

## **Inform and Support the Government**

Providing scientific and technical expertise to support government decision-making on climate change is an important responsibility of the University of Poonch Rawalakot (UPR). This includes conducting research on local and regional climate impacts, collecting data on potential mitigation and adaptation strategies, and evaluating their effectiveness. By sharing these findings with local and regional government agencies, UPR helps inform public policy and strengthens efforts toward effective climate action.

Additionally, by offering their expertise in early warning and response systems, universities can assist government efforts to monitor and respond to climate change risks and disasters. This could entail creating assessments of the risks associated with climate change, creating and implementing early warning systems, and assisting with emergency response activities. Universities can also instruct and train nearby communities on how to anticipate and react to hazards and disasters related to climate change.

Furthermore, by forming alliances and working together with governmental bodies and neighborhood associations, universities can actively assist local or regional government initiatives to address climate change-related issues. Collaboration between academic institutions and governmental organizations can optimize their assets and proficiencies to create and execute community-wide climate change policies that are beneficial to all.



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**ORDER:**

The Vice Chancellor has been pleased to accord the approval of nomination of focal persons for coordination with Director General EPA-AJK in favor of **Dr. Mohsin Zafar**, Associate Professor and **Dr. Aqila Shaheen**, Assistant Professor, Department of Soil & Environmental Sciences, Faculty of Agriculture.

The said officers will be responsible for provide an effective engagement of their department regarding updation of State of Environments (SOE) with Environment Protection Agency (EPA) Azad Jammu & Kashmir.

  
Director, ORIC

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