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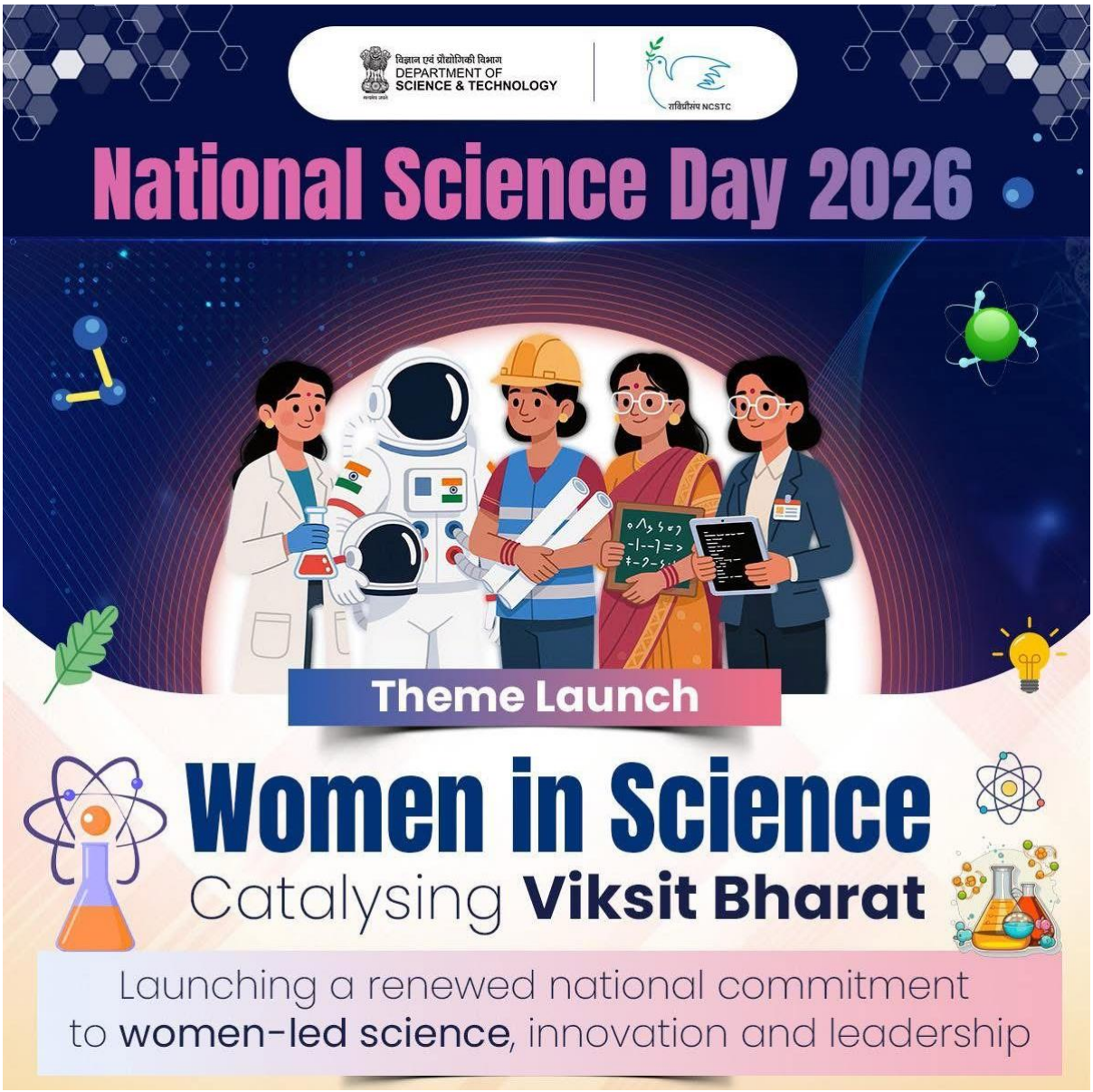
Jamia Hamdard Celebrates National Science Day 2026 with Academic Distinction and Research Excellence

THEME OF THE YEAR



JAMIA HAMDARD

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cordially invites you to the

National Science Day Celebration, 2026

February 27, 2026 at 11.30 AM
(Hamdard Convention Centre, Jamia Hamdard)

on the theme

Women in Science: Catalysing Viksit Bharat

(Declared by the Department of Science & Technology,
Ministry of Science & Technology, Govt. of India)

Patron

***Janab* Hammad Ahmed**
Chancellor, Jamia Hamdard

Chief Guest

Shri. Ajay Chaudhary, IPS
Special Commissioner of Police
Vigilance Division, New Delhi

Guests of Honour

Dr. Raj K. Shirumalla
Mission Director – National Biopharma Mission

Dr. Rahila Sardar
CEO, Vgenomics

Presided over by

Prof. (Dr.) M. Afshar Alam
Vice Chancellor, Jamia Hamdard

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(Please take your seat by 11:15 am. Teachers who will be felicatated are requested to join the program with their research scholars who contributed to the selected publications)

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NATIONAL SCIENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Theme – Women in Science: Catalysing Viksit Bharat

February 27, 2026 (Friday)

Venue- Hamdard Convention Centre (Hall-1)

TIME	PROGRAMME
11:30 am	Arrival of Dignitaries – Chief Guest, Guests of Honour and other dignitaries
11:32 – 11:35 am	Recitation of a verse from Holy Quran
11:36 – 11:39 am	Hamdard *Tarana*
11:40 – 11:45 am	Felicitation of Dignitaries
11:46 – 11:50 am	Welcome by the Director R&D Cell (Prof. Shakir Ali)
11:51 - 12:00 pm	Address by the Guest of Honour ***Dr. Raj Shirumalla***, National Biopharma Mission
12:01 - 12:10 pm	Address by the Guest of Honour ***Dr. Rahila Sardar***, CEO, Vgenomics
12:11 – 12:25 pm	National Science Day Lecture by the Chief Guest ***Shri Ajay Chaudhary, IPS,*** Spl. Commissioner of Police
12:26 – 12:45 pm	Address by the Chairman-NSD 2026 (Prof. Javed Ali) & Felicitation of Faculty Members and Research Scholars/Distribution of Certificates
12:46 – 12:50 pm	Release of books authored/edited by Jamia Hamdard faculty
12:51 – 01:00 pm	Presidential Address by ***Prof. M. Afshar Alam*** Vice Chancellor, Jamia Hamdard
01:01 – 01:04 pm	Vote of thanks by ***Colonel Tahir Mustafa*** Registrar, Jamia Hamdard
01:05 pm	National Anthem

National Science Day, 2026 Report

Jamia Hamdard commemorated the National Science Day, 2026 on 27 February, 2026 with academic solemnity and distinction, in alignment with the theme launched by the Department of Science & Technology, Government of India – **Women in Science: Catalyzing *Viksit* Bharat**.

The program was conducted at the Jamia Hamdard Convention Centre under the patronage of the **Chancellor of the University**, *Janab* Hammad Ahmed, and presided over by the **Vice Chancellor, Jamia Hamdard**, Prof. (Dr.) M. Afshar Alam. **Special Commissioner of Police, Vigilance Division**, New Delhi, *Shri* Ajay Chaudhary, IPS graced the occasion as Chief Guest. **Mission Director – National Biopharma Mission, BIRAC** (A Government of India Enterprise), Dr. Raj K. Shirumalla, and **CEO, Vgenomics**, Dr. Rahila Sardar attended as Guests of Honour. In addition, Prof. Shakir Ali, Director (R&D), Prof. Suhel Parvez, Dean (Academics), Colonel Tahir Mustafa, Registrar, Jamia Hamdard and Prof. Javed Ali, Chairman National Science Day Committee, 2026 were on the dais.

From Left to right: Dr. Rahila Sardar, Dr. Raj Kumar Shirumall, Mr. Ajay Chaudhary, Prof. (Dr.) Afshar Alam, Prof. Shakir Ali, Prof. Javed Ali, and Prof. Suhel Parvez.

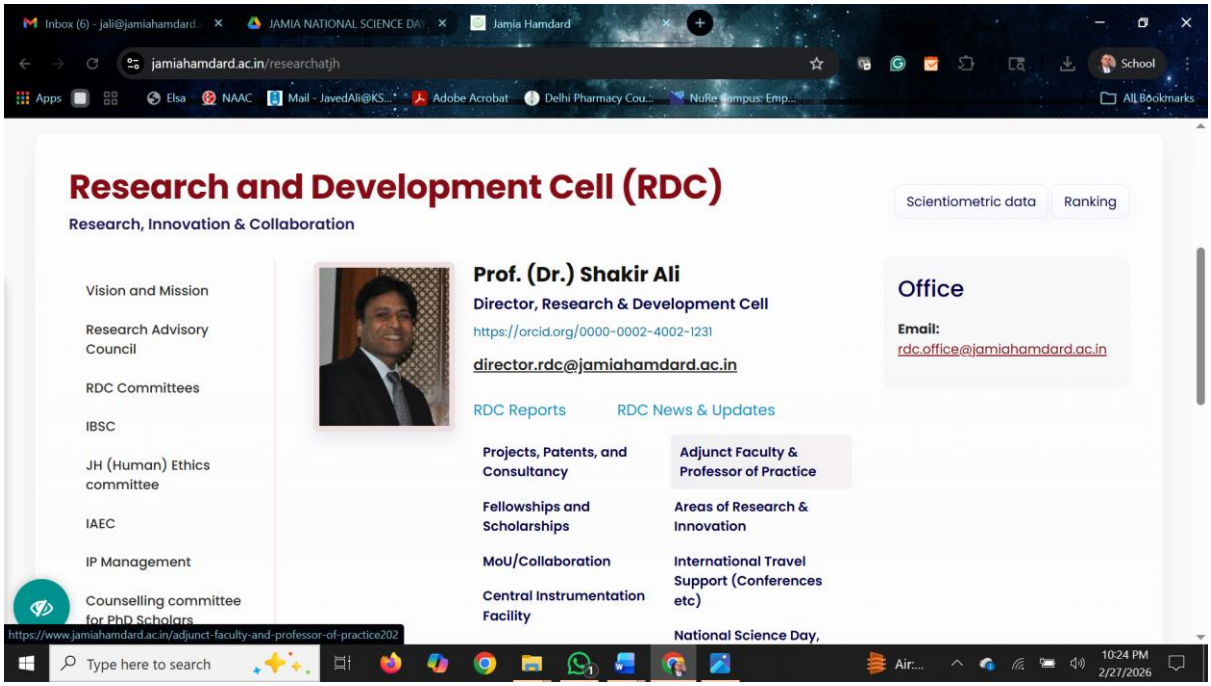
Prof. Shakir Ali, Director (R&D), delivered the Welcome Address underscoring the historical and scientific significance of the National Science Day celebration at Jamia Hamdard, which was more than a mere organization of an event; but a report card of the research and innovation at Jamia Hamdard in the preceding year. He highlighted the

sustained commitment of the University to excellence in research, innovation, and interdisciplinary collaboration, and reiterated a renewed national commitment to Women-led science, innovation and leadership. Prof. Ali provided an overview of the publication and citation profile of Jamia Hamdard based on the *Scopus* data, which reflects a consistent and significant growth in research output of the University and its national and international impact. Total publications increased from 7,155 (as on 28.02.2022) to 11,114 (as on 31.12.2025), demonstrating a strong upward trajectory in scholarly productivity. Quality indicators showed a parallel improvement – with i_{10} rising from 3,152 to 5,590, i_{50} from 641 to 1,519, and i_{100} from 209 to 580 during the same period. The *h*-index of the University improved substantially from 131 to 182, reflecting sustained citation impact and research influence. Total citations grew from 136,690 to 292,172; while citations per paper increased from 19.10 to 26.28, indicating an enhanced visibility and academic recognition of research contributions, underscoring the expanding global research footprint of the University and its commitment to excellence in scientific scholarship. The address of the Director (R&D) was followed by the address of Dr. Raj K Shirumalla and Dr. Rahila Sardar.

Dr. Raj K. Shirumalla, Mission Director – National Biopharma Mission, BIRAC delivering his address. Dr. Shirumalla provided valuable insights into India's evolving biopharmaceutical ecosystem and stressed the importance of translational research, Tech-Biology, and strategic partnerships in advancing scientific innovation. He also acknowledged the critical role of women scientists in driving research excellence and industry transformation.

Dr. Rahila Sardar, Vgenomics, addressing the gathering. She deliberated on emerging advancements in genomics, precision medicine, and technology-driven healthcare solutions, especially the rare diseases and shared her journey as a Women entrepreneur to the Founder of a company and motivated young women researchers to pursue innovation with scientific rigor, ethical responsibility, and entrepreneurial vision.

Shri Ajay Chaudhary, IPS delivering the lecture as Chief Guest. In his address, he elaborated on the interface between science, technology, governance, and public accountability. He emphasized the importance of scientific temperament, digital innovation, and ethical vigilance in strengthening institutional integrity and national development. His address highlighted the broader societal relevance of scientific inquiry in fostering transparency, security, and responsible citizenship.



Inauguration of the new R&D webpage by the Vice Chancellor.

Prof. (Dr.) M. Afshar Alam, Vice Chancellor, Jamia Hamdard inaugurates the new webpage of the R&D Cell and thereafter delivered his Presidential Address, reaffirming the commitment of Jamia Hamdard to fostering a robust research ecosystem aligned with national priorities. He highlighted the transformative role of women in science and reiterated the institution's resolve to promote inclusivity, innovation, and global engagement in research and higher education. He emphasized that scientific advancement, when guided by ethical principles and societal responsibility, become a cornerstone for achieving the vision of Viksit Bharat.

The Presidential address and inauguration ceremony of the R&D webpage was followed by the felicitation of teachers and scholars at Jamia Hamdard for their achievements in research and innovation. Chairman, NSD Committee, 2026, Prof. Javed Ali initiated the felicitation ceremony recognizing the academic and research accomplishments of faculty members and research scholars at Jamia Hamdard during the preceding year.

A major highlight of the celebration was the recognition of the outstanding academic and research accomplishments in 2025, where the University recorded 68 high-impact research articles and 6 high-impact review papers, reflecting strong scholarly output and global visibility. Faculty members secured 8 major research projects exceeding a minimum of ₹25 lakhs each, earned High Citation Awards, and incentivized for 15 patents and designs, demonstrating innovation-driven research and translational impact. The year also witnessed 27 awards and honors conferred to Jamia Hamdard faculty by the outside agencies, further acknowledging academic distinction. In addition, 23 books authored and edited by faculty members were formally released on the occasion, symbolizing the expanding intellectual contributions of the University teachers.

Notably, 23 faculty members were featured among the World's Top 2% Scientists (Single Year) and 10 faculty members in the Career-long category, underscoring sustained global academic impact. The exemplary Research performance of the University was evident from the SCOPUS data, where **outpacing the World,** researchers at Jamia Hamdard achieved 23.4 citations per publication, with a research impact of 75% higher than the global average.

Top-Tier Publications: In the preceding year (2025), 17.1% of Institution's work was featured in the top 10% of academic journals—significantly exceeding the Indian national average of 14.8%, highlighting a critical area of strategic improvement which has elevated institution's international standing.

Chairman, RDC Committee, 2026, Prof. Javed Ali outlining the achievements of Jamia Hamdard teachers and scholars and certificate distribution by the dignitaries.

The program concluded with a formal Vote of Thanks delivered by Colonel Tahir Mustafa, Registrar, Jamia Hamdard and National Anthem.

Vote of thanks by the Registrar, Jamia Hamdard, Col. Tahir Mustafa.

Book release ceremony.

National Science Day, 2026 organizing team with the dignitaries.

Organizing Secretary, NSD 2026, Dr. Sayeed ur Rehman Abdul Kalam (in the middle)