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1. Faculty of **Social Sciences**
2. Department of **West Asian Studies**

**Brief Introduction of the Department:**

The Centre of West Asian Studies (CWAS) was established in 1967 as an independent, interdisciplinary, area study centre of the Faculty of Social Sciences at the Aligarh Muslim University. The geographic area under study includes Iran, the Fertile Crescent, Turkey, Arabian Peninsula and North African region. These studies also are related to their relevance to India. Besides multi-disciplinary research, the Centre is involved in teaching, training and evaluation. The Centre's faculty, though small in number, represents a variety of disciplines, such as Political Science, Economics, History, Geography, Sociology and Arabic. Besides, language teaching and training to the Area (Arabic and Persian) are an integral part of our research programmes. Apart from team work among the faculty, collaborative teaching and research with scholars from related departments are also undertaken. The Centre's activities include undertaking of in-depth research studies, organization of conferences, seminars, symposia, workshops and group discussions on varied aspects of the Area.

The Centre publishes a journal entitled **Journal of West Asian Studies** as well as a documented **West Asia Bulletin**. Numerous M.Phil and Ph.D. degrees have been awarded to the researchers working as research scholars in the Centre. Since 1991 the Centre expanded its activities and has introduced full-fledged teaching courses at the graduate and the post-graduate levels -- offering MA in West Asian Studies and a Part time PG Diploma in West Asian Studies (DWAS). Besides, the Centre also offers a **Post-Graduate Diploma in Conflict Resolution & Peace Studies** (under UGC's Scheme of Innovative Programme in emerging areas)

It has a well-equipped research library which attracts scholars from all over the country. While the in-depth study of history, economy, polity and society of a given state or area is vital for our understanding, new factors related to economic diplomacy, trade, new regionalism, decline of UN, end of cold war, rising tide of ethnicity and religion and growing acts of terrorism across the region etc. have added several new dimensions to our study in the Centre.

The thrust areas of the centre in the present focuses on the following major themes are:

a) The Post-Cold War Developments and Conflict Resolution
b) Globalization and Economic Liberalization with special reference to west Asia and North Africa (Maghreb Project)
c) Indo-West Asian Relations: Economic, Political, Social and Strategic.
e) Economic and political Development
f) West Asia and India's Energy Security.
g) Geo-Strategic Environment and India's Security Interest.
3. Books/Monographs Published:  
   Nil

Publications (National)  
(Research Articles)


Publications (International):  Nil.

4. Participation of Faculty Members in National and International Symposia Seminar/Workshops:

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* Dr. Ghulam Mursaleen, attended and presented a paper: at “IJAS Conference” held at Gottenheim, Germany, on November 27 – December 2, 2011, and presented a paper, Role of Women in the Struggle of Palestine (Revised).

5. Seminar/Symposia/Workshop Organized:  ONE

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<td>Prof. Mohammad Gulrez</td>
<td>National Seminar on “Arab Spring and Peace in West Asia”</td>
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6. Symposia/Extra-Mural Lectures Organized by the Department:  07

   i) Post – graduate students of NET/JRF/PDF Sanctioned/Awarded

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<td>Dr. Kausar Fatima</td>
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ii) Journals Published by the Departments:
Prof. Shamir Hasan, Editor, *Journal of West Asian Studies-2011* -
Index: ISSN:0975-7856  

iii) Prof. Shamir Hassan,
Co-opted Member of Board of Studies, Centre for West Asian Studies, JMI, New Delhi.

iv) Prof. Shamir Hassan,
Membership of the Editorial Boards of National and International Journals
“Turkish and Indian Studies: An Appraisal”, ICHR (New Delhi, 2009-10).

v) Prof. Mohammad Gulrez,
Co-opted Member of Board of Studies, Centre for West Asian Studies, S.I.S., J.N.U., New Delhi.

vi) Prof. Mohammad Gulrez,
Visiting Faculty, Malaviya Centre for Peace Research (2010-2013), BHU, Varanasi.

vii) Prof. Mohammad Gulrez,
Co-opted External Member, Board of Studies, Department of Defense & Strategic Studies, University of Allahabad.

viii) Introduction of PG Diploma Programme by the Centre of West Asian Studies in Conflict Resolution & Peace Studies (Under UGC’s Innovative Programme in Emerging Areas.

7. Special Distinction:

Prof. Mohammad Gulrez has been appointed Director, of newly established Centre of South African and Studies Brazilian.

Prof. Mohammad Gulrez appointed as Member, Syllabus Revision Committee, Centre for West Asian Studies, Jamia Millia, New Delhi.

(Prof. S. Shamir Hasan)
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