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The **Indo-Iranian Studies Centre** was established for the furtherance of academic work in areas of Indo-Iranian interests and interaction, after an understanding was signed on 22nd May 2012 by the honourable Vice-Chancellor and H.E. the Cultural Counsellor of the I.R. of Iran. The **Indo Iranian Studies Centre** was inaugurated by H.E. **Mr. Mehdi Nabizadeh**, (*then*) Ambassador of the Islamic Republic of Iran and **Professor Mohammad Muzammil**, (*then*) Vice-Chancellor, MJP Rohilkhand University, Bareilly on 9th July 2012.

The **Indo-Iranian Studies Centre** has arranged regular teaching of Persian Language for the benefit of the students of the University. The 1st batch of 16 students studied (18.10.2012—31.01.2013) and passed the First Level of the Persian language certificate course; the Second Level (7.02.2013—7.5.2013) and is presently studying in the Third Level (since 12.8.2013). The 2nd batch of 11 students joined the First Level (on 7.02.2013), passed it on (7.5.2013), and now studying the Second Level (since 12.8.2013). The 3rd batch of 19 boys and girls are students of First Level of Persian Language for 12.8.2013—12.12.2013. Certificates for each Level of the course issued by the Iran Culture House were conferred by H.E. Mr. Ali Fouladi, Cultural Counsellor of the Embassy of the I.R. Iran and Professor Mushahid Husain, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of MJP Rohilkhand University, Bareilly in a special function held here on 3rd February 2014. An Exhibition on “*Shahnameh of Ferdowsi*” was also inaugurated H.E. Mr. Ali Fouladi, and Hon'ble Professor Mushahid Husain, to mark the celebration of Iranian Revolution.

The Centre is developing research facilities and possesses a library of about 1000 Persian books, and 140 CD/DVDs donated by the Iran Culture House. The Library Section was also inaugurated by H.E. Mr. Ali Fouladi and Hon'ble Professor Mushahid Husain.

The Centre has organised regular screening of Iranian films and cultural events on Persian festivals, like Zayesh-mehr (25.12.2012) and Nowroz (21.3.2013). The Exhibition on “Women in Iran” and one Colloquium and a Research Project have been planned as the forth coming activities of the Centre. Academic exchange programmes for study in Iran shall be routed through the **Indo-Iranian Studies Centre**.

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