



JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION

19 October 2016

An Appeal from JNUTA

Teachers of the University have been demanding in one voice that the Administration take all possible steps to find Najeeb. JNUTA has already expressed its deepest concern regarding the safety and welfare of Najeeb, who is missing from his hostel for the last five days. At the Press Conference on 19 October near the Administrative Bloc JNUTA made its position clear that while efforts to bring back Najeeb need to be stepped up, the Administration should make it clear publicly that the Campus is safe for him to return and there would be a fair and impartial inquiry. Given the circumstance in which Najeeb has been missing, it is incumbent on the University to provide him security once he returns. This position was conveyed to the Rector in a meeting in the evening of the same day. We also suggested that the University write to the Lieutenant Governor of Delhi so that the matter could be taken more seriously by the police and other government agencies.

While the JNUTA is pursuing with the Administration along the above demands, it requests the students not to adopt any mode of protest that is construed as coercive. In continuation with the appeals by JNUTA President, Secretary and many other teachers present, we once again appeal to students to end the blockade of the Administrative Building. These actions also deviates the focus away from the original issue of Najeeb's safe return.

We would like to once again assure the students that JNUTA would continue its efforts to secure safe return of Najeeb and a fair and transparent enquiry. Let us focus on safe return of Najeeb to the Campus, a fair and impartial inquiry and action against those found guilty.

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