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Press Release

**Official statement of JMI on protest at Faculty of Fine Arts**

Taking serious note of the complaint against three male students of Faculty of Fine Arts by girl students of the Faculty who were protesting with some other students of the University on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at the Faculty of Fine Arts, the action has been initiated against them. Pending the decision of the Disciplinary Committee, they are hereby suspended with immediate effect from the University and debarred from entering the Campus and attending the classes for two weeks.

University administration has also sent Prof. Hafeez Ahmad, HoD, Applied Arts, Faculty of Fine Arts on leave. Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts, Prof. Nuzhat Kazmi will be the officiating HoD, Department of Applied Arts.

University Administration has already assured protesting students that all their demands will be looked into. Selection committee of guest teachers will be held to meet the shortage of teachers in the Department of Applied Arts. Classes in the Department of Applied Arts and other departments of Faculty of Fine Arts are running as usual.

University administration spoke to protesting students several times and listened to their grievances and assured all possible efforts for the redressal of their grievances.

Despite the action taken by the university administration some of the students gheraoed the Vice Chancellor's office yesterday and today also, affecting the functioning of the VC office situated in main administrative block of the University. Students are allowed to protest at the designated area near Ghalib statue situated in front of gate no. 7 of the University.

The protesting students are being misled by other factions who are not stake holders and backed by certain vested elements who want to destabilise the peaceful academic environment of the university.

JMI Administration appeals to all the bona fide students of the Faculty of Fine Arts to join classes and not to be enticed.

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