Press Release

VC and Registrar, JMI visit Shafiq Memorial Senior Secondary School; Promise to work towards making it "one of the best schools in Delhi"

Vice Chancellor, Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI), Professor Mazhar Asif and the Registrar JMI, Prof. Md. Mahtab Alam Rizvi, visited the renowned Shafiq Memorial Senior Secondary School in Delhi's Bara Hindu Rao on April 13, 2025 and interacted with the school's teaching and the non-teaching staff to assess the challenges that it is currently facing. Given that the last time a JMI Vice Chancellor visited the institution was over nine years ago, Prof. Asif's tour holds tremendous significance and has been widely welcomed.

The school was founded in 1948 under the aegis of Delhi Education Society (DES), and has a long history of affiliation with JMI. This association goes back to the time when the visionary businessman who was financing it, Mr. Ataur Rehman, left the country after partition and entrusted the School to the care of Dr. Zakir Husain, the then Vice Chancellor of JMI who went on to become the President of India. Later, DES was established to take over the management of the school and its members included luminaries and educationists such as Dr Zakir Husain, Mohd. Mujeeb and Mirza Mehmood Beg.

The Vice Chancellor of JMI, who is also the President of the Delhi Education Society, serves as the ex-officio Chairman of the school's managing committee.

During their visit, the VC and Registrar, JMI spent over three hours physically inspecting the school building, its classrooms, staff rooms, common rooms and washrooms. For over an hour, they discussed the areas of key concerns flagged by the school administration, including those related to infrastructure and building upkeep, the quality of teaching resources used and other basic facilities that must be provided to the children enrolled at the school.

With the aim of making it "one of the best schools in Delhi", Prof Asif held comprehensive discussions on the various administrative, scholastic, and infrastructural issues affecting the overall atmosphere at the Shafiq Memorial School. Prof Asif and Prof Rizvi patiently listened to the grievances put forth in the deliberations and promised to work towards improving the teaching-learning environment at the school. This positive initiative by the JMI Vice-Chancellor was warmly received by parents, students, and the school administration, who expressed their appreciation of his dedication to the school's development and betterment.

Notably, Shafiq Memorial Senior Secondary School is a government aided school recognized by Directorate of Education, NCT of Delhi and is affiliated to CBSE up to class 12th. Primarily an Urdu-medium school, it also has additional sections in English and Hindi medium, imparting education in all three streams, namely, Arts, Science, and Commerce.

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