Event Report

Oral Health Screening Camp by Faculty of Dentistry <u>Foundation Day Celebration</u> Jamia Millia Islamia

As part of the 103rd Foundation Day celebrations of Jamia Millia Islamia, The Faculty of Dentistry conducted an oral health screening camp for the Jamia Fraternity and their families on 27th of October 2023, near Gate No. 7 of the University. The mobile dental bus of the Faculty of Dentistry, which is fully equipped with two dental chairs to carry our diagnostic and treatment procedures was utilised for this purpose.

Besides, general dental check-ups, the dental camp focused on screening and creating awareness about dental trauma, oral precancer, tobacco associated oral lesions, maxillofacial defects requiring complex surgery and their rehabilitation.

The dental check-up was carried out by five interns from the Faculty of Dentistry under supervision of faculty members. Specialists from the field of Oral Pathology, Oral Surgery, Public Health Dentistry, Oral Medicine and Pediatric Dentistry were also available on site to offer expert advice to patients. Prof. Keya Sircar, Dean, Faculty of Dentistry, along with Prof Aman Chowdhry, Prof Mohammad Faisal, Prof Amina Sultan, Prof Mandeep Kaur, Prof Abhishek Mehta and Prof Imran Khan to name just a few personally oversaw the smooth conduct of the camp.

Audio-visual aids were also used to disseminate information to the attendees. Pamphlets, information booklets and samples of tooth pastes and mouthwashes were distributed to the patients. More than 114 patients attended the dental camp and benefitted from the screening procedure.

The camp was successful in its aim to create awareness about lesser known problems such as dental trauma and maxillofacial defects such as oral clefts. Many queries and concerns regarding tobacco consumption and tobacco cessation were addressed at the camp, along with advice of following up on their oral health issues in the specialty clinics in the Faculty of Dentistry.