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ABSTRACT

The present thesis, i.e., '*Jamia Millia Islamia's Contribution to Islamic Studies Since 1920*' is to identify and showcase the long and strong relationship between Jamia Millia Islamia and Islamic Studies. The whole work focuses and assesses the huge contribution of Jamia to Islamic Studies since its origin hence it has been planned in such a way that wraps the history of ninety two years i.e., from 1920 till 2011, in its present context. More or less every department, centre or Institute of Jamia has been contributing to Islamic Studies in every manner for instance dedicated to extension lectures, seminars, symposia, publications and so on. The thesis has covered up every such attempt whether major or minor in its relevant framework.

The work hopes to be unique in its nature and would be the first and original work of its kind wherein any institution's work has been carried out in this particular area of study as Islamic studies is not just one subject, you have to look at history, philosophy, theology, art and architecture, to mention a few.

The whole research has been organized in five chapters excluding introductory part which deals with preliminaries of the topic of the research. The first chapter of the work is '*Jamia Millia Islamic: A Unique initiative in Muslim Education*' which is an elaboration of the brief history of Jamia Millia Islamia in the framework of non-cooperation movement along with its aims and

objectives. The second chapter is '*Islamic Studies at Jamia Millia Islamia*' begins with the definition of Islamic Studies. It covers two key subjects of the chapter, i.e., '*Mapping Islamic Studies: From Orientalism to a Separate Discipline*' and '*Islamic Studies at Jamia Millia Islamia: From Islamiat to a Separate Department*'. '*Major Contributors: Since 1920 till 2011*' is the third chapter. This chapter and the next chapter both are the core chapters of the present dissertation as it reveals the huge contribution of *major contributors* of the institution towards Islamic Studies since 1920 till 2011. The fifth chapter is '*Zakir Husain Institute of Islamic Studies' Contribution to Islamic Studies Since 1969 till 2011*'.