

In Memoriam

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**RAJA A. ABDUL KADER HAJEE SAHEB**

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Raja Saheb is no more. A life-time of service to the people and the community has come to a sudden end. The sad demise of Raja Saheb at 80, in the early hours of 27 October 1985 removed from the scene a well-known industrialist and philanthropist of the State, and a sincere and delicate worker.

Raja Saheb's relations with Farook College and sister institutions have been long and intimate. Founder member of the Managing committees of Farook College, Farook Training College, Rauzatul uloom Arabic College and Farook High School, he was also for a very long time President of the Rauzatul uloom Association, Vice President of Farook College Managing Committee, and President of the Arabic College Managing Committee. In the small beginnings of the College, his generous donation of Rs. 10,000 in 1947 enabled Moulavi Abussabah to go ahead with his plans for the campus. Raja Saheb also played a crucial role in building Masjidul Azhar Raja Hostel and the Raja gate.

Raja Saheb's interests were not confined to the campus. He was a major force behind the Raja Residential School Chattamangalam, Raja Medical Trust and Raja Charitable Trust at Chowghat, the J D T Islam Orphanage Committees and several voluntary organizations in the State. The 25 mosques he built in various parts of Sri Lanka, Tamil Nadu and Kerala, as well as the many educational and cultural institutions that received his help directly or indirectly will remain standing movements to Raja Saheb for years and years to come.

Raja Saheb's demise has created a void in the educational, social and cultural fields in Kerala. As grateful recipients of his selfless service we can but pray to the Almighty :

**MAY HIS SOUL REST IN ETERNAL BLISS !**

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ത്തങ്ങൾ ഒരുമിച്ചു.

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