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**Condolence meeting in memory of Prof. Mushirul Hasan at MMAJ Academy of International Studies, JMI**

The MMAJ Academy of International Studies held a condolence meeting today (11 December 2018) in memory of Prof Mushirul Hasan, who passed away yesterday (10 December 2018). Prof Rashmi Doraiswamy (Offtg Directr, AIS), Prof Shri Prakash (former Director, AIS), Prof. Sunanda Sen (former Visiting Professor, AIS), several faculty members and library staff spoke at the meeting.

Prof Hasan was former Vice-Chancellor of Jamia Millia Islamia and Former Director of the Academy (then known as the Academy of Third World Studies) from 1991-1992 and then for several terms from 1998 – 2009. His contribution to the University and to the Academy was immense in terms of academic and intellectual contribution and infrastructure inputs. JMI had not expanded so much in the single tenure of any other Vice Chancellor. Many buildings and Centres had come up when he was Vice Chancellor, including the building that the Academy was located in. Speakers commented on his contribution to the discipline of history writing in India. His works on Partition, secularism and communalism, on eminent Muslims who contributed to the national and Khilafat movements, were recalled. His ability to combine administrative work with academic work of the highest order, as well as his ability to stand up for his convictions was remarked upon.

Prof Hasan's influence in making the Academy one of the premier centres in Jamia, through publications, the organization of conferences on topical themes, the impetus to set up UGC funded area studies programmes on Pakistan and Central Asia, the rich collection of books at the Academy's Library, etc was also recalled. Faculty and staff also recounted their personal encounters with him and remembered his fondness for gardens, good food and sports. One of the students who spoke stated that the account of Prof Hasan's life offered much to be emulated.

All present at the meeting conveyed their heartfelt condolences to Mushir Sahab's wife, Prof. Zoya Hasan, his family and friends.

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