



# ”INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF MUSLIM WOMEN IN SCIENCE (ISMWS)”

Motto: ”Stay in Science (Basic or Applied)”

Practice: Keep some hours for our intellectual nourishment everyday

- Members: 237 from 28 countries

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## Newsletter 2, 2016-2017

### President’s greetings:

”Assalamu alaikum and Ramadan Mubarak. Pray this finds everyone doing excellent.

Due to various commitment, I am combining news of 2016 and 2017. I know there are lot more news that I am not aware of. Regardless I pray for new and continued successes of our members which will make an impact in the field of advances.

With my very best wishes for a blessed Ramadan and for everything you are doing,

- Sultana Nahar”

### NOTICES:

- ISMWS needs volunteers for creating and maintaining social media network, such as,
  - facebook,
  - twitter,
  - linked
  - instagram.

Please send your names. Please note that these are voluntary jobs without any pay that you are doing for promoting, strengthening us

- Two members have accepted the Editorial positions:

1. Prof. Beenish Saba, Enviromental Engineering, Arid Agriculture University, Pakistan,  
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2. Prof Faiza Shujat. Mathematics, Taibah University, Saudi Arabia, Email: faiza.shujat@gmail.com  
- Please share your news items with them for the next newsletter.

- At the ISMWS website, I have a gallery of limited number of passport size pictures with a few words below each picture giving the best designation of the member. I would like to expand the gallery to include other members. So please email a passport size picture and the best designation for yourself when you can.

### NOTES:

- Please share your news.
- Please visit ISMWS website for various opportunities

## SUCCESS NEWS OF OUR MEMBERS

Our hearty congratulations and prayer for the continued success of our ISMWS members:

### PROFESSIONALS:

- **Professor Lotfia El Nadi** of Cairo University in Egypt received the S.N. Nahar prize for Distinction in Research advisor in 2016.
- **Professor Qudsia Tahseen**, Zoology, Aligarh Muslim University: Has been honored to be a Fellow of Indian National Academy of Sciences for her work in Nematology, December 2015.
- **Professor Farukh Anjmand**, Chemistry, Aligarh Muslim University: Has been honored as the Distinguished Woman Scientist of 2016 by the Indian Society of Chemistry and Biomedical Sciences
- **Professors Asma Ali and Subuhi Khan** of Department of Mathematics shared the Sultana N. Nahar Distinguished Teacher of the Year award in the largely male dominated Math Department of Aligarh Muslim University
- **Prof. Hala Jarallah El-Khozondar** of Electrical Engineering in Islamic University in Gaza in Palestine, is the recipient of Sultana N. Nahar prize for Distinction in Research, 2017
- **Prof. Rahla Naghma** of Indian School of Mines has received the Indo-US postdoctoral fellowship to work with Sultana Nahar at the Ohio State University, 2017
- **Dr. Amal Rafie** has been promoted to professorship in Cairo University, Egypt, 2016
- **Dr. Shazia Bashir** of GC University of Lahore of Pakistan has been promoted to professorship
- **Sultana N. Nahar** of the Ohio State University was the first female Guest of Honor at the International Conference of Astronomy and Geophysics, 2016

### MEMBERS EARNING DEGREES:

- **Dr. Bina Saba**, Fulbright Fellow for Ph.D. at the Ohio State Engineering wrote "I want to share few good news. I have successfully completed my candidacy and i was awarded an OSU Environment and Energy grant of \$10,000 as graduate student" on January 14, 2016. She received her Ph.D. in 2017 and taken her faculty position in Arid Agriculture University, Rawalpindi, Pakistan.
- **Dr. Hala** received her Ph.D. degree from AMU in 2016 and M.Ed. degree in education from OSU with specialization in STEM in 2016. She was a fellow at OSU under the Obama-Singh 21st Century Knowledge Initiative award of OSU in partnership with AMU. She has started a postdoctoral position at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Washington DC. USA, 2017
- **Dr. Nida Rehmani** received Ph.D. degree from AMU in 2017 and M.Ed. degree in education from OSU with specialization in STEM in 2016. She was a fellow at OSU under the Obama-Singh 21st Century Knowledge Initiative award of OSU in partnership with AMU
- **Dr. Shermine Alam** received the Alburuj R. Rahman best Ph.D. thesis prize for 2015-2016 from Wayne State University, USA and has joined Intel in California
- **Dr. Nida Rehmani of Aligarh Muslim University and Rabia Samad of University of Kashmir** received the S.N. Nahar best presenters prizes at the international Aligarh-Nano IV conference, India
- **Dr. Safia A Kazmi** of Aligarh Muslim University has received her Ph.D. degree in Electrical Engineering and has got her position in the Department.
- **Dr Danah Akil** of Cairo University received her Ph.D. in Physics in 2016, is a recipient of Alburuj R. Rahman Best Ph.D. thesis prize, and has joined American University of Cairo as a Research Assistant. She received the topmost score certificate from the course I taught in Cairo University in 2016
- **Sarah Alshareeda** a Fulbright Scholar at OSU from Basra University in Iraq will defend her Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering in June 2017
- **Sadiya Binte Swaleh**, Ph.D. scholar, Aligarh Muslim University wrote "I recieved the MAULANA AZAD NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP 2017 From LIFESCIENCE "
- **Moheeta Khan**, Ph.D. scholar, Aligarh Muslim University, wrote "I have cleared Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) July 2016 conducted by UGC, India".

## ISMWS ACTIVITIES

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- **Dr. MUMTAZ RIYASAT** of Mathematics in Aligarh Muslim University was honored by ISMWS for the outstanding Ph.D. thesis, March 2017
- **Dr. Sultana N. Nahar** presented ISMWS at various places, such as, in Degree Women's College of Maulan Azad Road in Kashmir, CREW organization in Aligarh, which was widely appreciated, 2016