Orientation Program Department of Tourism and Hospitality Management, Jamia Millia Islamia. February 19 and 20, 2021



Day 1: February 19, 2021

19th Friday. the February marked the beginning of 'Deeksharambh' for the students of Tourism and Hospitality Management, as they were formally inducted to the department, got to interact with the industry veterans both from tourism and hospitality domain. The orientation program was designed keeping in mind the UGC guidelines with the aim to ensure a smooth transition from school to college, welcoming the students. making them feel comfortable. acclimatize them to the new environment and develop bonding with the fellow students.

The Orientation session was a gathering of all new students with sparkling eyes full of dreams. The session was bedecked with the precious gems of the academia, tourism and hospitality industry. The senior students Alina Khan and Osama Yasir from BHM 6th semester compared the event.

The session was inaugurated by **Prof. (Dr.) Mohd.** Asaduddin, Dean, Faculty of **Humanities and Languages, Jamia Millia Islamia**. Prof. Asaduddin informed the students that they are very lucky to be studying at such a dynamic department which they will realise in the coming years. He stressed that teaching and learning is a two way process where students and teachers together create an environment in which in which teachers are enabled to give maximum to the students and students get an opportunity to learn and grow. The Head of Department, Dr. Sarah Hussain, warmly welcomed the students informing them how their life has changed for good and better after joining a professional course in Department of Tourism and Hospitality Management. She shared the expectations of the department from its students in terms of grooming, behaviour, soft skills, knowledge and integrity. She also spoke about "effective habits of highly successful people" that students must inculcate. After that, the senior most faculty of the department Prof. (Dr.) Nimit Chowdhary addressed the students with his inspiring words stressing on the importance of right attitude. He emphasized that the students are the true ambassadors of any educational institution.

The Chief Guest - Mrs. Benita Sharma, Area Manager North - Luxury Hotels & General Manager, ITC Maurya, a true symbol of women empowerment shared success mantra for an enriching and rewarding hospitality career. She insisted that being "passionate to serve" is the single most important attitude that companies look for in young professionals. She also shared how the industry is reviving in post COVID scenario and about the environmental initiatives of ITC group. She clarified the myth regarding the scanty representation of females at senior levels and insisted that girls and boys are equal in all respect. Her talk on grooming made students realise it's importance.

This was followed by a session of **Guest of Honour, Mr. Shoeb Samad**, Deputy Director General, Ministry of Tourism, Govt. of India, who has been associated with Indian Tourism since its inception, and knows the tourism industry very closely. He too highlighted that tourism is a profession to be dealt with with passion. The lines said by Mr. Samad that "one **has to get infected by tourism to feel it**" itself explains that one needs to immerse in tourism fully to be successful. He also shared the government's vision, policies and schemes of tourism sector and how students can take benefit from those.

A session on history of Jamia Millia Islamia was also conducted informing students about its rich legacy. The session then had a break for lunch and post that, the departmental presentations introducing the students to the department took place. Dr. Priya made students aware of the departmental programmes, exam rules, assessments, attendance grooming and requirements. This was followed by a session of Mr. Mudassir Khan who introduced the students to various faculty members and office staff of the department. Post this a video made by Dr. Shweta Chandra was showcased giving a sneak peek into the departmental activities.

The major attractions of the orientation were the **Photography Competition titled "Dekho Apna Desh" through my lense"** and the **Jamia IQ (Jamia Quiz)** encouraging students to socialize and collaborate with the fellow mates. The Photography Competition was rolled out a week in advance to create a buzz among the students and giving them ample time to team up, collaborate and socialize. The Quiz (Jamia IQ) was announced towards the end and the result for the same were declared on 20th February.

Day 2: February 20, 2021

Joining JMI makes students a part, not only of a wonderful learning community, but also of a beautiful campus equipped with various facilities and amenities to ensure their wellbeing. Keeping the same in mind a session of Dean Students' welfare (DSW), Proctorial Office, Library, Medical Facility and Central Training and Placement Facility were planned. These sessions were addressed by the officials of the University. Prof. (Dr.) Mehtab Alam, Dean Students' Welfare, introduced the students on various welfare schemes and scholarships of the University. Prof. Nikhat (**Dr.**) Manzoor,

Proctorial Office, briefed the students about discipline and the conduct at the University. **Mr. Johan Mohamad Mir,** Information Scientist from University Library introduced the students to the facilities offered by the central library and explained how to use the remote access window to



access the resources of Jamia library. **Dr. Irshad Husain Naqvi**, Chief Medical Officer, Dr. M. A. Ansari Health Centre, updated students on the various medical facilities available in the University and the life saving skills they could learn from there. **Prof. (Dr.) Rihan Khan Suri** covered the session on the training and placement process at the University through placement office. Post this, there was an open session of questions and answers addressed by Head of Department Dr. Sarah Hussain.

Next, much awaited results for the photography competition and the quiz were declared. The winners of the photography competition were - 1st Prize went to team of Aamir Akhtar, Mohd. Azhar, Abdul Taha, Bariz Akhtar and Maryam Tariq of MTTM 1st Semester for their entries on the sub theme of 'Explore the rural through our lenses'. Amanullah Khan, Md. Tanvir Alam, Zunaid Ali, Mohammad Danish Ameer, Shaheen Ansari of PGDTTM for their entry on the historical monuments bagged second prize along with Anas Ahmad, Arisha Khan, Saniya Zia, Sarosh Ahmed, Syed Saqib Hasan for their entry on local cuisine titled "They choose to sell food, In order to earn food". The second position was shared by two teams. Chatpati **Delhi** with group members Amaanullah, Reyazul Salekin, Saniya Khan of BHM 1st Semester bagged the third prize. In Jamia Quiz, Mohd. Amaan Saifi of PGDTTM stood 1st, followed by Ria Saxena of PGDTTM and Rachita Agarwal from MTTM at second and third positions respectively.

The formal closure was marked by showcasing a video on Jamia centenary produced in house by Jamia's MCRC. The session concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Nusrat Yasmeen followed by playing of Jamia Tarana. The team behind putting the entire event together comprised of Dr. Shweta Chandra, Mr. Mohd. Arman, Ms. Pinaz Tiwari and Mr. Wasil Asrar under the leadership of Dr. Nusrat Yasmeen.

