

## Partition Horrors Remembrance Day

In order to commemorate 14<sup>th</sup> August as 'Partition Horrors Remembrance Day' in response to our Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's announcement, we at Zakir Husain Delhi College undertook a number of activities. While we are celebrating 75 glorious years of our Independence, it is important to sensitize our students towards horrors of partition so that they are appreciative and thankful for the sacrifices of our freedom fighters and also value our freedom for which our country has paid a very heavy price. In this link, Professor Harendra Singh (Hindi Department) discussed the historical events in the history of the college which this college witnessed from the first movement of independence to the tragedy of partition i.e. from 1857 to 1947. The teachers and students of this college had a discussion on the struggle, books, historical events signifying independence. After paying tribute to the students and teachers of the college, there was a discussion about the literature written about the partition of India which also remembered Bhisma Sahni, Kisan Chandar, Manto etc. Bhisma Sahni, who was born in Rawalpindi in 1915, came to India after partition. Bhisma ji started teaching English in Delhi College in 1955. He retired in 1983. Stories like his novel "Tamas" and "Amritsar aa gaya" were also discussed. Also amongst people coming to India after partition is Dr. Atam Sehgal, a professor of Zoology in Zakir Husain Delhi College who shared his memories of that period. The library of the college displayed old historical documents with an exhibition of books from that era. This exhibition continued for a week.





