



VISVA-BHARATI

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PRESS STATEMENT

Recently, some posters were surreptitiously put up in certain parts of the Visva-Bharati campus vilifying the University and its recent recruitment process, as usual without proffering a shred of justiciable evidence. These posters claim to have been issued by the so-called Cockroach Janata Party (henceforth, CJP). Since these posters have launched defamatory attacks on more than one member of the teaching community of Visva-Bharati by name, the University has lodged an FIR with the Santiniketan Police Station against the hitherto unidentified person/s who have published this libellous document and is determined to carry out a thorough investigation with the help of the country's formal law-and-order apparatus. Swift and definitive action will be taken against the malefactors, once identified, unless they make good on their claims. It is contextually worthwhile to remember that, only recently, an individual was spreading vicious rumours through social media about the recruitment process in the Department of Bengali. Immediately, the University had the book thrown at this cybercriminal and legally ensured that this individual tendered an unconditional apology to Visva-Bharati.

Further, it is with deep concern that the University notes that, though the poster flaunts the name of the CJP, it seems hardly probable that there is more than just a handful of interested individuals— some of them possibly belonging to the intramural community itself— using the name of CJP as a cover for their mischief-making. This is, of course, merely an informed guess based on the observation that, no matter what the relative merit of the remonstrative claims made by the CJP, nowhere in this country have the activists of the CJP been seen to spinelessly hide their identities while making them.

Nothing more remains to be said on the matter. Only that, had these allegations of corruption in recruitment contained even a modicum of truth in them, the accusers would have taken the matter to court— or at least filed RTI applications— rather than slinking around under the cover of darkness, like petty anti-socials, putting up baseless AI-generated posters. All are witness to the transparency and strict adherence to UGC norms with which the University has been carrying out its recruitment process, inviting all its experts from reputed universities, IITs, etc. across the country. Perhaps such openness and accountability in the recruitment procedure is anathema to the tiny group of frustrated people who fabricated this cowardly poster since they are no longer capable of pushing through their undeserving relatives or students. Any sensible citizen of India knows exactly which kind of people spread slander in secret instead of confidently resorting to the established legal system of this country. Only those with an axe to grind could find society in such craven activity.

This statement is issued following the direction of competent authority.

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