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History

Adult Education is having a long history in the Jamia. It has travelled a long distance since the inception of Jamia in 1920. Jamia has been in the lead in Adult Education and Rural Training since beginning. It was given an impetus in 1938, when Dr. Shafiqur Rahman Kidwai wanted to spread literacy among the masses. An Idara-Taleem-o-Taraqqi was set up for this pioneering work. A 'Research Training and Production Centre', (RTP) was also established for furthering this cause. The centre carried out several research projects and produced numerous voluminous materials for Adult Education Programme (AEP) which benefitted whole nation and still serve as useful references on adult education. Looking at their pioneering work it was decided by Govt. of India to have a Resource Centre in Delhi with Jamia Millia Islamia for providing academic / technical support to Adult Education Programme.

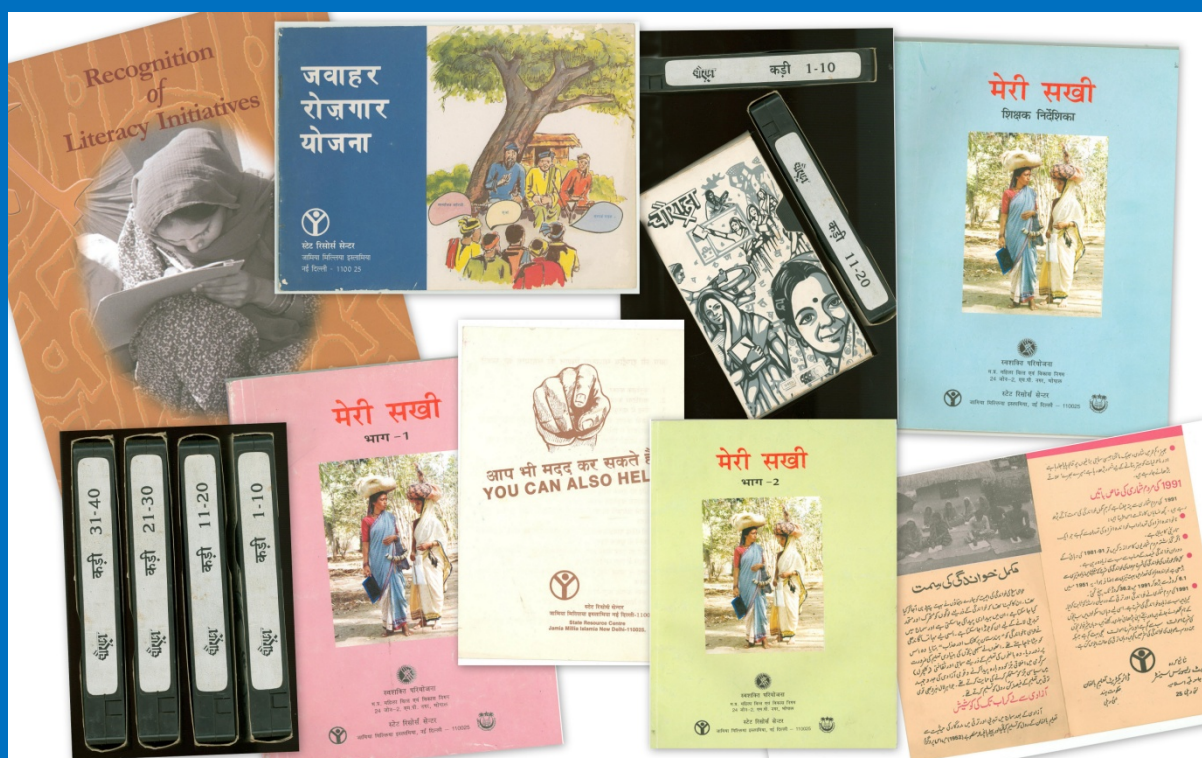
Our Functions

The Barkat Ali 'Firaq' State Resource Centre (BAFSRC) was established in 1981; to provide technical and academic resource support to adult education programmes in Delhi. The regular activities of the BAFSRC include material production, training, monitoring, supervision, evaluation, and research, BAFSRC also serves as a referral centre for pedagogical guidance.

Development and Production of Print and Non-Print Material

In order to cater to the learning needs of non-literates, semi-literates and neo-literates, BAFSRC produces need based teaching – learning, motivational, programme communication and skill up-gradation material. BAFSRC has offered its

services for development of need based and user friendly programme communication material for different programmes of Govt. of India including rural development and consumer education. In addition, BAFSRC has also collaborated and developed Literacy Primers for World Bank sponsored Swa-Shakit Project and English primer for a private sector partner. Simplified, illustrated legal literacy material and teaching – learning material in Urdu for literacy and continuing education programmes are the other strengths of BAFSRC. A wide range of books, booklets, posters, pictorials, audio & video cassettes, software and other communication tools have been produced and are available on catalogue.



The SRC's publications on rural development schemes have reached every village panchayat and the SRC's books on legal literacy have been very popular among masses. In addition to books, many posters, flip books, flash cards, audio cassettes, audio visual-shows and films have been produced on different topics. The SRC's material has won laurels and appreciation from national and international experts and dignitaries. The book **"HATYA"** on environment by SRC was **awarded prize by the National Book Trust (NBT)**. The BAFSRC has prepared a cultural specific primer in Urdu "IBTADA".



The book will be used in India for Maulana Azad Taleem-e-Balighan Programme.

Training and Documentation

BAFSRC designs and conducts training of key, middle and field level literacy functionaries of Basic Literacy, Post Literacy and Continuing Education.



The BAFSRC also has expertise in conducting training on Self Help Groups, Quality of Life Improvement, Gender, Leadership, Reproductive and Sexual Health Issues, HIV/AIDS, advocacy and training on adolescent education, Legal Literacy and other development issues.

Research, Evaluation & Innovation

Experiments, innovations, action research and evaluation of the literacy programmes are also the competencies of BAFSRC.



The research and evaluation interventions include those commissioned by M.H.R.D., Govt. of India, State Govts., autonomous institutions, NGOs & UN agencies.

Beyond Boundaries

Though the service area of BAFSRC is primarily NCT of Delhi, yet its expertise and resources have been demanded and used by a large number of states; for Hindi material in Non-Hindi speaking states and Urdu material and training in Hindi as well as Non-Hindi speaking states. Intensive and extensive monitoring support has been provided to special female literacy programmes in low female literacy districts of U.P. & Bihar.



Since 2010, the Centre has been allotted Saakshar Bharat Districts of U.P. and is facilitating the implementation of the programme as well as liaising with State Literacy Mission Authority, U.P.

What can we do for you?

BAFSRC Jamia has the expertise to support NGOs and Civil Society organization in the following areas:

- Project formulation on literacy, education and other social development aspects.
- Technical resource support for implementation, monitoring & evaluation of literacy and related programmes.
- Basic, Post-Literacy and Continuing Education material as per the norms of NLM and need of the target beneficiaries.
- Capacity building of programme personnel for promotion of literacy, & development activities.
- Training on legal literacy, self help groups, reproductive and sexual health including HIV/AIDS.
- Undertaking research & evaluation.
- Organizing seminar & workshops to benefit literacy and development programmes.
- Developing prototype and modules on relevant subject areas / programmes.
- Developing software and production of electronic & folk-media for programme enrichment and dissemination of information at macro-level.
- Organizing a wide-range of out-reach activities for generating momentum and achieving sustainability of field activities.

Our Partners

Government Organizations

- Election Commission of India
- Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India
- State Literacy Mission Authority (SLMA), Uttar Pradesh
- Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution, Govt. of India
- Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India
- Directorate of Adult Education, Govt. of India
- Indian Adult Education Association
- Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi
- National Institute of Educational Planning & Administration
- National Council of Educational Research & Training
- Departments & Centres of Jamia Millia Islamia
- Delhi Govt. UEE Mission

- State Council for Educational Research & Training, Govt. of NCT of Delhi
- Urdu Academy, Govt. of NCT of Delhi
- DIETs & DRUs, Govt. of NCT of Delhi
- Delhi Prisons
- Indian Navy
- National Institute of Open Learning (NIOS)

UN & International organizations

- UNFPA, UNESCO, UNICEF DFID (India), ACCU (Japan)

Non-Government / Civil Society Organizations

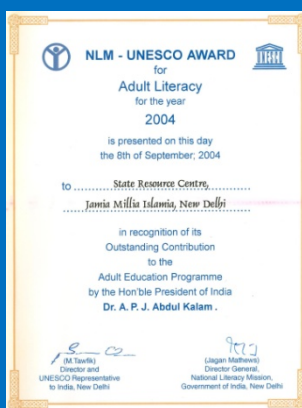
- Delhi Schools Literacy Project (DSLPP)
- Zila Saksharta Samities
- Jan Shikshan Sansthan
- Voluntary Agencies and Individuals

Corporate House

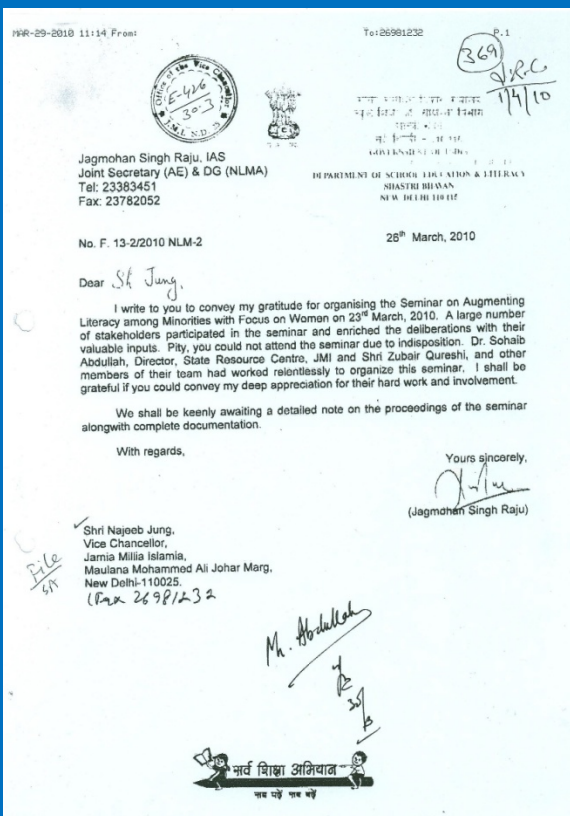
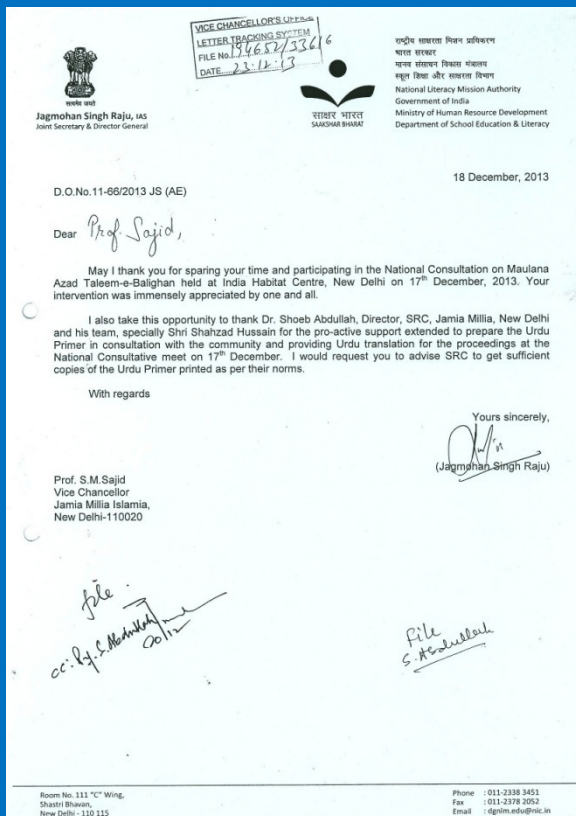
- Moser Baer Foundation
- Lady Bamford Charitable Trust sponsored by JCB excavator Ltd.
- New Delhi Power Limited
- Shahi Exports Pvt. Ltd. G. B. Nagar

Awards & Appreciation

- The BAFSRC Jamia has received UNESCO – NLM Award in 2004 for its outstanding contribution to the Adult Education Programme by the **Hon'ble President of India "Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam"**.



- BAFSRC received certificate for outstanding contribution to special Female Literacy Programme in Bihar. These awards were conferred by Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Hon'ble President of India.



- BAFSRC Jamia has also received Best Institutional Award from Delhi Govt. in Year 1994 by Lt. Governor Shri P. K. Dave
- BAFSRC has got appreciation letter from Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India for its excellent work.