Dear Sir/Madam,

The University Grants Commission has formulated the Guidelines on Safety of Students on and off Campuses of Higher Educational Institutional, which were communicated to you vide this office letter of even number dated 16th April, 2015. The guidelines are also uploaded on UGC website www.ugc.ac.in.

One of the important components of the guidelines is that all the HEIs should mandatorily put in place a broad-based "Students Counseling System" for the effective redressal of problems and challenges faced by students. It should be a unique, interactive and target-oriented system, involving students, teachers and parents to address common student concerns ranging from anxiety, stress, fear of change and failure to homesickness and a slew of other academic worries. It should bridge formal as well as communicative gaps between the students and the institution at large. Teacher counselors, trained to act as the guardians of students at the college level, should remain in close touch with the students allotted to them (batch of 25 students) throughout the year, cater to their emotional and intellectual needs and guide them to move up in their career at regular interval of time. Teacher counselors can coordinate with wardens of hostels and exchange personal details of students, academic record and behavior patterns for prompt pre-emptive or corrective action.

Besides, you are requested to kindly create a Students Counseling Centre in your esteemed university and the colleges affiliated to your university where the services of a trained psychologist may be used as and when required. The action taken in this regard may be sent to the undersigned at the earliest on counselingcentre.ugc@gmail.com.

With regards,

Tours sincerely,

(Jaspal S. Sandhu)

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Copy is forwarded to DCDC as per directions of BSW.

Director Youth Welfare
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Put up as discussed at UTD and endorse a photostat to DCDC for all the colleges affiliated to UTD.