

## JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY

From the Office of Finance Officer

### Press Note

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Reports in the media that the annual budget for the Dr B R Ambedkar (Central) Library of JNU has been reduced from Rs. 8.00 crore to Rs. 1.70 crore are completely baseless. The University has been allocating to the library every year only an amount of Rs. 1.70 crore for the books and journals from its Grant received annually from the UGC. However, in the year 2012, UGC gave one time, bulk grant to JNU under the 12<sup>th</sup> Plan for five years from which an extra amount was allocated for the next five years. Now that the 12<sup>th</sup> plan has ended the library is running with its regular annual grant. However, JNU has already made a request to the UGC to release additional funds to meet the increasing requirements of the Library.

Therefore, the reports of the library budget cuts are a fabrication of facts.



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