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Subject: Facilitation of Study on impact of COVID-19 & 1918 Pandemic(H1N1 Virus) by Universities/Colleges

Respected Madam /Sir,

As you all are aware, Govt. of India is taking various measures to fight the COVID-19 pandemic and is leaving no stone unturned to ensure constant, consistent and credible communication to provide necessary public health guidance to all citizens. The current focus in the fight against the pandemic is to contain the increasing number of cases and to avoid further escalation of situations. However, the pivotal task in this fight has also been protecting the village community of the nation which hosts millions of habitants in lakhs of villages across the nation.

As we fight this pandemic, we require greater cooperation, understanding and adaptability to the situation. Importantly, there is a pressing need to sensitively analyse the impact of pandemic as well as the role played by communities in agrarian part of this country. Thus, in order to effectively address this need, the Vice Chancellors of Universities and Principals of their Affiliated colleges are requested to facilitate the study of 5-6 villages adjoining their Institution/adopted by them. The focus of the study would be to elaborate on following issues:

- What were the awareness levels in the village regarding COVID-19?
- How did the village withstand various challenges posed by COVID-19?
- What were the best strategies or measures adopted by the village to combat the challenges posed by COVID-19?

In addition, HEIs may also facilitate a parallel study on impact of 1918 Pandemic(H1N1 Virus) or Spanish Flu on India elaborating on following issues:

- How India handled the 1918 Pandemic?
- What measures India took to boost the Indian economy after the pandemic?

In this regard, you are requested to kindly constitute a dedicated research team and submit the study report on the University Activity Monitoring Portal (<https://www.ugc.ac.in/uamp/>) of UGC latest by **30th June, 2020**. However, kindly make sure that the facilitation of the study strictly adheres to the guidelines/ advisories issued by Central and respective State governments in respect of COVID-19.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,


(Rajnish Jain)

To:
The Vice Chancellors of all the Universities
Principals of all the Colleges