

Dr Zakir Husain
1963-1969
Amir-i-Jamia (Chancellor)

Born on February 8, 1897, Zakir Husain studied at Etawah School, obtained MA from Aligarh Muslim University. He stayed in Germany from September 1922 to February 1926 to do PhD in Economics from the University of Berlin, under the supervision of Professor Werner Sombart, which was approved “summa cum laude” in 1926.

Along with his colleagues in Germany, Dr. Abid Husain and Mohammad Mujeeb, Zakir Husain came to Jamia in 1926. He was Vice Chancellor of Jamia Millia Islamia for 22 years (1926-48). It was his vision that held Jamia together at a time of great financial and ideological crisis and he took leadership in creating the ‘Life Members of Jamia,’ who pledged 20 years of service to Jamia.

He left Jamia in 1948 to help Aligarh Muslim University as its Vice Chancellor. He went on to become the governor of Bihar, Vice President of India and the President of India.

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