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**Jamia Teachers' Association(JTA) awards a record number of scholarships to the
needy students of the university**

Jamia Teachers' Association (JTA) awarded a record number of scholarships to the needy students of Jamia Millia Islamia, a high ranked central university. JTA organized a cheque distribution function on 19 th March 2019 in the JTA office, JMI. Prof. (Retd.) Syed Inayat Ali Zaidi was the Chief Guest and Prof. M. Ishtiyaq (One of senior most Professors of Jamia and Former Vice Chancellor of Magadh University) was the Guest of Honour for event. Prof. Zaidi is credited for starting the said scholarship during his tenure while serving as Secretary of JTA in the year 2002. Both Guests insisted on the importance of education and advised students to put more efforts for standing out distinctly ahead. 'JTA is highly concerned for facilitating the basic needs of students in Jamia and teachers of university will continue to help them financially and morally; and that support from Jamia teaching fraternity helps in reducing university dropouts', said Prof. Majid Jamil who is the Secretary of the association. He further says that students from financially weaker sections deserves a dignified education and stay. The president of JTA Prof. Amir Azam said " we have awarded a record number of scholarships this year, around 190 in number, to the students struggling for an education whilst scarcity of funds."

The scholarship recipients belong to financially weaker sections from many Indian states and across the religions and genders. It was learned that teachers of Jamia have a contributory fund for extending financial support to university students of every faculty and center. In the session 2018-2019, the lump sum value of scholarship is around nine lakh rupees and number of awardees is all time high. 'I am sincerely thankful to the university teachers for helping me out in the time of need', said a student of Social Science Faculty. 'This money will help in meeting my hostel fee', said a female student of political science.

'The university teachers are generous enough to help their students and office bearers of present teachers' association is going to request the teaching fraternity to double the amount of their monthly contribution to help more students' said Dr. M. Irfan Qureshi, Joint Secretary of the Jamia Teachers' Association. He also informed that scholarship amount is transferred into student bank accounts and only some of the students were invited to the cheque distribution function.

The entire JTA had open discussion and received important inputs and suggestions from the students.

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Attached: 02 Photographs of the felicitation award ceremony for JTA scholarships to the students of Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi.



