## SC 154 (8): TO DISCUSS THE ACADEMIC CALENDAR - 2020-2021 OF JAMIA HAMDARD

The Union Minister for Education, Govt. of India announced the UGC guidelines on Academic Calendar for the First Year of UG and PG Students of the Universities for the session 2020-2021 in view of COVID-19 Pandemic.

Accordingly, the following calendar has been suggested by the M/o Education, GoI for the academic session 2020-2021:

- Admission Process (To be completed) 31.10.2020
- Commencement of Classes of above students.
- Fresh batch (First Semester/Year) 01-11-2020\*
- Preparatory Break 1-03-2021 to 7-03-2021
- Conduct of Examinations 8-03-2021 to 26-03-2021
- Semester Break 27-03-2021 to 4-04-2021
- Commencement of Classes for Even Semester 5-04-2021
- Preparatory Break 1-08-2021 to 8-08-2021
- Conduct of Examinations 9-08-2021 to 21-08-2021
- Semester Break 22-08-2021 to 29-08-2021
- Commencement of Next Academic Session for this Batch 30-08-2021

If there is a delay in declaration of result of the qualifying examinations, the UGC has said that the Universities may plan and start the academic session by 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020. The teaching learning process may continue in offline / online / blended mode.

The above matter along with the detailed guidelines as published by M/o Education, GoI on 22/09/2020 through Press Information Bureau was included as agenda items for 12<sup>th</sup> meeting of the BoM of JH which was scheduled on 1/10/2020. Though the said meeting of the BoM could not be held due to lack of quorum.

As per existing practice (except 2020-2021 where COVID-19 pandemic disrupted the academic session), before the beginning of new academic years in July, Academic Council deliberate and decide the followings:

- University Re-opens
- Commencement of Classes
- Founders Day
- Cultural and Sports Activities
- Preparatory Leave
- Semester Examinations (Odd)
- Winter Break
- Commencement of classes after winter break
- Preparatory leave

- Semester Examinations (Even)
- Summer Vacation

University Re-opens after Summer Break

Once the Academic Council finalize the important dates, the Deans are, accordingly, authorized to prepare their academic calendar. However, the norms of statutory councils such as INC, MCI, PCI, CCIM are considered while preparing the same.

The following working days (including Saturdays) are in the year 2021:

Month	Sunday	Holidays	Total Working Days
January	05	01	25
February	04		24
March	04	02	25
April	04	02	24
May	05	03	23
June	04		26
July	04	02	25
August	05	02	24
Total =	35	12	196

Note: As per UGC guidelines, 180 teaching days in one academic year is mandatory.

The above matter is submitted before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council for discussion.

Secretary Standing Committee of AC