

## Conference on Production and Consumption Patterns Held at Science and Research Department



«A conference on Production and Consumption Patterns was held at Islamic Azad University's Science and Research Department to study ways effective in the improvement of energy consumption patterns in the country, as well as preserving natural resources.» Science and Research Department's public relations reported.

Speaking at the conference Dr. Majid Abbaspour, Head of Iran's Society of Environmental Specialists said that, «As the title of the conference indicates, the main guidelines of the conference are the improvement of consumption patterns to help preserve existing energy sources. The secretariat of the conference has received numerous articles on the subjects, as well as welcoming suggestions proposed by related organizations and

centers.» the report added.

«Several organizations have been supporting the current conference, because we are all concerned with the high rate of energy consumption in the country. Iranians are consuming one

quarter of the 4 million barrels of oil they produce everyday, which is indeed a worrying rate of consumption that ought to be changed by the improvement of our national patterns of production and consumption.» the report quoted Abbaspour as saying.

He also said that, «Unlike other countries, in Iran university professors retire after 30 years of academic activity: this means being deprived of their participation in scientific plans and projects, once they are retired. Therefore, we should try to make the best of the experience and expertise of our academics in solving the problems the country is facing, particularly in the field of natural resources and the preservation and consumption of energy.» concluded the report.

## Researcher of the Department Ranks First at Kharazmi Youth Festival

«Pedram Hanafizadeh, a researcher working at the Islamic Azad University's Science and Research Department succeeded in winning the first prize of the 11th Kharazmi Youth Festival, a festival held annually with the participation of young researchers and innova-

tors in scientific fields.» Science and Research Department's public relations reported.

«He owes the prize to his plan of a power-pump run with the floating force of liquids and solids. The plan rank first in the practical research section of the festival.» the report added.

## 9th International Aerospace Conference Held at Science and Research Department

The 9th International Conference of Iran's Aerospace Society was held at Islamic Azad University's Science and Research Department.

Speaking at the 3-day Conference Dr. Majid Abbaspour, Chief Advisor to the Head of Islamic Azad University said that, «We hope to hold more scientific conferences in future with the help and cooperation of other universities in the country.» Science and Research Department's public relations reported.

«There was no academic major by the name of aerospace in Iran in the first few years after the victory of the Islamic revolution, but due to scientific advancements in this field the academic course of aerospace was established in the universities.» he added

«More than 400 academics have participated in the conference, and there has been a growth in the number of articles and studies submitted to the conference's secretariat. The major subjects of this year's conference includes: aerodynamics, aerospace constructions, space technology, flight mechanics, and aviation industry management,» Abbaspour said.

The Secretary of the 9th Aerospace Conference, Dr. Mirsajedi said that, «The first aerospace students in the country entered M.A courses of aerodynamics at the Science and Research Department of Azad University back in 1995. Later on, in 2001, the department offered B.A courses, as well.

## Students of the Cultural Center Met with Azad University's Cultural Deputy

«Students in charge of the Cultural Center of Azad University's Science and Research Department met with the university's Cultural Deputy during the demonstrations held on the occasion of the 31st anniversary of the victory of the Islamic Revolution,» Science and Research Department's public relations reported.

During the meeting, the director of the students' Center, Mr. Abedi said that, «Innovation is an indispensable element in cultural issues, and at the moment, the country's academic atmosphere and potentialities are indicative of a bright cultural future,» the report added.

Mr. Taremi, an engineering student present at the meeting said that, «The department has witnessed an ever-improving cultural atmosphere in recent years, which is in part due to the establishment of the Cultural and Artistic Innovations Center at the department run by students,» added the report.

Dr. Khalil Ali-mohammad-zadeh, Cultural Deputy of Science and Research Department praised the enthusiasm of the students in charge of the Cultural Center adding that, «Vigorous participation in cultural activities on the part of students is a decisive factor in cultural issues. The center was initially established with the aim of guiding the thought and energy of students towards cultural improvement of our academic centers,» the report concluded.