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JMI secures a ₹14.8 Crore grant from the Ministry of Minority Affairs, Govt. of India, for establishing a cutting-edge 'Research Lab for Electric Vehicles' and 'Cyber Security Training Lab'

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Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) has been awarded a significant grant of ₹14.8 crore from the Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India, under Prime Minister's Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK), to establish two state-of-the-art facilities on campus, namely, a Research Lab for Electric Vehicles and a Cyber security Training Lab.

Of the total grant, ₹ 9.05 Crore has been sanctioned for establishing the "Research Lab for Electric Vehicle" whose Principal Investigator (PI) is Prof. Ahteshamul Haque, Department of Electrical Engineering, JMI. The remaining ₹ 5.75 crore has been sanctioned for establishing the "Cyber Security Training Lab" whose Principal Investigator is Dr. Shane Kazim Naqvi, Director, FTK-Centre for Information Technology (CIT), JMI.

This initiative marks an important step toward fortifying India's national policy of being self-dependent in the area of Electric Vehicles and cyber security ecosystem.

Prof. Mazhar Asif, Vice Chancellor, JMI, outlining his vision for the initiative, stated, "These two projects play a vital role in advancing our national mission by nurturing indigenous talent in the areas of electric vehicles and cyber security. They will provide JMI students and professionals with valuable exposure to cutting-edge technologies, enabling the university to contribute effectively in these two domains at the national level." He added, "We are deeply appreciative of the Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India, for extending this crucial financial support to JMI".

Prof. Md. Mahtab Alam Rizvi, Registrar JMI, noted, "The two innovative and advanced labs, a research lab for electric vehicles and cyber security testing lab shall be established from the grant received". He added, "This will provide a dynamic platform for learning, collaboration, hands-on training, and utilizing state-of-the-art tools and technologies to solve real-world challenges in these two major areas". Prof. Rizvi congratulated Prof. Ahteshamul Haque and Dr. Shane K. Naqvi for their hard work that went into procuring these prestigious projects.

Prof. Ahteshamul Haque, PI for the Research Lab EV project, explaining the goals of the project, said, "The project has three main objectives i.e. (i) to enhance state-of-the-art research facility in the area of EV to contribute in fundamental research (ii) to establish a working charging station of EV at JMI campus with ability to develop R&D skills among students (iii) to establish a skill centre for training in the area to meet the required workforce of the nation as per the 2030 policy of the Niti Aayog".

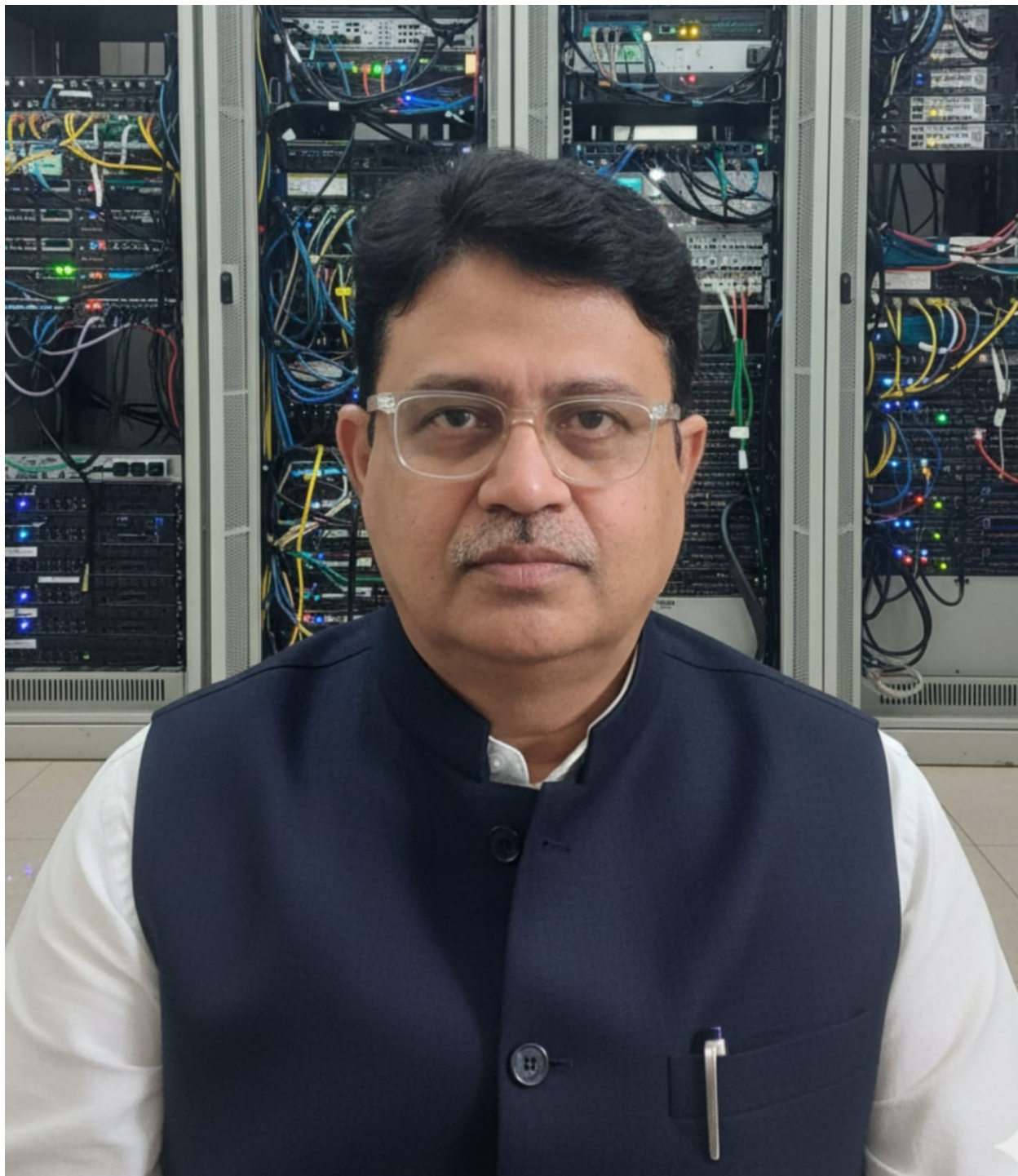
Dr. Shane Kazim Naqvi , PI of cyber security testing lab, said, "The proposed lab is directly aligned with the Government of India's National Cyber security strategy, which emphasizes developing a skilled and technically competent workforce capable of protecting critical digital assets".

Both the PIs thanked the Honorable Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Mazhar Asif and esteemed Registrar, Prof. Md. Mahtab Alam Rizvi, for their valuable support and guidance at every level.

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Prof. Ahteshamul Haque



Dr. Shane Kazim Naqvi