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DUTA holds Demonstration-Dharna at Deen Dayal Upadhyaya College & Observed Complete Strike.

- Hundreds of teachers protested against anti-higher Education Model of Delhi Govt.**
- Teachers demanded payment of salaries and start of appointment process.**
- DUTA demanded withdrawal of Ms. Atishi's anti education letters.**

Hundreds of teachers of Delhi University held a massive Protest-Dharna at Delhi Vidhan Sabha and observed complete strike in all 12 colleges of Delhi University fully funded by Delhi Govt.. DUTA and teachers of the University condemned and rejected the letters of Ms. Atishi, MoE, Delhi Govt dated 01.12.2023 and 19.01.2024 and asked for their withdrawal and release full funds without further delay. DUTA resolved to escalate its agitation and expose the anti-higher education model of Delhi Govt in public. A series of similar protests-dharnas in different corners of Delhi from next week will begin, if demands are not met.

Earlier, two letters were written by Ms. Atishi in which she claimed that 939 teaching posts have been created illegally in 12 colleges funded by Delhi Govt and crores of Govt money has been spent on salaries of teachers who are working in these 12 Colleges on permanent/adhoc basis for decades. DUTA President, Prof A K Bhagi said, "these letters along with fund cut, and declaring these colleges financially sick in nothing but arm twisting tactics of Delhi Govt towards employees and students of the college. This is to make these colleges and university agree to shift these colleges to state Universities, like Dr Bhim Rao Ambedkar university and skill university. Govt wants these colleges as degree awarding Autonomous Colleges. This means converting these public funded institution into self-financing institutions.

Mr. Anil Kumar, DUTA Secretary said that teachers of these colleges have not got their salaries for past three months. Delhi Govt has imposed fund cut and wants salaries be paid through students fee.

The adhoc teachers of these colleges are worried for their future. They have taught in these colleges for several years and now Ms. Atishi declaring their appointments and post illegal is non-acceptable to them. When most of the UGC funded colleges have completed the process of permanent appointments, in these 12 colleges. Govt of Delhi has created question mark on the very existences of teachers position. Adhoc teachers have questioned that how Delhi Govt visualize teaching learning process in absence of teachers and teaching position?

While raising anti-Delhi Govt slogans teachers of DU demanded from Kejriwal, Delhi Govt to immediately release full grants, sanctioned teaching positions and start the process of permanent appointments.

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