

VISIT BY SAUDI DELEGATION

A high power delegation from Kingdom of Saudi Arabia led by H.E. Prof. Sulaiman Abdullah Abalkhail, Rector, Al-Imam Muhammad Ibn Saud Islamic University, Riyadh visited Jamia Hamdard on 5th March, 2014. Other members in the delegation included:

Prof. (Dr.) Khalid Abdulghaffar Bin Abdulrahman, Vice Rector for Planning Development & Quality, Mr. Mohammed Abdulaziz Aljorayyan, the Counselors General Supervisor on Technical Affairs, Dr. Abdullah Mohammed Abalkhail, Dean of Teaching Staff Affairs, Dr. Khalid Ibrahim Al Qumaizi, Dean College of Medicine General Supervisor of Medical Sentries, Dr. Eisa Abdullah Aleise, Dean of College of Computer and Information Sciences, Prof. Abdulmohsen Mohammed Alsumih, Dean of King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz Centre for Islamic Contemporary Studies & Dialogue of Civilizations, Dr. Abdullah Mohammed Almojlli, Dean of Higher Institute of Da'wah and Hisbah, Dr. Khalid Abdulrazaq Aldayel, the Rector Office Manager, Dr. Nashmi Hussain Alanazi, the Supervisor of the Department of Public Relations, Mr. Abdulaziz Abdullah Aljuma, the Rector Adviser for International Cooperation, Mr. Ahmed Saleh Alali, Advisor of the Office of the Rector for International Cooperation, Mr. Bandar Saeed Alatar, Office of the Rector, Dr. Ali Muhammad Al-Shehri, Cultural Attache, Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia.

The delegation was received by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. G N Qazi along with all the Deans of the Faculties of the University, at 10.10 AM in the board room of his office. After recitation from the Holy Quran, presentation of flower bouquets and exchange of introductory formalities, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor briefed the delegation about the University particularly its impressive number of research publication totalling around 1500 in year 2013. The remarkable contribution in field of women education and health sciences is another key feature of Jamia Hamdard through a power point presentation. In reply H.E. Prof. Sulaiman Abdullah Abalkhail, Rector, Al-Imam Muhammad Ibn Saud Islamic University, Riyadh; thanked the Hon'ble V.C. and his team and briefly spoke about his Govt. and the University and their keenness to develop relationship for sustained cooperation between our two countries/ Universities. This was followed by signing of MOU between H.E. Prof. Sulaiman Abdullah Abalkhail, Rector, Al-Imam Muhammad Ibn Saud Islamic University, Riyadh and Dr. G N Qazi, Vice Chancellor, Jamia Hamdard, New Delhi.

The delegation next visited Hamdard Institute of Medical Sciences and Research (HIMSR), where it was received by the Dean, Prof. (Dr.) Shridhar Dwivedi and his senior colleagues. After a group

photograph, the Dean made an exhaustive presentation to the delegation regarding HIMSR and its various activities in the 'council room'. He appraised the delegation about the selection process adopted for the two batches of MBBS students, their training curriculum and various extracurricular activities. He emphasized:

- Utmost stress being given to ethical issues and humane considerations in the training programme.
- Our uniqueness in starting clinical exposure to the students from the 1st year of the MBBS course.
- Our uniqueness in having a Unani Medicine College within the University campus, which would help in developing integrated approach in treatment of diseases as-well-as research.

Thereafter, the Delegation was taken around the various departments of the hospital and the upcoming new multi storied hospital block and a drive around the University campus.

The Delegation was very impressed with the innumerable activities of Jamia Hamdard, specially HIMSR which is evident from the remarks of the deputy team leader, Prof. (Dr.) Khalid Abdulghaffar Bin Abdulrahman, appended below:

"It was really a great pleasure for me to visit Hamdard University & the Institute of Medical Sciences for the 3rd time, to witness the wonderful progress of the College of Medicine.

I am also impressed with activities of the college. The integration between modern & traditional medicine is great strategy. The numbers of the senior professors from different specialties is a plus for the college of the medicine.

I wish that the signing ceremony of MOU between Al-Imam & Hamdard University is the take off stage of bright future for both Universities.

Best wishes"