

SPEECH OF DR. NAJMA HEPTULLA, HON'BLE GOVERNOR OF MANIPUR AT THE FELICITATION FUNCTION OF THE WINNERS OF HEALTH QUIZ ORGANIZED BY INQUILAB ON 11TH MAY, 2017 AT GHALIB INSTITUTE, NEW DELHI

Shri Shakeel Hasan Shamsi, Editor, Inquilab,

Distinguished Invitees and Guests,

Friends from Media,

Participants of the Health Quiz,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is a great privilege for me to have this opportunity of meeting you all at this felicitation function of the winners of Health Quiz, organized by Inquilab (Urdu Newspaper) in collaboration with Hamdard Laboratories. My heartiest congratulations to the winners of the Quiz.

I am also very happy to know that the Hamdard Laboratories is playing a pivotal role in organizing such an important function by co-sponsoring the Quiz contest. Hamdard Laboratories are carrying out their civic responsibilities quite admirably. It is a matter of great satisfaction to know that Inquilab, an Urdu Newspaper started various quiz competitions to make its readers aware of religion, history and health and judging from the feedback, the newspaper has met with tremendous success. Based on the overwhelming response and support, the Quiz contest is being organised twice in a year and till date more than 50 winners have gone for the holy pilgrimage of Umra. Inquilab has struck a fine balance between religion and general well being of the young people. My congratulations to all of you for this noble endeavour.

The journey of Inquilab from a humble beginning to what it is today reflects a commentary of grit and honesty. The Daily started its publication in the year, 1938 from Mumbai and it was confined to Maharashtra only till 2011. Once it came under the umbrella of Jagran Group of newspapers,

Inquilab flourished and became India's number one Urdu Daily within a period of 2 years. It is highly commendable that Inquilab is now published from 10 cities of UP, 3 cities of Bihar along with Mumbai and Delhi.

Today, the world is facing a historically unprecedented volatile situation, unimaginable scientific advancement on one hand and man created crises all around us on the other. Moral degeneration among the young generation is a dangerous poser. Newspapers are powerful tools for shaping the future of the society and I am confident that Inquilab will rise to the challenge for keeping the youths of the country ever on the right track. We all must know that between a future and no future, the difference lies in the hands of the youth. If our young men and women become wayward and indulge in violent and anti-social activities, then what happens to our country and society with such glorious heritage.

Organizing such competitions will certainly have a good impact on the minds of people. The involvement of Hamdard Laboratories of India, a popular brand name of Unani Medicines and desi consumer products is value addition. The central theme of today's Quiz competition is primarily aimed at building up awareness on health among the people especially the youths and organization of such competition on regular basis will bring positive result in the society.

I congratulate all the participants and winners in this competition and I thank the organizers for inviting me to this function.

Thank you,

Jai Hind.