

**National Seminar**  
**on**  
**Aggression and Violence:**  
**Challenges for Social Well-Being**  
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## About the Seminar

### Aggression and Violence: Challenges for Social Well-Being

Historically, most researchers define aggression as harm through verbal or physical acts, collectively termed overt aggression. Globally, violence and aggression are increasing with wars, conflict, assault and antisocial behaviour being widely reported by the media. Terrorism has become part of everyday lives and violence has its own descriptors, for example, "domestic violence" or "ethnic violence" to make it appertain to groups in society. Aggression and violence have also found a way into the health care environment with health professionals now being exposed to the overt and covert dangers of violence and aggression on a daily basis. The national and international scenario is plagued with the problems of aggression and its multifarious facets, which has direct link with well-being of people and society.

Well-being involves a multidimensional evaluation of life, including cognitive judgments of life satisfaction and affective evaluations of emotions and moods. It is what the lay people call happiness, optimism, fulfillment and life satisfaction. Preoccupation with psychological ill-health seems to have given way to psychological well-being towards 20<sup>th</sup> century. But now even greater attention is expected in the beginning of 21<sup>st</sup> century. The concept of psychological well-being is somewhat malleable which has to do with person's feelings about their everyday life activities. Such feelings may range from negative mental states to a more positive outlook, which extends into state which has sometimes been identified as positive health of individuals and society.

Against this backdrop the proposed Seminar intends to reflect on aggression and well-being of the masses. The Seminar shall examine the social-psychological issues like identity, social stratification, ethnicity, media and their role in shaping aggression and violence which has a link with social well-being. It will endeavor at explicating the understanding of dynamics, causes, preventive and remedial strategies of aggression and violence, maintaining and ensuring individual and social well-being. The Seminar intends to include the following broad themes:

## Themes of the Seminar

- ❖ Cultural Synergy in India: Socio-Cultural Diversity
- ❖ Religion, Social Identity and Violence
- ❖ Social Stratification and Violence
- ❖ Aggression, Violence and Media
- ❖ Work Place and Domestic Violence
- ❖ Ethnicity, Aggression and Social Well-Being
- ❖ Measures to Control Aggression and Enhance Well-Being
- ❖ Socio-Cultural and Political Context of Aggression and Well-Being
- ❖ Aggression and Well-Being in National and International Context
- ❖ Exposure to Violence, Coping Resources and Well-Being
- ❖ Aggression, Peace and Individual and Social Well-Being
- ❖ Related Areas

## Call for Papers

Papers of theoretical and empirical nature related to the sub-themes or allied areas are invited. A copy of the abstract (about 250 words) highlighting objectives, methodology, analysis of data and main findings of the study should be sent to the "Department of Psychology, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi" latest by March 1, 2010. Soft copies of the abstract should be emailed to the Organizing Secretary. The full paper along with soft copy should be submitted latest by March 10, 2010.

Outstation delegates are requested to make their own arrangement for accommodation.

## Registration Fee

No registration fee will be charged.



## About Jamia Millia Islamia

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