## "We see a leading role of PIEAS in the scientific and technological development of Pakistan"

says Member (Science and Technology), Planning Commission while he chairs a meeting regarding establishment of Center for Applied Mathematical Sciences at PIEAS

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Nation's scientific and technological development is our top priority, and we see leading role of Pakistan Institute of Engineering and Applied Sciences (PIEAS) in these areas. These views were shared by Dr. Athar Osama, Member (Science and Technology) of the Planning Commission of Pakistan on Wednesday, May 24, 2017, while he visited PIEAS and attended a meeting regarding proposal for establishment of Centre for Applied Mathematical Sciences (CMS) at this institute.



The meeting was hosted by Dr. Nasir Majid Mirza, Rector PIEAS and a presentation was made by Dr. Naseem Irfan, Head of the Office of Planning and Development at the institute. Dr. Irfan highlighted the requirement of establishment of a center of excellence in applied Mathematical sciences and identified its significance towards macro growth of the country. He highlighted the contents of proposal which included aimed academic activities, an overview of the strengths of PIEAS, and targeted impacts of the CMS. The institute is already in process of establishing a High-



Performance Computing facility which will be stateof-the art and will enable scientists and engineers all over Pakistan to carry out high

quality research in their respective fields, he emphasized. A comprehensive overview of the proposal and concrete responses to observations made by peer-review conducted by Planning Commission were included in Dr. Irfan's presentation. The meeting was followed by a visit of technical facilities and laboratories at PIEAS which was very much appreciated by Dr. Osama as he witnessed some students from other universities, in addition to local researchers, working and using technical facilities at PIEAS.

Earlier, PIEAS submitted a PC-1 to the Planning Commission for establishment of Center for Applied Mathematical Sciences which was considered by the

Planning Commission in its CDWP meeting and was approved, in principle. Member (S&T) of the Planning Commission desired to visit PIEAS which was readily arranged and accorded with a strong reception.



