17.2.5.Collaboration with NGOs for SDGs

1. Collaboration with environmental organizations NGOs

Women University of Azad Jammu & Kashmir (WUAJK), Bagh, promotes environmental education and sustainability through collaboration with environmental organizations. The University has an established partnership with Environmental Change Makers (ECM), Islamabad, under a Memorandum of Understanding signed in March 2023, providing a foundation for cooperation in environmental education, research, community awareness, and sustainability activities. The University has also engaged with the National Cleaner Production Center (NCPC), where students from the Department of Environmental Sciences received practical exposure to cleaner production, resource efficiency, waste minimization, and energy conservation, as documented in the previous year's record Furthermore, collaboration with Resource Efficient Cleaner Production (RECP) Pakistan represents a potential avenue for promoting resource-efficient practices, waste reduction, environmental awareness, and sustainable technologies in academic and campus activities

2. Collaboration with National Commission for Human Development (NCHD) under the Each One Teach One Programme

Women University of Azad Jammu & Kashmir (WUAJK), Bagh, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the National Commission for Human Development (NCHD) to collaborate on the Each One Teach One Programme, an educational initiative aimed at promoting literacy and expanding learning opportunities among underserved communities. Through this partnership, the university and NCHD established a collaborative framework to encourage students, faculty and institutional volunteers to contribute towards literacy promotion and community-based educational support. The initiative reflects WUAJK's commitment to extending educational opportunities beyond the university through partnerships with development organisations and community stakeholders. This collaboration contributes directly to SDG 4 (Quality Education) by supporting literacy and inclusive learning opportunities, and SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals) by strengthening institutional collaboration with a national development organisation to address educational challenges at the community level.

3. Institutional Partnership between WUAJK and CISS AJK

On November 11, 2025, Women University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir (WUAJK), Bagh, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Centre for International Strategic

Studies (CISS AJK) during the Vice Chancellors' Conference. The partnership formalizes collaboration between the two organizations and provides a foundation for future joint initiatives in education, research, and youth development. This institutional agreement contributes to the broader objectives of SDG 17 by strengthening inter-organizational cooperation. For reporting under **Collaboration with NGOs for SDGs**, CISS AJK's NGO status and the MoU's specific relevance to the SDGs should be verified through supporting documentation.

4. Collaboration with NGOs for Sustainable Development Goals: WUAJK–Aljiza Community Health Initiative

Women University of Azad Jammu & Kashmir (WUAJK), Bagh, in collaboration with Aljiza, organised a free medical check-up camp for members of the local community in Bagh, Azad Jammu & Kashmir. The initiative aimed to improve access to basic healthcare services by providing free medical consultations and health check-ups to community members, particularly those who may face barriers to accessing healthcare facilities. Through this collaborative effort, the university extended its institutional engagement beyond the campus and worked with a community organisation to address local health needs. The initiative contributed directly to SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being) by promoting access to healthcare and community well-being, while also supporting SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals) through collaboration between a higher education institution and a non-governmental organisation for community development.

Evidences

Annex I



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BY AND BETWEEN

WOMEN UNIVERSITY OF AZAD JAMMU & KASHMIR BAGH

and

ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE MAKERS

Through: Office of Research Innovation and Commercialization WUAJK



National Cleaner Production Center Foundation

Dr. Syed Mubashar Hussain Gardazi
Coordinator Environmental Science
Women University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir
Bagh.

Subject: Collaboration between National Cleaner Production Center and Women University of AJK

Dear Dr. Gardazi,

We are pleased to acknowledge your request for collaboration on the environmental initiatives and submission of data related to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The National Cleaner Production Center (NCPC) is enthusiastic about supporting the Women University of AJK in this important effort.

To support this collaboration, we propose the following key areas:

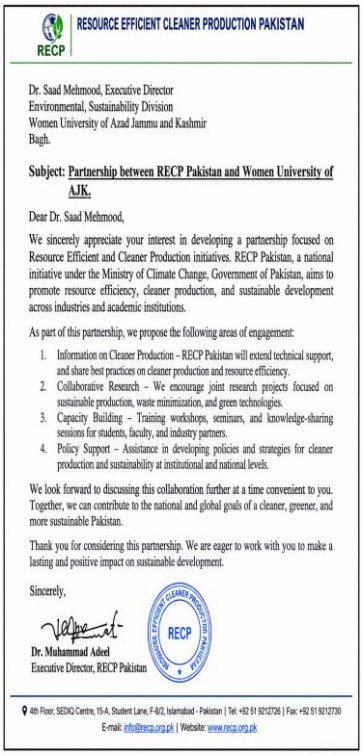
1. Data Sharing and Analysis: NCPC will provide necessary data and assistance to ensure accurate SDG reporting.
2. Joint Activities: We will participate in joint initiatives to enhance SDG understanding and implementation.
3. Capacity Building: NCPC will offer training and resources to strengthen your team's ability to manage and report SDG data effectively.

We are look forward to discuss the details of this collaboration. Kindly suggest a suitable time for a meeting to further explore this partnership.

Thank you for opening this important cooperation. We are excited about the positive impact we can accomplish mutually.

Best regards,

Coordinator
National Cleaner Production Center



RESOURCE EFFICIENT CLEANER PRODUCTION PAKISTAN

RECP

Dr. Saad Mehmood, Executive Director
Environmental, Sustainability Division
Women University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir
Bagh.

Subject: Partnership between RECP Pakistan and Women University of AJK.

Dear Dr. Saad Mehmood,

We sincerely appreciate your interest in developing a partnership focused on Resource Efficient and Cleaner Production initiatives. RECP Pakistan, a national initiative under the Ministry of Climate Change, Government of Pakistan, aims to promote resource efficiency, cleaner production, and sustainable development across industries and academic institutions.

As part of this partnership, we propose the following areas of engagement:

1. Information on Cleaner Production – RECP Pakistan will extend technical support, and share best practices on cleaner production and resource efficiency.
2. Collaborative Research – We encourage joint research projects focused on sustainable production, waste minimization, and green technologies.
3. Capacity Building – Training workshops, seminars, and knowledge-sharing sessions for students, faculty, and industry partners.
4. Policy Support – Assistance in developing policies and strategies for cleaner production and sustainability at institutional and national levels.

We look forward to discussing this collaboration further at a time convenient to you. Together, we can contribute to the national and global goals of a cleaner, greener, and more sustainable Pakistan.

Thank you for considering this partnership. We are eager to work with you to make a lasting and positive impact on sustainable development.

Sincerely,

Dr. Muhammad Adeel
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Annex II



Collaboration with National Commission for Human Development (NCHD) under the Each One Teach One Programm

Annex III



Annex IV

