



MARKET MINDS UNITE: FINANCIAL AWARENESS SESSION

THURSDAY, 23rd October, 2025

Organized by Quants – NEDUET

On 23rd October, 2025, the Civil AV Hall at NEDUET became a hub of financial insight and academic pride as Quants, the visionary student-led initiative from the Mathematics Department, hosted the landmark event: Market Minds Unite – Financial Awareness Session. This session brought together industry leaders, faculty, and students to explore the evolving landscape of financial markets and career opportunities.



Opening Ceremony

The event commenced with the **National Anthem**, followed by a warm welcome from the **Quants** team. Their professionalism, energy, and attention to detail set the tone for a day of meaningful engagement. Heartfelt appreciation is extended to the **Department of Mathematics**, whose support was instrumental in making the event a success. Special thanks go to **Prof. Dr. Mirza Mahmood Baig, Chairman; Dr. Syed Tauqeer Ahmed Hashmi, Assistant Professor; & Sir Sami Ullah Qureshi, Lecturer**. Their mentorship continues to empower students and elevate academic excellence at **NEDUET**.

Guest Speakers & Thought Leadership

Quants proudly hosted four distinguished speakers from Pakistan's financial sector:

- **Mr. Malik Dilawayz – CEO, Darson Securities Pvt. Ltd.**

The session on “The Future of Brokerage and Financial Inclusion” was led by Mr. Dilawayz, who emphasized the importance of making financial services accessible to all. He highlighted how innovations in brokerage and fintech are transforming the financial landscape, creating new opportunities for inclusion and growth. Mr. Dilawayz also encouraged students to explore careers in these dynamic fields, inspiring them to contribute to a more equitable and technologically advanced financial future.



- **Mr. Bilal Farooq Zardi – CEO, Pakistan Stock Brokers Association**

The session on “Regulatory Landscape and Market Confidence” was delivered by Mr. Zardi, who provided a compelling overview of Pakistan's financial regulations. He emphasized the critical role that transparency and investor trust play in maintaining a stable and thriving financial market. Through his insights, Mr. Zardi shed light on how effective regulation not only safeguards investors but also strengthens confidence in the overall financial system.



- **Mr. Muhammad Azeem – Head of Research, Darson Securities Pvt. Ltd.**

The session on “Research-Driven Investing: Tools for the Modern Analyst” was conducted by Mr. Azeem, who shared practical strategies for market analysis and informed investment decision-making. His insightful discussion highlighted the importance of data-driven research in navigating today’s complex financial markets. By sharing real-world examples and analytical tools, Mr. Azeem inspired aspiring financial analysts to adopt a disciplined and research-oriented approach to investing.



- **Dr. Mobashar Sadiq (PhD) – CEO, Institute of Financial Markets of Pakistan (IFMP)**

The session on “Building Financial Literacy for National Growth” was led by Dr. Sadiq, who passionately advocated for the importance of financial literacy in driving sustainable economic progress. He highlighted how an informed population contributes to stronger financial systems and national development. Dr. Sadiq also introduced IFMP’s initiatives aimed at supporting student growth and professional development, encouraging participants to actively engage in learning opportunities that enhance their financial understanding and career prospects.

Interactive Q&A Session

Students actively participated in the Q&A segment, asking insightful questions that sparked meaningful dialogue. In recognition of their curiosity and engagement, Darson Securities generously presented gifts to students who asked questions—encouraging a culture of inquiry and initiative.



Honorary Awards & Closing Ceremony

The event concluded with a prestigious award presentation ceremony, where Prof. **Dr. Mirza Mahmood Baig, Chairman** and **Dr. Syed Tauqeer Ahmed Hashmi, Assistant Professor** honored each guest speaker with honorary shields in recognition of their valuable contributions to student learning and financial awareness. In a gesture of mutual respect and appreciation, representatives from **Darson Securities** also presented honorary shields to **Dr. Mirza Mahmood Baig, Chairman** and **Ms. Rida Fatima, President of the Quants Society**. This memorable moment celebrated the strong collaboration between academia and industry while acknowledging the leadership and dedication that continue to drive **Quants'** success.



A Standing Ovation for Quants

From planning to execution, the Quants team demonstrated exceptional dedication, creativity, and professionalism. Their efforts transformed a vision into reality, delivering an event that will be remembered for its impact and inspiration. The Financial Awareness Session stands as a shining example of student initiative, faculty support, and industry collaboration at its finest.

