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Press Release

### **JMI organizes 3<sup>rd</sup> Mushirul Hasan Memorial Lecture**

The Third Mushirul Hasan Memorial Lecture was hosted by the Department of History & Culture, Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) on 20<sup>th</sup> of February 2024. The lecture was delivered by noted historian Prof. S. Irfan Habib. The topic was "Maulana Azad: A Brief Engagement with his Life and Politics".

The Offg. Vice Chancellor of JMI, Prof. Eqbal Hussain was the Chief Guest of the event. Prof. Zoya Hasan and Prof. Iqtidar Mohammad Khan, Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Languages, JMI were Special Guests.

The function opened with welcome remarks by Prof. Farhat Nasreen, the Head of the Department of History & Culture, JMI. Prof. Nasreen recalled the marvelous achievements of Prof. Mushirul Hasan.

Offg. Vice Chancellor, Prof. Eqbal Hussain recalled sharing a special relation with the late Prof. Mushirul Hasan, who was his senior and mentor. He asserted that indeed Prof. Hasan will always be remembered as the 'Shah Jahan of Jamia Milia Islamia'. He said that there have been very few academicians of the caliber of the late Prof. Hasan.

Prof. Zoya Hasan, spoke about the Mushirul Hasan Endowment Fund and the scholarships which are distributed under the aegis of this fund.

Prof. Iqtidar Mohammad Khan spoke about the personal and professional excellence of the late Professor. He said that the latter encouraged his juniors to express themselves so that improvements could be made in every field.

Dr. Jawaid Alam spoke about the establishment of the department of History in JMI by the efforts of the late Prof. Mohibbul Hasan. He also spoke about the life and career of Prof. Mushirul Hasan.

Prof. S. Irfan Habib's lecture about Maulana Azad focused on the lesser known aspects of the Maulana's life. For an example he stated that the Maulana had learned to play Sitar and he had played it on a moonlit night on the banks of Yamuna near the Taj Mahal in Agra. His love for music could be recollected from the fact that he carried a transistor wherever he went; even in the prison. Prof. Habib stressed that remembering our freedom fighters only on their birthdays is not enough.

We must inculcate the values of humanism that we have received from them in our daily lives.

The lecture was attended by more than a hundred people and was very well received.

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Department of History and Culture  
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Invites you to the Third Mushirul Hasan Memorial Lecture  
On  
**MAULANA AZAD: A BRIEF ENGAGEMENT  
WITH HIS LIFE AND POLITICS**  
By  
Prof. S. Irfan Habib  
On 20th February, 2024 11:30 am  
Venue: Seminar Hall, Department of History and Culture

Chief Guest  
Prof. Eghal Hussain  
(Vice Chancellor, JMI)

Special Guest  
Prof. Zoya Hasan  
(Prof. Emerita, CPS, JNU)

Special Guest  
Prof. Iqbal Muhammad Khan  
(Dean, F/O Humanities and Languages)

Convener  
Prof. Irfan Habib

Co-Convener  
Prof. Eghal Hussain

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