## **OBITUARY NOTE**



Prof. Dr. Bilqees Fatima Mujeeb (1936 – 2016) Ex- vice President (South) Zoological Society of Pakistan

Prof. Dr. Bilqees Fatima Mujeeb, ex-Chairperson, Department of Zoology, University of Karachi expired on Sunday, February 7, 2016 after spending more than 50 years in teaching and research in Parasitology. She was born on February 10, 1936.

Prof. Mujeeb obtained her Ph.D. degree in Parasitology from University of Toronto, Canada in 1966, Sc.D. from USA and D.Sc. from University of Karachi, Pakistan in 1979. She was also a diploma holder of World Cultural Council, Germany. She did her specialization in Parasitology.

More than 75 scientific articles in Urdu language, almost 500 research papers in English and innumerable books were published by her on various topics. She was member of various academic and professional societies of Zoology such as Helminthological Society of Washington, Member Third World Organization for Women in Science Trieste-Italy.

She was awarded Life Time Achievement Award by Zoological Society of Pakistan in recognition of her life long research contributions in the field of Parasitology. She was given a shield for Scientific Contribution in Plant Nematology, and Nishan-e-Azmat-e-Ilm by Karachi University. She received gold medal from Pakistan Academy of Sciences on the basis of her research contributions in Zoology, and Women scientist award from President of Pakistan.

Almost 1000 worms have been discovered by her from various animals in Pakistan. Forty new species have been named in her honor by local and foreign scientists. She supervised doctoral research programmes in various universities including Jinnah University for Women, Federal Urdu University, Karachi, University of Baluchistan, Quetta and Sindh University, Jamshoro. She had keen interest in clinical studies and published a number of papers on helminthes and protozoan infection.

Dr. Mujeeb was a very kind hearted person, who was ready to extend sincere advice and intellectual help to her students.

Dr. Mujeeb is survived by her two daughters, a daughter-in-law and grand children. Prof. Bilqees F. Mujeeb shall be solely missed by her innumerable students in Pakistan and her fellow scientists in Pakistan and around the world.

May Almighty Allah rest her soul in Jannat.

Ameen.

Aly Khan Noor-un-Nisa