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for justice, dignity and accountable leadership

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Dear Aligs,

Student politics must turn voices into action, concerns into solutions, and representation into accountability.

AMU is a movement and a legacy, built on Sir Syed Ahmad Khan's vision of education as empowerment. Its Students' Union must protect student rights, take up grievances, challenge injustice and push for real reform.

This manifesto sets out my plan for a more inclusive, progressive, transparent and student-oriented AMU, in seven pillars and 22 commitments.

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Student rights, justice and democratic freedoms

01 Protection against arbitrary suspension

A show-cause notice and a fair chance to present your case before any punitive action. Protection for peaceful protest, debate and dissent.

02 AMUSU Legal Aid Cell

A panel of experienced lawyers, including senior advocates, for free or subsidised help in District Courts, High Courts and the Supreme Court. Legal awareness programmes for students.

03 Reform of student election rules

A democratic review of restrictive Lyngdoh provisions, including the limit on how many times a student can contest and disqualification linked to disciplinary action.

II Academic excellence and research reforms

04 Academic calendar and timely elections

Exams and results on schedule. AMUSU, WCSU and other elections fixed in the calendar before the current Union's term ends.

05 Recognition of courses

Approval from statutory and regulatory bodies, correct nomenclature and sanctioned seats. Help for students facing recognition or eligibility problems.

06 Research scholars' rights and welfare

Clear timelines for coursework, thesis, external evaluation and viva. Higher fellowships, hostel until the degree is complete, and action on harassment and unfair practices.

07 International academic collaboration

MoUs with reputed foreign universities, student exchange, joint research and visiting faculty.

III Student welfare: hostels, fees and health

08 2,000 additional hostel beds

A roadmap before the next session, subject to funding and approvals. Priority for new students, renovation of all existing halls, and better water, power, internet and dining.

09 No fee hike without students at the table

Student representation before the Academic Council on any fee change. Lower fees for regular courses, a review of inflated SFS fees, and a cap on nomination admissions and their fees.

10 ₹5 lakh health cover per student

Health insurance raised over time, free tests and diagnosis through university facilities, and better emergency services.

III Inclusion and a better campus

11 Inclusion and equal opportunity

Women's representation on the Delhi University model: a separate union with the right to vote and be represented in AMUSU. Reserved seats for specially-abled students in the Union executive and a barrier-free campus. Stronger systems for women students' safety and grievances.

12 Modern infrastructure, protected heritage

Well-kept classrooms, labs, libraries, roads and street lighting, and new buildings that match AMU's historic architecture.

IV Career development, employment and sports

13 AMUSU Recruitment and Career Cell

A separate cell for placements and internships. A voluntary database of AMU alumni across India and abroad, connecting you with Aligs in academia, civil services, law, technology and business. Career fairs, mentorship, and workshops on interviews, competitive exams and entrepreneurship.

14 Sports development

A modern sports complex and dedicated facilities for women. Financial help, equipment and coaching for talented players, and support for inter-university, national and international events.

V Transparency, governance and institutional accountability

15 A stronger AMU Court

Meetings at least once a month within its statutory framework, and a student say in decisions, including the election of the Chancellor and members of the AC and EC.

16 A full account of the ₹2.5 crore Union fund

Its status, use and audit records made public. Regular audits, impartial inquiry into credible allegations, and accurate RTI replies.

17 Merit in appointments

Transparent, merit-based appointments to academic, administrative and hall posts. An end to nepotism and favouritism, and illegal appointments declared void.

VI Protection of AMU's minority character, land and legacy

18 Minority character as a central priority

A roadmap of legal, constitutional and democratic efforts with experts, lawyers, alumni and students, including AMUSU support for students in proceedings before the Supreme Court.

19 University land and heritage

Map, demarcate and fence AMU land in every location. Lawful action against encroachment, accountability for negligence, and care for historic buildings, monuments and libraries.

VII Social justice and a national student movement

20 Solidarity beyond AMU

Coordination with student unions across universities, restoration of elected unions where they were discontinued, and a voice for AMU's off-campus centres.

21 Social justice and constitutional values

Support for laws such as the Rohith Vemula Act. A stand against caste discrimination, communal hatred, mob lynching and demolitions without due process. Dignity for Dalit, women, Kashmiri, hijab-wearing, North-Eastern and South Indian students. Defence of judicial independence and a free press.

22 Education as a public good

Against commercialisation and unjustified privatisation of education, NEP provisions that threaten equity and autonomy, and saffronisation of campuses. For academic freedom and independent scholarship.

MY COMMITMENT TO EVERY ALIG

Many reforms need approval from statutory bodies, university authorities and government agencies. Some depend on funds and legal processes. These limits must never become an excuse for inaction.

I will put your concerns before the right authorities, keep the dialogue going, build democratic support and keep you informed of our progress.

I seek your support to shoulder a responsibility, not to occupy a position.

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