### Two Day National Seminar on

# Maulana Abul Kalam Azad and the National Education System

Organised by the National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA) and Nehru Memorial Museum and Library (NMML), New Delhi on November 11 & 12, 2009 at NMML, Teen Murti House, New Delhi

## **Programme**

### 11 November 2009

**Inauguration:** 10 AM to 11 AM

Welcome: R. Govinda (Vice Chancellor, NUEPA)

A Brief Introduction to the Seminar: S. Irfan Habib

Inaugural Address: Shri Somnath Chatterjee (Former Speaker of Lok Sabha)

Vote of Thanks: Mridula Mukherjee (Director, NMML)

Tea

**Session I:** 11.30 AM to 1.30 PM

CHAIRPERSON: Deepak Kumar

S. Irfan Habib: 'Maulana Azad and the Beginnings in Education and Culture'

Syeda Hameed: 'Reflecting the Educational Philosophy of Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad and K. G. Saiyadain'

Mushirul Hasan: 'Images of Jamia'

Lunch

**Session II:** 2.30 *PM to* 5.30 *PM* 

CHAIRPERSON: Arjun Dev

Salil Mishra: 'Challenges in the Writing of History Textbooks'

Vinod Raina: 'Maulana's Commitment to Free and Compulsory

Education and the Right to Education Bill 2009'

Akhtar Siddiqui: 'Maulana Azad and Teacher Education'

5.45 PM

High Tea with the Hon'ble Minister Shri Kapil Sibal

6.15 PM

Address by Shri Kapil Sibal

6.30 PM to 7.30 PM

Widely acclaimed **Solo Play** "Maulana Abul Kalam Azad" by veteran actor Tom Alter, directed by Dr. Sayeed Alam

Dinner

## <u>12 November 2009</u>

**Session III:** *10 AM to 11.30 AM* 

CHAIRPERSON: Dipankar Gupta

Krishna Kumar: 'Combating Divisive Forces through Education'

Rizwan Qaiser: 'Madarsa Islamia, Ranchi: Maulana Azad's

Experimentation with Madarsa Education'

Tea

**Session IV:** 12.00 *AM to* 1.30 *PM* 

CHAIRPERSON: Mridula Mukherjee

Geetanjali Surendran: 'Looking Back at the Institutions of Art and Culture'

Mukul Priyadarshini: 'Language Issue in School Education'

Sanaya Nariman: 'Disadvantaged Groups, Democracy, Drop-out Rates and Curriculum Reforms'

#### Lunch

**Session V:** 2.30 *PM to* 4.00 *PM* 

CHAIRPERSON: Mr. Harsh Sethi

Dhruv Raina: 'Dr. Zakir Husain's Notion of a Modern University for India'

Sudhanshu Bhushan: 'Policy Processes in Higher Education'

Dinesh Abrol: 'Evolution of Higher Education: From UGC to HEC'