

JAMIA HAMDARD
(DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY)
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CIRCULAR

"TOBACCO FREE JAMIA HAMDARD"

The use of tobacco is a prominent risk factor and leading cause of death by a number of Non Communicable Diseases (NCD) including Cancers, Cardio-Vascular diseases and lung disorders etc.

Whereas the Central Government has enacted the Cigarettes and other Tobacco products (Prohibition of Advertisement and Regulations of Trade and Commerce Production, Supply and Distribution) Act (COTPA) in 2003, to protect the youth and the masses from adverse harmful effects of tobacco use and Second Hand Smoking.

Whereas COTPA envisages protection of non-user from involuntary exposure to tobacco smoke, which specifically finds mention in Section-4 of the Act that prohibits smoking in public place which includes all public offices, workplaces, canteen etc.,

Whereas spitting of tobacco etc., leads to spread of swine flu, tuberculosis, and pneumonia and gastro-intestinal diseases. TB Bacilli can survive in spit for an entire day which causes health problems to the public or nuisance to the people in general.

Whereas Section 268 of the Indian Penal Code stipulates that a person is guilty of a public nuisance who does any act or is guilty of an illegal omission which causes any common injury, danger or annoyance to the public or to the people in general who dwell or occupy property in the vicinity, or which must necessarily cause injury, obstruction, danger or annoyance to persons who may have occasion to use any public right.

Whereas in the interest of public health and with a view to keep the campus clean, thus contributing towards the "Swachh Bharat Swasth Bharat" campaign, the premises of Jamia Hamdard is declared as "Tobacco Free Zone". As such smoking and spitting of tobacco in the campus of Jamia Hamdard is strictly prohibited and is an offence.

All Deans/HODs/Officers are requested to bring it to the knowledge of the Staff/Students working/studying under them to strictly follow the above mentioned guidelines. The Security staffs have also been instructed to not to allow the students, faculty, staff members and visitors to use tobacco in any form in the Premises/Campus of Jamia Hamdard.

This comes into force with immediate effect.


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