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**Sub:** Material for reply to Rajya Sabha Question No. 1481 for 24.08.2012 asked by Shri Balwinder Singh Bhunder and Shri Sabir Ali regarding vacant faculty posts in Central Universities.

Sir,

 Please refer to your E-mail dated 21.08.2012 on the subject cited above.

 As desired, we forward herewith the draft material to the aforesaid Rajya Sabha Question for further action at your end.

 Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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Encl: As above.

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY

**Material for reply to Rajya Sabha Question No. 1481 to be answered on 24.08.2012 regarding “Vacant faculty posts in Central Universities” Asked by Sh. Balwinder Singh Bhunder and Sh. Sabir Ali**

Q. (a) Whether there is manpower crunch in 42 Central universities in the Country;

Ans. (a) It is for MHRD to respond.

Q. (b) If so, the details thereof;

Ans. (b) It is for MHRD to respond.

Q. (c) Whether it is a fact that out of the sanctioned faculty strength of 16,602 in these Universities there are 6542 vacancies;

Ans. (c) Vacant faculty positions in JNU as on date is as under:

1. Professor - 77
2. Assoc. Professor - 100
3. Asstt. Professor - 87

 **Total - 264**

Q. (d) The reasons for such a large number of vacancies and the efforts made to fill up these vacancies; and

Ans. (d) a) 148 posts are newly created/sanctioned posts. 95 posts sanctioned under OBC scheme and

53 posts sanctioned under XI Plan which have been extended as first charge to XII Plan. UGC Regulations 2010 came into force in June 2010 which could be adopted only in 2011. Now the recruitment process is under way.

b) 83 posts of Assistant Professors and 22 posts reserved for PWD were advertised in 2011. A Few

 posts have already been filled up.

c) 157 posts at the level of Professor and Associate Professor will be advertised in September 2012.

Q. (e) By when all these vacancies are likely to be filled?

Ans. (e) These vacancies are likely to be filled by the year 2013.

 **A Draft Supplementaries is enclosed.**

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**Supplementary note regarding number of teaching vacancies, efforts made to fill up and vacancies likely to be filled up.**

Out of 268 vacant posts, 148 posts are newly sanctioned (95 posts – Under OBC Scheme 2008 and 53 posts – Under XI Plan 2009).

The University advertised 150 teaching posts at the level of Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor in September, 2009 vide Advt. No. RC/392009 and initiated the process of shortlisting of the applications received in response to the above advertisement.

The University would have made a few selections by April-May, 2010, but towards the end of the tenure of the then Vice-Chancellor, the University received a letter from the Ministry of Human Resource Development, conveying not to conduct further selections/promotions two-three months before the expiry of the term of the then Vice-Chancellor. The term of the then Vice-Chancellor was to expire on 29 June, 2010. But in terms of Statutes, the existing VC continued till his successor joined.

Incidentally, in June 2010 UGC notified new UGC Regulations, 2010 which stipulated adoption of the Regulations by University’s statutory bodies. But the University could not hold any meetings of the Academic Council/Executive Council in the interim period from June 2010 till the successor of the then Vice-Chancellor was appointed and assumed charge. The new Vice-Chancellor, Prof. S. K. Sopory assumed charge on January 28, 2011.

The Academic Council of the University adopted the Regulations on 10 May, 2011 and its recommendations were placed before the Executive Council in its meeting held on 13 July, 2011.

The Executive Council of JNU in its meeting held on 13 July, 2011 resolved to operate post-based reservation rosters at Schools/Special Centres level alongwith grouping of certain Schools/Special Centres replacing the University level reservation.

Accordingly, new roster points have been allocated to all the vacant teaching posts including backlog reserved posts, by following Government of India’s reservation policy.

The University advertised 22 teaching posts, vide Advt. No. RC/41/2011 (appeared in Employment News dated 5th November, 2011) at all levels i.e. Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor for Persons with Disabilities. The University also advertised 83 posts of Assistant Professor vide Advt. No. RC/42/2011 (appeared in Employment News dated 26 November, 2011 including vacancies reserved for SC/ST and OBC. **The University has initiated the process of filling up of the vacancies by holding the Selection Committee Meetings, since May, 2012 which were advertised as above.**

The University is also in the process of advertising the vacancies at the level of Professor and Associate Professor including vacancies reserved for SC/ST. These vacancies will be advertised in September, 2012.