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Dear Madam,

I am directed to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a sum of US \$9,600 (conversion value in Indian rupees 5,96,160/-) in addition to earlier donation of US \$12500 as donation for the award to the teachers and students of department of Physics out of the interest earned on the donation.

The Vice-Chancellor has accepted the donation of US \$9600 (conversion value in Indian Rs.5,96,160/-) and approved the awards on behalf of Academic Council and the Executive Council under section 19(3) of AMU (Amendment) Act, 1981 as per terms & conditions given by you as under:

CRITERIA OF THE AWARDS

i) S.N. Nahar Teacher of the Year – (Without Research)

Nomination of this award for a Muslim teacher from the Department of Physics and a Muslim teacher from Women's College will have a 90% weight from students' votes. Each student will make one or more selections of physics professors from whom he/she has experienced to have acquired maximum knowledge through class lectures and inspirational interactive discussions. For the teachers from the Department of Physics Students beyond the 2nd year B.Sc and all postgraduate students will vote and but choose teachers from first to the final years. For the teachers from Women;s College, students beyond 1st year B.Sc having Physics as main subject or subsidiary will vote. The recommendation of the sponsor, Dr. Sultana N. Nahar or her representative will carry 5% to the choice. In absence of the sponsor of her representative, the 5% will be added to the students' top choice. The final 5% will come from the Chair of Physics Department based on judgment on teaching of the nominated teachers. In the event the Chair himself or herself is nominated, the 5% will come from recommendation of the award committee overseeing the procedure.

ii) S.N. Nahar Distinguished Teacher of the year – (With Reseach with M.Sc/Ph.D students).

This award will be for a Muslim Professor of Physcis with whom at least one student has carried out his/her M.Sc or Ph.D thesis research. General votes of the post-graduate students, based on the same criteria as for the Teacher of the year, will comprise 20% of the award nomination. 15% of the nomination will come from the research students who will be given additional slips for their votes for their advisors. A research student will give x-points out of 7.5% based on his/her best learning and understanding of the research topic, and x-points out of 7.5% on his/her intellectual and encouraging interaction with the advisor(s), 5% point will be given to the supervisor/advisor (1 point per research student; a maximum of 5 points for 5 or more students). 40% of the nomination will be based on publications in peer reviewed journals in the concerned. 10% will be based academic session presentation/conference presentation. The recommendation of the sponsor, Dr. Sultana N. Nahar, or her representative will carry 5% to the nomination. In absence of the sponsor or her representative, 5% will go to add the students' top choice. The recommendation of the Physics Chair, based on the work in the research topic and student's grade, will carry the last 5% of the award nomination.

iii) S.N. Nahar Best Student Prize

This prize will be given to each best Muslim students with highest score in the final year of B.Sc. In case of two graduating students in the same category with total equal score, the money will divided equally, but each will have separate certificate.

iv) Alburuj R. Rahman Best Ph.D. Thesis Prize in Physics

For these prizes, the academic record will comprise of 30% of the score for nomination. Ph.D research will comprise the other 70% of the score. Ph.D theses should already be recommended for award of Ph.D degree. The Ph.D score will be based on the pre-submission presentation, quality of recommendation report of the external examiner and published work in peer reviewed journal. An evaluation committee consisting of the chair and two professors will determine the score.

- v) The Board of Trustees will consist of the VC or the Pro-VC or the person in charge appointed by the university, the Dean, Faculty of Science, the Physics Chair and the sponsor Dr. Sultana N. Nahar, any decision for the awards can be made in presence of three members of the board and sponsor should be informed about the outcome.
- vi) A capital fund of US \$9600/- in addition to a sum of \$12500/- donated earlier, has already been provided to the University for the seven awards. The university will keep the capital under S.N. Nahar Physics Awards trust

Fund. For higher interest rate the fund is expected to be deposited in a private bank. The interest of the capital will be used for the four awards, overhead expenditure and add to the capital for sustenance and future increment of the honoraria.

- vii) For the teaching awards, the academic committee of the Physics Department may suggest modifications or adjustment of the process and with consent of the sponsor, decision can be made.
- viii) About two months before the end of the academic year, university office will send a notice to the Physics Department to initiate the awarding process. The academic committee of the Physics Department will form an awarding committee of three or five faculty members, with at least two senior professors. All faculty members in the awarding committee are also eligible to be nominated.
- ix) The awarding committee will fix a date for the voting to take place in the ongoing classes in the presence of the class teacher and one member of the awarding committee. Students will be informed about the criteria of the choice and be given slips to write the names of their choices. These will be collected in an envelope and sealed with signatures of the teacher and award committee member. The envelop will be opened by the awarding committee to count the selections. The committee will send two nominations with maximum points to the Board of Trustees headed by the VC or PVC or the University personnel dealing with awards who will have the syndicate approve the awards. The Board of Trustees will inform and give the certificates and honoraria to the awardees.

The amount of Rs.5,96,160/- has been credited to AMU Students' Welfare Fund Account and invested with Canara Bank, Aligarh for a period of 01 year. The awards shall be given w.e.f. the academic session 2014-15.

The original receipt of bank is enclosed for record.

Yours Paithfully

(Yasmin Jalal Beg)
Finance Officer

