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Cordially Invites you to an extension lecture by

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On the topic:

**Jamia Millia Islamia: a laboratory for composite India (1920-
1950s)**

Time: 2:30 P.M.

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Venue: M.N. Meenai Seminar Room, Department of Political Science,

This presentation will focus on Jamia Millia Islamia in its early days, from its foundation in the 1920s to the early post-independence period. The 'National Muslim University', born under the dual influence of the Khilafat and Non-Cooperation movements, constituted for its members a 'laboratory' for the nation. Through their educational experiments and constructive work à la Gandhi, Jamia teachers and students sought to lay the ground for an independence that would be 'meaningful' not only for Muslims but for the entire nation. In so doing, Jamia members claimed the right for Muslims to be recognised as 'unhyphenated Indians', able to speak for the nation. This presentation will thus put forward the efforts of Jamia members to promote an inclusive conception of 'composite India', of which Muslims were fully part.