



## Symposium on Message of Ramadan at IUST

**Awantipora, April 21:** The Department of Islamic Studies, Islamic University of Science and Technology, Awantipora, Thursday organized its annual symposium “The Message of Ramadan” on theme “Social Implications of Tolerance and Truthfulness”. Pertinent to mention that the Department of Islamic Studies has been organizing this annual symposium since 2006. This year, scores of participants representing various departments of IUST as well as Mantaqui Memorial Higher Secondary contested for a speech competition. This speech contest is held to boost the confidence of the participants, while engaging them spiritually and intellectually.



Earlier Dr. Afroz Ahmad Bisati, besides introducing the symposium theme, welcomed the participants and guests. The symposium was chaired by Dr. Anisa Jan, Dean of Students, IUST, while as Dr. Munejah Khan, Associate Dean, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, IUST, was the Guest of Honour. Dr.



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Showkat Hussain, Sr. Assistant Professor, Department of Islamic Studies, IUST and Dr. Inayet Rasool, Head, Department of Arabic, IUST, acted as judges. The contestants were presented with prizes and certificates. Towards the end of the symposium, Prof. Abdur Rashid Bhat, Professor at the Department of Islamic Studies, presented the concluding remarks and Dr. Gh. Nabi, Sr. Asst. Prof., Department of Islamic Studies, presented the vote of thanks.

The symposium was coordinated by Shahida Mir and Safiya Qazi, both students from the Dept. of Islamic Studies, IUST, under the guidance of Dr. Riyaz Ahmad Sheikh, Lecturer, Dept. Of Islamic Studies.