

Jawaharlal Nehru University

AN APPEAL TO THE FACULTY MEMBERS

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As the campus is facing an unprecedented situation due to the ongoing strike by a group of students, thousands of students who wish to participate in the JNU academic programmes and plan to complete their academic requirements for continuance in the University, are adversely affected. The JNU Administration has appealed time and again to the protesting students to return to their classes and resume their academic works which have been hampered severely. With each passing day, the prospects of maintaining the minimum teaching days in a Semester, as per the UGC Rules, is getting grimmer.

In light of the above, the JNU Administration solicits the cooperation of all the faculty members, who constitute one of the guiding forces of academic life in the campus, in sensitizing the students about the academic requirements that are mandatory to continue to the next semester or to be awarded a JNU degree. All Deans, Chairpersons and faculty members are requested to share the following crucial information to the students and apprise them of the academic rules of the University so that their academic career can be protected before it is too late.

- I. According to university's academic rules, the Sessional Examinations need to be conducted as per the approved academic calendar before the End Semester Examinations, which is from 12th December until 20th December.
- II. Keeping in view the present scenario, all those Centres where the third Sessional Exams have not been conducted yet, the concerned Deans and Chairpersons are requested to ensure that the Sessional Exam schedules are announced at the earliest and conducted by the concerned teachers as per the schedule. There should be at least a gap of one week between the End Semester Exam and the Third Sessional Exam.
- III. The last date for submission of M.Phil. dissertation/Ph.D thesis in the Schools/Centres and forwarding the same to Evaluation Branch is 31st December for the Monsoon Semester. All concerned faculty are requested to make their respective students aware of this deadline.
- IV. Academic ordinance relating to the Award of the Master of Philosophy Degree (Clause 7), stipulates that students need to clear at least 50% of the total courses and in case they fail to clear any of these courses (vide Clause 8) or fail to secure a CGPA of 5.00 on completion of course work at the end of 2nd semester their name will be automatically removed from the roll list of the University.

- V. Similarly, students pursuing their B.A. (Hons.) programme need to clear the Sessional Examinations and maintain a minimum of CGPA as specified in the Clause 9 of the ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE AWARD OF B.A (HONS.), B.A. (PASS) DEGREES failing which their name will be removed from the JNU roll list vide the clause 11.
- VI. Students' names, who fail to meet the norms and requirements under the Clause 9 and 11 of the ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE AWARD OF M.A., M.Sc., DEGREES, will be dropped from the JNU roll list.

The Administration hereby expresses its deepest concern over the continuing disruption of academic activities and appeals to all Deans, Chairpersons and Faculty Members of JNU to sensitise the students on the serious implications of violating, bypassing or ignoring the academic rules and requirements of the university.

All the faculty members of the university are requested to walk the extra mile and urge the students to return to their class rooms, libraries and labs and resume their academic and research work so that no more academic losses are incurred. The agitating students also need to be made aware that they have to end the continuing strike, so that careers of thousands of their fellow students are not damaged.

With best wishes,



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