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All praises are for Allah, Lord of the Worlds and peace and blessings upon our beloved Prophet Muhammad (SAS) and his followers.

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Congratulations to Dr. Jay and Sylvia Sobhraj on the establishment of the Centre of Behavioral Sciences and Research at the University of Guyana on behalf of the Central Islamic Organization of Guyana.

The dynamic society that we live in has given birth to challenges; some of which are mental health issues. Mental Health Issues are very real on Guyana's landscape. Traumatic childhood incidences, such as abuse and incest in addition to neglect during the formative years of life have exploded into a Plethora of Psychological issues, such as anxiety, Obsessive Compulsive Disorders, Post-Traumatic Stress Disorders, Phobias, Schizophrenia, Bipolar Disorders and Depression which is estimated to be the 5th most prevalent illness in Guyana.

There is a further spin off into drugs and substance abuse which paved the way for Domestic Violence. Although Mental Health Issues deal with the mind, it encompasses social and relationship issues and they can all operate as a cycle.

Psychological issues have far reaching impact on the persons involved and the society at large. Hence the Jay and Sylvia Sobhraj Centre of Behavioural Sciences and Research at the University of Guyana has come at an opportune time. The Psychology Department and the Clinical Psychology Clinic will be of great help to the Guyanese people and step by step as a people we can challenge the issues of Mental illness because Mental Health matters.

Regards,

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