

DJMC alumni interact with students, scholars

Awantipora, June 17: As part of Alumni Meet 2025, Department of Journalism and Mass Communication (DJMC), Islamic University of Science and Technology (IUST), hosted some notable alumni, who interacted with the current students and research scholars of the department on Tuesday.

The interaction session began with a formal welcome address by Dr. Rabia Noor, Head DJMC, who emphasized the significance of alumni engagement in enhancing institutional growth, and aligning academic pursuits with industry demands.

One of the alumni and former faculty of DJMC, Dr. Tawseef Majeed, who currently serves as Assistant Professor at Department of Design and Innovation, Jamia Millia Islamia, acknowledged DJMC faculty's "unwavering support" throughout his academic and professional career. Addressing the research scholars, he underscored the importance of producing meaningful and socially-relevant research. "Research is full of challenges, but our contribution must ultimately benefit society," he noted.

Dr. Tasaduk Hidayat, an alumnus who earned his doctorate from DJMC, shared insights into his PhD journey. He highlighted the challenges faced during the course but praised the department for laying a strong academic foundation. "The mentorship and guidance I received here were instrumental in shaping my research trajectory," he said.

Kashif ul Muzaffar Wani, a post-graduate from DJMC and currently working as a Radio Jockey with *Radio Raabta*, brought a creative perspective to the session. He spoke about the transformation of radio from a purely auditory medium to a more interactive and engaging platform. "A storyteller must think like an audience to truly connect and create an impact," he remarked, inspiring aspiring media professionals in the audience.

The session concluded with a formal vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Arif Nadaf, Assistant Professor, DJMC. He expressed gratitude to the alumni for their valuable time and insights, and to the students, scholars, and faculty members, who actively participated in the event.

The interaction session not only served as a motivational platform for current students and scholars, but also reinforced the enduring bond between the department and its alumni, committed to collaborative growth and excellence in media education.