

**Department of History and Culture  
Faculty of Humanities and Languages  
Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi**

**Invites you to a lecture**

**By**

**Eugenia Vanina**

**On**

***Medieval India: Perceptions of Historical Past***

**6 February, 2013 (Wednesday), 3:20 PM**

**Venue: Seminar Room, Department of History and Culture, JMI**

Prof. Inayet Ali Zaidi, Department of History and Culture will chair the session

Medieval epoch was distinguished by a peculiar attitude to historical past which was viewed both as source of eternal moral values and model for the forthcoming epoch. This was reflected in the literature of various genres. The lecture will discuss specificities of medieval Indian views of historical past along with the Orientalist concept of medieval Indians being "ahistorical".

**About the Speaker**

Prof. Eugenia Vanina teaches at Institute of Oriental Studies, Moscow. A highly acclaimed historian of medieval and early modern India, especially in the field of history of ideas and thought, her publications includes, *Ideas and Society: India between the Sixteenth to Eighteenth Centuries*; *Mind Over Matter: Essays on Mentalities in Medieval India* (edited with Prof. D.N.Jha); and *Medieval Indian Mindscapes: Space, Time, Society, Man*.