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Letter No. Univ. (MISC)-11/2020-

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Dated-

From,

Ram Anugrah Narayan Singh

Additional Secretary

To,

All the Vice Chancellors Universities of Bihar.

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Regarding online education in the Universities of Bihar in view of COVID-19 pandemic

Sir,

Please refer to letter no. 1228 dated 29.06.2020 of the Governor's Secretariat in which it was clarified that the Universities and Colleges of Bihar would open only after receipt of the decision of the Central Government and the State Government in this regard. It was also directed in the said letter that Universities of the State should continue Online Education of Students through interactive classes and uploading of e-contents (including video lectures and study materials) so that there may be minimum disruption in the education of students and sessions are completed on time. The issue of Online Education was also discussed during the meeting(s) of Vice Chancellors of the Universities of Bihar held on 11.06.2020 & 12.06.2020 and 15.06.2020 at Raj Bhavan under chairmanship of the Hon'ble Chancellor.

His Excellency the Governor of Bihar cum Chancellor of Universities of Bihar has been pleased to convey that, apart from the need to continue Online Education during the period of the lockdown, Universities and Colleges need to plan their academic activities in such a way that Online Education is continued as supplementary and complementary to Offline Education even when the educational institutions open after the lockdown.

In view of the continuing pandemic and uncertainty in the opening of educational institutions, the Hon'ble Chancellor has been pleased to give the following directions regarding Online Education in all the Universities and Colleges of Bihar during the lockdown:

1. **Interactive Online Classes** should be organised in all Universities and Colleges. Information about the schedule of classes should mandatorily be displayed **in advance** on the websites of the Universities/Colleges along with the mechanism (and links) through which students would be able to access and attend the Classes. Students may also be conveyed information of the classes separately through other means e.g. Email groups, Groups on Social Media etc. It has been noticed that hitherto the mechanism of Interactive Online Classes has not been used sufficiently by the Universities/Colleges.

2. Subject-wise and topic-wise **Video Lectures** should be uploaded either on the website of the Universities/Colleges or on other channels such as YouTube,

Facebook etc and links may be given on the websites.



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- 3. Subject-wise and topic-wise Study Material should be uploaded on the websites of Universities/Colleges or on Cloud Services and links may be given on the websites.
- 4. Vice Chancellors should get the Video Lectures and Study Materials evaluated through Expert Committees and get them graded. The e-contents of best quality may be sent to the Chancellor's Secretariat (as also to other Universities) so that they may be used for imparting Online Education by other Universities as well. If some e-content is found to be substandard, steps may be taken to get them revised and upgraded.

5. The Universities may collaborate and pool their resources to achieve the objective of imparting quality Online Education.

6. Regular weekly reports may be sent to the Chancellor's Secretariat by every Wednesday.

It is requested that weekly reports on the progress of Online Education in your Universities may be sent to the Chancellor's Secretariat.

Yours faithfully,

(Ram Anugrah Narayan Singh) Additional Secretary

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