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Vice Chancellor's Message

I am happy to note that the second issue of Spreadsheet for year 2009 is being published before we conclude the eventful year 2009. A number of important developments have taken place in the University after the last issue was published. A strong reassuring relationship between Jamia Hamdard and the UGC emerged as a result of its plan review committee visit to the campus. A three fold increase in UGC plan support (Rs 18 Crores for 11th plan period in comparison to Rs 6 Crores provided during 10th Plan) is the most needed shot in the arm of the University. It is expected that by using this fund in various developmental activities the University will increase its stature at national and international levels and create better facilities for students.

A number of fundamental changes have been introduced during the reporting period. Revised Ph D bye-laws have been adopted, which rationalizes the student intake for the Ph D programme of the University. For majority of the study programmes 'Foundation Courses' have been introduced to provide a solid foundation to students about basic principles of varied subjects. English language skill development programme has also been initiated.

The University has also moved closer to establishment of a Medical School under the provisions of Medical Council of India. The first intake of 100 students for MBBS course is planned for the academic year 2011.

Through this spreadsheet, I would like to approach all the well-wishers of Jamia Hamdard, especially its Alumni to join our caravan that is moving ahead for bringing in the most needed change in the academic environ of the University for a bright future for our present and future students.

The Editorial Team deserves appreciation for their efforts in providing a rainbow view of the University activities in eight pages.

My best wishes to all.

Dr GN Qazi

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New Book Publications



- Practical Pharmacognosy by Saroja Joshi and Vidhu Aeri, published by Frank Brothers, New Delhi.
- The Third Histamine Receptor Selective Ligands as Potential Therapeutic Agents in CNS Disorders, edited by Divya Vohora, published by CRC Press (Taylor & Francis group), Boca Raton, USA.
- Imam Ahmad Raza ke Afkar-wo-Nazariyat: Ek Taqabuli Mutalla by Prof GY Anjum, published by Kutub Khana Amjadia, Delhi.

Flash Back



Jan'09

26: Republic Day was celebrated with patriotic spirit. The tricolor was hoisted by Dr GN Qazi, followed by National Anthem and ceremonial Guard of Honour by NCC cadets.

27-31: A high-level delegation from Saudi Arabia, led by Dr Mohammed Bin Hassan Al- Saegh, Advisor and In-charge of Islamic Affairs, Ministry of Higher Education, visited Jamia Hamdard.

Feb'09

4-6: Dr A P J Abdul Kalam, former President of India, inaugurated a three days Indo-US Symposium on Cancer Nanotechnology, organized by Jamia Hamdard under the sponsorship of IUSSTF at INSA Auditorium, New Delhi.

Mar'09

21: Lamp Lighting Ceremony was organized by Faculty of Nursing. Ms Parveen Talha, Member, UPSC was the Chief Guest and Ms Aparajita

Gogoi, Member, White Ribbon Alliance of India, was the Guest of Honour.

23: Blood Donation Camp was organized by NSS, Jamia Hamdard.

28: The 12th meeting of Society of Jamia Hamdard.

Apr'09

22: Mr M Hamid Ansari, Vice President of India, released the book 'Federal Power Sharing Managing Indian Diversities' edited by Prof Akhtar Majeed.

Jun'09

1: Delhi Council of Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy visited the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences.



Visits Abroad



Prof GY Anjum, Head, Department of Islamic Studies attended an International Seminar on Jashn-e-Miladun-Nabi in Mauritania. (March'09).

Dr Divya Vohora, Faculty of Pharmacy, presented paper 'Analysis of interactions between sodium valproate and N-acetylcysteine on experimental seizures in mice' at 23rd meeting of Malaysian Society of Physiology & Pharmacology, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (May'09).

Dr Farhan J Ahmad, Faculty of Pharmacy, presented papers 'Design and Development of Bioadhesive Vaginal Gels of Novel Antimicrobial Combinations from Herbal Sources' and 'Microencapsulation of Garlic oil and its Evaluation in Experimental Atherosclerosis' at WHAT Medicine International Conference, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (June'09).

Jamia Hamdard at World Health and Asian Traditional (WHAT) Medicine International Conference and Exhibition

19-21 June '09, Putra World Trade Centre, Malaysia



World Health and Asian Traditional (WHAT) Medicine conference, "Sustainable Global Health", was held in collaboration with the University of Mississippi's National Centre for Natural Products Research (NCNPR), USA, Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine (IIIM) and Jamia Hamdard, India at Putra World Trade Center, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

The 3-day conference and exhibition was a perfect opportunity for the public, trade and professionals to come together to gain valuable insight into the most up-to-date services, products, brands and technology advancements available today, explore new business opportunities and network with the finest vendors and experts of this progressive industry.

A Scientific delegation, headed by Dr GN Qazi, presented four oral scientific papers and fourteen scientific posters in the area of standardization of herbal Unani medicines, formulation development of herbal medicines, nano-herbal medicines, clinical studies and halal herbal industry. All the papers were well appreciated by the experts and participants.

Notable speakers at the conference were Prof Tan Sri Dato' Dzulkifli, Abdul Razak Vice Chancellor, University Sains Malaysia, Dato' Dr Nor Shahidah Khairullah, Director, MN Consultancy Sdn Bhd, Prof AN Rao, Emeritus Prof, National University of Singapore, Dr Jonathan Obaje, CEO & Consultant Scientist, Urah Resources Pte Ltd, Singapore, Dr Larry A Walker, Director National Center for Natural Products Research, University of Mississippi, USA. Prof Mohamad Roji Samidi, R&D Manager, CEPP, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia, Dr Deborah Cooper, Chief Scientific Officer, CollTech, Australia.

Highlights of the conference were Industrial dialogue on "Commercializing Asian Traditional Medicine Adding Business to Science and Technology" and an Exhibition on Herbal Medicine which showcased more than fifty herbal medicine manufacturers from Malaysia, India and Singapore.

Hamdard Wakf Laboratories also showcased their wide range of products. A large number of patients showed interest in Unani System of Medicine. Hakim Asim Ali Khan from Hamdard University and Tabiba Ghazala Javed from CCRUM gave free consultation to all the patients.

Indo-US Symposium on Cancer Nanotechnology

A three days Indo-US symposium on Cancer Nanotechnology (4-6 Feb '09) was organized by Jamia Hamdard under the sponsorship of IUSSTF at INSA Auditorium, New Delhi. The purpose of the summit was to bring scientists, technologists and industrialists from India and USA to one platform in order to have discussion about the cancer related problems in their respective countries and to explore the possibilities of collaborative research for fighting out the problems related to cancer management using the latest development in nanotechnology.

Dr APJ Abdul Kalam, eminent scientist and former President of India graced the inaugural function of the symposium and congratulated the organizers for bringing together eminent scientists from different laboratories in USA and India working for the common cause of fighting the problem of cancer.

Dr GN Qazi emphasized upon the biological perspective which should be addressed while formulating any novel nanotechnology based formulation.



The technical session started with the introductory lecture by Prof Vladimir Torchillin, Northeastern University, USA, a renowned pharmaceutical scientist on "Cancer Nanotechnology: Enhancing imaging and therapy."

Prof Piotre Grondginski and Dr Scott McNeil from National Cancer Institute, USA delivered their lectures on the various facets of Nanotechnology.

Other speakers who delivered talks included Prof Omid Farokhzad, MIT Cambridge, Dr Kattesh Katti, University of Missouri, Columbia, Dr Anirban Maitra, Johns Hopkins Medical Institute, Baltimore, Prof Shiladitya Sengupta, MIT, Cambridge, Dr Sudhir Srivastava, NCI/NIH, Bethesda, Dr Farhan J Ahmad, Department of Pharmaceutics, Jamia Hamdard, New Delhi, Prof AK Dinda, Department of Pathology, AIIMS, New Delhi, Prof Manju Ray, Department of Biological Science, IACS, Kolkata, Prof P Pramanik, IIT Kharagpur, West Bengal, Prof Shanti Nair, Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences, Cochin, Prof Jayce Bellare, IIT, Mumbai.

MAJEEDIA HOSPITAL NEWS

Majeedia Hospital has established collaboration with Pushpawati Singhania Research Institute for Liver, Renal and Digestive Diseases (PSRI) for providing easy access to Blood Bank services in the hospital. The hospital has also established collaboration with C-15 MRI Diagnostic & Research Centre for CT and MRI Scans to provide prompt and immediate services to the patients. They are also providing free ambulances to our patients and employees. The hospital offers special package for cataract operations to provide affordable services to poor patients. Free checkup camps on 'Eye' (19 to 21 Feb '09, Dr MC Jha, Dr SP Singh and Dr V Grover); 'Diabetes' (13 Jan '09, Dr Prem Kapur); 'Dental' (18 Jan '09, Dr Ashish Jagota); 'Piles' (19 Jan '09, Dr Shiv Chopra); 'Computerized Bone Mineral Density Test' (5 March '09, Dr VK Garg) were organized at the hospital. A large number of patients were investigated by the respective doctors.

Appointments & Promotions



Finance Section

Mr Jitender Kumar Tripathi as Deputy Registrar.

Faculty of Allied Health Sciences

Prof VH Talib, former Head of Pathology, Safdardjung Hospital, New Delhi as Advisor, Academics; Mr Sohrab Ahmad Khan as Lecturer (Physiotherapy), Department of Rehabilitation Sciences.

Dr S Raisuddin as Head, Department of Clinical Research. Prof VH Talib as Adjunct Professor.

Prof Sudershan Arora, Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd. as Adjunct Professor in the Department of Clinical Research.

Prof Ashok Rattan, Fortis Clinical Research Laboratories as Adjunct Professor in the Department of Clinical Research.

Majeedia Hospital

Dr M Haroon as Deputy Medical Superintendent, Ms Dipanita Barua as Patient Care Officer, Dr Ajitha Rao as Senior Research Officer and Dr Ranjana Bali as Consultant (Pathology).

Faculty of Nursing

Prof Sujana Chakravarty as Principal, Rufaida School of Nursing.

Faculty of Pharmacy

Prof CL Kaul, Former Director, NIPER, Mohali as Advisor Academics.

Faculty of Management & Information Technology

Dr Abhimanyu Acharya, Director (Corporate Philosophy), AA Associates, Hyderabad as Consultant.

Faculty of Science

Dr Sarwat Sultana as Head, Department of Medical Elementology & Toxicology. Dr Shahid Umar as Reader, Department of Botany.

Faculty of Medicine

Tabiba Yasmin Shamsi as Reader, Department of Kulliyat. Hkm M Maaz and Tabiba Azhar Jabin as Lecturers, Department of Moalijat. Tabiba Shazia Jilani and Tabiba Shehla Nazir as Lecturers, Department of Tahafuzi-wa-Samaji Tibb. Tabiba Aisha Siddiqui as Lecturer, Department of Ilmul Advia. Tabiba Jahanara as Lecturer, Department of Amraze Niswan and Tabiba Zehra Zaidi as Lecturer, Department of Jarahiyat.

Faculty of Interdisciplinary Sciences

Dr NK Ganguly, Former Director General, ICMR, New Delhi as Advisor to Medical College and multi specialty project.

Ms Zeenat Mirza as Lecturer in the Bioinformatics. Ms Vinita Kumari as Lecturer in the Bioelectronics and Instrumentation. Dr ZR Azaz Ahmad Azad as Lecturer (ad hoc) in the Department of Food Technology and Nutrigenomics.

Special Appointments

Hkm Asim Ali Khan, Faculty of Medicine as Foreign Students Advisor and Dr Kalim Javed, Faculty of Science as Provost.

Student Speak



Community Service

More than 150 students of different faculties of Jamia Hamdard participated in World Health Day Awareness Run programme at sports ground complex, Chanakya Puri, New Delhi, organized by WHO and Health Fitness Trust of New Delhi (7 April '09). 40 students of Jamia Hamdard participated in International Drug Abuse Day run awareness at Raj Ghat, New Delhi, organized by Health Fitness Trust, New Delhi (26 May'09).

National Service Scheme (NSS)

Red Ribbon Club was inaugurated by Dr GN Qazi on 23 March '09. Red Ribbon Club is an activity, sponsored by Delhi AIDS Control Society for the awareness of HIV/AIDS. Several HIV/AIDS awareness activity programmes have been organized in the campus under this club, which have more than 100 members. A Blood Donation Camp

was inaugurated by Project Director, Delhi AIDS Control Society. More than two hundred NSS Volunteers donated blood.

A Special camp was organized by NSS from 15 to 24 May '09 at Sangam Vihar, New Delhi. Over 50 student volunteers organized awareness campaign about cleanliness, sanitation, vaccination, HIV/AIDS, infectious diseases, plantation and pulse polio immunization among the residents of this locality.

National Cadet Corps (NCC)

54 cadets have attended routine NCC parades



NCC annual function was held at Convention Centre, Jamia Hamdard. Dr GN Qazi was the Chief Guest and Mr Sayed Ausaf Ali presided over the function. 20 students were awarded with 'B & C Certificate' (30 March '09).

throughout the year and became eligible for 'B & C Certificate Exam' 2009-'10. 6 Cadets and 5 cadets appeared for 'B Certificate Exam' and 'C Certificate Exam', respectively on 2 Feb '09 at 7 Delhi BN NCC Safdarjang Enclave, New Delhi, and all cadets qualified the exam with A & B grades.; 25 cadets participated in World Health Day Awareness Run programme at Sport Complex, Chanakya Puri, New Delhi, organized by WHO and Health Fitness Trust, New Delhi (7 April '09). 10 cadets participated in International Drug Abuse Day Awareness Run programme at Raj Ghat, New Delhi (26 June '09).

Sports and Cultural Activities

Annual Literary, Cultural and Sports Week (MOSAIC 2009) was celebrated from 19 to 26 Jan'09. The students from different faculties participated in outdoor, indoor games and different cultural events like street play, Naat, vocal and instrumental music, limerick, essay writing, etc. The students received prizes by the Chief Guest, Mr Yoganand Shastri, Speaker, Delhi Legislative Assembly.

Rx 2009, the Annual Pharmacy Festival was organized by Faculty of Pharmacy on 8 March '09. Dr VM Katoch, Director General, ICMR was the Chief Guest and Mr Atul Kumar Nasa, President, IPGA was the Guest of Honour.

An International Students' Cultural Festival, RENDEZVOUS 2009 was celebrated on 28 March'09. More than 120 students from 25 countries presented cultural songs and dances of their respective countries.

Excellence: Hilal Ahmad Lone, Tabasum Nazir Qadri, Mukhtar Ahmad Bhat and Riffat John, Department of Botany have been selected as Lecturers in Higher Education, Department of Jammu & Kashmir Public Service Commission.

Sandeep C Chaudhary, Department of Medical Elementology & Toxicology received Young Investigator Award of Oxygen Club of California in appreciation of scientific excellence.

Dr Manpreet Kaur was awarded Research Associateship (CSIR); Hina Rashid, Firoz Ahmad, Wajhul Qamar, Maujiram and Irshad A Lone, were awarded Senior Research Fellowships (CSIR), all from the Faculty of Science.

Uzma Shezadi and Syed Ahmar Zia received third prize in the English category in 'All India Sir Syed Memorial Debate Competition' at Aligarh Muslim University (Jan '09). Zainab Akhlaq and M Mumtaz Alam won the Running Champions Trophy at 'Bazm e Jamia' debate competition, organized by Jamia Millia Islamia. Syed Ahmar Zia, Faisal Ahmad Khan and Allen Das won first prize in the 'Advertising' competition at Annual Fest of Jagannath Institute of Management, New Delhi (Jan'09) and Pioneer Business Media School, New Delhi (Feb '09). Anishmita Ghosh won the first prize in Extempore Speaking at Jagannath Institute of Management. Syed Salman and Syed Ahmar Zia won second prize in the debate competition 'Tulya Bharata', Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi (Feb '09).

Projects



FACULTY OF PHARMACY

Department of Pharmaceutics

Dr Farhan J Ahmad: 'Development and evaluation of a novel nano-emulsion gel for topical anti-arthritis Unani formulations' by AYUSH and 'Design and development of nanoparticulate drug delivery system for the treatment of lymphatic filariasis' by AICTE.

Dr Sanjula Baboota: 'Nanocurcumin- A novel approach for cancer therapy' by UGC and 'Nanoparticulate systems of corticosteroids with keratolytic agents for the treatment of psoriasis' by AICTE.

Department of Pharmacology

Prof KK Pillai: 'Combination therapy in epilepsy: Search for suitable adjuncts' by UGC-SAP.

Dr M Akhtar: 'Preparation and development of drug formulation of *Nigella sativa* with therapeutic potential in stroke' by AICTE.

FACULTY OF SCIENCE

Department of Botany

Dr Altaf Ahmad: 'Identification and characterization of metabolic processes for improvement in nitrogen use efficiency in wheat' by UGC.

Prof Javed Ahmad: 'Multiplication and upgradation of some prioritized medicinal plants used in the Unani system of medicine' by CCRUM.



Honours, Awards & International Recognitions



•Dr GN Qazi has been nominated in the Board of Directors of the National Research Development Corporation (NRDC) by the Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India.

•He has been also nominated as a Member of the Executive Council of Baba Ghulam Shah Badshah University, Rajouri by the Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir.

•Dr Qazi has been nominated as one of the Expert Members of the sub committee to prepare guidelines for licensing of patent and proprietary medicine and their categories by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India.

•Dr GN Qazi was the Chief Guest at Founder's Day Function of Sir Gangaram Hospital, New Delhi. Dr Qazi distributed Meritorious Awards and addressed the gathering on the occasion (13 April '09).

•Dr Qazi received 'Academic Excellence Award-2009' by the Chairman, Amity Group for his excellent contribution in academics.

•Dr S Raisuddin (Toxicology) and Dr Farhan J Ahmad (Pharmaceutics) have been appointed as members in Medical Biotechnology & Nanotechnology Sectional Committee of Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS).

Faculty of Management

Mr M Shah Nawaz Abdin prepared course material for Diploma in Retailing programme (Retail marketing and communication) for Indira Gandhi National Open University.

Faculty of Nursing

Ms Urmila Bhardwaj prepared course material for 2 units and edited 4 units of Self Instructional Module of Indira Gandhi National Open University for Health Care Provider.

Faculty of Pharmacy

Dr Farhan J Ahmad has been appointed as Member, Editorial Board of Recent Patents on Drug Delivery & Formulation, Bentham Publications. ■

Final Words



Visitors to Jamia Hamdard

- A delegation from Saudi Arabia (Jan'09).
- Mr Ebraheem M Albashar, Cultural Attaché from Saudi Arabia (April'09).
- A delegation from Kuwait (May'09).

PhDs Awarded



Biochemistry

- Babita Singh (Dr Saleem Javed)
- Gul Mehnaz Mustafa (Prof Shakir Ali)

Biotechnology

- Dhananjay Shukla (Dr Anju Bansal & Prof SK Jain)

•Gowher Nabi, Ruchika Sharma and Shivane Kaul (Prof PS Srivastava)

•Mir Abid Hussain (Prof MZ Abdin)

•Nasier Ahmad (Dr GN Qazi & Prof MZ Abdin)

•Seema and Jawaid Ahsan (Prof SK Jain)

•Suman Mazumdar (Prof VS Chauhan & Prof SK Jain)

Botany

- Gurjeet Kaur (Dr Altaf Ahmad)
- Saad Hamed Hamdo (Dr Shahid Umar)

Chemistry

•Abid Hussain Banday (Dr HM Sampath Kumar & Prof MS Alam)

•Sameena Bano and Irshad Ahmad Lone (Prof MS Alam)

Computer Science

•Suraiya Jabin (Prof Afshar Alam)

Federal Studies

•Abdalla Yahia Adam (Prof Akhtar Majeed)

Islamic studies

•Abdur Rahman and Shafiq Ahmed Sheikh (Prof Basir A Khan)

Medical Elementology & Toxicology

- Anand Mohan (Dr Haider Ali Khan)
- M Moshahid Khan (Dr Fakhru Islam)
- Nrashant Singh (Dr Anand P Sahu & Dr S Raisuddin)

•Nyla Nazir (Dr V Verma & Prof M Athar)

•Sahar Rehman (Dr Sarwat Sultana)

•Shikha Khare (Prof M Athar)

•Suriya Rehman (Dr AS Shawl & Dr Sarwat Sultana)

Pharmaceutics

•Ajeet Kumar Singh (Dr Rama Mukherjee & Prof RK Khar)

•Anupama Diwan (Dr Kanchan Kohli)

•M Javed Qureshi (Dr Javed Ali)

•M Khalid Anwer and Anoop Kumar (Prof Asghar Ali)

•M Naushad Alam (Dr M Aqil)

•Sanjay Kumar Motwani (Prof RK Khar)

•Tripta Bansal (Dr Sushama Talegaonkar)

Pharmaceutical Chemistry

•Darpan Kaushik (Prof Suroor A Khan)

•M Afroz Bakht and M Mustaqem Abdullah (Dr M Shahar Yar)

•Priyanka Ahuja (Dr Asif Hussain)

Pharmacology

•Majid Ahmad (Dr Anshu Manocha)

Pharmacognosy & Phytochemistry

•Neeti Jain (Dr R Vijayaraghavan & Prof M Ali). ■



NATIONAL LEVEL COMPETITIONS



GATE

Faculty of Pharmacy

This year 47 students cleared GATE examination. The following students scored more than 95 percentile.

Vandana Kumari*, M Fazil*, Ajit Singh, Arshad Ali Khan, Ashif Khan, Deepesh K Singh, Iqbal Ahmad, M Asif Anwer, M Wasi Akhtar, Mayank Singhal, Mehmood Hasan, M Ahmad, M Manauwarul Islam, Naseem Alam, Neyaz Hoda, Shadabul Haque, Shilu Deepa Thomas, Tauseef Ahmad and Vasim Khan.

*More than 99 percentile. ■

Lectures/ Seminars/ Workshops



Lectures

Neuroprotective Effects of Phytochemical Compounds-Current Research and Future Prospects- A Focus on Alzheimer's Disease" by Prof Charles Ramassamy, Professeur agrégé, INRS-Institut Armand-Frappier, Québec, Canada (March '09).

Methylated Metals and Metalloids in Humans by Prof Albert Rettenmeier, Director, Institute of Hygiene and Occupational Medicine, University Clinic Essen, Essen, Germany (May '09).

National Seminar on Emerging Trends in Pharmaceutical Sciences

AICTE sponsored National Seminar on 'Emerging Trends in Pharmaceutical Sciences' was organized by Faculty of Pharmacy on 21-22 March'09. More than 350 delegates participated in the two day seminar. The programme was inaugurated by Dr GN Singh, Scientific Director, Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission. Dr Singh

emphasized the importance of quality education for the development of pharmacy profession. Ms Archana Mudgal, Registrar cum Secretary, Pharmacy Council of India, was the Guest of Honor. She briefed the gathering about the activities and future plans of Pharmacy Council of India. Dr G N Qazi, emphasized the importance of undergraduate education and exposure of UG students to research at a very early stage. During the two- day seminar, various eminent speakers from pharmaceutical fields namely Prof S N Sharma, Prof Emeritus, Jamia Hamdard, Dr P D Sheth, Vice President, Federation Internationale Pharmaceutique, Dr AK

Singh, Director, INMAS, Dr C K Katiyar, Head, Herbal Research, Dabur Research Foundation, Dr S K Gupta, Director General, ICRI, Dr Mohan Prasad, Vice President, Chemical research Division, Ranbaxy, and Mr S L Nasa, Registrar, Delhi Pharmacy Council delivered talks on various topics related to the main theme of the workshop. Scientific Poster presentation session was organized on both days with above 100 participants presented and discussed their scientific work among delegates attending the seminar.

The valedictory function was organized on 22 March '09. Prof S S Agrawal, Director, Delhi Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences and Research, New Delhi was the Chief Guest and Prof MSY Khan was the Guest of Honour.

Intellectual Property Protection and Management

A regional seminar on 'Intellectual Property Protection and Management' was organized by CCRUM, National Research Development Corporation and Jamia Hamdard (11-12Feb'09). Ms S Jalaja, Secretary, Department of AYUSH, Govt. of India was the Chief Guest.

National Conference on RCH PHARMAMED 2009

A two day National Conference, 'RCH-PHARMAMED 2009' was inaugurated on 17 April by Ms S Jalaja, Secretary, AYUSH, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare at Convention Centre, Jamia Hamdard. The conference was organized by



Department of Gynecology, Obstetrics and Pediatrics, Faculty of Medicine, and Department of Pharmaceutics, Faculty of Pharmacy, Jamia Hamdard in collaboration with CCRUM and sponsored by AYUSH. Dr Khalid Siddiqui, Director, CCRUM stressed the need of collaborative research for better solutions for maternal and child welfare. Prof YK Gupta, Head, Pharmacology, AIIMS, emphasized the importance of affordable and reliable solutions to overcome the problems of maternal and child mortality as well as nutrient deficiency. Prof SS Agrawal, Director, DIPSAR, talked about the importance of male contraception. In the presidential address, Dr GN Qazi urged researchers to come up with preparations or dietary supplements, which could be useful for maternal and child health especially for overcoming deficiencies. Ms S Jalaja in her inaugural address said that the holistic approach of traditional systems of medicine like Unani and Ayurveda is effective for maternal and child healthcare. The conference comprised of various sessions like cosmaceuticals, reproductive tract infections, maternal and child health, nutraceuticals, dietotherapy and novel drug delivery systems, involving academicians, researchers and practitioners of both alternative and modern medicines. Several health checkup camps in collaboration with CCRUM were organized at different locations in Delhi and thousands of women and children were examined and necessary medicines were dispensed gratis. Speakers of plenary session, Dr Renuka Kulkarni gave an insight into various ongoing clinical trials in traditional medicine. Dr Sampath Kumar, IIM, Jammu gave a detailed account of design and development of fragrances and flavors. Dr Khursheed Alam Khan, Head, R&D, ITC Hotels, apprised the audience about quality control systems used in food industry and the same can be used for Unani System of Medicine for producing medicine of international quality.

Dr Khalid Mehmood Siddiqui, Assistant Director, CCRUM made a presentation about various traditional RCH practices of rural and tribal India and concept of family welfare in Unani system of medicine. ■

Info Corner



Jamia Hamdard has been selected by the MHRD/UGC to establish Residential Coaching Academy for preparing students from minority for competitive examinations, especially Civil Services. Only four Universities in India have been selected under the scheme. The other Universities are AMU, Aligarh, MANUU, Hyderabad and Ambedkar University, Lucknow.

New Courses

- MSc in Clinical Research, Faculty of Allied Health Sciences
- MA in Human Rights, Faculty of Islamic Studies and Social Sciences
- PG Diploma in Intellectual Property Right (PGDIPR) under Open and Distance Learning mode
- PG Diploma in Human Rights (PGDHR) under Open and Distance Learning mode

Library News

The HMS Central library is the only University library all over India to have successfully introduced the integrated Libsys package for undertaking bibliographic data processing works in European as well as other Asian languages like Arabic, Persian and Urdu simultaneously. Now the library is in the position to enter data about books, etc., in all popular languages on a single platform and issue the reading materials to the users through a single membership account. ■



Distinguished Hamdard Alumnus



Dr Arshad H Khuroo graduated from Jamia Hamdard in pharmacy and joined Ranbaxy Research Laboratories, Gurgaon in 1995. During his initial work, he developed and validated a number of bioanalytical methods using HPLC, which were successfully implemented for analysis of biological samples in BA/BE studies. In year 1996-97, LC-MS/MS became the method of choice for analysis of drug/metabolite concentrations in biological matrix in India and Arshad was one of the core members of the team involved in bio-analysis at that time. From 2002 to 2004, he worked as a team leader and under his supervision bioanalytical part of a larger number of BA/BE studies was carried out. His team is credited with development of rapid, accurate and precise multi-analyte bioanalytical methods using automated liquid handling systems and LC-MS/MS-based detection. Presently designated as Associate Director, he is heading a group of more than 60 scientists in Ranbaxy Research Laboratories. In 1998, Arshad obtained M S in Pharmacy Operations, From BITS, Pillani and he did his PhD in Pharmaceutical Sciences in 2009 from BITS, Ranchi. Arshad is author/co-author of more than 30 research papers.

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Foot Prints



Mr SHH Mufti, Deputy Registrar, General Administration (30 June'09), Mr Syed Ziaul Hasan Zaidi, Clerk, Central Library (31 May '09), retired on attaining the age of superannuation.

Editorial Corner



The first issue of 2009 invoked good response because of its colourful new look and content. The editorial team is thankful for the valuable comments and suggestions received from readers in Jamia Hamdard and elsewhere and herewith brings out the second issue of 2009. In this issue, events of period January to June 2009 have been highlighted. These six months have been eventful as Jamia Hamdard has received tremendous support from UGC in the fund allocation; in the XI Plan almost three fold increase from the previous allocation. Our efforts have been to include most of the information received from various sources. However, some omissions and errors are natural and we seek your inputs for the same. An e-mail ID (spreadsheet@jamiyahamdard.ac.in) has been created for your comments. Please send your comments on this ID.

Food For Thought



“The teacher who is indeed wise does not bid you to enter the house of his wisdom but rather leads you to the threshold of your mind.”

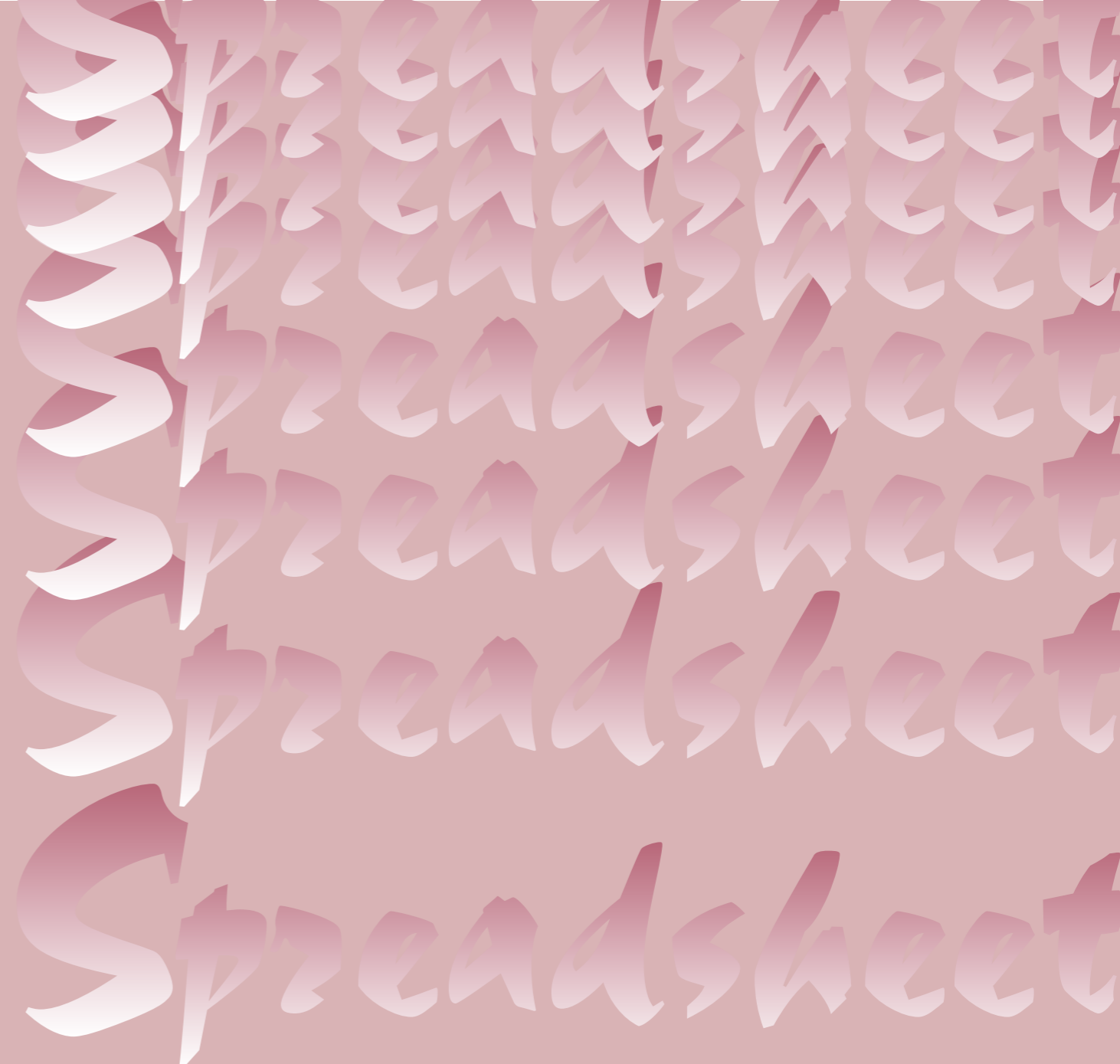
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