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Press Release

Scientific validation of Unani Products through proper research methodology must for acceptance in World Community: Prof. Najma Akhtar

Jamia Millia Islamia(JMI) Vice Chancellor Prof. Najma Akhtar today said that the Unani Medicine is a comprehensive medical system which meticulously deals with the various states of health and diseases and provides promotive, preventive, curative and rehabilitative healthcare. It is heartening to note that it is flourishing so well in India and has developed. She was speaking as the Chief Guest of the National Seminar on Research Methodology organised by the Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine(CCRUM),New Delhi.

The Vice Chancellor further said that at present, the health sector around the world is thriving due to scientific validation and new hallmarks of acceptance in the world community. The UNANI preparations and products which follow international standards are doing very well in international markets. Such scientific validation is possible only by following specific research methodologies and it is our responsibility to put forward its scientific validation through proper research methodology.

“We have also to validate the herbs using proper taxonomy, chemotaxonomy, molecular assessment such as RFLP, RAPD, etc. The most advanced research methodology for herbal validation is METABOLOMICS which offers the identification of hundreds of molecules in a single go. Later, data could be analyzed on bioinformatics platforms.” she said.

Prof. Asim Ali Khan, Director General, CCRUM and Adviser (Unani) Ministry of Ayush, Dr. R.K. Manchanda, Director (ISM&H), Govt. of NCT, Delhi, Dr. Mukhtar Qasmi, Joint Adviser, Ministry of Ayush, officials from the Ministry of AYUSH, distinguished guest from Research Councils, faculty members from JMI and other institutions were present during the inaugural function.

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