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Press Invite/Release

**JMI's Centre for Early Childhood Development and Research to launch National
Resource Centre on Foster Care**

The Centre for Early Childhood Development and Research (CECDR), Jamia Millia Islamia in collaboration with Rainbow Fostering, UK is organising a two-day International Symposium on "Family Strengthening: Deconstructing Alternative Practices in the Current Legislative Framework" from February 21, 2017 at the FTK-CIT conference hall of the university.

Ms Stuti Kacker, Chairperson, National Commission for the Protection of Child Rights (NCPDR) shall deliver the inaugural address on February 21st at 10:30 am.

Prof Talat Ahmad, Vice Chancellor, JMI will preside over the function in which the contours of the MoU between Rainbow Fostering & JMI will be announced followed by the launch of the National Resource Centre on Foster Care.

The symposium shall take up important themes including- 'Alternative Care - Setting the Context' and 'Family Strengthening, Adoption and Foster Care in the Indian Context'.

Day two of the symposium will host two workshops on alternative care, one on 'Global Standards and Practices' and the second on "Ongoing Journey to Alternative Care: Global Examples, Local Contexts".

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