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Press Release

## Expert from AIIMS delivered Lecture at JMI on Addiction Problem Among Youth

University Counselling & Guidance Centre, Jamia Millia Islamia today organised a lecture on "Addiction Problem Among Youth". Dr. Gauri Shankar Kaloiya of AIIMS was the speaker for this important session. Several teachers, administrative staff and around 100 students attended the program.

Speaking on the issue of growing drug abuse among adolescent and youth Dr Kaloiya said family members have a great role to play to control this problem. Usually parents and other elder members of the family do not realise their responsibilities. Adolescents try to follow the bad habits of the elder members of the family like smoking, drinking or other addiction. Youngsters see them as role models and try to emulate and become addicts. Growing gap between the parents and their children due to work engagements and more association of the children with the peers are also causing increased drug addiction.

Students who participated in the lecture asked a number of questions related to drug abuse to the speaker.

Prof. Naved Iqbal, Director, University Counselling & Guidance Centre, JMI said that the Centre is committed to create awareness about drug abuse or any other issues related to youth. The Centre organised the lecture in view of increasing problem of drug addiction in the society particularly in universities and colleges. Counselling sessions are also organized at the Centre regularly for the needy students in the university.

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