

To
Vice-Chancellor
University of Hyderabad

We, the SC/ST faculty Forum and Concerned faculty members of the University of Hyderabad, would go on a mass casual leave tomorrow, 29th March 2016 in protest against the unprecedented situation prevailing in the University campus arising out of a series of human rights violations following the protests by students on March 22nd, 2016. The police resorted to an unwarranted and disproportionate show of force on the protesting students and neutral bystanders. Many students and two faculty members have been arrested and there is the threat of more arrests. An unwarranted beating up of the protesters continued even after their arrests. From the afternoon of March 22, all the essential services, especially food and water on the campus – and particularly in the students' hostels-- were unilaterally stopped. The University administration made no alternative arrangements to alleviate the distressing situation on the campus.

Against all this and against continued denial of justice to Rohith Vemula and other suspended students, we, the SC/ST faculty Forum and Concerned faculty members of the University of Hyderabad, would go on a mass casual leave tomorrow, 29th March 2016.

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