## JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY

## Press Release

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The JNU Administration denies the baseless allegation that it has been insensitive to the cause of the students in the midst of a pandemic by opening the registration process for the students admitted in 2020-21 session.

All these students, who have joined the university in 2020-21 session, are at their respective homes due to the current COVID-19 situation and are yet to come to JNU campus . A vast number of them have either completed their first semester or about to complete using online mode. In view of the second wave of pandemic, the university twice postponed the date of registration for these students following the requests from the Schools and the Special Centres.

After a few meetings the Vice-chancellor and the Rectors had with the Deans of Schools and Chairpersons of all Special Centres and only after the Deans of Schools and Chairpersons of all Special Centres suggested the need for starting the registration process for these students that a decision was taken to start the registration process.

The JNU Administration has all along adopted a flexible and lenient approach to enable the students to complete their courses and examinations by delegating the decisions on teaching, examination and evaluation processes to Schools and Special Centres.

The university has often extended the deadline of registration and has allowed late registration without late fine to help the students who face difficulties. The reported allegations thus are untrue and baseless.

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