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DUTA HOLDS DHARNA AT VICE-CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE DEMANDING SAFETY, DIGNITY, AND JUST SERVICE CONDITIONS FOR TEACHERS

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DUTA staged a massive Dharna on 20th November, 2025, at Gate No. 1, VC Office, University of Delhi, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, raising urgent issues affecting the teaching fraternity. Hundreds of teachers joined the protest to highlight their justified demands and draw attention to core academic and service-related issues stemming from the University's persistent neglect, which continue to undermine their working conditions.

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Addressing the gathering, DUTA President Prof. V. S. Negi stated that the safety, dignity, and respect of teachers are non-negotiable and emphasised the urgent need for a comprehensive review of the UGCF structure, which has resulted in excessive workload, academic dilution, and structural inconsistencies impacting both teachers and students. Prof. Negi asserted that the continued denial of full past service and dilution of incentive increments for PhD/M. Phil.

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DUTA Secretary Mr Bimlendu Tirthunker underscored serious violations of service conditions, pointing to prolonged delays in promotions, pay protection for temporary teachers and the unjust withdrawal of WUS Health Centre facilities for college teachers.

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DUTA stated that the NFS practice has disproportionately impacted reserved category candidates, undermining social justice. The leadership reiterated the demand for full implementation of the Kale Committee recommendations, interview calls for all eligible candidates, and uniform application of UGC Regulations 2018 screening criteria across the University.

Elected members of the Academic Council (AC) and Executive Council (EC), who joined the Dharna, raised objections to the University's circular mandating external DUSC representation on college Sports Committees. They also criticised restrictions on Ad-hoc and Guest appointments during casual vacancies, which disrupt the teaching-learning process while permanent posts remain unfilled. Further concerns were voiced regarding the prolonged stagnation of librarians, Physical Education teachers, and OMSP instructors, whose service conditions and promotional avenues have remained unresolved for years.

DUTA President Prof V.S. Negi and other office bearers of DUTA submitted a memorandum to the Vice Chancellor and warned that the struggle will intensify if the University continues to ignore these critical concerns.

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