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## Press Release

## University Polytechnic, Jamia Millia Islamia, Hosts Grand Orientation Program for Diploma Engineering Students of Session 2025–26

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University Polytechnic, Faculty of Engineering & Technology, Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) today hosted a grand Orientation Program marking the culmination of a week-long induction program that commenced on 18th July, 2025. The orientation program titled 'The Conclusion' aimed to provide a seamless academic and cultural transition for the newly admitted students of the Diploma Engineering (Regular & Self-Financed) courses. Throughout the week, students participated in interactive sessions, departmental presentations, lab visits, and workshops focused on student support, academic resources, and institutional values.

Today's concluding ceremony began on a spiritual note with a soulful recitation from the Holy Quran by Ms. Syeda Madeeha Ahmad, a newly admitted student of the Polytechnic. The event was anchored by Dr. Sunil, Associate Professor, Computer Engineering Section, who drew from the works of literary and philosophical greats like Kabir, Subhadra Kumari Chauhan, Mir Taqi Mir, Swami Vivekananda, and Mirza Ghalib, creating an ambiance of introspection, celebration, and intellectual depth.

Dr. M.A. Khan, Principal, University Polytechnic, welcomed the dignitaries and the gathering with an opening address that highlighted the institution's remarkable legacy, achievements, and dedication to nurturing talent. The dignitaries were felicitated by Dr. Khan with mementos as a token of appreciation and respect. The distinguished guests included Prof. Mazhar Asif, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, JMI; Prof. Md Mahtab Alam Rizvi, Registrar, JMI; Prof. Pawan Kumar Sharma, Controller of Examinations, JMI; Prof. Neelofer Afzal, Dean, Students' Welfare, JMI; and Prof. Mini Shaji Thomas, Dean, Faculty of Engineering & Technology, JMI.

Prof. Mini Shaji Thomas, Dean, Faculty of Engineering & Technology delivered an inspiring address, urging students to embrace innovation, interdisciplinary learning, and real-world problem-solving abilities. She emphasized the value of leveraging the university's advanced laboratories, incubation centres, and mentoring frameworks. Stressing the transformative power of education, she noted, "At Jamia, we do not just teach technology—we teach leadership, adaptability, and courage to face future challenges." She also spoke about the rapid rise of the Faculty of Engineering & Technology, its global academic collaborations, and its mission to produce industry-ready, ethically sound professionals.

Prof. Neelofer Afzal, Dean, Students' Welfare focusing on students' welfare, introduced the broad spectrum of services offered by the Office of the Dean Students' Welfare (DSW). She emphasized emotional well-being, inclusion, and student empowerment and encouraged students to immerse themselves in campus life through clubs, societies, and support initiatives—especially those designed for women and underrepresented students. Encouraging students to seek help without hesitation, she reminded them that "Knowledge brings humility," urging them to approach their academic journey with empathy and self-awareness.

Prof. Pawan Kumar Sharma, Controller of Examinations, addressed the students with a message centered around academic transparency, fairness, and student empowerment. He announced the rollout of a Single Window Grievance Redressal System—a digital platform to streamline the submission and resolution of examination-related grievances. He also highlighted recent reforms, including the digitization of examination services, prompt result processing, and integrity-focused academic practices. Quoting the Sanskrit maxim "Vidya Dadati Vinayam," he inspired students to pursue learning with humility and responsibility.

Prof. Md. Mahtab Alam Rizvi, Registrar, JMI and Guest of Honour at the function, delivered a motivating address steeped in wisdom and practical advice. Drawing from his rich academic and administrative experience, he stressed the importance of discipline, time management, and consistent effort. He encouraged students to stay resilient, focused, and open to new ideas while making the most of Jamia's academic and cultural offerings.

The Chief Guest, Prof. Mazhar Asif, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Jamia Millia Islamia, delivered a remarkably inspiring Presidential address. He encouraged students to move beyond rote learning and instead cultivate curiosity, critical thinking, and ethical consciousness. He emphasized that true education is a tool for building one's character so as to leave a positive impact on the community, the nation, and fellow beings. Reaffirming JMI's mission of contributing to society through education, he stated that the university remains committed to inclusivity, academic excellence, and a student-centric approach.

The event concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Syed Shane Haider Rizvi, Associate Professor, Mechanical Engineering Section, followed by the National Anthem. The Orientation Program was more than a formal event—it was a symbol of new beginnings, echoing Jamia Millia Islamia's enduring mission to blend tradition with modernity and its commitment to nurture its students to lead with knowledge, purpose, and integrity.

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