

FACULTY OF DENTISTRY, JAMIA MILLIA ISLAMIA, NEW DELHI MICROBIOLOGY

REPORT

E-GUEST LECTURE : <u>COVID - 19 VACCINES : AN UPDATE</u>

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An E- guest lecture on 'COVID - 19 VACCINES: AN UPDATE ' was organized on Feb.3rd 2021 from 11am to 1p.m by Microbiology , Faculty of Dentistry, Jamia Millia Islamia for all the Faculty members of the institution.

It was hosted enthusiastically by Jt.Organising Secretaries , Dr Harneet Kaur and Dr Nupur Gupta , on Cisco WebEx platform via link https://directorigac.webex.com/directorigac/j.php?MTTD=ma4c376c550d83c18ak426b001bf9f6d0



Jt.Organising Secretaries

The academic session was ushered in by invoking the blessings of The Almighty through The Holy Q'uran Recitation and translation by Interns , Zaki Ahmed Baig and Zeba Yasmin.



Following this, our Patron, Prof Sanjay Singh, Dean, Faculty of Dentistry welcomed the Honorable Chief Guest, Vice Chancellor of Jamia Millia Islamia and all the esteemed Faculty members of Jamia Millia Islamia. With India's Covid-19 vaccination drive, the "world's largest vaccination programme" launched and progressing at a right pace and direction, he acknowledged the Honorable Vice Chancellor's foresight for the need of hosting this talk.



Patron Dean ,FOD,JMI Prof Sanjay Singh



Chief Guest Honorable Vice Chancellor ,JMI Prof Najma Akhtar

This was followed by address by the Chief Guest for the occasion, Honorable Vice Chancellor of Jamia Millia Islamia, Professor Najma Akhtar. Speaking about the global effects of the COVID -19 pandemic and the vaccination roll out programme for COVID -19 on 16th January 2021, she stated that Dr Sonal Saxena's talk would create adequate awareness, address vaccine hesitancy and instill confidence amongst all.

Introduction of speaker of the day, Dr Sonal Saxena, Prof and Head, Department of Microbiology Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi was done by the Organising Chairperson, Prof Anuradha Sharma.



Organising Chairperson



Guest Speaker Prof Sonal Saxena

Prof Sonal briefed the august audience on the various types of Covid - 19 vaccines under research across the globe, their timeline and features. Informing about the vaccines available in India she explained in a very simple way, various stages of vaccine development, advantages and disadvantages, expected adverse effects, high risk groups and contraindications.



Emphasising on the need of taking both the doses and adhering to social vaccines like wearing mask, maintaining physical distancing and hand hygiene it was made clear that it would take time for the vaccines to be effective once the two doses are taken. These will also continue to be the backbone of fighting the pandemic, post – vaccination.

The talk was followed by a very interesting and informative question - answer session. Queries were posed by The Honorable Vice Chancellor and Faculty delegates and were addressed satisfactorily by Prof Sonal Saxena. The session concluded with the proposal of Vote of Thanks by the Organising Secretary , Prof Anupriya Wadhwa .



Organising Secretary