

Press Release

Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre, JMI, concludes its 20th month-long Faculty Induction Programme for newly inducted faculty members in Higher Education

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The Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC), Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) successfully concluded its 20th One-Month Faculty Induction Programme (FIP) held in offline mode from 1st to 29th December 2025. The programme was designed as per Gurudakshta guidelines to equip newly appointed faculty members with essential pedagogical, ethical, and professional competencies aligned with the vision of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

Aimed at fostering a holistic understanding of higher education and nurturing reflective teaching professionals, the FIP featured 96 expert sessions delivered by distinguished scholars, academic leaders, and policymakers from across the country. The programme saw the enthusiastic participation of newly recruited faculty members from diverse disciplines, representing both public and private institutions of higher education. The programme was skilfully coordinated by Prof. Bharti Sharma, Professor, Department of Teacher Training and Non-Formal Education and Director, CJNS and Dr. Afaque Nadeem Khan, Associate Professor, Department of Educational Studies, JMI, under the dynamic leadership of Prof. Kulwinder Kaur, Honorary Director, MMTTC-JMI, with the support from an efficient MMTTC team.

Eminent experts and resource persons from varied institutions across India—including Central Universities such as JMI, DU, JNU, IGNOU, AMU, MANUU, Central University of Gujarat, Central University of Himachal Pradesh; State and Private Universities such as IPU, SGT, MRU, G.D. Goenka, and Gurugram. They delivered enriching lectures on higher education policies and ecosystem, curriculum design, ethics and integrity in research, technology-enabled learning, student engagement, Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and professional development. One month-long academic discourse integrated perspectives from policy, practice, and pedagogy.

The inaugural address by Prof. Anita Rastogi, Dean, Faculty of Education, JMI, set the tone for the programme. She gave an insightful address on *Higher Education in Indian & Global Context*. Many eminent speakers such as Prof. Susmita Lakhyan (DU), Prof. Sudheer Kumar Singh, DU, Prof. Arshad Ikram Ahmad (JMI), Prof. Sajid Jamal (AMU), Prof. Garav Singh (DU), Prof. Satendra Gupta (Galgotia University), Dr. Aftab Ansari (AMU) addressed critical issues such as Higher education policy, innovation, inclusion, assessments, higher education reforms, and digital pedagogies.

Several lectures by experienced professionals such as Prof. Ahrar Husain (JMI), Prof. V.S. Sumi (MANUU), Prof. Piyush Pratap, (JNU), Dr. Aerum Khan, (JMI), Prof. Bharti Dogra (IGNOU), Prof. Manju Khari (JNU), Prof. Padma Yadav (NCERT), Mr. Dibyanshu Pandey (Sr. Advocate, Supreme Court), Prof. Pradeep Kumar Misra (NIEPA), Prof. K.K. Kusuma (JMI)—offered a rich blend of theory and practical insights. Skill-based workshops were conducted on topics such as intellectual property rights, cyber security, blended learning, MOOCs, and instructional design, enhancing participants' professional capabilities.

Recognizing the multidisciplinary nature of higher education, the programme also explored the intersectionality of Education with Law, Public Health, Gender Equity, Environment, Tourism, and Space Innovation, etc. Senior administrative leaders from NCERT, SCERT, NIEPA, ICSSR and Web of Science shared valuable institutional and regulatory perspectives. Motivational sessions were organised on themes such as emotional intelligence, wellness, work-life balance, and stress management, etc.

The final week of the programme featured theme-based presentations by participants to showcase the ways in which they would integrate the learnings from FIP into their discipline-specific teaching practices. A test based on MCQs was conducted by the coordinators for evaluation and grading purposes as per the UGC guidelines. The final day of the programme featured thought provoking sessions by eminent experts who reflected on the transformative role of faculty in the evolving higher education ecosystem.

In the valedictory session, Prof. Kulwinder Kaur and Prof. Bharti Sharma gave a synoptic view of the programme. The valedictory address was delivered by Prof. Mehtab Alam Rizvi, Registrar, Jamia Millia Islamia. He spoke on the role of teachers in democracy and nation building by drawing from classical philosophers. Prof. Rizvi also highlighted the key policy initiatives in the NEP-2020 framework such as inclusion of IKS and regional languages. He invited feedback and suggestions from the participants to enrich future endeavours by MMTTC, JMI. The participants were immensely appreciative of the overall design of the programme, its co-ordinators, the resource persons, the Director and her team. After the feedback a short film showcasing the highlights of the programme was presented. This was followed by the distribution of certificates to the participants. The programme concluded with the formal vote of thanks by Mr. Akram Ansari on behalf of MMTTC team.

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