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Dear all Staff and Students

At the out I would like to congratulate all our staff, students and parents for making Lockdown period as success and now we are ready to undergo Unlock strategy accordingly. I would like to begin my message by saying again how proud I am for the measures and ways in which different stakeholders of our University – our staff, our students, parents– have reacted to the global crisis of COVID-19. Our collective action has been quick, effective and dignified, and has tapped into vast reserves of educative, endurance, engrossing, creativity, innovativeness and solidarity. I thank you all and wish that with our collective action, we will in position to regain our original position with more efficiency and commitment. Our future will explore possibilities for Quick Learning (online technology enabled learning), Forced Entrepreneurship (self sustainable and disguised employment) and New Normal Employment (work from home). We have been blessed by Hon'ble Governor & Chancellor sir through regular advice to boost our moral. I convey his blessings to all of you.

Resuming Education Back

Our face-to-face teaching learning process was abruptly stopped with the commencement of lockdown in the third week of March. Since then all the teachers have delivered education online or in blended learning form with technology enabled platform. It has been indicated that the effects of this pandemic shall last long hence in coming time online education will be a strategic priority at every University. We will have to explore Online Program Management (OPM) partnership at College and University level for broadening our scope as teaching and evaluation is mandatory for formal education. The first task ahead of us is to conduct of examination as and when permitted by the government. The University has made all preparations for examinations in consultation with Deans, Kindly suggest how we can plan examination in such period.

Returning Research Students

The question of when and how postgraduate research students should return to their usual places of work has been a live issue over the past week. With some research facilities beginning to re-open in a limited capacity especially AICRP works, many research students are wondering whether they too are expected to be there. Many of you, I know, are keen to be back at your usual places of work.

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Looking to the present restrictions, it is not possible to call the students to the campus. Research students can/will only be invited back once Dean of particular College in consultation with Heads of Department will determine that a particular building and research farm can be re-opened safely, have identified which members of staff and which students should be asked to return, and have consulted with each student – which will then be communicated to/with the students about the practicalities of their return. No one should enter any University buildings and farms/labs until these exchanges have happened and until they have been given explicit permission to do so by their Dean of College. As re-opening buildings and identifying who should be invited back to work in those buildings while complying with any social distancing requirements, will be a complex task. We are all eager to return to our workplaces, but the process will require further patience from all of us. Our primary concern throughout will be to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our collegiate community so that we can more effectively and sustainably focus on our future research efforts.

Message for Research Scientists

Despite of all adversities since the onset of lockdown, the scientists have continued to carry out mandatory work with passion. I was happy to receive messages of timely harvest of *rabi* experiments. The seed production work was also carried out sedulously else we would have faced crux of problems in coming years. Timely release of Agro-meteorological advisories to the farmers has continued perpetually. Through your active support we could submit 14 project proposals worth more than 3 crore rupees under National Agritech Initiatives to GoI at a short notice. We have also received the support of non-teaching and supporting staff in all these endeavors. Many scientists have attended online workshops of their AICRPs, the communication is envisaged in future. The *kharif* season is hovering around. I have every hope that the scientists have either made all preparations in respect of input, field preparations and other related works or have planned flawlessly to avoid any last minute scuttle. Now that lockdown has been relaxed to a great extent, I expect the research functionary to be ready for the ensuing season. The ZDRs are advised to take stock of situation at zonal level while Director Research is entrusted with overall monitoring. Earlier I had made a request to scientists to submit R&D proposals. I would be glad to receive progress for Director Research on this front. I have been suggesting the emerging fields of research in different areas on different occasions. Please take cognizance of those fields.

Message for Extension Personnel

Our extension wing had been on role during COVID-19 pandemic however, the visibility has lacked somewhat. I have been emphasizing the principle of 3 T (Timely action, Trouble free approach and Transparency). These three Ts are more relevant in

Tackling COVID-19

There are lots of precautionary measures for tackling COVID-19 including maintaining social distancing in campus, proper masks on mouth and nose, periodically washing hands with soap and not putting fingers on mouth, eyes and nose.

The pandemic is a biomedical phenomenon, but its impact on all areas of the human experience has been profound and permanent. Alongside our excellent expertise through conversation and media, we will need the full arsenal of knowledge to help us overcome the likely damage caused by the Corona virus.

And finally


Having closed our gates to visitors for now, this period is meant to develop confidence in the mindset of students and keep busy our teachers in organization of Webinar on recent advances of agriculture so that everyone can enjoy the content at their leisure. It is high time to develop expertise in subject matter and share experience for enhanced efficiency.

Meanwhile for students, our university has continued to support all of you for your education, research and technology out reach. Wherever you happen to be, and wherever home is for you, I send you my very best wishes and appeal to have full confidence in your mindset with changed environment with full faith, trust and hope for better future.

The research scientists and extension personals, try to give your best under the adversities of this pandemic keeping all precautions and advisories released from time to time.


My urge to all

Stay safe.


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