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Two-day philately exhibition concludes at JMI

The Postal Department which issued a special cover on Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) today urged the university to start a course on philately to sensitise students on the importance of a hobby that is withering away.

On the concluding day of the two-day philatelic exhibition-cum-competition, Kalindi-2017, Mr. Sujit K. Chowdhury, PMG(O), Delhi Circle along with the Registrar, JMI, Mr. A.P. Siddiqui, IPS, released the first day cover on Okhla Bird Sanctuary brought out by the postal department.

An avid collector of stamps himself, Mr. Siddiqui said that stamps were a bridge between the past and the future by relating to history and social context. He added that stamps are a great medium by which we get to know about the world. They tell us a great deal about different nations, geographies, cultures, arts, technological breakthroughs, flora and fauna, and other aspects of the living world, he added.

Highlighting the importance of philately, Mr. Chowdhury suggested that JMI should incorporate it as a course in the university's curricula.

Mr. V. H. Girish, Divisional Forest Officer, Okhla Bird Sanctuary said that the 400 sq. feet long stretch along the river Yamuna was home to 13 distinctive species of birds that were on the brink of extinction. He requested the nationally renowned university, Jamia, to incorporate the study of the nearby bird sanctuary that has over 400 species of birds.

Mr. Siddiqui gave away the prizes to the winners of drawing and quiz competitions in which nearly a thousand students from different schools participated over the two days.

Syed Abid Husain Sr. Secondary School, JMI, won the 3rd 'best participating school trophy'.

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Attachment: Pictures of the event









