

**On Day 5 of JNUSU's Indefinite Hunger Strike**

Join

**MASHAAL**

**JULOOS**

**Tonight,**

**from Ganga Dhaba**

**to Ad Bloc**

**from 9.30 pm**



**Join Protest Demonstration against  
the Delhi Police and its brutal and  
repeated crackdown on protestors!**

**2<sup>nd</sup> February (Tommorow), 2 pm  
at Delhi Police Headquarters, ITO**

**Buses will leave from Ganga at 1 pm**

**JNUSU**

**-Punish the Culprits of Rohith's institutional murder!**

**- Unequivocal Removal of UoH VC!**

**- Sacking of Bandaru Dattatreya and Smriti Irani!**

**-Against the repeated police crackdown on students!**

**- Against the promotion of the killer VC Appa Rao and in  
solidarity with the Continuing Struggle of UoH students!**

The institutional murder of dalit scholar Rohith Vemula in the University of Hyderabad has led to militant protests across the country by students, intellectuals, faculty members and democrats all across the country. Instead of addressing even a single concern and demand of the students, brute force has been the only response of this fascist government. In the last two weeks, as protests have raged across the country, there have been over 10 major police crackdowns. Students have been met with water cannons, manhandling, lathi charges and police detentions. Just a few days back, in Mumbai as students were campaigning and protesting in the Dharavi area, RSS goons attacked them with rods and sticks. And the police standing nearby stood as mute spectators while students were beaten up by RSS goons. And if this was the case in Mumbai, just a couple of days back here in Delhi, as students in large numbers were staging a protest in front of RSS office, both the RSS goons and Delhi police came together to unleash a brutal attack and lathi-charge on students. Several students were severely injured with broken bones and blood oozing from their heads and legs. Even journalists covering the protest were not spared and not only were they roughed up, but their cameras were specially targeted so as to destroy evidences of this crackdown. However, the few surviving evidences in the forms of images and videos that have survived of this brutal police-RSS crackdown have gone viral on the media and social media. But once again as usual, no action has been taken against any police officer responsible for this crackdown that left many of our comrades hospitalized. The JNUSU protest in front of the Delhi Police Headquarters tomorrow demanding action against the police officers who ordered and orchestrated the lathi charge in collusion with RSS goons.

In the meantime in the University of Hyderabad (UoH), the struggle to ensure Justice to Rohith continues battling all odds. As the demand to sack & arrest VC Appa Rao was raised after Rohith's death, the govt sent him on a leave and in his place, they appointed Vipin Srivastava as the Acting VC – the same person who was part of the proctorial board that initiated action against Rohith and his comrades. As protests emerged against him he too was sent on a leave from UoH and another person appointed as the new VC! Thus, in just over two weeks, UoH has had three VCs! The Joint Action Committee-UoH yesterday submitted a memorandum to the new Vice Chancellor M. Periasamy detailing 8 main demands of their movement. This included amongst other things implementation of Thorat Committee Recommendations and sacking of Appa Rao from his post. But, far from sacking him the govt has instead promoted Appa Rao. While on 'special leave' from UoH, the HRD ministry has appointed him as the Acting Chairperson of National Council of Rural Institutes! The utter insensitivity and ruthlessness of this government can be gauged from this only – far from acting against any of those responsible for Rohith Vemula's institutional murder, it is not providing them complete impunity but also rewarding them. By doing this, it is also giving a message to the protesting students – that no matter what you do, it will continue bulldozing us with its Brahmanical fascist agenda.

In our campus also, the foot soldiers of this fascist government ABVP are desperately trying to exonerate themselves by bring one disgusting pamphlet after another. We are being told that Rohith was not a Dalit, that no one from the ABVP, to BJP minister Bandaru Dattatreya, the saffron VC Appa Rao to Smriti Irani is responsible for Rohith's death. We are familiar with this narrative – and have seen it repeatedly as this state has repeatedly exonerated killers of dalits and rewarded them. The JNUSU appeals to the student community to see through ABVP's lies and slander and completely isolate them. We need to take this moment as a challenge thrown to us by the government and its foot soldiers and have to intensify the movement in the coming days to ensure that those responsible for Rohith's death are brought to book. Against the continued impunity and promotion to Rohith's killers, against the repeated crackdown and repression on protestors and in solidarity with the continuing struggle of UoH students, JNUSU appeals to the student community to join in large numbers the Mashaal Juloos tonight from Ganga Dhaba from 9.30 pm. We appeal to student to also join tomorrow Protest Demo in front of Delhi Police Headquarters at 2 pm. We also appeal to the students to support and join all of JAC-Delhi's initiatives in the coming days.

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