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Sub: Prevention of Caste-Based Discrimination in Higher Education Institutions.

आदरणीय महोदया/महोदय,

As you are aware, the University Grants Commission (UGC) has been taking various steps for the Prevention of Caste Based Discrimination in Higher Education institutions (HEIs). UGC has issued instructions and guidelines for the same vide letters dated 19.07.2011, 02.07.2013, 07.03.2016, 05.09.2016, 15.05.2017, 04.05.2018, 14.09.2020, 09.09.2021, 24.04.2023 and 19.06.2023.

The HEls were requested to comply with the following action points:

- The officials/faculty members should desist from any act of discrimination against SC/ST students on grounds of their social origin.
- The University/institute/College may develop a page on their website for lodging such complaints of caste discrimination by SC/ST/OBC students and also place a complaint register in the office of the Registrar/Principal for the purpose. If any, such incident comes to the notice of the authorities, action should be taken against the erring official/faculty member promptly.
- The University and its constituent/affiliated colleges should ensure that no officials/faculty members indulge in any kind of discrimination against any community or category of students.
- The University may constitute a Committee to look into the complaints of discrimination received from the SC/ST/OBC Students/teachers and non-teaching staff. The Committee shall also include members belonging to the SC/ST/OBC category.

You are requested to advise the officials/faculty members of your university/institute to be more sensitive while dealing with Incidents of caste discrimination. The above instructions should also be circulated to all your university's constituent and affiliated colleges for follow-up action.

You are also requested to provide the information for the years 2023-24 in the prescribed format (copy enclosed) on the University Activity Monitoring Portal (UAMP) of UGC at the link https://ugc.ac.in/uamp/ at the earliest and not later than 31^{st} July 2024.

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Action Taken Report of Universities/Institutions to Prevent Caste Based Discrimination for the Year 2023-24

Name of the University/Institution-

Sl.No.	Items	Action Taken		
		SC	ST	OBC
1	Whether the University/Institution has constituted any Committee to look into the complaints of discrimination received from the SC/ST/OBC Students/Teachers/Non-Teaching Staff, give details thereof.			
2	Whether the University/Institution has developed a page on its website for lodging complaints of caste based discrimination by SC/ST/OBC students. Give URL and details thereof.			
3	Whether the University/Institution is maintaining the Complaint Register and the mode of action taken on the complaint of caste based discrimination			
	(I)Number of complaints received during the last one year			
	(II)Out of the total complaints received, number of complaints settled/solved.			
	(III)Whether any suicidal type of action reported in the complaints (Number)			
	(IV)Action taken in case incident comes to the notice of the authority against official/faculty			
4	Whether the University/Institution has any Cell to look into the complaints of caste based discrimination against SC/ST/OBC received from the affiliated/constituent Colleges.			
	(I)Mode of solving the College problems			
	(II)Number of complaints received in the Colleges during the last one year			
	(III)Out of the total complaints received in the Colleges, number of complaints settled/solved.			
	(IV)Type of instructions issued to the College against caste based discrimination			