

Aligarh Muslim University

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An Appeal to AMU Community

The University has been presently passing through a crucial transitory phase and the process for the appointment of a regular Vice Chancellor is in the offing. We should soon have the requisite panel duly passed by the statutory bodies and forward to the Visitor, AMU for appointing regular Vice Chancellor. However, this interim period is extremely crucial and needs to be trudged along cautiously. The completing of XI Five Year Plan is drawing closer and judicious utilization of the allocated funds under this Plan is an urgent priority. Moreover, submission of a comprehensive and realistic vision document for the next Five Year Plan proposal highlighting our futuristic goals is also due shortly. It must be emphasized that the success of this endeavour will shape our academic and infrastructural growth for the next five years. Classroom teaching has finally been resumed and is in full swing after the winter break and needs to continue with an accelerated pace for timely examination and consequent declaration of results. Any disruption, howsoever short, is bound to cause serious detrimental delay in the academic calendar and will consequently deprive our students from appearing in various national competitions. Such inordinate delay will also seriously hamper career placements in professional courses. In today's highly competitive atmosphere, it will be too heavy a price to pay.

I have outlined the above tasks simply to emphasize the fact that we have both our hands full with the jobs which are time bound and extremely important for the growth and development of our institution. Any derailment will spell disaster and will push us back on the roadmap of progress and prosperity. No true well-wisher of this institution worth his salt would ever like this to happen. We will achieve our cherished objectives only when all stakeholders – the students, the teachers, the non-teaching and the technical staff – pledge to give their very best within their well-specified domains. Any attempt of transgression will lead to turmoil and anarchy which will not be permitted at any cost. I am one amongst you and am always available to redress your genuine grievances within the existing framework of rules. However, I must make it amply clear that I shall definitely be averse to any cross-domain assertions or stretching issues beyond jurisdiction which is neither morally desirable nor legally permissible. I, therefore, earnestly urge you to discharge your obligations with utmost care and dedication. I would like you to know that the entire nation and the Muslim community in particular, is looking at you with great expectations and none of your unsavoury action should belie their hopes. IT is time to show through your dignified and mature behavior that you are the true inheritors of great Sir Syed's legacy. As one of the very humble alumnus of this great institution, I stand firmly committed and duty-bound to ensure that complete normalcy prevails in the campus. in the event of any deliberate infringement which is likely to disrupt peace in the campus, the law will take its own course.

Finally, I appeal to all of you to help me strengthen my resolve to take AMU to greater heights of academic excellence and glory. Amen!

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