



# "PROGRAMS AT APJAK STEM EDUCATION AND RESEARCH CENTER OF OSU-AMU"

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## Connection to AMU: Adjunct Professor of Physics, AMU



- Profession: Atomic Astrophysicist at OSU
- Co-author of the textbook "Atomic Astrophysics and Spectroscopy" (A.K. Pradhan and S.N. Nahar, Cambridge University press, 2011)
- Teach a research based course and computational workshop at AMU

## Connection to AMU: Recognition Programs at AMU

- Poor representation in science by developing countries, particularly by Muslims, directed me to promote STEM education and research since 1995
- Knowledge is a necessity in Islam, it empowers mind, brings advances
- Recognition brings positive impact toward advances via
- Happiness it is our inherent nature to be pleased when our effort is appreciated
- Inspiration to achieve the best
- Confidence in ones ability
- Brings support for the work by other organizations
- Raises the bar of excellence
- Started recognition program at AMU in 2011.
- Have established the program in the Departments of Physics, Mathematics, Zoology, and Microbiology
- Introduced Astronomy course and provided the books
- Brought AMU Physics members to American Physical Society (APS) membership with many benefits at no cost
- Wrote news articles about AMU in APS newsletters

Recognition program: PHYSICS Department. AMU 2011



• After working with the Physics Department in 2011, I needed to visit AMU but did not know Urdu or Aligarh Tahjib Dr. Nasreen Haque of Intelage Inc of Atlanta connected me to Hasan Kamal who made an extra trip to AMU for me. He solved those and some other issues

## OSU RECOGNITION FOR HASAN KAMAL, 2016



• Hasan Kamal has continued to work with us for OSU-AMU projects. At the OSU-AMU International Conference on STEM Education and Research (STEMCON-16) held in 2016 he was recognized along with 5 other AMU officials by the OSU Vice Provost Prof. Brustein.

## PHYSICS: RECOGNITION PROGRAM CEREMONY



• 3-4 faculty members and 4 students are recognized for excellence in research and academic performance - sponsored by Sultana Nahar

## MATHEMATICS: RECOGNITION PROGRAM CERE-MONY



• 1-2 faculty members and 1-2 Ph.D. graduates are recognized initiated by Nahar

## **ZOOLOGY: RECOGNITION PROGRAM**



• 1-2 faculty members for best research and teaching, and 1-2 Ph.D. graduates are recognized for best Ph.D. thesis by recognition program sponsored by Sultana Nahar

## MICROBIOLOGY: DEPARTMENT MEMBERS



• 1-2 faculty members and 1-2 Ph.D. graduates are to be recognized - sponsored by Sultana Nahar. Picture: with Chair and other members of the Department

OSU-AMU: STEM Faculty Training Project - Director: Pradhan, Co-director (Research): Nahar, Co-director (STEM Education): Irving - Batch 1 Fellows



- With OSU advisors after completion of MED-STEM
- Research at OSU formed a chapter in Ph.D. thesis

OSU-AMU: STEM Faculty Training Project: - Batch 2 Fellows



After completion of research projects at OSU

- Research at OSU formed a chapter in Ph.D. thesis
- Sultana Nahar: Overall Research Advisor

# OSU-AMU: OSU Co-sponsored & Co-organized ALI-GARH NANO-IV International 2014 Conference

- OSU Conveners: Pradhan, Nahar



OSU-AMU: OSU held the first International Conference on STEM ER (STEMCON-16) jointly with Aligarh Nano - V International, 2016 Support: USIEF, MHRD, Nahar prizes



## The Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, India

announces

**International Conference** 

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Nanotechnology (ALIGARH NANO-V) and STEM-Education and Research (STEM CON-16) (March 12-15, 2016)

In partnership with The Ohio State University (OSU) in Ohio, USA and CEERI Pilani, the Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) is organizing an International Conference on Nanotechnology and STEM-ER (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics-Education and Research) during March 12-15, 2016. More than fifty foreign delegates are expected to attend. The first two days (March 12 & 13, 2016) would be devoted to Nanotechnology and its applications, the next two days (March 14 & 15, 2016) to on recent advances and methods to improve the teaching and research standards in STEM subjects in universities in India and other developing countries.

In a pilot project (STEM-ER) funded by the US-India Education Foundation (USIEF) under the title '21st Century Knowledge Initiative', OSU and AMU have started a two-year dual PhD and Masters of Education (Med-STEM) degree programs. Four AMU PhD research students, selected under a very strict criteria have already completed courses of the first academic year at OSU and returned to AMU to continue the second year for the dual PhD+Med (STEM) degrees. The aim of the project is to create world class faculty for teaching and research at Indian Universities.

The Centre of Excellence in Materials Science (Nanomaterials) at AMU supported by Council of Science and Technology (CST) Uttar Pradesh is a leading national centre for Nanotechnology research with several patents (published) and awards to its credit. The Centre successfully organized four conferences in past with active participation of foreign and national experts on Nanotechnology.

#### **Under Patronage**

Lt. Gen. Zameer Uddin Shah Vice Chancellor, AMU

Brigd. S. Ahmed Ali Pro-Vice Chancellor, AMU

#### **Conference Themes**

#### NANOTECHNOLOGY

- Nanotechnology for defence applications Synthesis and characterization techniques of
- nanomaterials Nanotechnology for harnessing energy
- Nanomaterials in food, agriculture and water purification
- Nanoparticles for engineering materials
- Magnetic nanoparticles and applications
- Nanoparticles based drug targeting Nanomedicine and health-care
- Nanoelectronics and nanosensors
- Bionanotechnology
- Nanocosmetics and house hold products
- Graphene and its nanocomposites Organic and inorganic nanocomposites

- STEM -ER
- **US-India STEM Faculty Training**
- STEM Teaching at Indian Universities Indo-US Universities Consortium for STEM-ER
- International STEM-ER Initiatives **Digital STEM education**

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Support: "US-India Education Foundation, AMU"

#### Prizes: Best Oral and BestPoster presentations Conference Chairs

#### Nanotechnology (ALIGARH NANO-V)

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#### **Key Dates**

Last date of Abstract Submission: January 1, 2016 Acceptance Notification: January 15, 2016 Last date for early bird registration: February 1, 2016 Dates of Conference: March 12 - 15, 2016

#### STEM-ER (STEMCON-16)

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#### Registration Fees

Type of Visitor	Indian Delegates	Indian Delegates	Foreign Delegates	Foreign Delegates
	Early Bird	Late Entry	Early Bird	Late Entry
	(Upto Feb. 1, 2016)	(After Feb. 1, 2016)	(Upto Feb. 1, 2016)	(After Feb. 1, 2016)
Students	Rs. 2000/-	Rs. 2500/-	US\$ 150/-	US\$ 200/-
Academia / R&D	Rs. 4000/-	Rs. 5000/-	US\$ 200/-	US\$ 250/-
Institution				
Industry	Rs 10000/-	Rs 11000/-	LIS\$ 250 /-	115\$ 350/-



OSU-AMU: Aligarh Nano - V and STEMCON-16, OSU conveners: Nahar, Pradhan





- A team of OSU members traveled to India for STEMCON-16
- Formed a consortium of Indo-US universities

OSU-AMU: Obama-Singh Project Symposium, 2017 STEM ER Center was formalized with legal and financial issues



• Appointed: AMU Director: Prof. Tauheed Ahmed (Physics Chair), Co-Director: Prof. Farukh Arjmand (Chemistry), Members: 8 OSU-AMU Fellows, several AMU advisors - Dedicated space was given

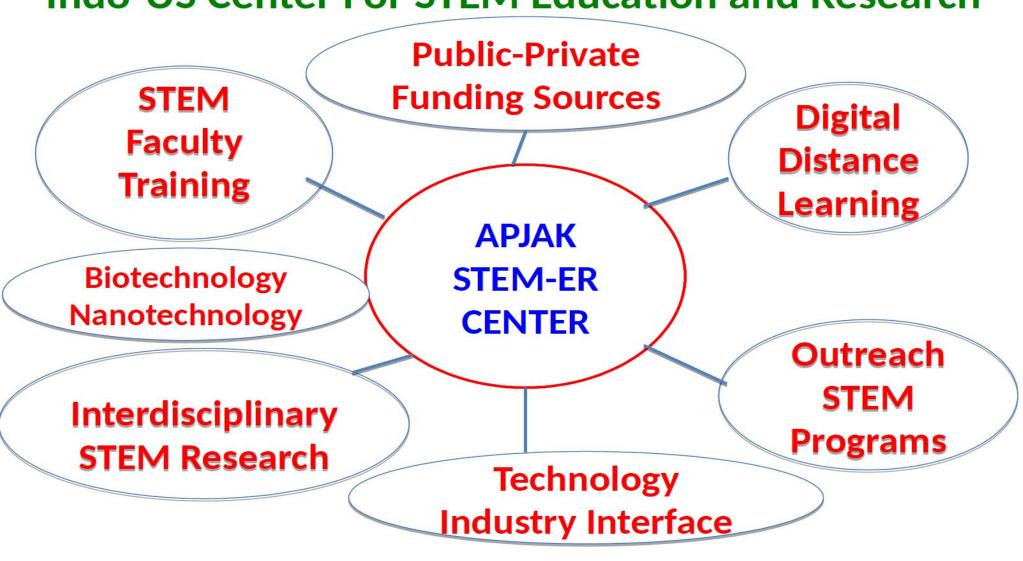
OSU-AMU: Indo-US APJ Abul Kalam STEM ER Center (named by Anil Pradhan), - Smart roon, furnished offices, lab space, Computer lab. Center team at the entrance



OSU-AMU: APJAK STEM ER Center, - Objectives

## **APJ Abdul Kalam (APJAK)**

Indo-US Center For STEM Education and Research



# OSU-AMU: APJAK STEM ER Center Activities, - Women in STEM Roadshow of US Department of State (PI: Nahar)



• Objective: Encourage and help minority and disadvantaged female college students to pursue STEM disciplines and higher studies in the US. • Held 9 workshops at Aligarh (pic), Delhi, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Kurnool, Patna. Center: the Indian base and monitor of 1 year.

# OSU-AMU: APJAK STEM ER Center Activities, - B.Sc. AND M.Sc. RESEARCH EXPERIENCE PROJECTS 2019





• Nahar initiated the program in 2018. The first batch of 26 students (Physical Sciences, Life Sciences, Engineering) with 25 faculty members have just completed their projects. Some presented their research at national

## Bangladesh: Vice Chancellors

- Prof. Md. Akhtaruzzaman, Dhaka University,
- Prof. Mizanur Rahman, Jagannath University





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