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Dear Madam/Sir,

This is with reference to the letter no. F. No 16-17/2020-U1(A) dated 3rd February, 2021 received from Ministry of Education, requesting UGC to take necessary action regarding popularising and creating awareness about the initiatives of the Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C) of Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) amongst Higher Education Institutions.

The I4C scheme of MHA focuses on strengthening the capability of prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of cybercrimes, in a coordinated and comprehensive manner. The I4C is actively involved in developing a robust ecosystem for securing the cyber space, giving due emphasis on capacity building and public awareness etc. Further, the National Cybercrime reporting Portal, which provides for a centralized mechanism of complaint reporting by citizens relating to cybercrime, has been operationalised by MHA in August, 2019. There is a special focus in the portal on cybercrimes against women and children and it allows the de-centralized dealing of each complaint by the Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) of the State/UT concerned.

With a view to strengthen cyber security and to tackle the unforeseen challenges of cybercrime, Universities and Colleges are requested to give wide publicity amongst students, faculty and stakeholders about MHA's twitter handle @CyberDost which provides updates and advisories at regular intervals for prevention of cybercrimes as well as the 'National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal' i.e. <https://cybercrime.gov.in> through their social media handles and also provide the link on their respective Institution's websites.

Universities and Colleges may also arrange regular competitions, hackathons, workshops, seminars, etc. on cyber security/cybercrimes at regular intervals following protocols and norms of social distancing.

The action taken in this regard may please be shared on the University Activity Portal of UGC (<https://www.ugc.ac.in/uamp/>).

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,


(Rajnish Jain)

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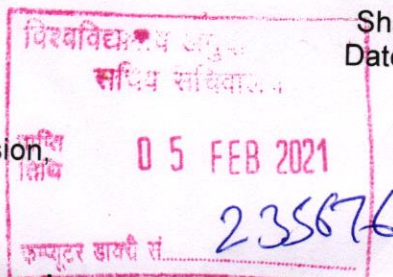
1. The Vice Chancellors of all Universities
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F.No.16-17/2020-U1(A)
Government of India
Ministry of Education
Department of Higher Education

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 3rd February, 2021

To,

The Secretary,
University Grants Commission,
Bahadurshah Zafar Marg,
New Delhi.



Subject: Curbing cybercrimes and develop an ecosystem for cyber security in Indian educational institutions cyber space - reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject mentioned above and to forward herewith a copy of a letter No. 22003/05/2019-CIS-II dated 25th January, 2021 received from Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) vide which MHA has requested to take up the following issues:

- i. To consider giving wide publicity to the MHA twitter handle @CyberDost, which provides updates and advisories at regular intervals for prevention of cybercrimes.
- ii. To consider giving wide publicity to the 'National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal' i.e. <https://cybercrime.gov.in> in all Universities and Colleges in the country and provide link of the 'National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal' i.e. <https://cybercrime.gov.in> on the websites of autonomous bodies, attached offices, subordinate offices, etc under M/o Education.
- iii. To prepare a "Handbook on Cyber Hygiene" in vernacular languages on cyber security, prevention of cybercrime etc. for the students of all Universities and Colleges in the country.
- iv. To design a common "Cyber Safe" Curriculum with emphasis on 'Hands-on-Training' at Graduate/ Postgraduate level in all streams (i.e. Engineering/ Science/ Commerce/ Management/ Arts/ Medical/ Business Administration etc) which may be taught in all Colleges and Universities and build cyber safe environment in the country. The suggestive list of topics to be covered in various streams is enclosed herewith.
- v. To formulate a "Baseline Policy" with Do's and Don'ts in cyber security for all Universities and Colleges.
- vi. To arrange regular competitions, hackathons, workshops, seminars, etc on cyber security/ cybercrimes in various Colleges and Universities at regular intervals.

2. Therefore, UGC is requested to take necessary action on the above mentioned issues and send an action taken report in the matter at the earliest.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,

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