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Viva Chairpersons, Enabling Effective Viva Voce Examinations

In a bid to enhance the quality of postgraduate examinations, the Institute of Postgraduate Studies (IPSiS) hosted a seminar specifically designed for viva chairpersons. The event aimed to prepare individuals for the crucial role of chairing viva voce examinations, ensuring smooth and effective assessments.

The seminar saw the attendance of esteemed professors and experienced viva chairpersons, Prof Nasir Taib and Prof Hadariah Bahrom, who were invited as guest speakers. Prof Nasir, a renowned expert in his field, shared his wealth of experience chairing viva voce examinations, while Prof Hadariah offered insights into the skills required to excel in this role.

Prof Nasir, in his keynote address, emphasized the significance of the chairperson's role in ensuring fair and unbiased assessments during a viva voce examination. He outlined the crucial responsibilities that chairpersons need to fulfill, including maintaining a conducive atmosphere, managing interactions between the candidate and examiners, and ensuring the adherence to examination regulations.

Prof Hadariah, known for her expertise in the field of postgraduate studies, provided practical advice to future viva chairpersons. She highlighted the importance of effective communication and negotiation skills while managing differing opinions among the examiners. Prof Hadariah emphasized that a skilled chairperson is instrumental in steering the viva voce examination towards a constructive and fruitful discussion.

The seminar also included interactive sessions where participants had the opportunity to ask questions and engage in discussions with the two guest speakers.

IPSiS plans to organize similar seminars in the future, striving to continuously improve the quality of postgraduate examinations and cement its position as a leading institute in the field of higher education.

