

Dear Kamal Sahib,

I have drafted the following brief news item and attachment to be circulated at OSU, AMU, and other news agencies, with a request to modify as appropriate to their clientele and readership. Perhaps AAA might also be interested in making a similar announcement.

Best regards,

Anil

US-India STEM Faculty Training Project

A pilot project for training world-class research and teaching faculty at higher education institutions in India has been launched under the auspices of the Obama-Singh 21st Knowledge Initiative award by the US-India Educational Foundation to the joint partnership between OSU and Aligarh Muslim University (AMU). A batch of four pre-doctoral fellows from AMU has joined OSU to pursue a novel two-year dual-degree program for STEM teacher's training and advanced research with OSU advisors. The recipients of this prestigious award are: Malik Azeem Anwar, Hala, Nida Rehmani and Asim Rizvi. They are concurrently enrolled in PhD programs at AMU and a specially designed India-specific MEd (STEM) program at OSU. The project is sponsored by the Office of Global Affairs and Graduate School, and the colleges of Education, Arts and Sciences, and Engineering. More information at: www.astronomy.ohio-state.edu/~pradhan (or /~nahar). Contacts: Anil Pradhan (pradhan.1@osu.edu), Sultana Nahar (nahar.1@osu.edu).

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