSATS Headquarters, Islamabad, during 2025. The meeting reviewed progress on the development of the University's Management Information System (UMIS), and both sides agreed to accelerate its development to ensure timely completion and effective implementation. The engagement demonstrates institutional collaboration with a national intergovernmental scientific and technological organization and reflects the university's efforts to strengthen institutional systems through external expertise, technological cooperation and knowledge exchange.

Evidence

Annex I



Annex II



Annex III



Department of CS-IT held a separate meeting with the Senior Manager of PSEB

Annex IV



Meeting regarding Development of the University's Management Information System (UMIS) COMSATS Headquarters, Islamabad