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Press Release

JMI inaugurates 6th SPARC Course on “Inhabiting a Globalized World: Concepts, Theories, Critical Perspectives”

Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) Vice Chancellor Prof. Najma Akhtar inaugurated the 6th SPARC Course(Online) on “Inhabiting a Globalized World: Concepts, Theories, Critical Perspectives” on 7th July, 2021.

Supported by the Scheme for Promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration (SPARC), Ministry of Education (MoE), Government of India(GoI), the course is jointly organized by the Department of English, JMI and American Studies University of Würzburg, Germany, and will be taught by Prof. Isabel Karremann, Department of English, University of Zurich, Switzerland, International PI.

The inaugural function was conducted by Ms. Shraddha A. Singh, a Ph.D. Scholar in the Department of English, JMI, and was enthusiastically attended by a large crowd of scholars, students, and faculty from various disciplines.

Prof. Simi Malhotra, HOD., Department of English, JMI, Indian PI welcomed the guests, the host faculty and the attendees. She spoke about the course as being part of a larger academic and research collaboration of the University under the SPARC scheme which began in 2019 and how it is aimed at conceptualizing the globalized world that all of us inhabit through a series of lectures which will be held over the course of the upcoming weeks.

The Chief Guest, JMI Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Najma Akhtar, delivered the inaugural address by welcoming the diverse group of academicians and scholars from all over India and from across different disciplines, and highlighted the importance of understanding contemporary cultural practices and knowledge systems in India and across the world. She stressed the course’s promise of offering novel approaches and critical responses to the lived conditions of inhabiting a globalized world and encouraged the participants to learn from and contribute to the course with zeal.

Elaborating on the themes defining the course, Prof. Isabel Karremann introduced the course and discussed her vision for the same by sharing details about the participative and collaborative nature of the course.

Promising to be an eventful, exciting and essential course in contemporary times, the virtual Inauguration of the 6th SPARC Course was brought to an end with a Vote of Thanks by Zahra Rizvi, a Ph.D. Scholar in the Department of English, JMI. To ensure a wide range of viewership and participation, the entire inauguration was also live streamed on YouTube.



