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Through

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Dear Dr Singh:

This letter follows your Circular No. Eval. I/3(43A)/2017 dated 25 September 2017 and the subsequent circular (unnumbered, dated 24 October 2017) from the Office of the Rector-I.

While the earlier circular requested that "all students who are admitted after 5 May 2016 in MPhil PhD (integrated) programme shall be registered at the earliest in the third semester of the MPhil programme" to complete their MPhil degree, the second circular from the Rector's office requested all Deans and Chairpersons to "postpone any final decision regarding whether those students who have got 6.5 or above grade in their coursework are eligible to move directly to the PhD programme."

Five students of the MPhil/PhD programme in the Centre for English Studies, admitted in July 2016, had registered as third semester MPhil students in July 2017 and then requested for transfer to PhD, as per the JNU MPhil PhD ordinances. Their applications were approved by the Dean, and the CASR of SLL&CS. However, in the light of these two circulars, we have so far postponed any further step regarding their transfer to the PhD programme.

I am writing now because there is considerable urgency in resolving this matter. In case their transfer to PhD is not approved, they will be required to submit their MPhil dissertations in July 2018, which is less than six months away! The PhD projects of some of these students are different from their initial plans for an MPhil dissertation, and it would be difficult to reorient their work and complete their MPhil dissertations in such a short period of time.

Therefore, may I request you to clarify without further delay if we can go ahead and confirm their transfer to the direct PhD programme. Could you please confirm that they will not be required to submit their MPhil dissertations in July 2018. I shall be grateful if you could kindly treat this matter as most urgent.

Many thanks and warm regards

Sincerely yours

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