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Press Release

JMI's Dr M.A. Ansari Health Centre goes digital

In line with the Central Government's directive, Jamia Millia Islamia's 98-year old Dr M. A. Ansari Health Centre has embarked on an ambitious programme of digitising its services including medical records of its 19,000 students as well as its present and former faculty members, staff and other employees.

The digitisation software has been designed by Mr Asif Shah, a student of the university who is the CEO of the company, Stetho Software, as a goodwill gesture and at no cost to JMI.

Launching the digitization process at an impressive function, JMI Vice-Chancellor, Prof Talat Ahmad said that he was particularly pleased that JMI's own student had taken such an initiative. "It shows that our students are not only innovative but are philanthropically-inclined to serve the institution too."

With this move, approximately 29,000 medical records will be available to the Health Centre's doctors at the click of a button.

Dr. Irshad Husain Naqvi, In-charge and Chief Medical Officer of the Health Centre said that this is in keeping with the guidelines of National Health Policy, 2017 to digitise all health services-public and private. Describing the digitization process as "an important milestone" for the Health Centre, he said that this will help in keeping track of medical and treatment records as also in analyzing the statistics of the prevalent and impending diseases so as to serve the JMI community better.

The Health Centre which has 16 full-time and part-time doctors, treats nearly 480 patients per day and is open from 9 am to 10 pm daily including on all holidays.

Asif Shah said that it was a matter of tremendous satisfaction to him that he is able to give back to the institution that has given him knowledge. He thanked the Vice Chancellor for giving him the opportunity to undertake this important task which he said will go a long way in making JMI 's Health Centre digitally proficient.

The software developed by Shah's company will provide a digital matrix of all diseases, their treatment processes, a list of medicines and new research and innovations in the field of medicine along with other relevant information. Significantly, patients can also see their medical records on their mobile phones to be used even in other healthcare centres.

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