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#### EVENTS AT IBN SINA ACADEMY (April – June 2023)

#### World Environment Day 2023

Ibn Sina Academy has taken the pledge -'Lifestyle for the Environment (LiFE)' called by the NITI Aayog, Govt. of India and committed to practice an environment-friendly action every day to become a Pro Planet People (P3).

LiFE envisions replacing the prevalent 'useand-dispose' economy—governed by mindless and destructive consumption—with a circular economy, which would be defined by mindful and deliberate utilization. The Mission intends to nudge individuals to undertake simple acts in their daily lives that can contribute significantly to climate change when embraced across the world.

LiFE plans to leverage the strength of social networks to influence social norms surrounding climate. The Mission plans to create and nurture a global network of individuals, namely 'Pro-Planet People' (P3), who will have a shared commitment to adopt environmentally and promote friendly lifestyles. Through the P3 community, the Mission seeks to create an ecosystem that will reinforce and enable environmentally friendly behaviours to be self-sustainable. A certificate was issued to Ibn Sina Academy by the Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change.

Ibn Sina Academy participated in another program on World Environment Day called "The Earth Project".

"I pledge to live a more sustainable lifestyle. I will consider the environmental, social, and economic impacts of my daily decisions and make every effort to be responsible in these areas. I will also share my individual sustainability efforts with others and in my community to inspire people in making conscientious choices for the planet" *https://theearthproject.com/* 

#### Guest Lecture by Dr. Syed Taqi Abedi

Dr. Sved Taqi Abedi, a well-known scholar of Urdu Literature from Toronto (Canada) delivered the guest lecture on a topic, "mat sahl hameñ jaano phirtā hai falak barsoñ", which is based on the famous stanza of Mir Taqi Mir (mat sahl hameñ jaano phirtā hai falak barsoñ; tab khaak ke parde se insān nikalte haiñ) on 13th April 2023. The speaker enlightened that Mir Taqi Mir was an Urdu poet of the 18th century Mughal India and one of the pioneers who gave shape to the Urdu language itself. His father's name was Meer Muttaqi. After his father's death, his step-Brothers took control over his property. The part of his poetry is the grief he expresses. He has expressed a lot of grief over the downfall of the city, Delhi. He was one of the principal poets of the Delhi School of Urdu ghazal and is often remembered as one of the best poets of Urdu language. His pen name (takhallus) was Mir. He spent the latter part of his life in the court of Asaf-ud-Daulah in Lucknow. Dr. Syed Taqi Abedi, in his unique style, expressed the need of understanding Urdu in different corners of the world.

Presiding over the lecture, Prof. Hakim Syed Zillur Rahman, said that Dr. Syed Taqi Abedi, is a true ambassador of Urdu language. He is based in Toronto and has travelled a lot in the whole world. He briefed that earlier also, Dr. Syed Taqi Abedi, delivered a guest lecture at Ibn Sina Academy, on another famous Urdu poet, Firaq Gorakhpuri. On the same occasion, the book written by Dr. Syed Taqi Abedi, was also released.

On the same occasion, Ms. Azma Kazmi from the Dept. of Fine Arts, presented a beautiful painting on Hakim Syed Zillur Rahman, for the museum of Ibn Sina Academy.

A large number of senior teachers including Prof. Zakia Siddiqi, Prof. Abdul Latif, Prof. Mohd Ali Jauhar, Prof. Sagheer Afrahim, Prof. Parvaiz Talib, Prof. Mohamed Quamrul

Hooda Faridi, Prof. Syed Kafeel Ahmad Qasmi, Dr. Rehan Akhtar, Dr. Aftab Alam Najmi, Dr. Hamid Raza Siddiqui, Dr. Asad Faisal Farouqui and many research scholars attended the lecture.

#### Eleventh Prof. Akhtar Zaheer Rizvi Memorial Fest 2023

The Alumni Association of AMU ABK High School, Aligarh, organises the Post-Inter School Open Literary Festival almost every year. The Eleventh Prof. Akhtar Zaheer Rizvi Memorial Fest 2023 was organised in the month of April 2023. The prize distribution of the Eleventh Prof. Akhtar Zaheer Rizvi Memorial Fest 2023 was arranged at Ibn Sina Academy on 7.5.2023.

#### WHO IMA/IAP Workshop

A workshop by the local unit of World Health Organisation (WHO) was organised in association with Aligarh Indian Medical Association (IMA) Branch and Aligarh Indian Academy of Paediatrics (IAP) Branch on a topic, "Covid-19 vaccination and carry forward its learnings to strengthen routine immunization (RI), vaccine preventable diseases (VPDs) and adverse event following immunization (AEFI) surveillance on 03/05/2023 at Ibn Sina Academy.

A total of 91 members attended the workshop. The resource persons were Dr. Vikas K. Gupta (Sub Regional Team Leader, WHO Country office for India) and Dr. Abdur Rahman (Surveillance Medical Officer, WHO Country office for India).

# Seminar and releasing ceremony of '*Pechak*' and '*Gumshuda*'

A very good number of research scholars mainly from the Dept. of Urdu, AMU, presented their papers based on two books released on the same day 'Pechak' by Mr. Ishrat Zafar and 'Gumshuda' by Mr. Qaid Hussain Kausar. This book releasing ceremony and seminar was organised on 10.6.2023 at Ibn Sina Academy in collaboration with Ishrat Zafar Foundation of Kanpur.

Presiding over the function, Prof. Syed Zillur Rahman, said that there is a strong relationship between the Urdu language, culture and civilization.

Prof. Tariq Chattarvi, former chairman Dept. of Urdu and noted story writer appreciated the works of Qaid Hussain Kausar. Prof. Syed Sirajuddin Ajmali, from the Dept. of Urdu, AMU, also spoke highly about the literary works of Ishrat Zafar and Qaid Hussain Kausar. The convener of the program Dr. Aftab Alam Najmi (In-charge, Ghalib Study Centre, Ibn Sina Academy) said that he closely looked at the two scholars.

Jawed Ashraf, Yusra Suhail, Abul Bashar, Jamaluddin (Hyderabad), Adiba Siddiqui, Darakshan Anjum, Ishrat Jahan, Alqama Hayat, presented papers on the book, *Pechak* of Ishrat Zafar, while Dr. Naghma Jaisi, Nehal Usmani and Mohd. Hanif Khan presented papers on '*Gumshuda*' by Qaid Hussain Kausar.

Later in the evening, an Urdu poetry recitation (*Mushaira*) program was organised under the chair of Prof. Syed Sirajuddin Ajmali. The guest poets presented their poems including Maroof Kainati, Mujeeb Shahzar, Qari Mohd Akhtar, Mohd Abdullah, Jawed Sahil, Asif Safavi and Jamaluddin Nawaz. The program was conducted by Jawed Sahil. Earlier, Prof. Syed Ziaur Rahman (Secretary, Ibn Sina Academy) briefed about the activities of Ibn Sina Academy.

# Interview Sessions for the AMU School Support Group Scholarship

6 days were spent to finalise the list of deserving students for AMU School Support Group Scholarship from 27.05.23 to 01.06.23. These interviews were taken by 1987 passed out Minto Circle students. Four young scholars were also appointed to observe these interviews.

On the first day, children from the Abdullah Primary School were invited, Likewise, on the second day of interviewing, AMU Union School (Boys and Girls) were covered. On the

third day of interviewing, AMU City Girls High School (Qazi Pada) was covered. On the the fourth day of interviewing, AMU Girls High School was covered. On fifth day of interviewing, STS High School (Minto Circle) was covered.

On the last day of interview, Prof. Mohd Khalid (President, AMU Teachers Association) was the chief guest, while Hakim Syed Zillur Rahman presided over the function. Dr. Misbahuddin Azhar briefed about the scholarship program. Prof. Syed Ziaur Rahman conducted the program and thanked all the 54 donors and well-wishers! Before the formal ceremony, Mr. Ahmad Raza recited a few verses from the Holy Quran.

On the same occasion, 4 Interns received certificates of appreciation and cash remuneration. They presented reports based on their experience (see page 12-14).

#### **Books and Bags Distribution Function**

AMU School Support Group for Education, which is a project of Aligarh Education Endowment Fund (USA) and Ibn Sina Academy of Medieval Medicine and Sciences (India), distributes books and bags as a part of its scholarship program. A function to distribute the books and bags was organised on 28.6.2023 in which Er. Mohammad Tayyab (Senior Management Consultant, Aramco, Dhahran, Saudi Arabia) was invited as chief guest. The core team of the AMU School Support Group for Education selected 200+ students for the scholarship program after rigorous interviews.

#### **Dinners Hosting**

Ibn Sina Academy hosted dinners in honour of its visiting guests and well-wishers. These formal dinners were arranged during 3.5.2023 and 4.5.2023.

#### Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Ibn Sino International Foundation, Uzbekistan

The Ibn Sino International Foundation was established in accordance with the Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan. The Chairman of the Board of the Public Foundation "Ibn Sino" is Dr. Nozimkhon Makhmudov. Ibn Sina Academy (Aligarh, India) is one of the signatories of the Ibn Sino Intl. Foundation, Tashkent (Uzbekistan).

#### **DISTINGUISHED VISITORS**

- 1. Educational Tour as a part of Induction Programme, BUMS First Prof (Batch 2022), AKTC, AMU, Aligarh, under the guidance of Dr. Saba Zaidi (Assistant Professor, Department of Tashreeh wa Munafeul Aza), 26.5.2023
- 2. Resident doctors of the Dept. of Radiotherapy and Clinical Oncology, Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College, AMU, Aligarh, under the guidance of the Chairman, Prof. Mohammad Akram, visited the Academy, as a part of educational tour, 23.6.2023
- 3. Dr. Syed Taqi Abedi, Toronto, Canada, 13.4.2023
- Prof. Abdul Majid Qazi, Chairman, Dept. of Arabic, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, 3.5.2023
- 5. Mr. Mohammad Imran Qureshi, Chief Executive Officer, MetTech, Abu Dhabi, UAE, 20.5.2023
- 6. Dr. Iqtedar Hussain Farouqui, Lucknow, 26.5.2023
- 7. Dr. Anwar Hussain Khan, Jamia Hamdard, New Delhi, 27.5.2023
- 8. Mr. Mohammad Imran (IPS), Registrar, AMU, Aligarh, 4.6.2023
- 9. Mr. Saqib Parekh (Nagpur) and Dr. Kamran Ajaz Ahmad Khan (Mumbai), 13.6.2013

#### **MEMBERS' ACTIVITIES**

# *Prof. Syed Zillur Rahman, President, Ibn Sina Academy,* has been invited in the following events:

- 1. First Meeting of the Markazi Majlis-e Mushawarat, All India Muslim Majlis-e Mushawarat, AIMMM Office, New Delhi, 6.5.2023
- Guest, Farewell Party in honour of Prof. M. M. Wamiq Amin, Dept. of Ilmul Amraz,

Conference Room, Dept. of Saidla, AK Tibbiya College, 3.5.2023

- 3. Guest of Honour, Rashid Nadvi Hall (detail on page 8-9)
- Panelist, Sir Syed Academy (detail on page 9-10)
- 5. Panelist, Condolence Meeting (detail on page 10-12)
- 6. Member of the Editorial Board, Hamdard Pharmacopoeia, Karachi, Pakistan (for detail, see below)

Prof. Syed Zillur Rahman has been inducted as a Member of the Editorial Board, Hamdard Pharmacopoeia, Pharma Pakistan. Ms. Chairperson. Sadia Rashid. Hamdard Foundation, Karachi, Pakistan, informed about the proposal to revise Hamdard Pharmacopoeia. Prof. Rahman in his reply, said, "it's such an important book that needs to be revised regularly. I am happy that the Hamdard Foundation has taken an initiative to bring out the revised and edited volume once again. I humbly accept to be on its editorial board. Please let me know if I'll be of any assistance in this project."

He has also been invited with his son Prof. Syed Ziaur Rahman to bless the grandson of Prof. Ram Swaroop (Executive Member, Ibn Sina Academy) on 16.6.2023. "May you 'Ayansh' live healthy, happy and be lovable to all!". On the same occasion, Prof. Syed Zillur Rahman, was also honoured by the family of Prof. R. Swaroop.

**Prof. Syed Ziaur Rahman, Hony. Treasurer, Ibn Sina Academy,** has been appointed as Coordinator of the Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring Centre (AMC) and Medical Device Adverse Events Monitoring Centre (MDMC) at Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College Hospital, AMU, Aligarh. Both AMC and MDMC works under the National Pharmacovigilance Program of India (PvPI) and Materiovigilance Program of India (MvPI), respectively, under the aegis of Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India. Dr. Rahman has been working in the field of Pharmacovigilance for the last 23 years. He has written one book,10 chapters on Pharmacovigilance and published hundreds of research papers in the same discipline. He has been the resource person and delivered hundreds of invited lectures in India and abroad on the safety of medicine. He is presently guiding a PhD thesis on Materiovigilance of Cardiovascular Medical Devices, which is one of the first PhD on this topic. Earlier, he guided one MD thesis and 3 dissertations.

He is the member of Technical Support Group of Medical Device Adverse Event Monitoring Centers (TSG-EEFM), National Coordination Centre (NCC) of the Materiovigilance Programme of India (MvPI), Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission, Boston Society Pharmacovigilance of Physicians, International Society of Pharmacovigilance Safety Pharmacological (ISoP). Society (USA), and founder member of the Society of Pharmacovigilance, India (SoPI). He started Journal of Pharmacovigilance & Drug Safety as an official periodical of the Society of Pharmacovigilance India (SoPI) in 2002. He served the SoPI in many capacities, and presently serves it as General Secretary.

On his appointment as Coordinator, AMC and MDMC, many teachers and colleagues including the Dean Faculty of Medicine, Prof. Veena Maheshwari, Former Principal JNMC Prof. Rakesh Bhargava and Founder President of SoPI, Prof. K. C. Singhal congratulated Dr. Rahman.

On this occasion, Dr. Rahman briefed that IPC has also accepted the appointment of Dr. Mohammad Sarfraz (Assistant Professor, Centre for Biomedical Engineering and Dept. of Electrical Engineering) as Deputy Coordinator of MDMC and Dr. Imrana Masood (Assistant Professor, Dept. of TB and Chest Diseases, JNMC, AMU, Aligarh) as Deputy Coordinator of AMC. He thanked all his teachers and students and promised to take the PvPI and MvPI to a greater height.

In 2001, Dr. Rahman established the 'Centre for Safety and Rational Use of Indian System of Medicine' at Ibn Sina Academy, which played significant role in establishing the pharmacovigilance activities for Ayush medicines in India.

During the last quarter of the year, Dr. Rahman visited the following places for academic purpose:

- 1. Murshidabad and Berhampore (West Bengal), 11-14 April 2023
- 2. Haridwar and Rishikesh (Uttarakhand), 10-12 May 2023
- 3. Jamshedpur (Jharkhand), 17-18 May 2023
- 4. Indian National Science Academy (INSA), New Delhi, 20 May 2023
- 5. S. N. Medical College, Agra (Uttar Pradesh), 24-26 May 2023
- 6. Hapur (Uttar Pradesh), 9 June 2023
- 7. Nalhar, Nuh (Haryana), 14-15 June 2023
- 8. Integral University, Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh), 19-21 June 2023

#### FORTHCOMING CONFERENCE

#### International Conference on Alternatives to Animal Experimentation & 6th Annual Meeting of the Society for Alternatives to Animal Experiments – India

The International Conference on Alternatives to Animal Experimentation & 6th Annual Meeting of the Society for Alternatives to Animal Experiments – India, is planned to be held from 20th & 21st November, 2023. Likewise, the Post Conference Workshop on "Alternatives to Higher Animals in Biological Research" is planned from 22nd to 29th November, 2023 under the aegis of the Indian Society for Alternatives to Animal Experiments-I India (SAAE-I).

The conference and workshop will be hosted by the Department of Pharmacology, Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh and Dept. of Zoology, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, respectively. Ibn Sina Academy will be the partner member. Aims and Objectives of the Society

- To promote adoption of Alternatives to Animal Experiments/3Rs movement in India.
- To network all the stake-holders of Alternatives to Animal Experiments as an initiative to liaise with the National as well as International Organizations of Alternatives and Animal Welfare so as to minimize animal experiments and to adopt 3Rs in India.
- To work in collaboration with the Universities, Institutes, Industries to bring about newer alternative methods; help the existing as well as newer alternative methods get validated by the appropriate Agency, and to work for establishment of Validating Agencies.
- To arrange scientific meetings, workshops and discussions amongst the stake-holders of Alternatives to Animal Experiments.
- To initiate Journals, Bulletins, News Letters, etc., with a view to popularize the concept of Alternatives to Animal Experiments.
- To introduce awards, prizes and endowments for commendable activities in the domain of Alternatives to Animal Experiments.
- To provide / organize courses / training in the different versions of alternatives viz., digital, virtual, in-vitro, in-silico, alternative model organisms, integrated testing strategies (ITS), etc., so as to help human resource development in different domains of alternatives.

Key Features of Conference:

Many eminent scientists from across the globe and India are expected to join both as participants and guest speakers.

Key Speakers: Representative(s) of CAAT, Johns Hopkins, USA' Representative(s) of JSAAE, Japan; Representative(s) of KSAAE, South Korea; Representative(s) of NORECOPA, Norway; Representative(s) of ALTERTOX, Belgium; Representative(s) of HSI, USA/Canada/India; Representative(s) of PeTA, India; Representative(s) of Jai Res Foundation, Vapi, Gujarat; Dr. Christian

Pellevoisin, Mattek, France; Dr. Y. K. Gupta, AIIMS, New Delhi; Dr. M. Akbarsha, Former Director and Chair, Mahatma Gandhi-Doerenkamp Center (MGDC) for Alternatives to Use of Animals in Life Science Education, Tiruchirappalli; Dr. S. Raisuddin, Jamia Hamdard, New Delhi; Dr. P. V. Mohanan and Dr. P. R. Anil Kumar. SCTIMST. Trivandrum; Dr. Subrahmanyam Vangala, Reagene, Bangalore; Dr. A. B. Pant & Dr. Aamir Nazir, IITR, Lucknow; Dr. Md. Idris & Dr. Karthik Vasudevan, CCMB, Hyderabad.

Abstracts are invited on the following themes:

- 1. Any topic related to alternatives, substitution and replacement of animal experimentation
- 2. Alternatives to Animal Experimentation in Veterinary Science, Pharmacology, Physiology, Zoology, Bio-Chemistry, Microbiology and other relevant areas of research.

The registration fee for the scientist/faculty – Rs. 3000/-; for stipendiary students - Rs 2500/; Non-stipendiary scholars/students - Rs 2000/-; students without accommodation - Rs 1000/-; accompanying person - Rs. 2000/. Registration Fee for the workshop - Rs. 3500.

For more detail, please contact the conference secretariat: Dr. Syed Ziaur Rahman

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#### DOCUMENTATION

#### Inauguration of Newly Constructed Hall and Reading Room at Dept. of Arabic, AMU, Aligarh

The Aligarh Muslim University Vice Chancellor, Prof Mohammad Gulrez inaugurated the newly constructed hall and a reading room in the Department of Arabic, which had been built in memory of the late Prof. Mohammad Rashid Nadvi, former Chairman of the department.

The inaugurated hall and reading room have been built with a generous donation of funds by Prof Mohammad Rashid Nadvi's family particularly his sons: Engineer Danish Rashid and Mr. Waqar Rashid, who also donated his books with two large cabinets, to the department's seminar library, after getting the books bound in hardcover.

Appreciating the initiative, Vice Chancellor Prof Mohammad Gulrez said that the generous donation by Prof Rashid's sons is a noble deed and it would go a long way in helping the students in their educational pursuits. He further said that the Department of Arabic has a unique identity in the studies of various languages at the university.

The Vice Chancellor released books of the teachers of the department and the latest issue of *Majma-ul-Ilmi Al-Hindi* and the collection of essays from a seminar on this occasion. He also gave away prizes to the winners of speech, quiz and debate competitions.

The Chairman of the department, Prof. Mohammad Sanaullah Nadvi said that the total area of the hall and the reading room is 871.5 square feet, which has been expanded the reading area in the library for more students to accommodate.

Remembering Prof. Mohammad Rashid Nadvi's academic achievements, Prof. Abdul Majid Qazi (Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi) said, "I am happy that his sons have constructed a big hall in his memory and it would help spread knowledge.

Padma Shri Professor Hakeem Syed Zillur Rahman (President, Ibn Sina Academy) highlighted the scholarly qualities of Prof Rashid. Prof Mohammad Rashid Nadvi was a prominent figure of Arabic language and literature in India whose scholarly work and teaching impacted the lives of a large number of his students and colleagues. He started his services as a research assistant in the Department of Islamic Studies in 1962 and became a lecturer in the same department in 1972. In 1977, he was appointed as a reader in the Arabic department and later became a professor. He retired from the university services in 1996 and passed away on May 2, 2021.

Prof. Rashid's son, Engineer Mohammad Danish said we have donated all the books and cabinets of our late father to the department hoping it would further the cause of spreading knowledge which was very dear to him. He assured that a memorial lecture would also be sponsored by them in their father's memory every year.

Prof. Syed Kafeel Ahmed Qasmi (Former Chairman of the department), Prof. Muhammad Sami Akhtar, Professor Masood Anwar Alvi and Prof. Arif Nazir, Dean Faculty of Arts also expressed their views. Prof Mohd Faizan Beg proposed the vote of thanks.

#### Maqalat-e-Sir Syed and biography of Haji Maulvi Mohammad Ismail Khan of Dataoli

The Aligarh Muslim University Vice Chancellor, Prof Mohammad Gulrez released the eighth volume of *Maqalat Sir Syed* (Essays of Sir Syed) and biography of *Haji Maulvi Mohammad Ismail Khan of Dattavali* in a function at the Sir Syed Academy, AMU, on 30.5.2023.

Speaking on the occasion, Professor Gulrez said that works related to Sir Syed Ahmad Khan and Aligarh Movement should be published in *Nagri* and other languages also, so that the message of Sir Syed spreads far and wide. He said that illustrated and pictorial books should also be published especially for children, so that the young generation becomes familiar with Sir Syed and Aligarh movement. "Children have special interest in illustrated books, and Sir Syed Academy should focus on it", he said,

The Vice-Chancellor further said that valuable historical and cultural artefacts and photographs of eminent persons and important events are preserved in the museum of Sir Syed Academy. "Periodic educational trips and visits of school children to this museum will help the young generation to learn about the significance of Sir Syed Ahmad Khan, and the Aligarh Movement which he started along with his associates" emphasized Prof Gulrez. The Vice Chancellor appreciated the books published by the Academy and acknowledged the hard work of the researchers and authors.

Padma Shri Professor Hakim Syed Zillur Rahman said that Sir Syed's faith was very strong. "It is pertinent to research the references used by Sir Syed Ahmad Khan in his religious writings, so that it becomes clear what Sir Syed wrote was also written by some of the famous thinkers and commentators like Ibn Rushd, Razi, Avicenna etc. He congratulated the Academy for publishing some very important works.

Commenting on the biography of Haji Maulvi Mohammad Ismail Khan of Dataoli, authored by Dr. Asad Faisal Farooqui, Professor Shafey Kidwai (Department of Mass Communication) said that the author has used authentic references in his book, which is necessary for a good and quality research.

It may be noted that Mohammad Ismail Khan was born in Dataoli village near Aligarh. He joined the Aligarh movement in 1869 at the age of thirteen and supported Sir Syed Ahmad Khan and his educational movement not only financially but also through his writings. He was a Vice President of the Management Committee of MAO College (1882) and served as one of the trustees of the College since Sir Syed's days till 1908. He was also an active member of the Sir Syed Memorial Fund Committee (1901). "When Sir Syed was ill, he

was the person who took him to his house. Sir Syed lived his last days there, till he died on 27th March 1898", pointed out Prof Kidwai.

Earlier, Professor Ali Mohammad Naqvi, Director, Sir Syed Academy welcomed the guests. He talked about the publications of Sir Syed Academy and extended thanks to the Vice Chancellor and University Administration for their patronage to the Academy.

Dr. Mohammad Shahid, Deputy Director, Sir Syed Academy said that the Academy has published several books including forty monographs on Sir Syed's associates. He extended thanks to the speakers and dignitaries present in the programme. Dr. Syed Hussain Haider conducted the proceedings.

#### Condolence Meeting Maulana Syed Rabey Hasan Nadvi

A condolence meeting on the said demise of Maulana Syed Rabey Hasan Nadvi, was held at Dept of Arabic, AMU, Aligarh on 16.4.2023, which was presided over by Presided by Prof. Hakim Syed Zillur Rahman. Maulana passed away on April 13 in Lucknow.

Prof. Rahman remembered him as a close associate and mentioned that his family has relations with Maulana Rabey for the last five generations. He wrote an exhaustive article on his personality in Urdu for the special issue – 'Maulana Rabey Number' going to be published from Rai Bareilly and for the 'Tamir Hayat', which is an official organ of Nadwatul Ulema, Lucknow

Prof. Sanaullah Nadvi, Chairman, Dept. of Arabic, said that Maulana Rabey was a multifaceted person, a teacher, researcher, linguist, writer and orator.

Prof. Ehtasham Ahmad Nadvi, in his address said, "Maulana Rabey Hasani Nadwi, Rector Nadwatul Ulama and President All India Muslim Personal Law Board, was a distinguished scholar of Islam. He was a man of literature and composition". Prof. Kafeel Ahmad Qasmi, said, "Maulana Rabey was with Maulana Abul Hasan Ali Nadwi at all times, whether at home or during a journey. He represented Maulana Nadwi on many occasions and spoke on his behalf. If Maulana Nadwi accepted any responsibility, it was Maulana Rabey who was to implement it. He further stated, "Maulana Rabey's looks had become like that of Maulana Abul Hasan Ali Nadwi."

Prof. Masood Anwar Alvi, said, Maulana was a true replica of his predecessor Maulana S Abul Hasan Ali Nadwi. He was Maulana Ali Miyan's nephew and a confidante for several decades.

Prof. Abu Sufyan Islahi, said 'Almighty Allah bestowed upon Maulana Rabey extraordinary knowledge and wisdom. His multifaceted genius can be discussed in various ways. Maulana Rabey was a great Islamic scholar, a thinker, an educationist, a historian, a litterateur, a theologian, a teacher, a reformer, an orator, a journalist, a jurist, a writer, a philanthropist, a biographer of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), a spokesman of the poor and the like'.

Dr. Fakhre Alam, Assistant Professor, read the condolence meeting.

#### **Biography of Maulana Syed Rabey Hasan** Nadvi:

Scion of an illustrious Syed family that produced a host of scholars, thinkers and spiritual preceptors like Shah Alamullah Hasani (d.1685), Syed Ahmad Shaheed (d.1831), Hakeem Syed Abdul Hai Hasani (1923), Dr Syed Abdul Ali Hasani (d.1961), Syed Muhammad Al- Hasani (1979), Syed Maulana Abul Hasan Ali Nadwi (d.1999), Maulana S M Wazeh Rasheed Nadwi (d.2019) and so on

#### Education qualifications:

Maulana Rabey was born in 1929 at Takiya Kalan, Raebareli, U.P. He had his elementary education at home and got higher education at Darul Uloom Nadwatul Ulama, Lucknow. Eminent personalities like Maulana S Abul

Hasan Ali Nadwi, Maulana Mohammad Shah Haleem Ata, Maulana Mufti Mohammad Saeed, Maulana Syed Hameeduddin, Maulana Oais Nagrami were his teachers. After completing education at Nadwatul Ulama, he went to Deoband and became a student of Maulana Syed Husain Ahmad Madani and other distinguished Ulama there.

He also spent about one year in Hijaz (Western Saudi Arabia) where he gained considerable benefits from prominent scholars career heights.

Maulana Nadwi writes, "My grandfather, Syed Khaliluddin Ahmad Hasani (nephew of Syed Shah Ziaun Nabi Hasani) who was a prominent landlord had made special arrangement for my father to acquire necessary skills to take care of his personal and household needs. Thus, my father's responsibilities were limited to taking care of matters pertaining to land and agriculture. He made our maternal uncles (Maulana Nadwi and his older brother Dr Sved Abdul Ali Hasani) responsible for our education and upbringing."

He derived considerable benefit and inspiration from them. In a true sense, Dr Abdul Ali planted the seed of worthiness in him and Maulana Abul Hasan Ali Nadwi nurtured it. Undoubtedly, he was a man of noble qualities. He was a paragon of morality. He never showed egotism, pride, and haughtiness. He had a throbbing heart for the entire nation. He met everyone cheerfully.

He was kindhearted and righteous person. He possessed sturdy intellect and common sense. The most striking aspects of his life were his *istighna* (expecting nothing from anyone except Allah) sincerity, simplicity, and piety. He meticulously followed *Sunnah* (traditions of the Prophet). Like his predecessor Maulana Syed Abul Hasan Ali Nadwi, he led a pious and exemplary life. He was a true descendant of *salaf saliheen* (pious lineage).

#### Teacher par excellence:

Maulana Syed Rabey Hasani Nadwi was appointed as teacher in 1949. He was a

dedicated to his profession. He was an embodiment of all sublime qualities and virtues necessary for a good teacher. His method of teaching was unprecedented.

Teaching was his sword that he wielded so effectively that very few people could match. Scores of students quenched their thirst for knowledge from him.

He left a galaxy of students behind who impart education in their respective areas. No doubt, it is an everlasting tribute to him. His myriad contributions in the field of education will always be remembered.

#### Rector of Nadwatul Ulama:

After the demise of Maulana Abul Hasan Ali Nadwi, Maulana Rabey was elected Rector of Nadwatul Ulama in 2000. Darul Uloom Nadwatul Ulama made great strides in various fields of education under his rectorship. Besides various hostels, separate building for higher classes, grand halls, extension of central Mosque and *Matbakh* (Mess) have also been constructed under his rectorship. He dedicated his entire life to the cause of Nadwatul Ulama's growth. He played a constructive role in Nadwa's progress and development. His remarkable contributions and achievements in the cause of Nadwatul Ulama will always be remembered.

#### President of Muslim Personal Law Board:

After passing away of Maulana Qazi Mujahidul Islam Qasmi, Maulana Rabey was elected the fourth President of the board on June 22, 2002. For two decades, Maulana Rabey held the post. He played a pivotal role in tackling key issues faced by the Board. Accordingly, scores of important issues have been solved during his tenure.

Truly speaking, he was an erudite scholar. The comprehensive knowledge and intellectual brilliance of Maulana Rabey had been acknowledged by his contemporaries. Because of his vast knowledge in all the religious and secular sciences, he had been entrusted with many important positions and offices, and was also conferred several prestigious awards,

including President Award for his outstanding service in the arena of Arabic language and literature in 1982 and; Shah Waliullah Award by Institute of Objective Studies, New Delhi in 2015.

Positions held by Maulana:

- 1. Rector, Nadwatul Ulama, Lucknow
- 2. President, All India Muslim Personal Law Board
- 3. President, World Forum of Islamic Literature
- 4. Member of Makkah-based Muslim World League
- 5. Executive Member of Darul Uloom Deoband
- 6. Patron, Islamic Fiqh Academy, New Delhi
- 7. President ,Academy of Islamic Research and Publication, Lucknow
- 8. Patron, Maulana Azad Memorial Academy, Lucknow
- 9. Member Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies (UK)

His writings:

He was a prolific writer. He authored more than four dozen books in Arabic and Urdu. His literary work is multidimensional. His creative work is complete in itself. He wrote almost in every style in prose. His various books are included in the syllabus of different institutions.

He was also an accomplished journalist. Because of his vast knowledge in all religious sciences, including jurisprudence, and a profound knowledge of different languages like Urdu, Arabic, English and Persian. He forthrightly shed light on every subject at length. Hundreds of articles are to his credit. He was a patron of five magazines published from Nadwatul Ulama.

The most surprising event was his last journey. His funeral prayer was led twice. The first funeral prayer was led by Dr. Saeedur Rahman Azami Nadwi at Nadwa and the second was led by Maulana Syed Bilal Abdul Hai Hasani Nadwi at Takia Kalan. He was laid to rest in his ancestral graveyard at Takia Kalan, Rai Bareli.

#### Interns Speeches on Certificate Distribution Day

#### 1. Report by Ifrah Fatima

My name is Ifrah Fatima. I have completed my schooling from AMU girls' school and currently I envisage persuading law.

I would like to express my deepest gratitude to respected Padmashri Prof Syed Zillur Rahman (Founder of Ibn Sina Academy), the President of SSGE (Student Support Group of Education) Er. Rizwan Ullah Khan, the Core Team Prof Syed Ziaur Rahman, Er. Adnan Hafiz, Er. Asif Shakeel Beg, Er. Fareed N. Farooqui and Hakim Misbaullah Azhar for giving me this great opportunity to be a part of their Observer's Program held from 27.05.23 to 01.06.23.

This support group initiated by our respected mentors have been giving scholarships to students for the past four years. It's definitely a great initiative to uplift the weaker sector of society and these bright talented students who are pulled back by their financial instability.

I came here as an intern for the one-week observers' program and it was such a great experience, to get to know the exposure of the society from this close.

My observations and benefits of attending the program was based on the interview sessions of the students' seeking scholarships.

- 1. Got an idea of types of people and their situations.
- 2. Advancement in my management and socializing skills
- 3. A boost in my confidence and selfesteem.

I met many students and their parents that resulted in the most life changing experience a person must get. There were many bright students who were really concerned about their future. I would like to take a moment of appreciation for such students. I came across such excellent minded students that left their marks on our memories and believe me when I say they have the power and potential in them to fulfil their dreams.

From my perspective I would also like to sit in the panel of experts while interviewing. I would help the students know their potential, to help them choose their aim, to make them realize where their interest lies because majorly the background of these students is fixed and there are less chances of them thinking out of the bubble.

As the program is limited to high school, it was best for us to guide them through and help them with their scoring subjects before they choose their proper streams.

One prior thing I wanted to add to the interview questions was to give the child a list of options regarding the aim according to their favourite/ scoring subject or field and to guide them accordingly. It would then be so easier for them to have a better future this way.

This observership benefitted me in many aspects of life. From my perspective I have realized that I am or say we are a lot more blessed than we actually think we are. This was really an eye opener for me and changed my vision of this world. now I am more grateful and patient than I ever was.

A heartfelt thanks to the organization for giving me this chance.

#### 2. Report by Zaenah Shoeb Ahmad

Over the past week, I have been a part of a support programme as an observer to the interviews conducted for the AMU Student Support Group for Education, organised by members of the Minto Circle 1987 batch. This programme provides financial as well as resourceful aid to school students in the form of school books and bags.

Interning here has exposed me to the functioning of a non-profit organisation, through various tasks such as management and documentation of students, as well as provision of resources.

However, the most prominent aspect of this internship was being able to closely observe the interviews conducted with the students and their family members in a professional setting. It allowed me to get insight on the various backgrounds and household conditions that students come from.

Furthermore, under the guidance of respected Prof. Ziaur Rahman, Mr. Adnan Hafiz, Mr. Asif Shakeel Beg, Mr. Fareed N. Farooqi, and Hakim Misbahuddin Azhar, I was able to gain hands-on experience and understood my community in an improved sense.

Thus, this has been a wonderful learning experience and I am glad to have had the opportunity to be a part of this team. I look forward to being a part of this programme and more such ones from the organisation and also from the Ibn Sina Academy in the future.

#### 3. Report by Aliza Khan

I am Aliza Khan of 12th grade studying at Mater Dei School, New Delhi.

Firstly, I would like to show my heartfelt gratitude and thank Dr Shaheer Khan, Mr. Rizwanullah Khan, Prof. Syed Ziaur Rahman, Er. Adnan Hafiz, Er. Asif Shakeel Beg, Er. Fareed Farooqui and Dr. Misbahuddin Azhar for giving me this opportunity to volunteer for this noble internship program.

Today, I want to share my experience working and volunteering at Ibn Sina Academy. They providing on support focus to the underprivileged marginalised and communities by providing access to education They work to empower individuals and communities by providing tools and resources to reach their full potential by giving financial aid to the needy students. As we know education is the foundation for achieving our dreams, realising our potential, and making a positive impact on society. However, for many students, access to education is a luxury that they simply cannot afford.

Ibn Sina Academy is one such organisation that works tirelessly to bridge this gap and therefore makes it possible for many students to access education and achieve their goals by providing free textbooks, scholarships and

other resources. They make it possible for students who would otherwise not afford an education to attend school and get the education they deserve.

As a volunteer, I have witnessed firsthand the impact that this organization has been making in the lives of poor people. It is of great importance to support NGOs that provide help to individuals and communities in need.

Through this organisation, I have learned the importance of dedication, resilience, and teamwork. The NGO comprises a team of individuals who are passionate about their work and it's clear that they are genuinely committed to making a significant difference in the lives of those they serve. It's been inspiring to see their dedication and passion in action, and it helped to develop a similar drive to make a beneficial influence in my life.

In conclusion, working with this NGO has taught me invaluable life skills and given me practical experience that I'll carry with me throughout my life. I'm grateful for this opportunity, and I encourage my fellow mates to engage with this NGO in whatever way they can. By doing so, we can all make a positive impact and help build a better world. Thank you.

#### 4. Report by Shamaila Bilquis

At the very outset, I would like to introduce myself, 'I Shamaila Bilquis have recently completed my schooling from AMU Girls' High School and further plan to study law.

I am thankful to the Student Support Group of Education (SSGE) for providing me the opportunity as an observer of the program.

It's a matter of gratitude that the members of the society offer selfless service for the social upliftment of the weaker section through education programs. The society for the last 4 years has seen providing financial help in the form of school fee, course book and school bag to the deserving students on the meritcom-means and means-cum-merit basis. In-fact, the society is a source of encouragement & motivation for better academic performance amongst the budding-talented students.

During the week-long observation, I came across different groups of students pursuing studies in spite of their financial hardship. These students have achieved success in studies with bright colours.

As an observer no doubt I also enriched my experience and knowledge from the questionanswers dialogue between the interviewers and the students. I also could know about the level of illiteracy and poverty prevailing in our community which likes cancer sapping its fresh blood.

There is an immediate consistent need to pull it out of the quagmire of poverty, illiteracy and ignorance. I could just see a few glimpses of the community suffering from poverty. "the mother of all crimes".

I pray almighty Allah to give us the courage and more financial resources for the cause of the downtrodden.

At the end I once again express my gratitude for providing the opportunity to watch the proceedings closely and hope the same in the years to come. With lots of thanks!





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