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Subject :- Situation report regarding incident at Jawahar Lal Nehru University on 09.02.16

Sir,

In continuation to the earlier reports on the incident dated 09.02.2016 at JNU regarding anti national activities by certain student groups, it is further submitted that the area officer of Y&S Section of Special Branch had noticed a poster in JNU Campus in the morning of 09.02.2016 in which it was mentioned that a cultural evening was being organized at Sabarmati Dhaba that day at 5 PM. The poster read as following "The Country without a Post Office, Against the Brahmanical Collective conscience! Against the judicial killing of Afzal Guru and Maqbool Bhatt ! In solidarity with the struggle of the Kashmiri people for their democratic right to self determination... We invite you for a Cultural Evening of protest with poets, artists, singers, writers, students, intellectuals, cultural activists on 9th February, Tuesday 5 PM, Sabarmati Dhaba. There will also be an art exhibition and a photo exhibition portraying the history of occupation and other people's struggle against it. We invite other people to join us in protest, in rage against the occupation and in solidarity with the valiant people of Kashmir!" At last the names of Anirban, Anjali, Anvesha, Aswathi, Bhavna, Komal, Reyaz, Rubina, Umar, Samar were mentioned in the poster. Alarmed due to the language of above mentioned poster, and previous history of defamatory speeches and slogans during such programmes by volatile student groups, the concerned area officer of Y&S section, Special Branch, started informing about the same to all concerned through telephone, including Control Room of Special Branch. The local Police was also informed about it. On further verification, it was found that the programme may create some trouble in JNU campus. The JNU security authorities were also alerted about this programme and its possible repercussions. Security authorities of JNU were informed that the DSU students will be screening feature film on Afzal Guru and Maqbool Bhatt which may create unrest in JNU campus. Thus, DSU and other left supported student organizations were trying to do some unwanted activity in JNU in the garb of cultural evening. JNU authorities, particularly VC office had no idea that the programme was nothing to do with cultural activity; rather it was a protest by some left supported student groups who may create problems. Accordingly, JNU authorities were timely alerted and as a result,

permission to organize the event was denied to the student group which was organizing this programme. This decision of cancellation of programme by JNU authorities was passed on to the organizing group through JNU security authorities. In the meanwhile, the ABVP students had also some idea about this cancellation who also started to mobilize around the proposed programme venue.

On 09.02.2016 at about 5 PM, DSU Students in the leadership of Umar Khalid, Mob. No. 9873961701, Convener, DSU started to gather near Sabarmati dhaba. Around 80/100 DSU and left supported students were present at the venue. They had brought with them equipments to show documentary film on the history of the occupation of Kashmir. Since JNU administration had denied them screening of the same, they had carried back the equipments. The activists of DSU felt offended, started to shout slogans and sang songs in favour of Afzal Guru and Maqbool Bhatt. The left supported student groups were shouting "Bharat ki Barbadi tak Jang rahegi, Jang rahegi" "Kashmir ki Ajadi tak Jang Jang rahegi, Jang rahegi" "India Go Back", "Hum Lekar Rahenge Azadi, Azadi Azadi", "Pakistan Jindabad", "Kitne Afzal maroge, ghar ghar se Afzal niklega". From the reliable sources it is learnt that students who were present in this protest were Kanhaiya Kumar (President JNUSU) of All India Student Federation (AISF), Anirban Bhattacharya, Anjali, Anvesha, Aswathi, Bhavna, Komal, Reyaz, Rubina, Umar Khalid, Samar from Democratic Students Union (DSU). Apart from these, Ashutosh, Anant Kumar, Rama Naga, Chintu Kumari from All India Student Association (AISA) and Amol P.P. of Student Federation of India (SFI) were also participating in the protest actively. In the meantime, 30/40 activists of Akhil Bhartiya Vidharthi Parishad (ABVP) reached there under the leadership of Sh. Sourav Kumar Sharma, Mob. No. 9810448297, Joint Secretary, JNUSU. They also raised slogans against DSU activists alleging that they were doing anti national activity by supporting Afzal Guru and Maqbool Bhatt. The ABVP activists were shouting slogans "Bharat Mata ki Jai" The local Police and PCR were also present there.

At about 7.30 PM the activists of DSU and ABVP started their march from Sabarmati Dhaba to Ganga Dhaba. They were raising slogans against one another. They delivered speech on the issue. At 8.30 PM, the activists of DSU and ABVP dispersed from there peacefully.

At present, ABVP is alleging that the activists of DSU and other left supporting student organizations are indulged in anti-national activities. They want action against such students who are into such anti-national activities. While the activists of DSU and other left supporting students who had participated in programme are alleging that their right of freedom of expression and right of protest is being curtailed.

It is important to mention here that Y&S Section of Special Branch always keeps an eye on the activities of student, student organizations, Youths and people who have stake at JNU. In this regard, we have sent reports earlier also time to time. Excerpts of those reports are placed herewith for kind perusal:-

> "On 06.10.2015, ACP, Y&S/SB visited the JNU and met Sh. Sudhir Kumar Sopory, the then V.C. of JNU. During this meeting discussion was held on various subjects including CCTV Surveillance into JNU Campus to avoid any untoward incident. It was also discussed that ofently some students group raise slogans and participate in protests inside JNU Campus. Many a times such slogans/protests have anti national colour. It is reflected through objectionable posters which are prepared mostly through Computers and affixed at hostels/JNU Campus. Sometimes, such posters are found to be hurting patriotic/religious feelings of the society. It was also discussed that the objectionable/anti national activities of members of Democratic Students Union (DSU) have to be curbed by JNU authorities with the help of Police".

On 12.11.2015 another such report on the activities of DSU and other students organizations of JNU was also prepared and sent to apprise the situation there. The report was as under :-

> "In continuation of previous report date 08.10.2015, it is intimated that there are so many left supported Student Unions active in JNU. Most of them are non-reactive and mild in Nature. They ofently raise slogans/protest on different national as well as local issues but their gathering remains very low. But, two hidden student groups i.e. 1) Democratic Students Union and 2) Democratic Students Front have been foun volatile and reactive. They are found indulging in anti-national and anti social activities. However, they are less than 10 in number. Sometimes they discreetly prepare nude and objectionable posters of deities on their computer and affix it on wall to hurt the religious feelings of the society. Their activities in the past are:-

- 1) They mourned the death of Afzal Guru.
- 2) They celebrated killing of CRPF Jawans in Dantewara, Chattisgarh in 2010.

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- 3) They worshipped "Mahishasur" in place of Goddess Durga during the Sep'14 "Navratri" festival last year.
- 4) They invited Kashmiri separatist leader Gilani for meeting. But, JNU authority imposed ban on their such move.
- 5) They asked for beef in hostel mess.

Now, present students of these Unions have been identified by reliable sources as under :-

A. Democratic Students Union :- 1. Kusum Laya, Mob. Nos. 9312674606 2) Nirvikramy 3) Raghav 4) Ben Jyotana 5) Priyadarsani Panda 6. Gayatri G. 7) Kaustav Banerjee 8.) Kalai Rasom 9) Ritu Pan Goswami,

B. Democratic Students Front :- 1) V. Lenin Kumar, President. Mob. No. 9800814377 2) Sec. Ishan Anand No. 9953877418 3) Roshan Kishore 4) Zico Das Gupta 5. Robert Rehman Raman 6) Rick Mukherjee 7) Mohd. Attmash 8. Ruchira Son 9) Anshul Trivedi and 10. Koyal Varma - Mob. No. 9891911156".

One police officer from Spl. Branch is already performing his duty at JNU Campus in plain clothes. He has been directed to keep watch over the situation. It will not be out of place to mention here that due to clash of ideologies, the possibility of dharna, demo or protest by ABVP, DSU and other students' organizations can't be ruled out in the back drop of incident dated 09.02.2015, where different students groups had verbal spat as well as manhandling among them. Since different students organizations are backed by different political parties, there is every possibility of politicisation.

It is further submitted that a case FIR No. 110/16 u/s 124-A/34 IPC has been registered at PS Vasant Kunj North regarding the above mentioned incident. Today i.e. 12.02.16, Kanhaiya, President, JNUSU has been arrested in the case. He has been sent to three days' police custody remand. There is resentment among the students in JNU. Today i.e. 12.02.16 Prof. Ajay Patnayank, JNUTU alongwith teachers and students met V.C. of JNU and expressed their resentment regarding Police presence inside JNU campus. During this meeting, they wanted an assurance from V.C., JNU that without an emergency, Police should not be allowed inside JNU campus to which V.C. has assured them all sort of cooperation including communication with Police on the subject. Despite, this assurance, aggressive protests and student unrest in Delhi in particular at JNU, is apprehended, since the arrest of JNUSU President may aggravate the resentment not only among left supported student groups but also among entire students and teachers in various educational institutions.

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