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Dear Friends,

A meeting of the Academic council of KUK was held on November 26, 2010. To press upon several long pending and pressing demands of our teaching fraternity, HCTA along with HGCTA had given a call to wear black badges against the the arbitrary functioning of Kurukshetra University Administration and its failure to deal with these issues on priority basis. and obligations towards the fraternity of students and teachers. We also hope this understanding and commitment of yours which we hold in the highest esteem will soon get reflected in your dealing with issues. The KUK administration invited a delegation of HCTA to discuss and resolve the pending issues. An hour long meeting with Vice Chancellor, KUK took place in his office, the registrar KUK was also present. This meeting which was held prior to the Academic Council Meeting (November, 26, 2010) went well and the Vice Chancellor has assured to take concrete measures within a stipulated time. HCTA delegation was led by President HCTA Dr. UV Singh, including general secretary Rajbir Parashar, Dr. Jai Naran, VP HGCTA . Dr. Ram Mehar, HGCTA, Secretary, KUK, Dr. Ishwar Singh, Dr. Ravinder Gasso, Dr. Pawan Sharma, Dr. PR Tygi and Dr. Dalbir Singh. The following deliberations took place in the meeting, an official proceeding of the meeting is expected soon.

1. The first raised was that KUK has implemented semester system in a hypocritical manner leading to two types of pattern in regular degree courses and distance education courses. The Vice Chancellor has agreed to a special convention in December, 2010 on the agenda of Academic Reforms including a review of semester system, especially the practical problems arising out of it. This convention will evolve a concrete line of perspective and will be followed by a special session of Academic Council on these very issues. This is what the Vice Chancellor has assured.
2. Regarding the entrance test for registration for Ph.D. even for the regular teachers, the University administration has assured a positive decision on this vital matter within this year i.e. before. Most likely regular teachers with teaching experience of three years may get exemption from the entrance test.
3. The major issue of pre-Ph.D. course work and the kind of Leave to be availed for it, in the Academic Council, Vice Chancellor announced a capsule course formula during vacations. HCTA has agreed to such a provision.
4. Regarding the promotion of research in the affiliating colleges, the University administration has agreed to develop a credible and transparent system in which the college teachers of all subjects, both UG and PG teachers, can supervise Ph.D.

research. However, at present the University has started the process of surveying only PG teachers, we have objected to it and urged to include UG teachers also. On this issue, broad consensus is emerging, and the attitude of the Vice Chancellor is positive.

5. The issue raised through the state level campaign from October 4, 2010 to October 9, to increase the representation of teachers in the Governing Bodies of Govt. Aided Private Colleges was also discussed. The University administration has agreed that as VC nominees Senior Teachers from the Private aided Colleges should be given substantial representation. .
6. No agreement or consensus was reached on the eligibility criteria framed by KUK for the selection of Dean Of Colleges, as this criteria violates UGC norms in this regard. We had requested it to be revised as per UGC norms.
7. The issue of streamlining the strength and ratio of representation in Academic Council of various types of colleges on the lines adopted in University Court was discussed. Academic Council has passed as HCTA aspirations a separate and specific number/representation of teachers/principals from self-finance Colleges of education and the professional and technical education colleges to the Academic Council of KUK.
8. The demand to revive the entry of one member from among the affiliated colleges (Govt. and Govt. Aided Private Colleges) in Academic Council to the Executive Council of KUK is yet to be fulfilled.
9. The issue of revising remuneration of all assignments done by teachers at University level was discussed and the Vice Chancellor has agreed to it.
10. HCTA reminded the University of its obligations towards the proper education of Environment Studies as this subject is being taught in the affiliated colleges of KUK and all over Haryana as per the instructions of Hon'ble Supreme Court. Especially, regarding the counting of workload of teachers teaching this subject, a clear cut policy of the University and the Govt was demanded, the Vice Chancellor agreed to it.

We hope the matters raised and discussed with KUK administration will be resolved in the same spirit as the Hon'ble VC has conveyed and assured HCTA.

With thanks

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