

## Document of the Month

In 1918, the then Nizam of Hyderabad Nawab Osman Ali Khan, established the Osmania University in Hyderabad, where education was imparted in Urdu. This revolutionary experiment of using a regional language as a medium for higher education was an ostentatious revolt against the rising supremacy of the foreign language English in India.

Eventually, English replaced Urdu as the medium for teaching after the accession of Hyderabad State into the Indian Union in 1948. The Osmania University continues to thrive even today and boasts of a notable alumnus including India's 9<sup>th</sup> Prime Minister P V Narasimha Rao, cricketer and former Captain of the Indian Cricket team Mohammed Azharuddin, cricket commentator Harsha Bhogle, former RBI Governor Venugopal Reddy and the first Indian to travel to space, cosmonaut Rakesh Sharma.

In the document of this month, find out what Osmania University had to say about Godrej's contribution to their new Library building.

