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**Dear Sir/Madam,**

The year 2017 is a landmark year as it is the 75<sup>th</sup> year of 'Quit India Movement' and 70<sup>th</sup> year of India's Independence. Keeping in view the importance of this year and to commemorate the great events and sacrifices of our revered freedom fighters, the Ministry of Human Resource Development and University Grants Commission desires that the following activities should be undertaken by all the higher educational institutions to sensitize the students towards the freedom struggle and Quit India Movement which led to securing of India's Independence:

- Undertake the activities like invited talks by eminent educationists on freedom struggle anytime between 9<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2017. This will be called 'New India Manthan'. Declamations and debates should be organised during this period.
- The Hon'ble Prime Minister's endeavour to have a terrorism-free, caste-free, corruption-free, uncleanness-free and poverty-free society would only actualise with the help of the society and make his vision a reality. Accordingly you are requested to kindly organize pledge taking ceremony on 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2017 at 9.30 AM by all students, faculty and non-teaching staff of the institution. The pledge format will be uploaded on UGC website shortly.
- Faculty should be requested to conduct guided tour of the students to the memorials of freedom fighters and places/houses of any martyr from military, para-military and police, who helped to preserve the integrity of the country, in the vicinity of the Institution, to acquaint the students about contribution of the freedom fighters.
- A quiz competition will be organised in which it is desired that maximum students should participate so that they are sensitized to the contribution of our freedom fighters and also regarding the events as they unfolded during the freedom struggle. Details of the competition will be made available shortly on the UGC website and on [www.mygov.in](http://www.mygov.in). Students may give answers in online and offline mode.

You are requested to undertake the above activities in your esteemed University and affiliated colleges and publicize them so that general public is made aware. The activities undertaken during this momentous month should be shared in the forms of photographs and reports on a dedicated facebook page of MHRD.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

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**The Vice-Chancellor of all Universities.**

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