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MESSAGE FROM VICE CHANCELLOR

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

My greetings to each and every member of the Rajiv Gandhi University fraternity.

Months have passed with the hope that the scourge of the COVID-19 pandemic will subside and life will soon limp back to normalcy. But life is always filled with unpredictable surprises and the country and the world is once again reeling under the threat of the 2nd wave of COVID-19 in its mutated forms. Thus the battle against the virus has been renewed at a more serious footing and our struggles continue having our hopes pinned on a tomorrow where we shall all breathe freely without any threat of this deadly disease. To materialize this hope, all of us have to pool in our resources and resolve that humanity will win this battle against death. History is witness to the fact that human beings have survived such threats and dark days and marched along the path of development to reach the stage where we stand today. It is not for nothing that as humans we have proved ourselves to be the most intelligent species on this earth.

It is a matter of great satisfaction that Rajiv Gandhi University and its affiliated colleges have been able to finish the syllabus of the various courses within the stipulated time by dint of pure dedication and sincerity of all the stakeholders in the teaching-learning process. As in the recent past, this semester too the university will hold the examinations for all its courses in the online mode. The university is also dedicated to declare the results and complete other academic exercises as per the last phase of the new academic calendar. It is my firm believe that with the cooperation and joint efforts of each one of us, Rajiv Gandhi University can achieve the targets that it has set for itself.

The fact that Rajiv Gandhi University has successfully conducted the first phase of interviews for the appointment of new teachers for several departments and the promotion of teachers under CAS in the months of March and April by observing all the necessary protocols and SOPs is indicative of how challenges can be overcome through united efforts and determination. I am sure that the newly-appointed and newly-promoted teachers will play vital role in raising the standard of research and other

academic activities in the university. The university is also planning to hold the second phase of interviews very soon.

With the impetus of the Government on ensuring the health and safety of all, the onus is now on all of us to assist the Government in his herculean task by observing all the safety protocols as passed on by the Government from time to time. Since now the Government has made arrangements for the vaccination of all citizens from and above the age of 18 years, it should be our bounden duty to register ourselves on the appropriate portal and get vaccinated as and when our term comes. The slogan "*Dawai Bhi, Kadai Bhi*" should be observed with all sincerity for our own safety and the safety of our loved ones. It is only through self-discipline and maintenance of clinical norms that we can contribute towards the making of a Covid-free nation. At this crucial juncture of history when the Ministry of Education and all the higher authorities of the nation are working in unison to ensure the safety of all by directing all offline classes to be stopped and to shift the teaching-learning process to online platforms, we should do our bit by counseling all the stakeholders that it is for the good of everyone. It is high time that we should understand the meaning of the slogan - "*Jaan Hai toh Jahaan Hai / Jaan Bhi, Jahan Bhi*" and rise above our petty vested interests and work unitedly towards the greater benefit of all. At the same time, we should also be considerate and sympathetic towards those who may have contacted the deadly virus. It is now that we should all refrain from stigmatizing the ones who are suffering and rather prove ourselves as good Samaritans by offering a helping hand.

Once again, I wish each and everyone good health and happiness and offer my prayers for the safety of all. I also believe that like before this time too, the Rajiv Gandhi University community will prove itself as an example to be emulated by others.

Jai Hind! Jai Arunachal!



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