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**Press Release**

**A talk on ‘Contribution of Royal Mughal ladies in the field of Architecture’ at JMI:**

India Arab Cultural Centre, JMI organised a talk on ‘*Contribution of the Royal Mughal ladies in the field of Architecture*’ on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at the conference room of the centre. The talk was delivered by Dr. Amita Paliwal of Department of History, Jesus & Mary College, Delhi University. Dr. Nasir Raza Khan, Offg. Director of India Arab Cultural Centre introduced the theme and welcomed the speaker.

Dr. Amita Paliwal elaborated the idea of *Contribution of the Royal Mughal ladies in the field of Architecture*. Opening a new paradigm to the women-centric history, Dr. Paliwal enlightened the audience about the Mughal era, its architecture and contribution of royal *Mughal* ladies to the field of architecture. She has given various examples, how royal ladies contributed to the design of Mughal Era buildings and architecture.

She said the Royal Mughal ladies like Haji Begum, Mariam-uz-Zamani, Gulbadan Begum, Gulrukh Begum, Nur Jahan, Mumtaz Mahal, Jahanara, Roshanara, Zeb-un-Nisa, Zinat-un-Nisa etc. contributed much in the field of Mughal architecture. Many of them took an active interest and even spent a lot of their personal allowances in constructing beautiful monuments and exotic gardens, which survive even today. They constructed palaces, *sarais*, garden tombs, mosques, market places, step-wells etc. for themselves and also for their husbands or fathers.

The beautiful gardens and buildings were laid amidst beautiful locations of Kashmir, Kabul, Lahore, Agra and Delhi. Their aesthetic sense and creativity is revealed to a great degree in their contributions in the field of art and architecture.

The lecture was chaired by Prof. Nishat Manzar, Head, Department of History & Culture, JMI.

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INDIA-ARAB CULTURAL CENTRE  
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talk on

*Contribution of the Royal Mughal Ladies  
in the field of Architecture*

Speaker

**Dr Amita Paliwal**

(Department of History, Jesus & Mary College, Delhi University)

Chair

**Prof. Nishat Manzoor**

Head, Dept of History & Culture, Jamia Millia Islamia

**Monday, 19 November 2018 at 2:30 p.m.,**

Vicere Conference Room, India



