The Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, an esteemed institution of learning, is the vision of Aligarh Movement launched by Sir Syed Ahmad Khan, a great visionary and educator of the country. With its unswerving dedication and devotion Sir Syed Ahmad Khan founded MAO College in 1875 and in 1920 Sir Syed’s dream that one day this College "should become a University whose sons shall go forth throughout the length and breadth of the land to preach the gospel of free enquiry, large hearted tolerance and pure morality" was realized with the establishment of the Aligarh Muslim University.

The Aligarh Muslim University is more than a seat of learning. It is a part of movement which symbolizes the Indian Muslims’ desire to achieve and excel and to contribute to the National Life. It epitomizes his conviction that in the composite Indian Culture everyone has to make meaningful contribution and it is the right and duty of everyone to get educated.

The Department of Psychology, Aligarh Muslim University enjoys the privilege of being one of the oldest departments in the subcontinent. During the period when the subject was rooted within Philosophy, the department was called the Department of Philosophy, although Psychology formed part of the syllabus in every examination. In 1941, the Department of Philosophy and Psychology were bifurcated and the Department of Psychology came into existence. Prof. Anwar Ali became the first Head of the Department of Psychology.

As an independent department of Psychology it began to grow keeping the developments along with the classical studies, as a result it opened the doors for new area to emerge and flourish. The department of Psychology is marching ahead in its vision to provide state of the art facility to its student along with quality education. Faculty members have specializations in contemporary fields such as in organizational behavior, clinical, social, spiritual, positive and health psychology.

**FOCAL THEME**

Tasheelat is the most important Islamic belief. It implies that everything in existence originates from the one and only Creator, who is also the Sustainer and the sole Source of Guidance. Recognition of this fundamental truth results in a unified view of existence which rejects any divisions of life. Due to this principle of laam the concept of the Universe, the practices of religion, and the norms of social life were each liberated from all the monolithic views which had degraded them, and human minds were made free of prejudice.

Therefore, Islamic Psychology is a revolutionary area in the field of psychology in the Islamic principles at its basic tenets. Based on these principles Islamic Psychology is trying to uplift the sufferings of man. However, there is a great deal of envy, hatred, greed, brutality, antagonism and violence prevailing in the world. So men is beginning to realize that there is no one can he turn to, no one to help him out of this chaos and misery. Society is rife with conflict be it on the basis of region, religion, language or resources. There is tremendous amount of violence, uncertainty and fear, a form of organized, flourishing anarchy. Due to this anarchy man has lost faith; he no longer trusts anybody, neither preists nor politicians, not even his own parents. In this context, Islamic Psychology gains prominence for building an atmosphere of peacefulness. It has placed Roman nature at the centre of the solution to problems that emerged in and from man.

The Almighty has accursed in every man, the natural disposition to good and positive behavior. However, man, in his excesses, sometimes misuses his potentials inherent in his nature i.e. Fitrat. This calls for immediate attention on our part to explore and incorporate serious means in our lives so that one can move towards a state of well being. In this regard, Islamic Psychology has played a influential role since time immemorial. Therefore, the present conference is aimed at discussing the evolving concepts of Islamic Psychology and also expanding the horizon of our understanding by relating it to contemporary reality.

**SUB-THEMES**

- **Definition and Purpose**
  - Definition, Nature and Purpose of Islamic psychology

- **History and Conceptual Framework**
  - History of Islamic Psychology
  - Theoretical models of Islamic Psychology
  - Islamic oriented psychotherapies in the history of Islamic Psychology
  - Definitions and scope of any concepts in psychology like Personality Intelligence, Motivation, etc. in light of Islamic psychology
  - Islamic Psychology and Culture
  - Islamic Psychology versus Islamization of psychology: Any difference?
  - Islamic Psychology: Science or Arts
  - Islamic Chaplains: Theory and Application
  - Relevance of Islamic Psychology in Modern Age

- **Application**
  - A review of evidence based studies in the application of Islamic psychology
  - Contemplation and Mindfulness in Islamic psychology
  - Spiritual/Positive Therapies in Islam
  - Classification of Psychological Disorders from Islamic Psychology
  - Use of Islamic Psychology principles in individual and Organizational settings
  - Islamic Counseling

- **Challenges**
  - Introducing the concept of Islamic Psychology to the modern world
  - Theory development based on scientific principles
  - Development of Measurement Scales
  - Developing and Applying Research Methodologies for use in Islamic psychology
  - Integrating Islamic Psychotherapies with Modern Psychotherapies
  - Introducing Islamic Psychology in Universities
  - Islamic Psychology Curriculum
  - Integration of Psychology and Theology
  - Islamic Psychology and Muslim Cultures

- **Evolution of Islamic Psychology and Some Contemporary Issues**
  - Islamic psychology: Past, Present and Future
  - Positive Psychology in the Werks of Early Muslim Scholars
  - Islamic psychology and conflict resolution
  - Integration with other Social and Islamic Sciences
  - The Prophetic Model of Islamic Psychology

**DATES AND DEADLINES**

**Abstract & Paper Submission**

All abstracts and full papers will be peer reviewed and evaluated by a committee consisting of scholars and experts in the sub-themes above. The abstract and paper will be reviewed based on originality, technical and/or research content, depth, correspondence with presentation and relevance to the conference. Prospective paper presenters are kindly invited to submit abstracts and full text papers in MS Word format (Idoc and .docx) and those submitted to this Conference will be considered for publication in an edited book on Contemporary Trends in Islamic Psychology.

**Abstract & Paper Submission Guidelines**

- **Languages**: English/Arabic
- **Font**: Times New Roman 12
- **Spacing**: 1.5
- **Page numbers**: Bottom left
- **Word limit**: Abstract 1000 words, Full Paper 3000-5000 words
- **Keywords**: Up to 5 only
- **Email your abstracts**: iclip@aamu.edu

**What you will get as participants:**

- A conference programme book with abstracts
- Conference kit
- Listen to Eminent speakers
- Learn about the Islamic Psychology: Theory, Research and Practice.
- Opportunity to interact with Muslim Psychologists around the world contributing in the field of Islamic Perspective in Psychology.

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