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Sub: Representation of Teachers in University Senate/Syndicate, Court/ **Executive Council/Faculty Council etc.**

Respected Sir,

We, the teachers of the University and affiliated colleges, feel aggrieved due to the fact that we have no representation in the University Senate/Syndicate/Court/Executive Council/ Faculty Council etc. in spite of the introduction of The West Bengal University Laws (Amendment) Act 2011.

As you know, as per the said act there are provisions for elected representation of twelve teachers from the faculty council for post graduate studies in the university Syndicate/Executive Council and elected representation of five teachers from the Council for Undergraduate Studies each for the university Senate/Court and Syndicate/Executive Council respectively. Unfortunately, however, this right of teachers' representation seems to have been violated for reasons not known to us. It is distressing that the University Governance is going on without elected representation of PG and UG teachers, which appears to be a gross disregard of the West Bengal University Laws (Amendment) Act 2011.

We would also like to inform you that, due to non representation of teachers in the university governance. the teachers of the university and its affiliated colleges are suffering as their voices and their grievances are not being recorded. As a result, a number of decisions have been taken on academic and professional issues which go against the interests of the teachers. It may kindly be noted that this is not only a violation of the professional rights of the teachers, but also a disregard for teaching community as a whole. We hope that you will agree with our view that the present situation needs to be improved urgently.

We, therefore, request you to ensure teachers' 'participation (both PG and UG teachers) in the university governance, as per the West Bengal University Laws (Amendment) Act 2011 at the earliest not only to protect the interest of the teaching community, but also to ensure that they are accorded the right kind of honour and respect. We earnestly hope that the teachers will not have any further occasion to feel aggrieved.

Thanking you, Yours sincerely,

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