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Key Achievements as Director IFST

As Director of the Institute of Food Sciences and Technology, my leadership focused on academic excellence, research innovation, capacity building, and industry engagement. Spearheaded the revision and standardization of BS, MS, and PhD programs in line with HEC and NAEAC guidelines. Launched new degree specializations addressing emerging trends in Human Nutrition and Dietetics. Successfully supervised and facilitated student-led R&D projects resulting in publications and submission of patents. Developed food product display center at SAU Tandojam. Supported faculty in winning research grants and participation in national and international conferences. Led the institute through successful NAEAC accreditation. Initiated the proposal for the establishment of the Faculty of Food Science and Nutrition.

Prof. Dr. Aijaz Hussain Soomro is a distinguished academic and researcher in the field of Food Science and Technology. He is one of the senior professors in the Faculty of Crop Production, Sindh Agriculture University (SAU), Tandojam, and was promoted to the prestigious rank of **Meritorious Professor (BPS-22)**, effective from August 17, 2024.

Prof. Soomro holds a **Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M.)** degree (1993) and an **M.Sc. in Dairy Technology** (1996) from SAU. He earned his **Ph.D. in Food Technology** from the University of Arid Agriculture, Rawalpindi, and completed two **postdoctoral fellowships** at the **University of Queensland, Australia**, in 2010 and 2014. His academic excellence has been recognized through several prestigious awards, including the **HEC Indigenous Scholarship**, **HEC Postdoctoral Fellowship**, **Australian Endeavour Research Fellowship**, and the **HEC Best University Teacher Award**.

With over **31 years** of dedicated service in teaching, research, and academic leadership, Prof. Soomro currently serves as the **Director Institute of Food Sciences and Technology SAU, Tandojam**. He has played a pivotal role in national curriculum development, faculty training programs, and research projects funded by the **Higher Education Commission (HEC)**, **Sindh HEC**, and **KOICA**, serving both as Principal Investigator and Co-Principal Investigator.

A committed supervisor and mentor, he has guided numerous M.Sc. and Ph.D. scholars and continues to contribute significantly to postgraduate education. He is an active member of various **academic committees**, **professional societies**, and serves on the **editorial boards** of reputed national and international journals.

Prof. Soomro has authored over **100 research publications**, contributed to multiple **book chapters**, and maintains a strong presence on platforms such as **Google Scholar**, **Publons**, **ResearchGate**, and **LinkedIn**, enhancing his national and international academic visibility. He has represented Pakistan at numerous **international conferences and forums** in **Australia**, **China**, **Turkey**, **the Netherlands**, **Spain**, and the **UAE**, earning recognition as a prominent figure in the global food science community.

Work experience



31 years teaching, research and administrative experience

Director Institute of Food Sciences and Technology

March 2015-Present

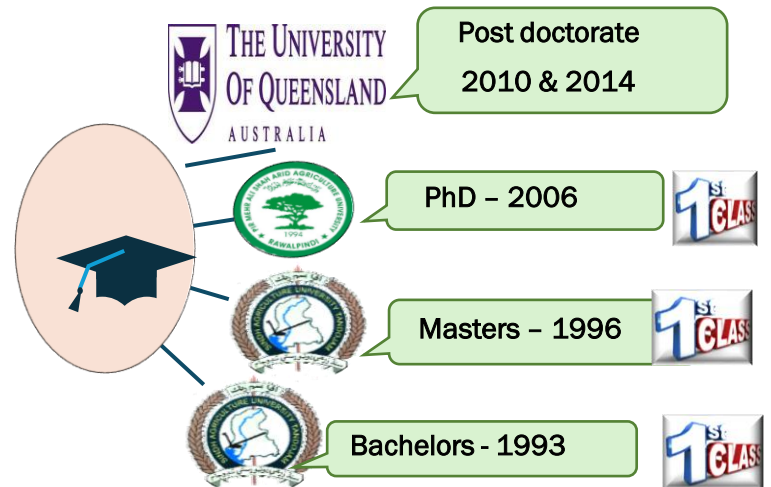
Google Scholar

- Citations: 3346
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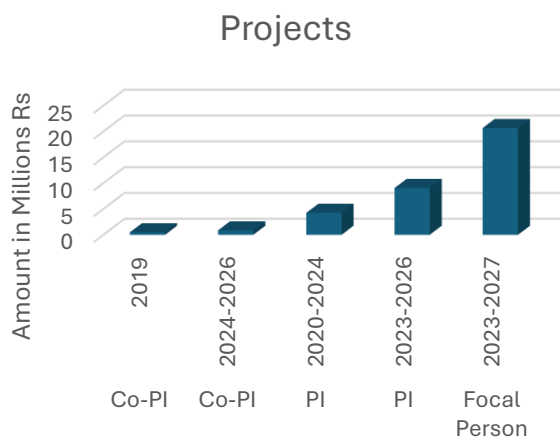
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- RG Score: 1942
- Reads: 144,318
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- Citations: 1859

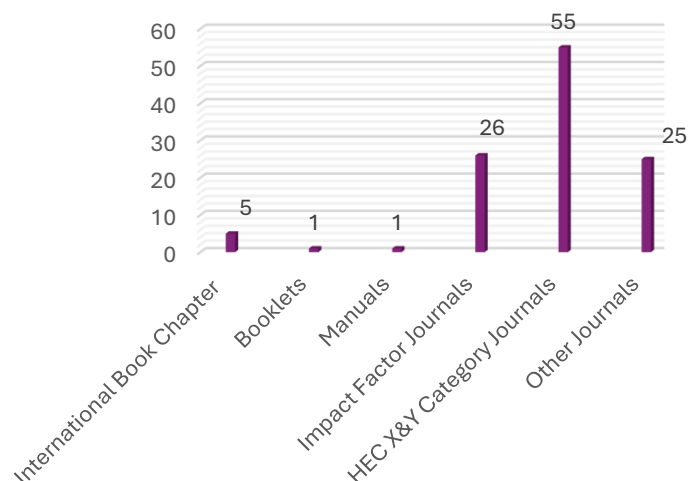
Academic Qualification



Projects (03 as PI, 02 as Co-PI & 01 as Focal Person)



Publications (Books Chapters & Research Papers)



Professional Membership

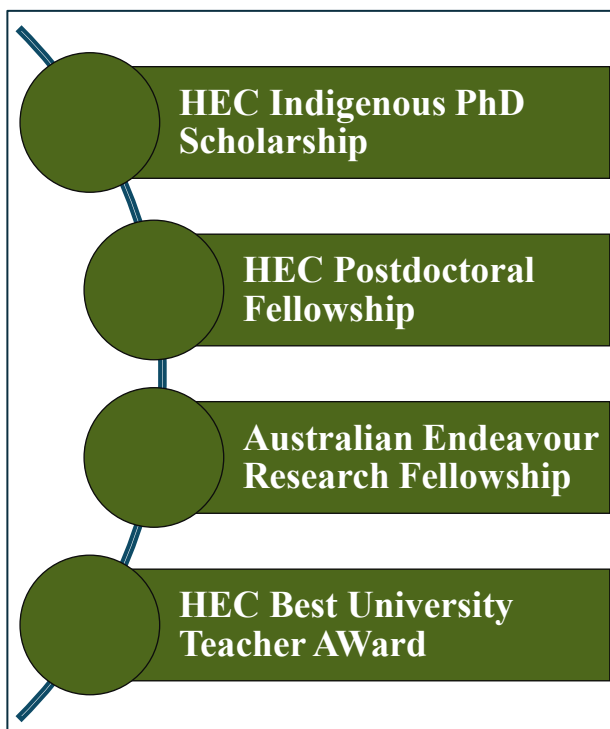


**AMERICAN
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Member of Various Committees

- Chairman Board of Studies, Institute of Food Sciences and Technology, SAU Tandojam
- Member Board of Studies of Faculty of Crop Production, SAU Tandojam
- Member Board of Studies of Faculty of Natural Science University of Sindh, Jamshoro
- Member Board of Studies of Institute of Biochemistry and Institute of Microbiology UoS, Jamshoro
- Member Scientific Panel of Sindh Food Authority.
- Member Editorial Board of monthly Zarai Science Magazine SAU Tandojam
- Member National Standard Committee for Agriculture and Food Products, PSQCA
- Chairman Pre-Admission Entry Test Organizing Committee, Sindh Agriculture University Tandojam

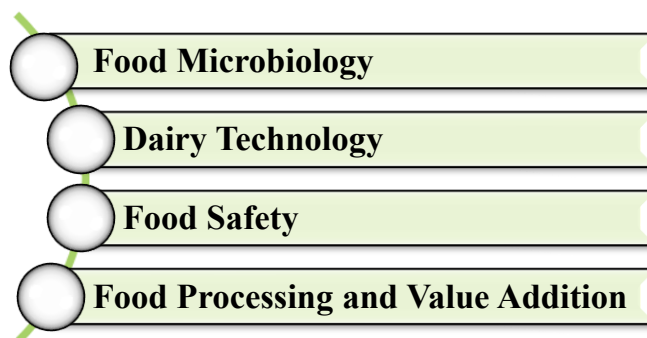
Awards



Supervisor/Co-Supervisor / Trainings / Conferences

- Trainings Received: 10
- Trainings Imparted: 08
- MSc Supervisions: 120 (Completed)
- PhD Supervisions: 07 (Completed)

Research Interests



Editor –in-Chief

**Advances
in
Agriculture
and Animal
Sciences**

Publications			Conferences organized	Conferences attended	
Impact Factor Journals	Y/X Category Journals	Other Category Journals	National	National	International
26	55	25	14	38	07