

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY INTER HALL ADMINISTRATION NEW DELHI-110067

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NOTICE

Subject: Status Update on Student Elections and Pending Legal Proceedings

Some students have raised concerns and apprehensions regarding the purported delay in holding the JNUSU Elections. In this regard, it is hereby informed that the pursuant to proceedings in WP(C) No. 3735 of 2024, the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, during the last election cycle byorder dated 15.03.2024 appointed Hon'ble Mr. Justice (Retd.) V. Ramasubramanian, Former Judge of Supreme Court of India as an Observer to oversee the election process.

Upon completion of the election process, the Hon'ble Observer submitted a Report dated 01.04.2024 in a sealed cover to the Hon'ble High Court. The Hon'ble Court took the Report on record, and the University subsequently obtained a certified copy of the same.

Upon perusal of the Report, it was noted that the Hon'ble Observer had pointed out inconsistencies within the Lyngdoh Committee Report (LCR), particularly regarding Paragraphs 6.8.4, and 6.8.12 which could hamper the smooth conduct of the student union elections. The Hon'ble Observer stated that the provisions require clarification from the Hon'ble High Court regarding their reconciliation and applicability.

In light of this, the University filed an application on 15.02.2025 (CM Appl. 10899 of 2025) before the Hon'ble High Court in WP(C) No. 6265 of 2025 seeking necessary clarifications based on the Hon'ble Observer's findings.

The application was heard on 04.03.2025, during which the counsels for the respondents, including Mr.Abhik Chimni, Advocate, were present and accepted notice. The Hon'ble High Court directed the respondents to file a reply to the University's application. On the request of the Senior Standing Counsel for JNU, and considering the nature of the matter, the Hon'ble Court was pleased to list the matter for a shorter date after three weeks on 27.03.2025.

Threats of protests, gheraos, and lockdowns are being issued almost every other day, aimed at bringing the administrative functioning to a standstill. Such actions are entirely unwarranted, unjustified, and unacceptable.

As stated above, the matter is *sub-judice* before the Hon'ble High Court. Until a decision is rendered, any speculation or agitation regarding the alleged delay in holding the JNUSU elections is baseless and serves no purpose.

All stakeholders and concerned parties are expected to maintain order, refrain from disruptive activities, and adhere to the due legal process.