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Press Release

**DES, JMI organizes Extension Lecture on “National Education Policy 2020:
A Transformative Policy for Higher Education”**

The Department of Educational Studies (DES), Faculty of Education, Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) organized an extension lecture on “National Education Policy 2020: A Transformative Policy for Higher Education”. Dr. Anjali Shokeen, an esteemed academic from Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University (GGSIPU), was the keynote speaker. The event was attended by an enthusiastic audience comprising M.Ed., M.A. (Educational Planning and Administration), M.A. (Early Childhood Development), PGDEM students, and research scholars of the department.

Professor Harjeet Kuar Bhatia, the in-charge of the Extension Lectures, DES warmly introduced Dr. Shokeen, highlighting her expertise in education policy and her valuable contributions to the field. Professor Kaushal Kishore, the Head of the Department welcomed the speaker and the audience.

In her lecture, Dr. Shokeen discussed the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, emphasizing its potential to restore India as a “Vishva Guru” in education, a position held in ancient times. She stated that this ambitious goal is achievable through accessible, equitable, high-quality, and affordable education for every student in the country.

Dr. Shokeen elaborated on the NEP 2020’s core objectives, including a holistic, flexible, and multidisciplinary approach to education aimed at raising the Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) to 100% from preschool to secondary level by 2030. She discussed the PM SHRI Scheme, launched in September 2022, which seeks to provide high-quality education in an inclusive and joyful environment by upgrading and developing over 14,500 schools nationwide.

The extension lecture concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks delivered by the convenor of the lecture, Prof. Harjeet Kaur Bhatia. Expressing her gratitude, Prof. Bhatia remarked, “We are deeply enlightened by Dr. Shokeen’s insights. I am pleased to see the keen involvement of faculty members, students, and research

scholars in this meaningful discussion”. The faculty members from the department namely, Dr. Sarita Kumari, Dr. Aafaque Nadeem Khan, Dr. Musa Ali, Dr. Ali Haider and Dr. Zeba Tabassum interactively participated in the session. The session was engaging and collaborative, with technical assistance from Ms. Priyanka Saini.

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