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**Press Release** 

## JMI organizes National Webinar on Curriculum Framework for Teacher Education

The School of Education (SOE) of Faculty of Education, Jamia Millia Islamia(JMI) under the scheme Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya National Mission on Teachers and Training (PMMMNMTT) of the Government of India(GoI) organized a twoday webinar entitled 'Reinventing Curriculum Framework for Teacher Education in Pursuance of NEP,2020: Concerns and Future Prospects' on 5<sup>th</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup> June,2021.

The inaugural session was chaired by the Vice Chancellor, JMI, Prof. Najma Akhtar, who was also the Chief Patron of the webinar and the key-note address was given by Prof. J.S. Rajput, the former Director, NCERT and Chairperson, NCTE.

Prof. Aejaz Masih, the convener of the webinar welcomed the guests and apprised them of the expectations of the webinar which aimed at developing a framework that could set the stage for making the best education system in India by 2040.

Prof. Rajput, while addressing the panelists and audience, laid emphasis on critical thinking which should be developed along with education. He focused on the utility of education which could be achieved through thinking, meditating and study skills.

Prof. Najma Akhtar said that developing curriculum framework for teacher education is a colossal task and the framework needs structural changes and it should not be prescriptive in nature.

Significantly, in the webinar a galaxy of educationists that included former Vice Chancellors, former chairpersons and Vice chairpersons of NCTE, the Deans of various Faculty of Education, Heads of Department of Education and experts in the field from a number of universities across the country participated in the deliberations on different themes in the webinar.

In the webinar, there were as many as six technical sessions with different themes and the discussants gave vent to their views with great fervor and zeal.

The valedictory address was given by Prof. Saroj Sharma, the Chairperson, NIOS and the session was chaired by Prof. Shyam Menon, the former Vice Chancellor, Ambedkar University, Delhi. Prof. Sharma expressed her pleasure over the initiative taken by JMI in organizing the webinar. She said that the reinventing curriculum framework for teacher education requires a lot of doing which include not only restructuring the pedagogical practices but also the content area of different programmes of teacher education.

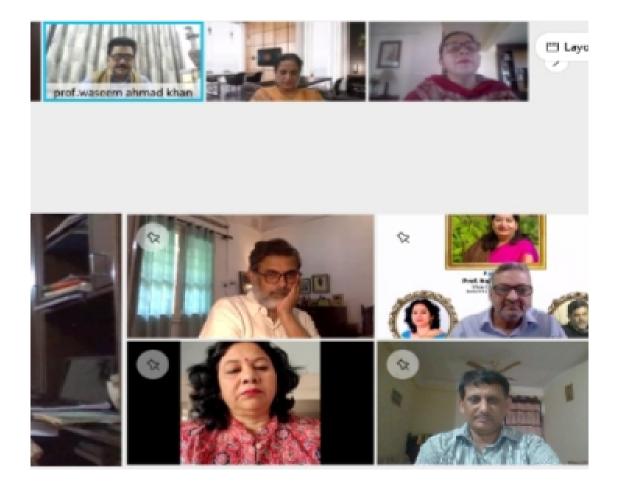
Prof Shyam Menon, while giving the chair's remarks, laid emphasis on developing a framework which should be viable and region specific. He reiterated that teachers and more specifically teacher educators are not only implementers of the teacher education curriculum but its planner too and so they should come forward to take up this task.

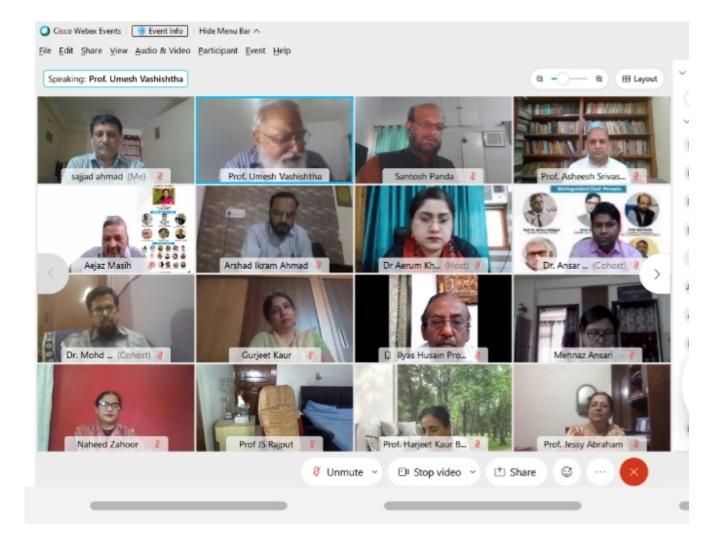
Dr. Savita Kaushal, the Co-convener of the Webinar welcomed the guests of valedictory function and Dr. Arshad Ikram Ahmad, another Co-convener presented a brief of the deliberations held during the two days program.

About two hundred teacher educators and research scholars from different universities and teacher education institutions across the country attended the webinar. The webinar concluded with the vote of thanks given by the organizing secretary, Dr. Ansar Ahmad.

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