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Orientation Programme at Faculty of Law, JMI for the Newly Admitted Students 2025-26 Batches

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The Faculty of Law, Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI), hosted its Orientation Programme on August 22, 2025 at the Faculty of Engineering Auditorium to welcome the newly admitted students of B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), LL.M., and Postgraduate Diploma courses for the Session 2025-26. The event, marked by solemnity and enthusiasm, introduced the incoming batches to the academic ethos, legacy, and opportunities of one of India's leading law schools.

As per the University tradition, the programme commenced with the recitation of verses from the Holy Qur'an by Dr. Enam Firdos, followed by the soulful rendition of the Jamia Tarana. Anchors Ms. Saimah & Areeb Siddiqui conducted the proceedings with grace and serenity.

The distinguished galaxy of intellectuals included Dr. Rajiv Mani, Secretary, Legislative Department, Ministry of Law and Justice, Government of India, who graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. He was warmly felicitated with a shawl, a memento, and a sapling by Prof. (Dr.) Ghulam Yazdani, Dean, Faculty of Law. Other dignitaries honoured included Prof. Neelofar Afzal (Dean, Students' Welfare), Prof. Tanuja (Dean, Academic Affairs), Prof. Ahteshamul Haque (Deputy Controller of Examinations), Prof. Mohammad Asad Malik (Chief Proctor), Mr. Rashid (Chief Security Advisor) & Mr. Nurul Huda (Assistant Registrar, Legal), JMI, all of whom were felicitated with saplings as a symbol of growth and knowledge.

In his welcome address, Prof. Yazdani traced the glorious history of Jamia, recalling its contribution to the freedom struggle and its unflinching commitment to nation-building. He urged the students to take full advantage of opportunities in mooting, debates, ADR, research, and legal aid. "Jamia has always been at the forefront of nurturing socially responsible lawyers, and we expect the same legacy to be carried forward by you," he remarked.

Dr. Subhradipta Sarkar, Associate Professor & Subject Advisor, Faculty of Law, highlighted the Faculty's stellar achievements, including its 6th position in the NIRF 2023 rankings among law schools in India and the consistent success of its students in moot courts, debates, and judicial services. He also underlined Jamia's wider reputation as the 3rd ranked university in the country, emphasising the responsibility that comes with being part of such a distinguished institution.

Prof. Tanuja, Dean, Academic Affairs, spoke about the prestige of the legal profession and the importance of skill-based learning, sustainability, and the growing integration of artificial intelligence in law. She familiarised the students with facilities such as the library, online SWAYAM courses, and the placement cell; encouraging them to balance academics with cultural and social engagement.

Prof. Ahteshamul Haque gave a demonstration of the university's automated admission and examination systems, while Prof. Asad Malik, Chief Proctor, elaborated on the Code of Conduct, anti-ragging measures, and grievance redressal mechanisms, reminding students that discipline forms the backbone of professional life. Prof. Neelofar Afzal outlined the wide array of scholarships, student welfare schemes, and sports and cultural clubs, urging students to pursue holistic growth. Prof. Qazi Usman presented highlights of students who have excelled in multiple national and intra-faculty competitions.

The keynote address by Chief Guest Dr. Rajiv Mani was the highlight of the programme. It is also a matter of immense pride of the Jamia community that he is an alumnus of the Faculty of Law. He reflected on the vital role played by lawyers in India's constitutional history and the freedom movement, reminding students that law remains a tool for social transformation. Speaking about recent developments, including the 106th Constitutional Amendment on women's reservation, he stressed the rising importance of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) and global opportunities for Indian lawyers. "The world is changing, and so is the practice of law. You must aspire not only to succeed professionally but also to serve society with integrity," he advised the students.

The programme also celebrated student achievements. The Orientation also coincided with the conclusion of Anti-Ragging Week, during which students participated in debates, quizzes, elocution, and poster-making competitions. Winners were felicitated by the Chief Guest and other dignitaries.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Alisha Khatun, who acknowledged the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Registrar for their support. She also mentioned their inability to grace the occasion due to sudden administrative engagement. But the extended felicitation of the Chief guest was done by Prof. Mazhar Asif, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor & Prof. Md. Mahtab Alam Rizvi, Registrar, JMI in his office. Dr. Alisha also put on record the appreciation to Deans, Heads & Directors of various centres, faculty members including guest faculties, Ph.D. scholars and the organising committee for their support in making the event a huge success. She specially appreciated the students for their presence in large numbers. The National Anthem was sung in unison, bringing the programme to a dignified close.

The success of the programme was credited to the leadership of Prof. (Dr.) Ghulam Yazdani, Dean, Faculty of Law, supported by Dr. Subhradipta Sarkar, Dr. Alisha Khatun and other faculty members in its meticulous organisation, with valuable behind-the-scenes assistance from Dr. Noorjahan. The seamless organisation was further strengthened by the tremendous contribution of a vibrant group of student volunteers, whose enthusiasm added to the spirit of the occasion. The Orientation Programme left the new batch with a sense of pride and purpose. By blending Jamia's rich heritage with its forward-looking academic vision, the Faculty of Law reaffirmed its mission to mould students into not just competent lawyers, but also responsible citizens committed to justice and nation-building.

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