

**Statement of the Vice-Chancellor Jawaharlal Nehru
University after consultation with the Dean's Committee**

Along with the Deans Committee, the University takes serious note of the incidents on campus on the evening of February 9th. A high-level enquiry committee has been constituted to investigate the matter and take appropriate action as necessary. While the JNU community upholds the right to free debate on campus, the University strongly condemns the use of the University as a platform for activities that violate the Constitution and the laws of the land. However, there could be aberrations where fringe sections misuse the freedom provided. While that problem would be appropriately addressed in this case, the University would also take steps to protect the academic atmosphere and the environment for vibrant discussion that JNU has always provided and stands for.

All sections of the JNU community including representatives of the students, teachers and karmacharis have assured that they uphold the values and ethos of this University. It is an appeal to all sections to go beyond this incident and return the campus to normalcy.


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