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# Vice-chancellor of Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology (Karachi) at Ibn Sina Academy

Professor Saivid Nazir Ahmad, Vice Chancellor of the Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology, Karachi (Fakistan) visited Ibn Sina Academy of Medieval Medicine & Sciences on 10th January 2006. A small get-together of prominent old boys' of Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh (India) was arranged in honour of him at the Academy. Soon after his visit, he was taken around the Academy by its President, Prof. Syed Zillur Rahman. Prof. Rahman briefed him about the purpose of its establishment with subsequent plan of actions. Professor Saivid Nazir Ahmad answered every question put to him and enlightened the audience extensively about the Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology at Karachi (Pakistan).

Prof. S. M. Razaullah Ansari (the Secretary of the Academy and former Professor of Physics), Prof. Nafees Baig (formerly Dean Faculty of Commerce), Mr. S. Sardar Hussain (former University Engineer), Mr. M. Shamim Riaz Khan (formerly in the University Polytechnic), Mr. Ahmad Hussain (former University Engineer), Mr. Zahoor Mohammad (formerly in the University Polytechnic), Dr. Abdul Latif (of Dept. of Ilmul Advia), Dr. Syed Ziaur Rahman (of Dept. of Pharmacology) and others present in the function interacted and asked many questions about his times at AMU and now in Pakistan as vice-chancellor of Sir Syed University.

The Executive Editor of Urdu Weekly Nai Duniya Mr. Jamshed Adil, who incidentally was present in the Academy, took a lengthy interview of Professor Saiyid Nazir Ahmad for his Nai Duniya (Special Number), Mr. Nadeem Raja, Dr. Hassan Ahmad Siddiqui and Ms. Sajida Nadeem greeted him by presenting a shawl and a beautiful memento engraved with "Victoria Gate" on behalf of their Dr. Zakir Hussain Foundation (Aligarh).

In the "Visitor's Book" of the Academy, Prof. S. Nazir Ahmad wrote, "I am highly impressed by Ibn Sina Academy, which is created and exclusively developed by Professor Syed Zillur Rahman. It's a great service to the past era of Islamic Culture and Unani Medicine. The Library of the Academy will play a very important role in the research development on the forgotten culture and medicines. May Allah help Prof. Zillur Rahman in this great and everlasting mission".

# An interactive session with Dr. Muneebur Rahman (Michigan/USA)

An interactive session with Prof. Dr. Muneebur Rahman, a renowned poet and scholar of Persian literature, was arranged in the Ibn Sina Academy Hall on January 19, 2006. Many scholars attended the program, for instance Prof. Riazur Rahman Khan Sherwani, Prof. Zahida Zaidi, Prof. Syed Zillur Rahman, Prof. Aulad Ahmad Siddiqui and Prof. Mukhtar Uddin (Arzoo), to name just a few.

# First Ibn Sînâ Memorial Lecture by Saiyid Hamid - A Report

Before the commencement of the Memorial Lecture, the President of the Ibn Sina Academy. Prof. Syed Zillur Rahman, thanked Saiyvid Hamid Sahib for finding time to come to Aligarh and to deliver especially the First Ibn Sînâ Memorial Annual Lecture. He informed the audience that this Memorial Lecture is funded by the National Council for Promotion of Urdu Language, Ministry of H.R.D., Govt. of India, New Delhi. Prof. Rahman then requested Professor Riazur Rahman Khan Sherwani to preside over the function, and Prof. Asloob Ahmad Ansari to brief the audience with the work of Saiyyid Hamid, particularly his contribution in the field of education and his relation with Aligarh. The lecture ended with the presidential remarks of Professor Sherwani, former Head of the Department of Arabic, Aligarh Muslim University (Aligarh).

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Delivering the First Ibn Sina Memorial Annual Lecture on 23rd of March, 2006, Saivvid Hamid, former Vice-Chancellor of Aligarh Muslim University (Aligarh) and presently Chancellor of Jamia Hamdard (New Delhi) delineated the works of Ibn Sina and emphasized at length the life achievements of Ibn Sînâ also. Mr. Hamid evaluated then critically Ibn Sina's two important works, Kitáb al-Shifa and Al-Qânûn fî'l Tibb, and also recalled the glorious tradition of Muslim physicians and scientists, for instance, of Hayyan, Hunain bin Ishaq, al-Jâbir ibn Khwarizmî, al-Kindî, al-Asmali, al-Burari, and al-Zahrawi. As a whole, the lecture was very informative, since it covered Muslims' approach to scientific methodology and the will to preserve the legacy of Greek science in the Arabic language. He praised the contribution of Hakeem Syed Zillur Rahman for establishing the Academy after the name of Ibn Sînâ. In the same vein, Mr. Hamid recalled the works of late Hakeem Abdul Hameed and paid him glorious tribute. He asserted, that in the best tradition of Hakeem Abdul Hameed, Hakeem Syed Zillur Rahman tried to promote the system of Unani Medicine through his academic and literary works, and that he would be remembered especially for the establishment of the Ibn Sînâ Academy of Medieval Medicine & Sciences at Aligarh.

The lecture of Saiyid Hamid was very well attended by more than hundred prominent citizens of Aligarh and senior teachers of Aligarh Muslim University. Noteworthy is that the following scholars were present in the Library . Hall of the Ibn Sînâ Academy: Prof. Ather Hussain Siddiqi, Prof. Qazi Abdul Sattar, Prof. Fasih Ahmad Siddigui, Prof. Hisamuddin Farugi, Prof. Zahida Zaidi, Prof. Zakia Siddigi, Prof. Zakaur Rab, Prof. Igbal Ahmad Ansari, Prof. Jamal Ahmad, Prof. Shan Mohammad, Prof. Yusuf Amin, Prof. Iftikhar Alam, Prof. Asghar Abbas, Prof. Zahiruddin Malik, Prof. Ishrat Hussain Faruqi, Prof. A.K. Jafri, Prof. Masood Hasan, Prof. Humayun Murad, Prof. Abul Hashim Rizvi, Mr. Zahoor Mohammad, Mr. M.

Shamim Riaz Khan, Dr. Tajuddin, Dr. Abdul Lateef, Prof. Jamal Uddin, Dr. Tassawer Hussain, Dr. Mobarak Hussain, Dr. S. Badrul Hasan, Mufti Zahid Ali Khan and also Mr. Sarfraz Zaidi, Mr. Raju Babu and Mr. Vivek Bansal (M.L.A.).

Report by Dr. Syed Ziaur Rahman (Aligarh).

#### Lecture Series # 20:

Dr. Masroor Ali, an alumnus of Aligarh Muslim University (Aligarh) and Consultant Surgeon, Haemorrhoid Clinics of America (Michigan, USA), delivered a lecture on 'Lifestyle Modification in Diabetes' at the Library Hall of Ibn Sina Academy on January 18, 2006. Born in Seohara, a town of Bijnore District in Uttar Pradesh, Dr. Ali is popularly known as Max Ali in USA. He was the student of AMU from 1953 to 1957 and did matriculation and Bachelor of Science. He then moved to Lucknow for medical course and completed his MBBS and MS (General Surgery) from King George Medical College in 1965. Thereafter, he went to the UK and earned F.R.C.S. in 1966. From UK, he shifted to the USA for final settlement. He specialized himself for surgeries in haemorrhoids and established Haemorrhoid Clinics of America. He is expert in laser treatment of haemorrhoids and other anorectal ailments. He is not only a doctor but also a patient - a patient of diabetes mellitus (DM). He had a heart attack and has experience of bypass surgery. Thus he knows a lot more about diabetes, despite being an excellent surgeon. He explained very lucidly and candidly the etiology of DM and stressed the need to do regular exercise and to control diet. According to him, "dancing is the most regularized and refined form of exercise. It provides a wonderful atmosphere of happiness and conviviality to your boot". Dr. Ali says that unlike the regular club dancing, ballroom (Foxtrot and Waltz) and Latin dances (Cha cha cha and Ramba) with their elegant steps are rejuvenating and provide relief from tension and thereby reducing the chance of heart attack and also of diahetes. He is in the process of creating dance clubs all over the world to treat obesity. high blood pressure and diabetes. He also stresses

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on the right diet. Diabetes and heart patients need to restrain their fat intake, especially whole milk products and meat, which are very rich in calories. According to him, sticking to regular exercise and controlled diet help to control the blood sugar.

Before the start of the lecture, Prof. Syed Zillur Rahman (President, Ibn Sina Academy) requested Professor Jamal Ahmad (Former Chairman Department of Medicine and well-known endocrinologist) to chair the session. After brief introduction. Prof Rahman requested Prof. Iftikhar Alam Khan, to throw some light on the personal aspect of Dr. Masroor Ali, Dr. Ali, who was delighted to see many of his friends and teachers during college days in the Academy, then started his lecture in a very informal way. The lecture continued for two hours and ended with lively question-answer discussion along with Prof. Jamal Ahmad's presidential remarks. Renowned personalities in the audience were: Prof. S.M. Razaullah Ansari, Prof. Hisamuddin Farrugi, Prof. Ikramullah. Dr. M. Qasim Siddigui, Prof. Mohammad Umar, Dr. Anjuman Ara Anjum, Prof. Mirza Khalil Beg, Mr. M. Shamim Riaz Khan, Dr. Shaukat Nihal Ansari, Mr. Akbar Rasheed, Dr. Suhail Sabir, Dr. Tajuddin, Dr. M. Naim, Dr. Imran Ahmad, Dr. Arshad Hafeez Khan, Dr. Q. C. Ali, Mr. Zahoor Mohammad, Mr. S. Sardar Hasan, Dr. Tauheed Ahmad, Dr. Mohd Farhat Bilal, Dr. Kafeel Akhtar, Dr. Sabahat Hussain, Dr. Qamrul Islam, Dr. Igbal Ahmad, Dr. Tasawwur Hussain, Dr. Abdul Latif, Prof. Ehtisham Ahmad Nadvi, Mr. Khalid Nadeem, Mr. Meher Ilahi, Prof. Nafees Beg. Dr. Masood Hasan, Dr. Afzal Anees, Dr. Nawab Ali Khan, Dr. Fazlur Rahman, Dr. C M Kamaai, Mr. Nadeem Alvi, and others

Dr. Masroor Ali proposed to hold similar lectures or symposiums next year in any holiday resort, either in Aligarh or its adjoining town, where the participants could learn not only about diseases but also about the adoption of a healthy lifestyle under his guidance, namely, how much to exercise, what to cook and how to make fun?

#### INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS ACTIVITIES

#### Padam Shri Award to Hakim Syed Zillur Rahman

It is great news for all of us that the President of India conferred one of the highest civilian awards Padam Shri to Prof. Hakim Syed Zillur Rahman for medicine, 2006. The Padam Awards are given for exceptional and distinguished services of high order in any field on the eve of the Republic Day. This is the second national award for Prof. Rahman, as he is already a recipient of 'Certificate of Honour' for outstanding contribution to Persian (President of India Award, on Independence Day 1995).

#### A Life Sketch of Prof. Rahman

Professor Hakeem Sved Zillur Rahman has made extensive and highly significant contributions in the field of Unani Medicine, which is an ancient and still practicing system of Medicine. His entire work concerns this exceedingly important branch of indigenous medicine. In India, Unani Medicine was prevalent since ages, but, due to industrial revolution and biased feelings, Europeans and other countries gradually abandoned this age-old medicine. Somehow, it is being tried to bring back now its past glory. Hakeem S. Zillur Rahman is among the few devoted physicians in this country who actually also introduced this system of medicine in other parts of the world where Unani Medicine had been wiped out. He made 22 foreign visits. Besides his work in India, where he visited many cities, he also traveled through Spain. Germany, England, Iran. Uzbekistan Scotland. Turkey. Pakistan. Bangladesh and many Arab Countries, like, Jordan, Syria, Oman, Saudi Arabia and U.A.E., discovering many sources, which have placed his name high among the restorers of Unani medicine.

The main contributions of Hakeem S. Zillur Rahman concern the history of Unani medicine. In fact, he is one of the extremely few historians of medicine in India who are researching on primary sources. He has to his credit his long academic pursuit of 40 years, and he is now

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widely considered as an authority on history of Unani Medicine. He is a diligent explorer of the old manuscripts of Arabic and Persian classics of Unani Medicine, and thereby acquiring a precious collection of his own. To note is that Hakeem S. Z. Rahman belongs to a family of Hakeems and learned scholars and this family is known also for its participation in Independence Struggle of 1857.

As a scholar of repute, Professor Rahman is an author of 28 published books, 10 addresses, 2 monographs, more than 150 research papers in both national and international journals. He also contributed 21 important chapters / articles in other reputed books and prefaces of 41 books by other scholars. He edited, Al-Hikmat, a classical monthly journal of Unani Medicine from 1965 to 1970 in addition to 7 other well-known proceedings of conferences. During his academic career in Aligarh Muslim University, he supervised 25 M.D. (Post-graduate) theses in Unani Medicine, attended 20 International Conferences overseas and 23 National Conferences, in 75 of which he acted as chairman / co-chairman. He is also involved as a member of 61 learned educational bodies. He organized himself several national and international conferences, seminars, symposia & lectures.

Five of his books secured awards of learned academies of Government of India. Many scholars and institutions have cited his works. Six scholars dedicated their books to his personality. Scholars in Iran have translated and published 5 of his important books into Persian. A number of his books have been published by the National Book Trust of India and Delhi Urdu Academy. His name is listed in about a dozen Who's Who the world over. Noteworthy is the recognition of his expertise: He became short term Consultant to World Health Organization (WHO) Regional Office for South East Asia Region, on the assignment of which he visited Bangladesh in 1996. Hamdard University, Karachi (Pakistan) invited him as Visiting Professor in 1997. However, the most significant recognition of his scholarship is the President of India's Award for

Persian Literature given to him on Independence Day 1995 for his in-depth study of Primary Source-material in Indo-Persian, culminated in 2006 by Padam Shri of the Government of India.

Prof. Rahman was one of the senior most and respected professors of Aligarh Muslim University (AMU). He had been working in various capacities: Chairman, Department of Ilmul Advia, A. K. Tibbiya College, AMU, Aligarh (1978-1985, 1988-1991, 1992-1995, and 1988-2000). He had been the Dean, Faculty of Unani Medicine, AMU, Aligarh (1988-1990), Member of the AMU Executive Council and of the AMU Court: President, All-India Unani Tibbi Conference, UP Chapter and Chairman, Drug Formulary Sub-Committee, Ministry of Health and FW. (Govt. of India, New Delhi), Vicepresident of All-India Unani Tibbi Conference (New Delhi). Presently he is the member, Pharmacopoeia Committee (Unani), Ministry of Health and FW. (Govt. of India) and founder President, Ibn Sina Academy of Medieval Medicine & Sciences (Trust), Aligarh, He is also Editor-in-Chief of the international newsletter of Ibn Sina Academy (Aligarh / India), member international advisory board of the Journal for the History of Arabic Science (Syria) and Journal of International Society of History of Islamic Medicine (Turkey), Besides his afore-mentioned distinguished academic record and administrative achievements, Prof. S. Zillur Rahman is also a man of avocations. His library-cum-museum is extremely impressive.

He has in his collection more than 500 rare and important manuscripts, besides more than 15,000 printed books on various subjects. He established his personal library-cum-museum in early sixties of the twentieth century. He possesses a large collection of postal stamps, coins, old pens and many important mementos. He is also quite well known in the community of the prominent citizens of this University City of Aligarh.

#### Contribution / Service to Society and Nation

Hakim Syed Ziffur Rahman by his personal efforts made the department of Ilmul Advia

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(Ajmal Khan Tibbiya College, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh) a center of excellence. A new building of the department with all modern facilities in the laboratories was constructed under his able guidance and chairmanship. He raised both name and fame of this department at national and international level. Former vice-chancellor, AMU, Aligarh, Prof. M. N. Farooqui, in his Autobiography. My Days at Aligarh, remarked (on page 40), "The Ministry of Health gave special recognition to the department of Ilmul Advia, Under the guidance of Prof. Syed Zillur Rahman the progress of the department was excellent".

Prof. Rahman represented India on Unani Medicine at various national and international meetings. He assisted in the establishment of Ibn Sina Tibbiya College at Beenapara (Azamgarh) of which he laid the foundation stone on January 25, 1981, In 2000, Hakim Sved Zillur Rahman founded a national academy, namely, Ibn Sina Academy of Medieval Medicine & Sciences (Trust) at Aligarh. After the establishment of Ibn Sina Academy, his Library and museum have now become a part of the Ibn Sina Academy Trust. The library of IAMMS at present houses, besides the afore-mentioned books manuscripts, microfilms, compact discs and a large number of periodicals and books in many languages like Arabic, Persian, Urdu, Sanskrit and English, on a variety of subjects like History of Medicine and Sciences, Unani (Greco-Arab) Medicine, Ilmul Advia (Pharmacology), Urdu Literature with special reference to Ghalib, Aligarh and Sir Syed Ahmad Khan. On an average a dozen of people daily come in the library and avail its open access facilities. Scholars both from across India and foreign countries visit the library regularly. Apart from the library, various divisions in the Ibn Sina Academy exist also, such as Karam Hussain Museum of Art, Culture & Sciences, Publication Division, Division of History of Medicine & Sciences (DHMS), Centre for Safety and Rational Use of Indian Systems of Medicine (CSRUISM) and AIDS Cell.

#### Dr. S. Tariq Wali Gets National Forum Award

National Forum Award was conferred on Dr. Tariq Wali of Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College of Aligarh Muslim University at a public function held in Town Hall of Ernakulam [Kerala] some time back. The Award carries rupees fifty thousands. Encyclopaedia Britannica set, CDs of several books and a citation. The Award instituted by a Cochin based foundation named. Forum for Faith & Fraternity, was given away by Professor K.N. Panikkar, a noted scholar and social scientist.

The Forum for Faith and Fraternity, a registered charity and socio-cultural foundation active in the field of media studies, inter-faith amity and understanding had organized a national Essay Contest in 2002 amongst teachers and university students. This contest attracted thousands of entries from Indian universities from all states and union territories. After preliminary screening rounds held in 2003 and 2004, around 30 finalists emerged successful who were later subjected to a battery of objective and semi-objective tests, and a grilling interview at Forum's headquarters in Cochin and Thrissur, Kerala. Three top ranking contestants from three categories thus selected were: Professor (Mrs.) Neelmani J Bhatia of Delhi [University Teachers' Category], Dr. Tariq Wali of AMU Aligarh [Muslim Postgraduates Category], and Ms. K.P.S.K. Ilavennil of I.I.T., Chennai [Non-Muslim PG Category], The Awardees were later asked to deliver a fifteenminute presentation on assigned topics also at the award presentation ceremony.

Dr Wali a postgraduate of paediatrics of Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College. AMU. is currently undergoing further specialization in Forensic Medicine and Toxicology here. Earlier, he has won a number of awards including SAARC-Maulana Azad Awards (1990 and 1993), National Institute of Health & Family Welfare Medal, and DAV Trust Centenary Award besides bagging several prizes from national magazines and institutions. He had been secretary of the University Literary Club and edited The Aligarh

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Magazine (Centennial issue), and The Aligarian in the past. He was guest editor of the Special Millennium number of The Scoria, a Chandigarh-based national monthly magazine. He is a life member of Ibn Sina Academy and was of late actively involved in public health ventures of its HIV/AIDS Cell.

Dr. S. Zlaur Rahman (Treasurer, IAMMS) participated in the "95th Academic Staff Orientation Programme" during March 22, 2006 to April 21, 2006 (one month) and attended the course on "Communications Skills and Academic Writings" during February 20, 2006 to March 1, 2006 (10 days) at UGC Academic Staff College of Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh.

#### Reception Ceremonies Held in honour of Prof. Rahman

- 1. The Staff and Management Committee of the Dawakhana Tibbiya College, Aligarh Muslim University Aligarh, organized a celebration meeting on February. 2, 2006. Prof. Jawed Mussarat (Member Incharge, Dawakhana) and Mr. Kafeel Ahmad (Manager, Dawakhana) spoke on the life and contribution of Prof. Rahman.
- 2. Aligarh School of Competition (ASC) in its inaugural and prize distribution function on February 5, 2006 felicitated Professor S. Zillur Rahman by presenting a memento and shawl. Mr. Chandra Pal, IAS, (Additional Secretary), Advisor to Planning Commission, Government of India, graced the occasion as chief guest. Prof. Rahman was also requested to preside over the function. The function, which was arranged by Dr. U. V. Sharma (Hony, Director, ASC), Dr. Pawan Sharma (Secretary, ASC) and Dr. O. P. Singh (Principal, ASC) was very well attended by teachers and students of various colleges of Aligarh city. Both Mr. Chandra Pal and Prof. Rahman also inaugurated the School after cutting the red ribbon. Members of the Academy, Dr. Syed Ziaur Rahman (Treasurer) and Mr. Raja Babu (Public Relation Officer) observed the program as witnesses.

- 3.Installation Ceremony of Junior Doctors Association (JDA) and Felicitation Function in honour of Hakim Syed Zillur Rahman, was held at Ajmal Khan Tibbiya College, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2006. Dr. Saud Ali Khan, Principal of the College and Dr. Merajuddin, Cabinet Minister in the UP Government, presented a beautiful memento on the building of Tibbiya College.
- 4.Prof. Rahman was invited as Chief Guest for the Annual Function, 'Masood-06', held under the aegis of the Literary and Cultural Society (LCS) of the Ross Masood Hall, Aligarh Muslim University (Aligarh) on February, 28, 2006. The provost Dr. Merajuddin, president Dr. Safdar Sultan, secretary LCS Mr. Amjad Azeem praised the works of Prof. Rahman. He was also invited as Chief Guest for the Hostel Function - "Fanoos" of Sir Syed Hall (SMN-A), AMU (Aligarh) on March 4, 2006. The provost Prof. Shamim Ahmad, General warden Dr. Abdul Latif, senior house monitor Mr. Ghufran Akhtar highlighted the achievements of Prof. Rahman.
- 5.Mr. Vivek Bansal, Secretary All India Congress Committee (New Delhi) and Member of Legislative Assembly (UP State), felicitated Professor S. Zillur Rahman by presenting a memento and shawl through Mr. Shriprakash Jaiswal (State Home Minister) during Holi Milan Function at Gayatri Palace (Aligarh) on 13th March 2006.
- 6.The Staff and Executive Committee of the Academy for South Asian Studies (ASAS) organized a celebration meeting on March 16, 2006. Many scholars and dignitaries attended the function. On the same occasion, Mr. Arshad Ghazi, Prof. Ather Hussain Siddiqi, Mr. Mohd Qasim Siddiqi, Dr. Ilyas Naved, Dr. Ateeq and Dr. Syed Ziaur Rahman spoke on the contributions of Prof. Rahman.
- 7.A group of University (AMU) friends including Prof. Ather Hussain Siddiqi, Prof. Mukhtar Uddin Ahmad, Prof. Asloob Ahmad Ansari, Prof. Riazur Rahman Khan Sherwani, Prof. Razaullah Ansari, Prof. Zakia Siddiqi, Prof. Iqbal Ahmad Ansari, Prof. Anwar Jahan Zuberi, Mr. Arshad Ghazi, Mr. Mohd. Qasim

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Siddiqi and Mr. Meher Ilahi arranged a felicitatory function at Department of Mathematics, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, on 17th March 2006. More than hundred senior teachers of the University attended this programme.

- 8.A function to observe Shaheed Bhagat Singh Day under the auspices of Rashtriya Vandana Mission was organized at Arya Samaj Bhawan, Aligarh on 24th March 2006, wherein the students of Dayanand Bal Mandir and prominent citizens of Aligarh city participated. Founder president of Rashtriya Vandana Mission, Mr. Vidyarnve Sharma welcomed Prof. S. Zillur Rahman as chief guest. Mr. Dev Narain Bhardwaj, Mr. Tau Dayal Jindal, Mr. Jai Narain Sharma, Mr. KC Sharma and others spoke on that occasion. All remembered the contributions of Indian Freedom fighters.
- 9. Bargah-e Adab (Aligarh) organized a Mushaira Holi Milan in honour of Prof. Rahman at the convention hall of ASAS on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2006. Many noted Urdu poets of Aligarh city recited their selected piece of verses. Prof. Farhatullah Khan (of Dept English). Prof. Shamim Ahmad (formerly vice-chancellor of AMU), Prof. Syed Saeduzzafar Chughtai (formerly head of Physica Department), Mr. Amanutullah Aseer (a noted Urdu Poet and Founder, Bazme Aseer), Dr. Najmuddin Ansari (Taj Nursing Home), Mr. Kunwar Tayyab Ali Khan, Mr. Owais Jamal Shamsi and Mr. Naseem Noori, also graced the occasion.
- 10. The Managing Staff and the Director of the Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine (CCRUM), New Delhi, organized a celebration meeting on April 13, 2006 at its headquarter building. Dr. M. Khalid Siddiqi (Director CCRUM), Prof. Anis A. Ansari (Advisor Unani to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare), Dr. V. K. Singh, Hakim Ghulam Mehdi, Hakim Shafqat Azmi, Hakim Yousuf Bastavi, Hakim Abdul Hannan and Hakim Khalid Mehmud spoke on the life and contribution of Prof. Rahman. The Council also presented Sipas Nama on this occasion.
- Other felicitatory functions were held in the residences of Nawab Ibn Saeed Khan

Chattari, Prof. Riazur Rahman Khan Sherwani, Prof. Asloob Ahmad Ansari, Prof. S. M. Razaullah Ansari, Prof. Ather Hussain Siddiqi, Prof. Iqbal Ahmad Ansari, Prof. Masood Hasan, Mr. Zahoor Mohammad, Mr. S. Jawed Akhtar and Dr. Tassawer Hussain.

#### CORRESPONDENCES

Many telephones, telegrams, e-mails and letters of congratulations were received after the announcement of Padma Shri to Hakim Syed Zillur Rahman. Few are being reproduced for general interest.

#### Telegrams:

Mr. Shivraj V. Patil, Minister of Home Affairs, Govt. of India.

Mr. Vinod Duggal, Home Secretary, Govt. of India.

Prof. HAS Jafri, Member Public Service Commission, Rajasthan State.

# Letters and e-mails to Prof. S. Zillur Rahman:

"I write to congratulate and felicitate you on the well merited honour and happy occasion of the Padma Shri conferred on you in recognition of your valuable contribution to the field of Medicine. I wish you a long and healthy life to render further fruitful service in your chosen field for betterment of the society and greater glory of the country. With kind regards, yours sincerely, T. N. Chaturvedi

Honorable T N Chaturvedi, Governor, Karnataka State, Raj Bhavan, Banglalore

"Having personally admired you and your work over the years, it is with great pleasure that I extend to you my sincere congratulations on the well-merited Award and acknowledgement by the Nation by the President of the Republic of India on this Republic Day. The well-springs of outstanding endeavour and achievement are partly the appreciation of others, which inspire us to greater creative, altruistic effort. Like that of many other outstanding Indians, and millions of others, who do good work but cannot all be

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acknowledged, except by their own sense of selfesteem and self-appraisal, who are also great human beings. It is encouraging to know that we are all part of this great National Family of India. Please accept my affectionate and warm felicitations and appreciation. With good wishes, and affectionate personal and national regards, yours sincerely, Hari Dang.

Padam Shri Hari Dang, Editor, International Journal of Sustainable Development; President, Third World Education Centre Society and India Wilderness-Tribal Equity International Schools.

"Please accept my heartiest congratulations on receiving Padma Shri Award in recognition of your outstanding contribution to the Nation. On this happy occasion, I would like to convey my best wishes to you and your family members. With regards, S. Regupathy

Mr. S. Regupathy, Minister of State for Home Affairs, Govt. of India, North Bloc, New Delhi

"On behalf of the Hotels Division of ITC, please accept my heartiest congratulations on receiving the Padma Shri Award that has been conferred on you for your singular contribution to the field of Medicine. Excellence has been the corner stone of the Hotels Division of ITC. It has been a guiding light and each day, we strive for it. We believe it is the relentless pursuit of excellence that distinguishes the great from the good. For all of us at Hotels Division of ITC, you are an example worthy of emulation. Indeed your achievement has been our aspiration. Congratulation once again! With warm regards, Nakul Anand

Mr. Nakul Anand, Divisional Chief Executive (Hotels), ITC Limited, Hotels Division – Headquarters, ITC Green Centre, Gurgaon

"I was most delighted to know that the President has honoured your with Padma Shri this year. Please accept my heartiest congratulations on behalf of all the CSIR family. With warm personal regards, sincerely yours, RA. Mashelkar. Dr. RA Mashelkar, Director General, CSIR & Secretary, Govt. of India, Dept. of Scientific & Industrial Research, New Delhi.

"It is indeed a pleasure to learn of the prestigious decoration given to you by the Hon ble President bestowing the honour of Padma Shri on the glorious fifty seventh Republic Day for your outstanding service in the field of Medicine. This small not is just to reiterate our compliment and an endeavor to share the great pride with you, Rajiv Pratap Rudy

Mr. Rajiv Pratap Rudy, Former Minister of State for Civil Aviation (Independent Charge), AB-97, Shahiahan Road, New Delhi

"We are absolutely delighted knowing your selection for Padma Award for 2006. Let me honestly announce this that you richly deserved the award and moreover you have earned it. In doing so, the award is honoured further by your merit. I and my wife Naaz join to congratulate you immensely and hope very soon you will be receiving the same in a glittering function by the hands of the Hon'ble President of India at Rashtrapati Bhawan. We shall have a celebration after your official receive of the honour. With profound regards, Naaz and Wali

Dr. M. Wali, Former Physician to the President of India, Department of Medicine, CGHS Wing, Wellingdon Hospital, New Delhi

"The officers and staff of this Council as also the entire fraternity of Unani Medicine join me in extending to you our heartfelt felicitations on the prestigious award Padma Shri having been conferred on you by His Excellency, President of India. This was indeed a historic moment and we feel that the Unani Medicine as such has got appreciation. With warm regards, Mohammed Khalid Siddiqui

Dr. Mohammed Khalid Siddiqui, Director, Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine, Ministry of Health and FW, Govt. of India.

"At the outset, accept my congratulations and greetings on conferment of Padma Shri on you. It is a befitting recognition of your academic and other contributions in public life. We feel happy that your work has been recognized by the Government in conferring this prestigious award.

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First thing which came to my mind after hearing about the award is the Library and Museum established by you at Aligarh. I was amazed by the efforts put in by you to set up these institutions single handedly. While I was discussing about your efforts with my friend Mr. Farrukh Ghani, he shared my feelings and we were both full of praise for your achievements. It is seen that ordinarily one lives a peaceful and comfortable life after retirement by not undertaking pains taking works like that of research, publications, etc. You not only actively pursue various academic programmes after retirement but also set up and institution which may be helpful to other academicians and persons who are interested in carrying forward various social welfare activities. I once again congratulate you with best wishes. With regards, yours sincerely, Khawaja M. Shahid

Mr. Khawaja M. Shahid, Joint Secretary, Union Public Service Commission, New Delhi.

"Happy to know by Qaumi Awaz, Urdu Daily, about the award you received (Padma Shri) on your remarkable contributions towards various dynamics of academics, especially in Tibbe Unani. The same day I made all efforts to contact you on telephone simply to convey my deep and hearty congratulations, but the call could not be materialized. It is a matter of pride for AMU because after a long time a purely Aligarian has been honoured purely for his academic merit who also represents Indian Muslim Culture. With kind regards, Hasan Mateenul Islam

Mr. Hasan Mateenul Islam, OSD, Senior Secondary School, AMU, Aligarh.

"We received the exciting news that you have been conferred with Padma Shri, one of the highest civilian honors in India for your dedicated work in the field of Unani Medicine. It is indeed a matter of great joy and pride for the Aligarh Muslim University and all its alumni. Please accept our heartfelt congratulations on behalf of the Federation of Aligarh Alumni Associations in America. We are extremely delighted and proud of your achievements and wish you and your family our best wishes and many more successes in life. If you plan to be in the United States of America in future, please feel free to let us know and we will be honored to meet you and arrange for your lecture. Sincerely, M. Umar Farooq. Mr. M. Umar Farooq, President, Federation of Aligarh Alumni Associations in America, USA.

"I take this opportunity to congratulate you on being conferred with Padma Shri by His Excellency President of India Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam for your visionary leadership, the hard work and your contribution in the field of Medicine over the years. I am certain that the admirable work you had initiated in the field of Medicine will now be pursued even more vigorously and on an even larger scale. You have the unstinted trust and support of all of us who are keen to build an economically powerful and socially developed modern India. Once again, please accept our heartiest congratulations on being conferred with Padma Shri and wish you immense success in the developmental initiatives being spearheaded under your able leadership towards the realization of your and our combined dream to make India, a social and economic superpower of the 21st century. Rana Kapoor. Mr. Rana Kapoor, Founder / Managing Director & CEO, Yes Bank (New Delhi).

"You are a respected name in your field and we are aware of your contribution to the cause of society in your field. 'Friends of the People' greets you on being awarded Padma Shri to you". Mihir Jha

Mr. Mihir Kumar Jha, National Convener, Friends of the People (Jodhpur)

"Kindly accept my congratulations on heing honoured with the Padma Shri award this year. By honouring you, the Government has honoured itself and fulfilled its long due obligation in giving recognition to those prominent citizens who have made valuable contribution in their respective fields. May God give you a long, prosperous, happy and peaceful life. With best greetings and regards, I remain yours sincerely, Subhash Goyal.

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Mr. Subhash Goyal, Chairman, STIC Corporate Overview, STIC House, New Delhi

"Just a line to offer you my sincere felicitations and best wishes on the aware of Padma Shri. The award is a well-deserved honour for your valuable contributions to the nation. Kindly regards, Syed Shahabuddin.

Mr. Syed Shahabuddin, President, All India Muslim Mailis-e-Mushawarat, New Delhi

"Many heartiest congratulations! I am delighted to hear about the announcement of Padma awards. It is indeed your hard work and constant scholarship which has won you the Padma Shri. I am sure you will be celebrating this by an academic meeting: if you are planning it then I would be glad to come and attend it. Hasan Beg Dr. Hasan Beg (Kirkaldi, Scotland, UK)

"Please recept my warmest congratulations for being chosen for the prestigious Padma Shri award. More important is that you are the first Indian among the Unani System of Medicine that has been selected for this important accolade. The government should actually be congratulated for realizing that the Unani System of Medicine is also an important field that requires due recognition. Your work in this field consisting your empirical knowledge skillfully distilled into the pages of more than one score of books and innumerable research papers needs introduction. I am sure that your recognition will instigate an impetus among persons of Unani Medicine to embark upon new areas of research and practices: and by following your footsteps, might, one day, produce a replica of Zillur Rahman, I wish you continued throughout your life. Sincerely, Syed Moinuddin

Mr. Syed Moinuddin Alvi, "Blessing", 4/597-A, Medical College Road, Aligarh - 202 002.

"I am very pleased to learn that you are being awarded the prestigious Padam Shri Award. Please except our congratulations and very warm wishes on your great achievement and continuing success. It is a great honor for all of us and for our University to have distinguished people like you. Many congratulations! With kind regards, Bilgrami

Dr. Anwar L. Bilgrami, Scientist, Department of Entomology, 93 Lipman Drive, Blake Hall, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08901, USA

Besides the above letters, many personalities called Prof. Rahman and greeted him. To name a few: Mr. Mohd Hamid Ansari (former vicechancellor, AMU), Prof. Afag Ahmad (Bhopal). Dr. Syed Abdul Bari (Ambedkar Nagar, UP), Prof. Sved Khalifatullah (Chennai), Mrs. Sad a Rashid (President, Hamdard Nationa! Foundation, Karachi, Pakistan), Mr. M. Mukhtar Siddigui (Khurja), Dr. Mahmood Hussain (Bhusawal), Mr. Syed Faizan Ahmad (Kolkatta). Prof. Mustahsin Jafri (Bangalore), Prof. Sved Mohd Ahmad (Bhopal), Dr. Syed Shoeb Ahmad (Saudi Arabia), Mr. Asad Siddiqui (Bhopal), Hakim Ubaidur Rahman (Delhi), Dr. Nazar Abbas (Kolkatta), Mr. Ainuddin Haider (Bhopal). Mr. Mohd Salah Siddiqui (Bhopal), Dr. Saad Usmani (Allahabad), Hakim Ashhar Qadeer (Delhi), Mr. Badrul Islam (Aligarh), Dr. Ehtishamul Haq Qureshi (Lucknow), Mr. Ahmad Saced (Retd. Chief Engineer, Lucknow). Prof. Hkm Abdul Hannan (Dean Faculty of Unani Medicine, Hamdard University, Pakistan), Dr. Syed Abdul Mujech (Karachi), Mr. Faisal bin Fasih (Islamabad), Dr. Sved Hasan Abbas (BHU, Varanasi), Dr. Haneef Nagyi (Varanasi), Dr. Saleem Akhtar (Indore), Prof. Jameel Ahmad (Delhi), Hakeem Ghulam Mehdi (Delhi), Prof. Shakir Jameel (Delhi), Dr. Aftah Ahmad (Delhi). Syed Ausaf Ali (Delhi), Dr. Khaleeg Anjum (Delhi), Prof. Nafees Ahmad (Delhi), Prof. Aftab Ahmad Zaidi (Delhi), Kausar Siddiqui (Bhopal), Dr. Shagufta Kamal (Birmingham, England), Mr. SH Zahid Jamal (Aligarh), Prof. Abul Kalam Qasmi (Aligarh), Mr. Habib Ahmad (Bhopal). Dr. Shaheer Khan (Foster City, USA) and Dr. Maarten Bode (Amsterdam, Holland).

Letters and e-mails to Dr. Syed Ziaur Rahman "What a good news! Many congratulations to Prof. Zillur Rahman for being recognized with

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such a prestigious award for his contributions in his field of expertise. It is not only an individual honour for him it also adds to the shine and prestige of our alma mater where he first studied then served with distinction. May more of our teachers and staff members get recognition for their tireless efforts in serving the 'student community' at our alma mater, Aligarh Muslim University. With kind Regards, Mohammad Tayyab, New Zealand

"I am almost getting over the jet lag and exhaustion from the trip. I thoroughly enjoyed it and I wish I had more leisure time. First of all I am thrilled that your father Prof. Zillur Rahman has been awarded the great honour of Padam Shri. Please give him mv congratulations. I did not realize I was amongst such distinguished audience when I was in the Academy, I remain very interested in the Life Style Topics specially life with diabetes and post heart attack life. I think most people can use them as a positive experience but I do not understand people's attitudes and their complacence. I feel I have some energies left to write a book on "100 Questions/101 Answers" on Diabetes, Heart Disease or something like that. But some young person should take the initiative. I, Tauheed, you, vour father and Dr. Jamal can be contributors. Start in English and then translate into Hindi and Urdu! Share this idea with Dr. Tauheed, I feel that he might be interested. I shall write emails on 2-3 day intervals if we continue this dialogue. Regards to all. Masroor Ali Dr. Masroor Ali (Michigan, USA)

"Greetings from Norway! Please accept my heartfelt congratulation on your father being awarded the Padma Shri Award. Please convey my greetings and congratulation to your father also. With kind regards, Rahel (Norway).

#### OBITUARY

# Professor Noorul Hasan Naqvi is no more.

A distinguished Urdu scholar and critic, Professor Noorul Hasan Naqvi died at Ganga Ram Hospital in New Delhi on 25th of January 2006. He was 74

and had been suffering from cancer for the last several years. As a scholar of repute, he authored more than 150 monographs and books. He belonged to a respected family of Amroha. At a very young age, he joined Fatepuri Muslim Secondary School as a teacher but continued to follow his urge for higher education. He did his MA and PhD in Urdu from Delhi University and later on joined Aligarh Muslim University (Aligarh) as a lecturer. He soon became professor in the Urdu department and retired in 1998. Although, he was not an Aligarian, yet he distinguished himself in the unique culture of Aligarh. He wrote important books on Ghalib, Sir Syed, Aligarh Muslim University and many textbooks for Urdu students. He had a large circle of friends in Aligarh and Delhi. He was a friend of friends and loved everyone. Dr. Noorul Hasan Nagvi was also close to my family members and a good old friend of my father Prof. Hakeem Syed Zillur Rahman. He also contributed an article on my father for his biographical book, Hakim Syed Zillur Rahman - Hayat wa Khidmat , published in 2005, and edited by Dr. Sved Hasan Abbass (Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi) and Dr. A. Latif (Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh). He once very courteously mentioned even my name and contribution in one of his latest books, Mohammedan College Se Muslim University Tak, published by Educational Book House (Aligarh) in 2001.

May Allah rest his soul in peace! He left behind a family, consisting his wife, 3 daughters and one son. He is buried in Panj Peran graveyard of Hazrat Nizamuddin Aulia, New Delhi.

Syed Ziaur Rahman, MD

David Edwin Pingree (born 1933), Professor of the History of Mathematics and of Classics at Brown University, Rhodes Island (USA) died on Friday 11 November 2005.

Born in New Haven, CT, son of the late Daniel and Elizabeth (Maconi) Pingree, he has lived in Providence since 1971.

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Professor Pingree was a graduate of Phillips Academy, Andover and Harvard University, where he received both his undergraduate and graduate degrees. Following college, he became keenly interested in the transmission of scientific ideas from one culture to another. In 1958 he went to India to study Sanskrit, Upon return in 1960, he became a member of the Society of Feliows at Harvard where he learned Arabic and started to accumulate lists of relevant manuscripts on the exact sciences in Sanskrit.

Professor Pingree had been a member of the faculty of the University of Chicago and joined the faculty at Brown University in 1971, becoming Chairman of the Department in 1986. Throughout his distinguished career, he traveled in India and throughout the world collecting and cataloguing astronomical and astrological manuscripts. He has widely published, including many Sanskrit astronomical tables, catalogues of thousands of manuscripts, a Census on the Exact Sciences in Sanskrit, and the Latin translation of the Arabic Picatrix among others.

He was the recipient of countless scholarly awards including a Guggenheim Fellowship, a MacArthur Fellowship, and in 1992 he received an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Humane Letters from the University of Chicago. He was elected a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, was a member of both the American Philosophical Society and the Institute for Advanced Study and was the co-founder of the Association of Members of the Institute for Advanced Study. He established the American Committee for South Asian Manuscripts in 1994 with the goal of cataloguing all the Arabic, Persian and Indian manuscripts in North America and elsewhere.

David Pingree was, in fact, one of the few leading figures in the History of Science, covering a wide field of investigation: Astronomy, Astrology and Magic in Ancient Mesopotamia, Classical Greece and the Byzantine World. Medieval Latin Europe, India. Islamic World and Sassanian Iran. He provided researchers with many editions of sources written in a wide range of languages including Akkadian, Greek, Latin, Sanskrit, Persian and Arabic. His deep knowledge of the historical context as well as the original sources impressed many scholars who had contact with him. His challenging views were often sources of stimulating discussion among historians of science.

Pingree's scholarly contributions ranged across the ancient worlds of Asia and the Middle East. He edited and translated numerous editions of texts on astronomy, astrology, mathematics and magic from Akkadian, Arabic, Greek, Latin, Persian and Sanskrit sources. Pingree's work was not that of cultivation of minutiae. Rather, he placed strong emphasis on the transmission of science from one culture to another and cultura' influence on the content and expression of scientific thought. He emphasized the ways in which the recipient culture might alter the ideas from another culture in order to render them. accessible. Pingree once stated, "Each time there is a transmission there is a transformation". His students learned paleography, codicology, Indian epigraphy, ancient and medieval Indian history as well as studies of the Ancient Near East and Islam

Through his textual command, he was often able to employ surviving records of a later period and culture to reconstruct the sciences of an earlier one. For example, he used Greek astrology to clarify earlier Babylonian omen texts; 8th- and 9th-century Arabic texts to reconstruct 5th-century Sassanian (Persian) astronomy and astrology; and Byzantine Greek astronomical tables to reconstruct their Arabic and Persian sources.

Some 43 books and monographs and 240 articles have appeared under his name.

His death is a great loss for the history of exact science in general and history of astronomy in particular, and for everyone who had the opportunity to be in touch with him.

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The compiler of this obituary had the privilege and fortune to meet him in Vienna at the IAU Colloquium on Interaction of European and Asian Astronomy, Sept. 1990, and at the International Congress of the History of Science held at Liege, July 1997. Despite his multitude of intellectual engagements, he conceded readily to my request to contribute an important paper to the Hamdard University Journal, which I was editing. namely. Aryabhata, then Paitâmahasiddhânta and Greek Astronomy, Studies in History of Medicine and Science, Vol. XII (1993), pp.69-80. Notwithstanding his world famous expertise, he displayed a remarkable humbleness. His extremely nice nature has a lasting impression on my mind.

[Source: Frank F. Conlon (University of Washington) in H. Asia, 16 Nov. 2005; and Adapted article from The Providence Journal, dated 11/16/2005 and printed in Islam Sci. Commission Newsletter, Nov. 2005].

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#### Padam Awards in Science, Engineering and Medicine

The National Awards (Padam Vibhushan, Padam Bhushan and Padam Shri) for 2006 were announced on the eye of Republic Day, Following is the list of awardees for Science(S), Engineering(F) and Medicine.

#### Padma Vibhushan

- Charles Correa, S &E, Maharashtra
- Norman E. Borlaug, S &E, Mexico
- Obaid Siddiqui, S &E, Karnataka
- Prakash Narain Tandon, Medicine, Delhi

#### Padma Bhushan

- Jaiveer Agarwal, Medicine, Tamil Nadu
- Kewal Kishan Talwar, Medicine, Chandigarh
- K.P.P. Nambiar, S & E, Karnataka
- Prof. Madhave Gadgil, S & E, Maharashtra
- Nandan M. Nilekani, S & E, Karnataka
- · V. Shanta, Medicine, Tamil Nadu

#### Padma Shri

- Bhuvaraghan Palaniappan T. Nadu, Medicine,
- Bonbehari Vishnu Nimbkar, S&E, Maharashtra
- Devappagowda Chinnaiah, Medicine, Karnatak
- · Ghanashyam Mishra, Medicine, Orissa
- · Hakim Syed Zillur Rehman, Medicine, UP
- · Harbhajan Singh Rissam, Medicine, Delhi
- · Harsh Kumar Gupta, S & E, Andhra Pradesh
- Kamal Kumar Sethi, Medicine, Delhi
- Mohan Kameswaran, Medicine, Tamil Nadu
- · Narendra Kumar, S & E, Karnataka
- · R. Balasubramanian, S & E, Tamil Nadu
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- Swaminathen Siyaram, S & E. Maharashtra
- Tehemton Erach Udwadia, Medicine, Maharashtra
- · Tsering Landol, Medicine, Jammu and Kashmir
- · Upendra Kaul, Medicine, Delhi

This list, with 4 Padma Vibhushans, 6 Padma Bhushans and 17 Padma Shris, is quite impressive. I have a feeling that these large numbers (I am not talking about percentages here) are probably unprecedented. I am glad to see this sort of recognition for so many people in science, engineering and medicine.

S. Ziaur Rahman

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The Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine (CCRUM) is an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, Department of AYUSH. Established in 1978, the CCRUM started functioning from 10 January, 1979, and ever since it has been busy researching into various fundamental and applied aspects of Unani Medicine. Over the years, the CCRUM has emerged as the world-leader in the field.

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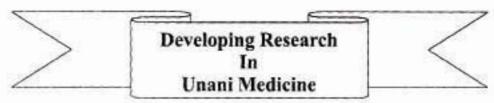
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#### THE MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

Some significant achievements of the Council are as follows:



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- Has filed patents on seven of these drugs.

#### DRUG STANDARDIZATION

- Has evolved standards for 222 single and 385 compound Unani drugs.
- . Has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) for taking up advanced research in the field of drug development

#### LITERARY RESEARCH

Has translated from Arabic and Persian into Urdu language 25 Unani Medical Classics mostly manuscripts. And has edited and published these works.

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