

**ALIGARH MUSLIM UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' UNION
AMU, ALIGARH (2018-19)**



**PROTESTS AGAINST
CITIZENSHIP (AMENDMENT) ACT 2019 &
THE UNLEASHING OF STATE TERROR IN AMU**



“WHEN INJUSTICE BECOMES LAW, RESISTANCE BECOMES DUTY”

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Series of events organised by AMU Students in peacefully protest against Citizenship (Amendment) Act 2019

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| 08 December | <p>Students hold at peaceful protest against the Citizenship (Amendment) Bill at AMU and set its copies on fire.</p> <p>AMUSU issues statement rejecting and condemning Citizenship (Amendment) Bill 2019, which was carried by Times of India.</p> <p>Appeal was made to Indian Parliamentarians, people and judiciary to thwart the divisive bill from its passage in the Lok Sabha.</p> |
| 09 December | <p>AMU students hold talks against Citizenship (Amendment) Bill 2019 at the Lawns of Kennedy Auditorium.</p> |
| 10 December | <p>Hundreds of students join the peaceful protest against the Citizenship (Amendment) Bill 2019 led by AMU Students' Union from Maulana Azad Library to Bab-e-Syed.</p> <p>Abdullah College witnesses massive girls protest against Citizenship (Amendment) Bill 2019.</p> <p>Students organised lectures of Mr. Rajiv Yadav and others at Bab-e-Syed exposing the government's malafide intent to divide India by bringing the Citizenship (Amendment) Bill 2019.</p> |
| 11 December | <p>AMU Students' Union writes letters to Indian Parliamentarians to prevent the passage of CAB in the Rajya Sabha.</p> <p>Students hold protest meetings at Bab-e-Syed against CAB and organise lectures by Abdullah Azzam (former AMUSU President and Oxford Scholar), Shajeel Imam (JMI), Aafreen Fatima (Councillor JNU) and others at Bab-e-Syed to create awareness about the disaster in making in the name of Citizenship (Amendment) Act 2019.</p> <p>AMU Students hold voluntary lockdown and mass hunger strike by 28000 students against the CAB bill passed by the Lok Sabha. All dining halls of the university wore a deserted look.</p> <p>AMU girls hold a massive rally against Citizenship (Amendment) Bill 2019 at Abdullah College of the University. Girls were not allowed to leave the college premises, however they raised their voice against the hate bill.</p> |

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| 12 December | Students continue to hold protest meetings at Bab-e-Syed and organised lectures of Prof. Yoginder Yadav, Dr. Kafeel and Mr. Fawaz Shaheen to raise awareness against the Citizenship (Amendment) Act 2019. |
| 13 December | <p>A peaceful mega rally of over 10,000 students was organised by AMU Students' Union against the passage of CAB in the Rajya Sabha. A memorandum addressed to Chief Justice of India was handed over to DM Aligarh in the presence of thousands of protestors. The large procession of students was absolutely peaceful. We forced the AMU administration to open the Bab-e-Syed Gate and breached the barricade laid by the UP Police. As we reached the University Circle, heavy barricades and excess forces were present. They prevented us from reaching the DM's office. We resisted peacefully and return after three hours along with the protesting teachers of AMUTA, who joined us on the spot.</p> <p>Resident Doctors Association condemned CAB and protests against it at JN Medical College.</p> |
| 14 December | Law students of AMU peacefully march from Law Faculty to Bab-e-Syed against Citizenship (Amendment) Act 2019. |
| 15 December | No protest was planned for this day but as the reports of state sponsored violence against students of Jamia Millia Islamia and vandalization of properties at Jamia campus was flashed by media and social networking sites, AMU students gathered to hold a solidarity march at Aligarh Muslim University. The protest was meant to be peaceful. However, police and other state forces resorted to use of disproportionate force against students. A massive crackdown was unleashed against AMU students with full information and approval of AMU Vice Chancellor. Students were tortured, bombed and hunted. AMU was turned into a police garrison. |
| 16 December | AMU administration forced students to leave the campus without declaration of sine die. Orders of forcible vacation were issued and implemented. Hostel rooms were sealed. Gate keepers of halls were directed to prevent entry of students into their halls of residence. Police continued to march in the campus and AMU was turned into a war zone. Internet was shut down to ensure that police brutalities are hidden from the world. |

THE UNDECLARED SINE DIE

AMU registrar, Mr. Abdul Hamid (IPS) on 15th December 2019, ordered the closure of Aligarh Muslim University arguing that the university was disturbed by anti-social elements for 'last three days'. Mr. Tariq Mansoor, Vice Chancellor of AMU gave approval to police to enter the campus and hunt down the peacefully protesting students of the university. AMU became a military garrison. The campus was turned into a dreaded torture camp with in no time; men in uniform holding lathis, rifles and grenade launchers were seen patrolling everywhere, shelling all sides and beating whosoever they found. On ground it was a de-facto military state occupying the university, with bullet proof vehicles marching the streets and sounds of shelling making louder noises. It was an unprecedented situation in the history of AMU. Students were forced to hide and move out of rooms to roof tops, or to some locations that were hard to reach for police. Students were forced to leave the hostels with immediate effect without the declaration of sine die. This was an emergency order issued in a campus that was absolutely normal just a while ago.

AMU administration created a narrative of possible communal riots the next day and an acute fear psychosis engulfed the university, and the students were asked to leave the place without delay. Phone calls were not being responded by the registrar or Vice Chancellor. A false propaganda was manufactured by AMU administration that there is a threat to university and students. The fact remains that the AMU administration wanted to choke the peaceful dissenting voices in the campus of Aligarh Muslim University that had unnerved the Union Government. In line with the wishes of the state, AMU administration wanted to curb AMU students from raising their genuine voice against the unconstitutional Citizenship (Amendment) Act. AMU Vice Chancellor and Registrar were in cohort with the BJP government at the Centre. The plan of Modi & Shah was viciously executed by these two men in highest authority at AMU.

In this context, AMU Students' Union (2018-19), which was leading the AMU protests in absence of the elected representatives for the session, is duty bound to put the records straight and expose the false propaganda by AMU administration and the state apparatus. We feel it our responsibility to inform the world about the reality that has been submerged under the layers of lies by AMU administration and its patrons in South Delhi. The below mentioned details separate facts from fiction and set the record straight in the interest of justice:

OUR PROTESTS AT AMU

AMU students, like students from other universities, were protesting against the new citizenship law that grants citizenship to Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis, and Christians from Bangladesh, Afghanistan and Pakistan, and shuts India's doors for Muslims, just because they are Muslims. Many events were organised from December 08 and continued till 15th of the month. The details have been tabulated above date wise. All the events at AMU were organised by bonafide students and they saw massive participation of students. Every event was democratic, peaceful and within the permitted limits of law.

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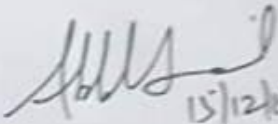
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Notice

This is to inform to all concerned that after the approval of vice-chancellor, the University is closed wef from today i.e. 15/12/19 till th 05/01/2020. This is being done due to disturbances created by some anti-social elements for last three days.

All other offices will remain open as usual and closure of University is for the purpose of teaching and examination purpose. The remaining examination will be conducted after the th 05/01/2020. The schedule of examination will be notified separately.


15/12/19

ABDUL HAMID IPS
Registrar
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AMU Registrar issues order declaring bonafide students declaring them 'anti-social elements'. It may also be true that he declared Prof. Yogendra Yadav, Adbullah Azzam, Dr. Kafeel, Fawaz Shaheen, Afreen Fatima like public figures as 'anti-social elements'

AMU Students' Union was exercising its democratic right and means to oppose the Citizenship (Amendment) Bill 2019. We read this bill alone and well as in conjunction with NRC and find it as a threat to the fundamentals of India. In the nation born on the basis of equality and explicitly prohibited discrimination on the basis of religion, this bill was an attempt to rob our nation of its secular constitution, pluralism and diversity. We informed the people that this bill is not Indian in nature, but follows an Israeli blueprint. We deemed the bill as divisive, one that is aimed to satisfy the dreams of hate preachers like Savarkar, Golwalkar and Hegdewar and to kill the vision of the founding fathers of India. We called upon all the citizens of India to speak against this drastic and unconstitutional change being forced on the country by BJP through exploitation of the brute majority in the parliament. AMUSU called upon all the Parliamentarians of India to speak against the bill and nip the evil in the bud before it stokes the fears of communalism in our country. We requested the President of India and the Supreme Court of India to rollback this draconian law and caution about the changes being brought in the India's pluralistic character. We also spread awareness that CAB along with NRC is a threat to the poor people of India, including Hindus. AMUSU issued detailed statements condemning the bill and rejecting it. We told the nation that the migrant angle of the bill was an eye wash and that its sole aim was to make Indian Muslims stateless and send them into concentration camps. It is, we believe, a bill filled with hate and Islamophobia.

AMU PROTESTS WERE ALWAYS PEACEFUL

On 13th December 2019, AMU Students Union led a Mega Protest Rally attended by over 10,000 students against the divisive citizenship law. We marched towards District Magistrate's office at Aligarh with a memorandum addressed to Honourable Mr. Sharad Arvind Bobde, Chief Justice of India asking him to take cognisance of Citizenship (Amendment) Act 2019 and declare it illegal and unconstitutional. We added that our Parliament has failed to save the constitution. We placed our hope in his authority, and requested him to rise to the occasion and save the constitutionality of our nation. We expressed our fears that if this Bill is not stopped by his office, it may be the conversion of Indian secular state into a Hindutva state. We expressed our fears that CAA and NRC will force Muslims to prove their citizenship, failing which they will become stateless. This was a big march that was absolutely peaceful. We reiterate that the AMU protests, sit-ins, talk shows and marches were all peaceful and in accordance with the law.

WE CONDEMN THE FALSE PROPAGANDA

In the context of the given record, AMU Students' Union makes it amply clear to one and all that campus activism was led by students and was peaceful in nature. We strongly reject the version of Mr. Tariq Mansoor, AMU Vice Chancellor and Registrar Mr. Abdul Hamid, stating that 'anti-social elements' were running the show in AMU, for what they say 'three days'. Their statement is absolutely false and unfounded. There was no alarm bell ringing in the campus. Nobody among teachers or student leaders was told anything about such elements for last week. We, therefore categorically state that AMU VC and Registrar were complicit in all the state sponsored

terror that was unleashed on AMU students and that they have lied to the nation and misguided the people. They have disgraced the dignity of the auspicious chairs of AMU, that in past have been held by notables of our nation and maligned the name of the university. It has never happened in the history of AMU that top administrators of AMU have manufactured lies at behest of political regime at the centre. We express our shock on the statements of AMU administrators alleging us of being anti-social and saying that they did not force vacations. AMU Students' Union, in no unambiguous terms, strongly condemns the false propaganda spread by AMU administration.

CONTEXT OF 15TH DECEMBER PROTEST

On 15th Dec 2019, there was no scheduled protest by AMU students. It was after the disturbing and violent visuals of state excesses against the students of Jamia Millia Islamia appeared in social media and national TV that anger started brewing at AMU. It is absolutely undemocratic to use state violence against students at JMI and appalling to justify its legitimacy. AMU students started to gather in different halls to condemn the use of brute force by state. At 5:30 pm protests began in different halls of residence. It took three hours for students to gather at library canteen and march to Bab-e-Syed. This must be put on record that AMU authorities did not intervene or neither did they make any efforts to reach out to students in the meanwhile. More importantly, none of the officials from the university administration reached to student leadership with any apprehension of the presence of anti-social elements in the campus. No order was made public in which any potential threat to students was expressed, not just that day but for the last week. Neither the teachers nor the provosts or proctorial team had any such information. The campus was quite fine and there was no threat to peace and order.

Amid the sloganeering, the students reached Bab-e-Syed on Sunday evening to protest against police high handedness at JMI and in rejection of Citizenship Amendment Act 2019. The police, RAF and other forces were present in massive numbers and ready with ammunition. A look on excess police force from inside Bab e Syed was one of a war zone. Inside the campus, students were protesting and sloganeering. Nothing that demanded massive use of force, or brutal suppression was needed to quell the protests. A usual engagement would have been sufficient to disperse protests. But the state administration had motivated and adverse plans to deal with the students. Police was all prepped and motivated for violence. They were determined to crush the campus movement against the new citizenship law and inflict the maximum pain on students. We have maintained that there were non-students faces who had infiltrated into students, but they were the aged over 40, and might have been the agencies of the state, aiming at fomenting trouble. They were masked, and we believe it they along with the police that cut the Sir Syed Gate in the most profession manner. However, students were peaceful and nothing of a magnitude of anger was shown that demanded police repression was required.

RATTLED DELHI WAS THE PROGENITOR OF VIOLENCE

Since a week, the voice against Citizenship (Amendment) Act 2019 was exponentially gaining momentum. With Assam under curfew and internet blocked and students

across the nation protesting, the countrymen were getting to know the designs of Delhi. People were getting to know more and more about the illegality and unconstitutionality of the Citizenship (Amendment) Act 2019. The peaceful demonstrations against CAA were disturbing the government of the day. Students of two minority institutions took upon themselves the right to inform and explain the nation the rationale of their opposition to the Act. Indian Muslim students from Jamia and AMU were leading from the front to save the soul of the constitution of India. Secular India was coming in support of the two universities. This was creating ripples in the Modi-Shah run government and it made them nervous. BJP leadership was unnerved to the extent that Mr. Modi was forced to speak and tweet on the issue many times.

On that fateful Sunday, Modi played the communal card and walked the way that he has perfected for his politics – the politics of hate. He declared that the protestors can be identified by their dress code. This was a signal to Indian agencies that Mr. Modi has identified the protestors and it is time for agencies to act. The communally divisive speech was the driving force behind the state sponsored violence in the Muslim minority central universities of India. AMU Students' Union believes that the statement of Modi was the progenitor to the violence committed by the state forces in AMU and JMI. AMU VC and Registrar were more loyal than the king and behaved as puppets in the hands of their masters.

STUDENTS HAD NO STONE TO THROW

The people must know that day before, Hindi newspapers reported that AMU campus has been cleaned and no stones or bricks are on the road sides. So, massive stone pelting from the campus was simply impossible.

POLICE BRUTALITY: HORROR STORIES FROM AMU

The videos available in the public domain clearly reflect that Police did not adopt the approach that they had adopted the in the Friday's protests, two days back, when students, amid sloganeering, submitted a memorandum. That Friday, Police SSP was seen making announcements on microphones and engaging with the protestors. This time police did not want to engage with protestors, neither did they want to disperse them. They had made their mind for violence.

Police violated the SOP throughout. Or there was no SOP followed at all. They did not warn or go by the standard way of dispersing crowds. They chose tear gas shelling over water cannons, which could done the job perfectly. They directly fired at students like an invading army does. In complete violation of standard manual, police used pistols, rifles and stun grenade on students. Reports of pellet gun use have also been in public domain. Police made sure that the tear gas shells, sound blasts and Lathis rain on the students. Videos have recorded the use of stun grenades, rifles, stone pelting, abusive language and religious slurs, ruthless beating by the police and other forces. In a widely circulated video on social media, RAF men are seen pointing rifles straight at boys. This may be known that students were hit above the waist height. It was an unprecedented scene and students had to run for the safety of their lives.

<https://scroll.in/article/947335/in-aligarh-police-used-stun-grenades-against-students-and-university-officials-justified-this>

Police also fired at Salman Imtiaz, the President AMUSU (2018-19) at his chest leading to severe breathing problems for him being an asthmatic. He was hit because his presence could have managed the peaceful gathering. Earlier, on Friday, when he was leading the march 5 times more in size, he managed it peacefully. The attack on AMUSU president was to make sure that student leadership is made defunct from the word go and violence is done as per the Police's will.

The direct shelling on students led to mass casualty and dozens of students got wounded. Mr. Salman Imtiaz, AMUSU president called upon Dr. Mohammad Hamzah, who heads the JNMC Resident Doctors' Association to activate trauma centre for mass causality, and send ambulances with doctors for help. Dr. Hamzah approached the CMO of the Trauma Centre, who denied sending the ambulances and said that the Proctor of AMU has directed not to do so. Dr. Hamzah forced the CMO to send three ambulances to Bab-e-Syed. He also arranged 16 additional ambulances from private owners. Twenty ambulances were ferrying injured students from Bab-e-Syed to JNMCH. In total, they made four rounds to save the lives of students. The efforts and contribution by Doctor's Association was exemplary.

The sheer magnitude of force from police makes it absolutely clear that they had no intent to disperse the protestors; their thrust and intent was to beat the students, humiliate them and inflict maximum damage. To make it sure, police went from hostel to hostel, and dragged students by their hairs from their rooms. They barged into the washrooms and toilets and beat students black and blue and afterwards even detained them. It was an Israeli war room at display. Police damaged the public property, private vehicles of the students, windows and doors of the hostels. They broke the main hall gates as well. Not only students, ambulance drivers, medical professionals (including Dr. Kashif, Secretary RDA), AMU employees and many of the AMU gate keepers were hurt or ruthlessly beaten to pulp. Ambulances were stopped and broken. One ICU ambulance was broken by five police men. More than 30 students were illegally detained, which according to witnesses included juvenile students as well. We have little information about our students, as the campus has been deserted.

In Room No. 46 of Morrison Court, Aftab Hall, 500 yards away from protest site, police broke the door of the room in which four students and a gate keeper were hiding to save their lives from police aggression. Police fired two tear shells and a sound shell into the room that led to the fire in the room. The insiders were forced to come out and were mercilessly beaten. The visuals of beating students at the gate of Morrison Court have been captured by CCTVs. Police detained all of them including Shahid Hussain, a student from Jammu and Kashmir whose story appeared in the Indian Express's student's page. <https://www.newsclick.in/fear-and-intimidation-aligarh-muslim-university-ground-report>



Image of Room No. 46, Morrison Court Hostel that was set on Fire by Police



AMU Vice Chancellor visited this room and has seen this image. He, as per his interview is not sure if the room was burnt or not!

Police stormed the guest houses near Sir Syed Gate and tortured whoever came their way. They broke the door of a toilet where nine students were hiding from the police. Before the door was broken, one student Tazeem Khan issued an audio SOS on whatsapp, calling for help amid fears of death. He cried and repeatedly said that boys are being tortured and that he and his friends are next to face the police brutality. Police broke in and caught the students. They were beaten with rods and gun butts. They were abused and scolded. They were asked to go to Pakistan and stay away from the protests against the new citizenship act (the crux of police aggression in AMU). They were taunted as anti-nationals. Students revealed that the language of the police was so abusive that it cannot be made public.

Police also went deep into the campus, broke the bikes and stole the mobile phones. They damaged the university property. There are videos available in public domain where police can be seen vandalising property and hurling choicest invectives. Police also took away bikes of students from library and elsewhere. At SS Hall South, hundreds of students slept on the roof top of the hall to save their lives from the police brutalities.

Besides, physical violence, police was specific in verbal violence. They forced students to recite Jai Sri Ram, and other Hindu slogans. They used the words like Pakistani, Desh Drohi, Sala, Maa...., aatankawadi and others specifically to students both during torture in campus and in hospital and during detention. Students were told not to condemn CAA as it was anti-national to do so.



Image of ICU enabled ambulance that was broken by Police.



Screen shot taken from the video recorded at Bab-e-Syed wherein police is using brute force against the students. This picture shows police man directly pointing his rifle towards the students. We believe that police shot gun fires and all must have been recorded by CCTVs across the campus. CCTV footage is the key to exposure of police accesses. In another image, police man is using his pistol to fire at students. A CCTV footage was shown by NDTV reveals police barging into hostels and beating students.

Testimonies:

Here we mention some of the horror stories that explain the police excesses:

Shahid Hussain:

Shahid Hussian, a student of MA History at Centre for Advanced History of Aligarh Muslim University. He was taken out from room no. 46 of Morrison Court and beaten inside the hostel. He was dragged into the police van and asked about his domicile state. Once he told them that he was from Jammu and Kashmir, he was tied to a tree and beaten for 10 minutes by police using Lathis and Gun butts. He was ethnically targeted and called names. He was called a Pakistani and was told that he is being Azaad with every whip of the stick. He was brutalized and sent to illegal detention. His mobile was broken and taken away. He was kept in a dark room for the night without any humanitarian aid. He had torture marks from head to toe. JNMC doctors had to capture 16 X-Rays to assess his conditions. He left for home immediately once emergency was declared in the campus. We have no details as what happened to him later. We are seriously bothered about him.

<https://www.edexlive.com/news/2019/dec/17/you-want-azaadi-take-this-amu-student-who-needed-16-x-rays-after-being-beaten-by-delhi-cops-9593.html>



Shahid Hussain has left for home and we don't know what his condition is?



These marks of torture on the body of S. Hussain reveal the brutality of UP police.

Tazeem Khan:

Tazeem Khan, a student of Urdu at Aligarh Muslim University, was among the nine students taken out of the Guest House Toilet and ruthlessly beaten. He was dragged and beaten for 6-10 minutes. He was also taken into the van where he was called anti national and abused with terms like Pakistani. He found a juvenile in the van who was also tortured. He was taken to Malkan Singh Hospital where he was again beaten in presence of two hospital staff members. On asking for medical help, a constable denied the treatment and said that he is to be beaten more. He was beaten with belts. He was denied food for the night. When he asked for water, he was threatened to be urinated in the mouth. He was taken to the jail where he along with nine people was kept in a dark room having the capacity for less than five. They were denied food. He was there for the next night. He slept in the lap of his friend Ashutosh, a Hindu, who was also detained and beaten. Khan told us that after police came to know about the Hindu student, they beat him and called him that he was standing with anti nationals and called him a traitor. Khan was taken to hospital again where doctors advised an urgent treatment by a Plastic surgeon. He was later released after signing a document, the content of which is not known. He has fractures in metacarpals and hematoma in the arm. <https://www.northeasttoday.in/aligarh-muslim-university-students-in-hospital-say-police-were-merciless/>



Tazeem Khan has been tortured but he fearlessly revealed the details and is ready to fight back. He is brave and resilient.



Tazeem Khan was visited by Salman Imtiaz, President AMUSU (2018-19). Khan has written slogans on his wounded arms saying that he rejects CAA and NRC.

Mohammad Tariq:

Mohammad Tariq is a PhD Scholar at Chemistry department working on catalysts. He has an industrial chemistry background with NET JRF qualification besides 3 GATE qualification certificates. He was going to his lab when he heard the noise in the campus. He walked towards Bab-e- Syed as students, ran for life he fell down and was hit by a stun grenade in his hand. He had only the index finger left in his hand when he reached the hospital. His dominant hand has been amputated. He got the debridement with K-wiring done on the night of 15th Dec. He does not allow any photograph of his face and he fears that his mother who is a heart patient may die seeing him injured in a grievous manner.

<https://indianexpress.com/article/india/caa-protest-5-days-later-tear-gas-shell-in-amu-hostel-burnt-walls-amputations-6178998/>

<https://www.hindustantimes.com/india-news/at-amu-rumours-rage-and-excess/story-pdebNfSyc9s95adsy0A6EK.html>



Tariq did not allow us to take his photos. His hand has been amputated.

Nadeem Akhter:

Nadeem Akhter is a 20 year old student who was hit in the head and he is lying in ICU of JNMC. He has extra dural haemorrhage overlying left frontal lobe with mid line shift of 10 mm towards right side. He was peacefully protesting and did not engage in any stone pelting.



Nadeem told us that he was protesting against the hate bill, CAA and will be again joining the protest against injustice when he fine.

Nasir Chaman:

Nasir Chaman is a student of BA LLB. He has lost his hand as it has been largely amputated. He became the victim of stun grenade. He has a web space on right hand where there was crush lacerated wound and first metacarpal was fractured alongwith proximal phalanx of thumb. K-wiring on both was done on 15th night. He is admitted in the plastic surgery division of JNMC, AMU.



Nasir studies law and says that he was in the street against the illegal CAA. He wants fights the forces dividing India once he recovers. He has no regrets of loss, he wants to sacrifice all he has to save Indian Muslims from being sent to concentration camps.

Mohammed Tabrez Khan

Mohammed Tabrez Khan has fluctuating blood pressure continuously and it is on the lower side. He was hit by bullet. He could not be treated at JNMC AMU and was shifted to Ganga Ram Hospital Delhi. His story appeared in the Times of India.

These cases of police brutality are of those students who stayed in the hospital. More than 100 injured students left the JNMC hospital for the fear of profiling and reprisal from police. The information of further injured is being ascertained. We fear for their health and safety. AMU Students Union strongly condemns the disproportionate use of force by police and other state agencies. We will make sure that they are punished by the court of law. Other stories of torture and illegal detention can only be documented when students return to the campus.

AMU student's condition worsens, shifted to Delhi hosp

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Agra: One of the four Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) students, who were under observation at the varsity's medical college after the violence in the campus on Sunday, was shifted to Sir Ganga Ram hospital, Delhi, on Wednesday after his condition deteriorated.

Talking to TOI, Dr Ehtisham Ahmad, chief medical officer of AMU's Medical college, said that the student's, identified as Mohd Tabrej Khan, who hails from Bihar's Gaya, blood pressure was fluctuating continuously and it was on the lower side.

Doctors tried to find out the reason behind it but didn't succeed. He said, "Laparotomy (surgical incision into the abdominal cavity) was also conducted on him to ascertain if there was some internal bleeding but nothing was found abnormal". Subsequently, it was decided to shift him to Delhi for better treatment.

Tabrez's elder brother Zeeshan told TOI that his brother has been admitted to Sir Ganga Ram hospital's ICU on Wednesday. He said that the doctors haven't told him anything yet but Tabrez's condition is being monitored. Zeeshan, who is also studying in Aligarh said that Tabrej is a foreign language student and had joined AMU a year back. He said that he was not aware as to what had happened to him. He said that he had probably inhaled smoke from the tear gas shells on the day of the violence.

Three other students, who are under observation at JNMC include Yasir Akhtar, Nasir Chaman and Mohammad Tariq, who lost his right hand during the violence. Their condition is stated to be stable.

Confusion however, prevails as to how Tariq lost his hand. Though, ini-



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DR EHTISHAM AHMAD
chief medical officer, AMU Med College

tially it was suspected that a tear gas shell exploded on his hand, some "independent bodies" claimed that stun grenades were used by police.

Medical officer of Trauma centre, JNMC, Dr Asad Mehmood, said that the student came with his fingers and palm severed due to the impact of some blast. He said, "It is very difficult to tell what exactly caused the explosion and the student also are not aware of it."

However, senior superintendent of police Akash Kulhary denied the use of "stun grenade" on students for mob control. He said that non-lethal weapons, including water cannon, tear gas shell, and rubber bullets, were used to disperse the crowd.

University registrar and IPS officer Abdul Hamid said that he used the term "stun shell" not stun grenade and that too was in anticipation, when the fact-finding team led by activist Harsh Mander visited the varsity. He said that stun shell is also a non-lethal weapon and is used for dispersing crowd due to the loud noise it creates.

This report appeared in Times of India.

INTERNET SHUTDOWN

In order to ensure that brutalities committed by the state forced are not known by the world, the government imposed an internet shutdown for 8 days in Aligarh. AMU students believe that this shut down of internet services was done only to hide the state excesses.

PSYCHOLOGICAL TRAUMA

Students demanding their right to protest peacefully were condemned to state violence. They were forced to vacate the campus. The torture and forcible eviction is a harassment and has psychological implications.

FARCICAL CHANGES AGAINST STUDENTS

While the violence was committed by the state, the FIRs have been lodged against students. More than 52 students/others have been booked under sections 147, 148, 149, 153, 188, 189, 307, 332, 336, 504, 507 and others. The charges have been levelled only to suppress the students and to force them to silence.

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FIRST INFORMATION REPORT
(Under Section 154 Cr.P.C.)
प्रथम सूचना रिपोर्ट
(धारा 154 दंड प्रक्रिया संहिता के तहत)

1. District (जिला): अलीगढ़ P.S. (थाना): सिविल लाइन्स Year (वर्ष): 2019
FIR No. (प्र.सू.रि. सं.): 0703 Date and Time of FIR (प्र.सू.रि. की दिनांक और समय): 16/12/2019 09:49 घंटे

2.

| S.No. (क्र.सं.) | Acts (अधिनियम) | Sections (धारा(एँ)) |
|-----------------|---|---------------------|
| 1 | भा द सं 1860 | 147 |
| 2 | भा द सं 1860 | 148 |
| 3 | भा द सं 1860 | 149 |
| 4 | भा द सं 1860 | 153 |
| 5 | भा द सं 1860 | 188 |
| 6 | भा द सं 1860 | 189 |
| 7 | भा द सं 1860 | 332 |
| 8 | भा द सं 1860 | 336 |
| 9 | भा द सं 1860 | 307 |
| 10 | भा द सं 1860 | 504 |
| 11 | आपराधिक कानून (संशोधन) अधिनियम 1932 | 7 |
| 12 | सार्वजनिक संपत्ति नुकसान निवारण अधिनियम, 1984 | 3 |
| 13 | भा द सं 1860 | 506 |

3. (a) Occurrence of offence (अपराध की घटना):

1 Day (दिन): रविवार

Date from (दिनांक से): 15/12/2019

Date To (दिनांक तक): 15/12/2019

Time Period (समय अवधि): पहर 8

Time From (समय से): 23:45 बजे

Time To (समय तक): 23:45 बजे

(b)

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Police went rampant and committed violence. Yet FIR has been filed against students.

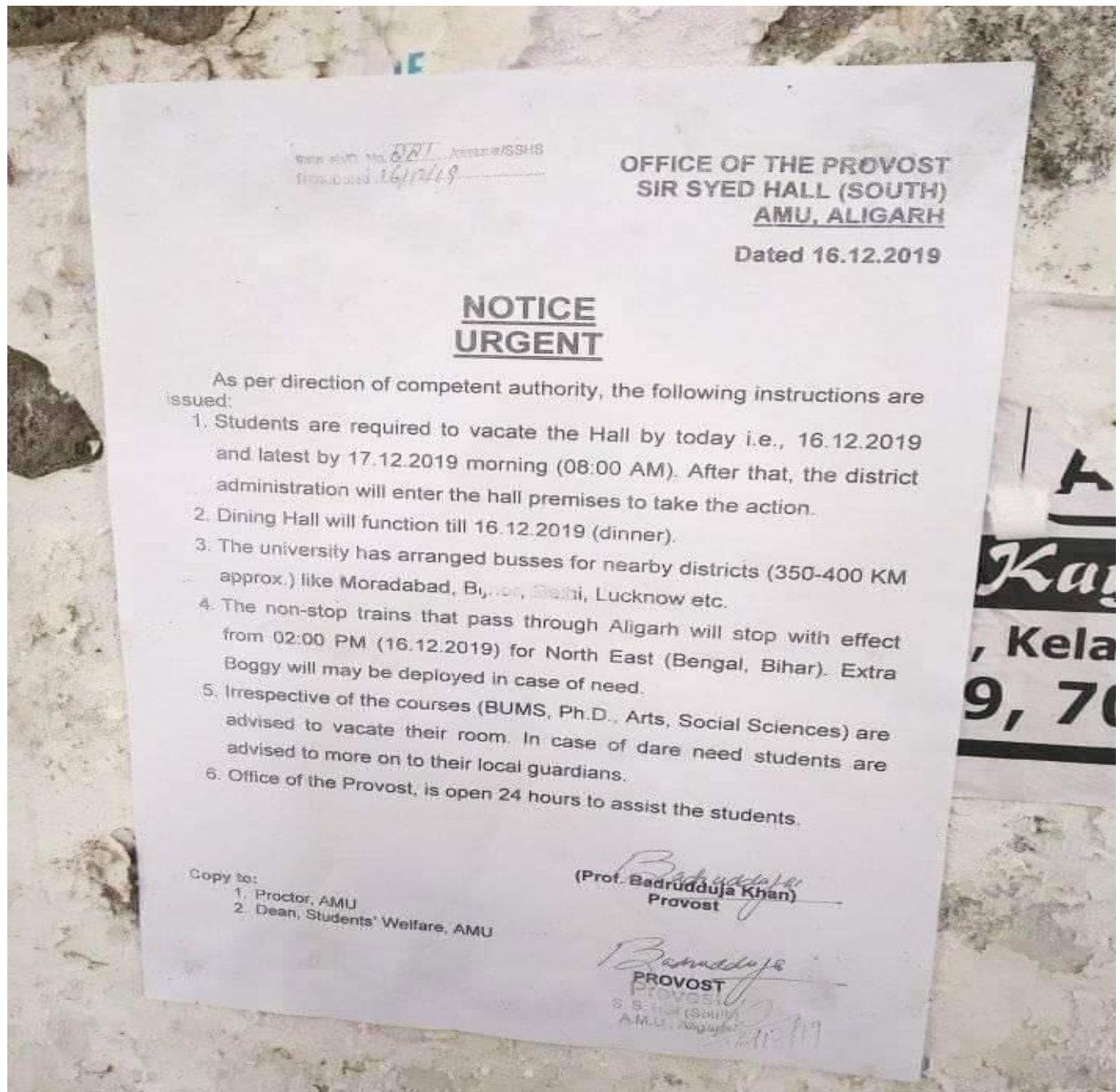
ROLE OF AMU ADMINISTRATION

Aligarh Muslim University pre-dates the birth of independent India when resisting British occupation of India was on everyone's head. Its Vice Chancellor of AMU has a responsible position not just towards the nation but towards the Muslims Ummah as a whole. He is supposed to be the guardian of over 30000 AMU students. His responsibility is beyond a simple university administrator. Alas, Mr. Tariq Mansoor, Vice Chancellor, AMU proved otherwise and permitted butchering his own wards. He brought shame to the alma-mater. His deputies including Registrar and Proctor have only added to that shame. Mr. Tariq Mansoor, AMU Vice Chancellor and Mr. Abdul Hamid IPS allowed the police to storm the into the campus and accused student protestors for being anti-social elements. They did not employ deans of the faculties, AMUTA, or themselves to engage with students protesting against the police violence in JMI, a standard practice to disperse protests at AMU. The fact being that AMU students were holding protests of their own and were exercising their democratic right. A group of teachers could have been sufficient to talk to students. But these two men, VC and Registrar, holding the executive power in the campus allowed police to break the gates of the university and run the horror show for 14 hours. By giving a free hand to police to create a war like situation in the campus, they not only betrayed the very spirit of AMU but also showed themselves as failed administrators. When the students were being beaten to pulp, the photographs published in the news papers next day suggest that top AMU officials were making fun with the cops near the university gates. AMU Students' Union finds the Vice Chancellor and the Registrar as the main culprits in the campus violence as they partnered in the crimes committed against Aligarh Muslim University and its students. The students' community and Alig fraternity will never forgive them for their irresponsible behaviour. They have no moral or legal ground to continue as Vice Chancellor and Registrar of the university. They must own up the amputation of hands, fractures of bones and brain haemorrhages of students and loss to AMU property. They must feel shame for shaming the name of our beloved alma-mater.

The VC and Registrar issued Winter Vacation orders but practically imposed Sine Die. This is the standard template of the BJP government that was adopted in the AMU, where you abuse the law and not take the blame. They abused their authority and exploited the cowardice of provosts and forced students to leave the campus within no time. They main lights of the hostels were turned off and rooms were forcibly sealed. Students faced extreme problems during their travel, accommodation and safety besides psychological trauma. Our foreign students were left in lurch. Our Kashmiri students were forced to leave even when Air Tickets were rocketing high and the National Highway was blocked. They were sent to Jammu by bus and were forced to stay in mosques and spent nights in extreme cold under the open sky. The safety and security of girls was compromised. Students from Assam and southern states of India faced the worst hardships. This all fear psychosis, martial law and rendering students to worst academic and economic losses is the sole responsibility of these two men. Students will make sure that Mr, Tariq Mansoor and Mr. Abdul Hamid face a commission of inquiry for their abuse of power. There is every reason for AMU Court

Members, AMU Old Boys and other relevant people to demand immediate resignation of these administrators.

AMU Students' Union demands an immediate resignation of Vice Chancellor and Registrar, failing which; students will be forced to launch a massive agitation against them. We appeal to AMU court member, EC members and the relevant authorities to ensure that both of these people are disposed off before the commencement of the broken session. <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/agra/caa-protests-amu-students-demand-resignation-of-vc-registrar-for-failing-to-protect-students/articleshow/72775323.cms>



From Mr. Modi, Mr. Tariq Mansoor has learnt the lies and deceit. He told news agencies that no one forced students to leave the campus. He said that students left happily for vacations. This order reveals the fakery.

ROLE OF AMU TEACHERS:

AMU teachers have been protesting against CAB and NRC and had joined our protest call, a move that was welcomed by all students and appreciated by entire Alig fraternity. However, on the 15th of December, when the state went ruthless, we found AMU teachers missing from the scene. They failed to save students from the state terror and made no efforts to save the students lives on the 15th night. In the post police horror time, they are yet to meet our expectations. They did condemn the police high handedness but that is not enough. It is high time for teachers of AMU, who are the upholders of Sir Syed's vision to rise beyond and above everything difference, and take a clear position as to which side they belong: with students or with the VC & Registrar.

We expect them:

1. to unanimously pass a resolution from AMU Teachers' Association, condemning the role of AMU VC and Registrar in mishandling the AMU affairs, exposing the university to state terror and demand their immediate resignation. There is no reason for teachers to stay quiet on the role of AMU VC and Registrar. The reluctance of AMU teachers towards AMU VC and Registrar will be counted as disservice to our university's vision, breach of students trust and be deemed as shielding of the main culprits who opened the gates for state excesses.

2. to immediately set up the following committees for necessary action:

a. Assessment Committees

These committees are expected to gather the details of the following:

Profile of the Injured: We expect our teachers to undertake a vigorous assessment to record the names of the injured, their academic, family and economic backgrounds, kind of participation in protests, type of injuries, copy of medical records, expenses incurred and implications of injuries on the future of students.

Profile of Detainees: We expect our teachers to record the names of the students illegally detained, torture of students, places of torture, kind of abuse, verbal violence, prison conditions, details of denial to food and medicine in jails, hours of detention and other necessary details.

Property Damage: We expect our teachers to assess the amount of damage done to university property by police like damage to hostel room, university gates, guest houses, and vehicles of students, theft bikes, cell phones, laptops and others. The teachers must document the circumstances of forcible evacuation of students from the campus and report on their financial crisis and academic loss.

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/agra/compensate-us-for-losses-caused-to-our-properties-by-cops-amu-students-tell-cm-yogi-adityanath/articleshow/72926400.cms>

Evidence Collection: We expect our teachers to collect all evidences including CCTV footages from across the campus. We expect them to maintain the records of all media reports published by print and electronic media for future action.

b. Legal Team:

We expect our teachers to form a legal team that will assist the lawyers in pursuing the case of AMU in the Court of Law. They are expected to obtain the copies of letters and communications sent from Proctor AMU from December 12-15, 2019 based on which the AMU registrar issued the permission for police action and the closure of university. They should collect the copies of orders issued to police, MHRD or MHA and the type of help sought from them by AMU authorities. They are expected to gather photographs, videos and CCTV footages taken by University Cameras and collect the proofs thereby. They are expected to obtain the copies of documents of detention from police like FIRs, release orders, images of prisons where students were held.

We expect AMU teachers to prepare a detailed report in a time bound manner that could be submitted to High Court, Supreme Court, both houses of Parliament, relevant ministries, National & International media, United Nations and for updating the Alig fraternity about this grave design of destruction of AMU. They must go to the court of law and seek justice for AMU students. AMU students will assist the teachers in all possible ways.

OUR CALL:

- We call upon the President of India, who is the Visitor to the University to visit the campus and meet students who were subjected to state sponsored violence. He must withdraw his approval to CAA and declare it null and void.
- We call upon AMU Court Members to hold a session to condemn the police brutality in the campus and set accountability in 15th December episode.
- We call upon the Old Boys Associations across the world to speak up against the gross injustice done to the students at AMU and demand accountability from the state and university administration. They should unanimously call for resignation of AMU VC and Registrar. They must lead

the legal process to save the dignity of the alma-mater and the rights of the students.

- We call upon the people of India to stand by AMU students who are fighting a battle against an unconstitutional Citizenship Law. This law is divisive in nature and will hurt every community of India.

OUR DEMANDS:

- The Students demand an immediate withdrawal of Citizenship (Amendment) Act 2019 by the Government of the Day.
- The Students demand an immediate resignation of Mr. Tariq Mansoor, AMU Vice Chancellor, Mr. Abdul Hamid IPS and the entire Proctrial team for their mishandling of the affairs of AMU.
- The Students demand a High-Profile Enquiry by the sitting judge of Supreme Court of India in the 15th December State Sponsored Violence at AMU and a stringent punishment to perpetrators of state terror.
- The Students demand government jobs as per profile of the students who have been grievously injured in the brutal police action.
- The Students demand immediate restoration of university functioning and academic activity.
- The Students demand immediate revocation of farcical charges against AMU Students and registration of FIR against the police.

WE THANK

- We thank the people of Aligarh especially the women of Jamalpur and City for standing by AMU students in the hour of grief. In the cold nights, women at Aligarh protested against the police highhandedness at AMU. We salute them for joining out struggle against the new citizenship law.
- We thank JNMC Hospital Doctors for their timely support and care for the students.
- We thank the students from India and across the world who stood by us and expressed solidarity across the nook and corner of the world.

- We thank AMU nonteaching staff for standing by us and showing their solidarity and support at all moments.
- We thank the AMU alumni associations for becoming our voice.
- We thank print and electronic media for reporting the police high handedness in AMU.
- We thank those countless people who cared about us, stood for us, and supported us in any way.

MESSAGE FOR THE AMU STUDENTS

The students with their bold and immense clarity, have proved their strength through peaceful agitation for the withdrawal of Citizenship (Amendment) Act 2019. There is no service greater than saving the country from division and catastrophe and AMU students are leaders in this cause. We will continue our fight against this unconstitutional Act that wants to divide India in the name of religion. We will ensure that any attempts by the BJP government to alter the foundations of the constitution and marginalize Muslims fail miserably. We will continue to reject NRC and CAA. We will hold the opposition political parties accountable and make sure that they stand up to save the nation. Once you recover from the trauma and are back on the campus, we will ensure that Mr. Tariq Mansoor, AMU Vice Chancellor and Mr. Abdul Hamid IPS will not be in their chairs. As the campus opens, we will lead a **UNITY MARCH** and honour our injured with the Sir Syed Gallantry Awards. We will take collective decisions on future strategy. We will also ensure that a wall of resistance against state terror be built in front of the library and be preserved in our memories for all times to come.

Our protests will continue... This report was be get an addendum once students are back to campus. We will ensure that everything is documented. We request students to maintain all records related to the event.

TO THE PRIME MINISTER OF INDIA

We want to keep the Prime Minister of the nation informed that the lives of AMU students are not safe. If anything untoward happens to happens to any student of AMU, boy or a girl, he will be responsible for that. Our safety must be ensured as there are rumours that indicate that police may chose some illegal way to hurt AMU students.

Sd:/ President

Aligarh Muslim University Students' Union (2018-19)

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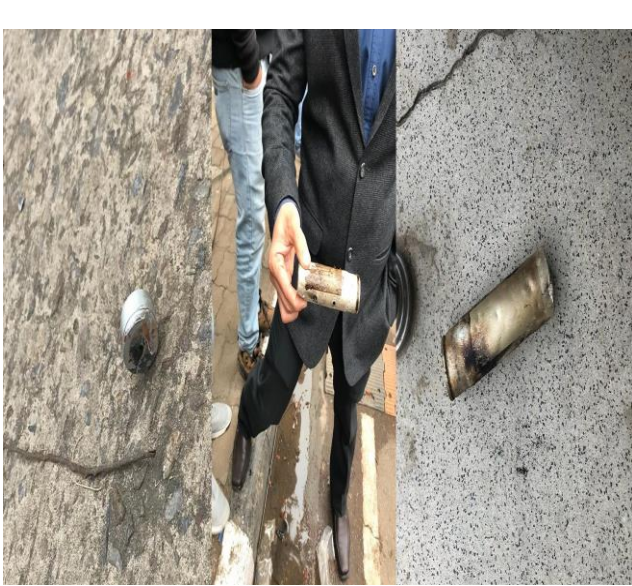
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“The people united shall always be victorious”



Your shells won't break our resolve. We will fight.

جگر کا خون دے دے کر یہ ٹوٹے میں پڑے ہیں

پھلا پھولا رہے یار! چمن میری امیدوں کا