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About Jamia Hamdard

The history of Jamia Hamdard dates back to 1906 when Hakeem Hafiz Abdul Majeed, a renowned practitioner of the Unani system of medicine, established a small clinic. His vision was to transform Unani medicine into a scientific discipline for more effective treatment. He named his initiative "Hamdard," meaning "sympathy for all and sharing of pain."

His son, Hakeem Abdul Hameed, continued this legacy in independent India. Even during the partition in 1947, he aspired to establish educational institutions that would highlight the contributions of Islam and Islamic culture to Indian civilization, along with the development of Unani medicine. On 28th August 1948, Hamdard was converted into a Wakf to promote public charity in health and education. In 1964, the Hamdard National Foundation was formed to manage and utilize the profits of Hamdard (Wakf) Laboratories.

To realize these objectives, Hakeem Abdul Hameed acquired land in the Tughlaqabad area of South Delhi and established several institutions. In 1962, the Institute of History of Medicine and Medical Research was created to promote education and research in the history and principles of medicine. In 1963, the Indian Institute of Islamic Studies was set up to study Islamic culture and its contributions to Indian society. That same year, Hamdard Tibbi College was established in Old Delhi and later shifted to the Jamia Hamdard campus in 1980 to impart education in Unani medicine. In 1972, Hamdard College of Pharmacy was founded to provide education and training in pharmacy.

On 10th May 1989, Jamia Hamdard was granted the status of "Deemed to be University" by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, fulfilling Hakeem Abdul Hameed's long-cherished dream. It was inaugurated by the then Prime Minister, Late Shri Rajiv Gandhi, on 1st August 1989, who appreciated the efforts in establishing a center of higher learning.

Conceived as a premier institution in Unani medicine, Islamic studies, biosciences, pharmacy, nursing, and other disciplines, Jamia Hamdard has, over the past decade, expanded its academic offerings. It now includes graduate and postgraduate programmes in law, information technology, computer applications, business management, physiotherapy, and occupational therapy.



About Hamdard Institute of Legal Studies & Research (HILSR)

HILSR, established in 2018 with the approval of the Bar Council of India (BCI), offers a comprehensive five-year integrated B.A. LL.B. program aimed at providing a strong foundation in legal education. Expanding its academic offerings, HILSR introduced LL.M. programs in Constitutional and Commercial Law, along with a Ph.D. in Law, in the 2022–2023 session.

Committed to quality education, HILSR employs innovative pedagogy and a global outlook. The institute is supported by modern infrastructure, including an online library, smart classrooms, a computer lab, and a moot court to enrich the learning experience. Reflecting its mission to promote social justice, HILSR launched the HILSR Pro Bono Club in 2023 under the Department of Justice, Ministry of Law & Justice (Govt. of India), encouraging students to engage in public service.

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HILSR's vision is to continually evolve with the changing legal education landscape, aiming to produce exemplary legal professionals dedicated to building a just and equitable society.



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President of Hamdard National Foundation (India) – HECA and Co-Chairman, has led charitable and educational initiatives for over five decades, carrying forward the legacy of his father, Late Janab Hakeem Abdul Hameed. A pivotal force in the growth of Jamia Hamdard and Hamdard Laboratories India since 1973, his leadership blends vision with humility.

Vice-Chancellor – Professor (Dr.) Mohammad Afshar Alam, Patron-in-Chief, HILSR Law Review, is a distinguished academic with expertise in Software Reengineering, Data Mining, and Sustainable Development. With 25 years in teaching and research, he has authored 10 books, guided 30+ Ph.D. scholars, and published 160+ research papers.





Dean - Professor (Dr.) Saleena K. Basheer, Editor-in-Chief, HILSR Law Review, is an accomplished academic and administrator. She has significantly contributed to legal education, research, and institutional development, shaping the Institute into a hub of excellence in legal studies.

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HILSR Law Review (HILSR L. Rev.) is an annual peer reviewed refereed e-journal of Hamdard Institute of Legal Studies & Research, School of Law, Jamia Hamdard (Deemed to be University). Launching its inaugural volume, the HILSR L. Rev. aims to provide an e-platform for legal scholars, practitioners, and students to publish high-quality legal research and foster intellectual discourse within the field of law. The HILSR Law Review is affiliated with HILSR, School of Law, Jamia Hamdard.

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The mission of HILSR L. Rev. is to be a leading digital platform for legal scholarship, fostering intellectual discourse, advancing legal knowledge, and promoting excellence in the field of law. The HILSR L. Rev. envisions a legal community where diverse perspectives merge to shape a more just and informed society.

Our Mission Statement

The mission of HILSR L. Rev. is to promote legal scholarship, facilitate intellectual discourse, and disseminate knowledge within the legal community. The e-journal is dedicated to:

- Fostering Legal Excellence: We provide a digital platform for legal scholars, practitioners, and students to publish their research, thereby contributing to the growth and excellence of the legal field.
- Advancing Legal Knowledge: We actively support the dissemination of legal knowledge by making valuable legal research accessible to a wide audience, including legal professionals, academics, and students.
- Encouraging Critical Discourse: We create a space for intellectual discourse and the exchange of ideas among legal scholars and practitioners, shaping legal thought.



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- Last date for submission: 20th December, 2025
- Review feedback received by: 10th March, 2026
- Last date to submit revised article (with suggested changes): 10th March, 2026
- Date of publication: August, 2026 (Tentative)

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