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JMI VC calls for installation of sensor system in the university to stop misuse of power

Expressing concern over Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) huge amount annually towards electricity charges, its Vice-Chancellor Prof Talat Ahmad today said that smart technique sensor should be installed so that electrical appliances like fans, lights and ACs not required can automatically get switched off.

Inaugurating a Global Initiative of Academic Networks (GIAN) course on 'Role of Smart Building Management Systems in the Development of Smart City', the VC said that the country is reeling under the shortage of power and the main reason for this is mismanagement and lack of responsibility on the part of the users.

Giving an example of misuse of electricity, he said he gets very upset when he sees fans, lights and ACs in empty classrooms and halls. "I am upset with people's attitude that they wait for an attendant to switch off the appliances. In fact, they can switch off these appliances themselves rather than leaving the job to them."

By stopping the misuse of electricity, the university can save a lot of money which can be used for other educational and developmental activities, he said.

He informed the audience that work is on to provide electricity to the whole campus through a solar system. He added that the university was also actively considering installing sensor systems that would automatically switch off electrical appliances when not in use.

During the five-day GIAN course, organized by the Department of Electrical Engineering, JMI, Prof. Saifur Rahman, Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering and Founding Director of Advanced Research Institute at Virginia Tech, USA will be sharing his research findings and experience with more than 100 participants from different universities including IITs and NITs.

Prof Rahman said that India was fortunate that it has the capacity to generate more than 30% of its power requirement but most important was to stop misuse of electricity. He applauded JMI for taking steps to stop misuse of electricity.

Prof Majid Jamil, Coordinator of the course, said that students and teachers from various universities along with experts from the industry are attending the course. There are four international participants.

Prof Aman Jairajpuri, Local coordinator of GIAN courses in JMI said that HRD Ministry has launched this course to enable students and teachers to get knowledge from foreign experts in relevant subjects.

Among those who attended the inaugural function were Dean of Faculty of Engineering & Technology, Prof Mehtab Alam, Head of Department of Electronics, Prof Z A Jaffery senior faculty members and students.

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