

VC KU Prof Talat Ahmad visits varsity's North, Kupwara Campuses

Takes stock of developmental works, reviews arrangements for new academic session



Srinagar, March 09: Vice Chancellor University of Kashmir, Prof. Talat Ahmad undertook an extensive tour to the North Kashmir region of the valley during which he visited the varsity's North Campus at Delina, Baramulla and Wayan Campus, Kupwara to review the ongoing developmental works at these two campuses.

He was accompanied by Registrar of the University Dr. Nisar Ahmad Mir, Dr. Tanveer Ahmad Special Secretary to the VC and Mufti Burhan Executive Engineer Construction Division KU.

During his visit to the North Campus Prof. Talat Ahmad expressed satisfaction over the ongoing academic and research work and directed the construction division of the University to make sure that the

Library and Auditorium are handed over to the Campus by the end of march so that the students, scholars and staff may avail the benefits of University reading /research culture at the Campus. He assured the Director of the Campus that all the vacant teaching/non- teaching positions shall be filled very soon in order to make teaching/learning at the Campus smooth as well as vibrant. Prof Talat impressed upon all the University officials present in the meeting to make sure that students get hassle free facilities and assured that for security, water and electricity necessary communication with the concerned government agencies shall be established soon. The Vice Chancellor asked the construction division to speed up the process for fencing of the Campus, academic blocks, Health Center, macadamization of the campus roads and staff residential quarters so that Campus wears a residential look. The Vice Chancellor interacted with the students and teaching faculty of the campus and listened to their queries regarding their experience at the campus.

Registrar KU, Dr. Nisar Ahmad Mir, while noting all the short term and long term needs highlighted by the Director assured that maximum focus at present is on the development of the University satellite campuses. He further said "the demands of the Campus shall be processed well in time and modus operandi of their fulfillment shall also be discussed in a time bound manner." Earlier Director North Campus, KU Prof. Naseer Iqbal briefed the Vice Chancellor and the visiting team about the ongoing work at the campus and highlighted the need of filling the vacant sanctioned teaching and non-teaching positions of the Campus.

Other things highlighted by Prof.Naseer Iqbal in his presentation included "macadamization of roads, water facility at Hostels and Upper Delina Campus , human resource development , declaring North Campus as the Nodal Office for examination for all the North Kashmir Colleges and introduction of new courses like M Tech., M Ed. , B Ed.

PROF TALAT'S VISIT TO KUPWARA CAMPUS

Later Prof. Talat alongwith his team also visited the Kupwara Campus of the University to take stock of the preparations already underway for making the said campus functional from this academic year. Prof. Talat during his visit had a meeting with Mr.Anshul Garg, the District Development Commissioner, Kupwara in his office. The meeting was also attended by Mr. Nazir Ahmad Lone, Add. DC, Kupwara. The officials deliberated on all the issues related to the smooth functioning of the campus. The District administration assured whole hearted support and assistance to the University in making the campus functional and in solving the road connectivity, power and water supply problems pertaining to the campus on the priority basis.

Prof. Talat during his visit to the campus inspected the infrastructure available there and instructed the concerned University officials to expedite the process of completion of academic and hostel blocks. Dr. Pervez Ahmed, Coordinator Kupwara campus informed the Vice Chancellor that the required infrastructure was being set in place and all possible efforts were underway to meet the deadline. The buildings were in the final stages of completion and would be ready in a fortnight or so. Prof. Talat directed the authorities to initiate the other related developmental activities on war footing. He emphasized the need of maintaining the ecological settings of the campus and stressed that all developmental projects including construction of buildings should be environmental friendly and should reflect the local architecture. Adequate landscaping and conservation measures including plantation drive should be undertaken to maintain the green cover and serenity of the place. The Vice Chancellor during his meeting with the officials of the Revenue and Forest Department sought their cooperation in finalising the demarcation boundary of the campus as the fencing of the same was the first priority and would be undertaken soon. The locals and the representatives of the Civil Society, Kupwara also interacted with the Vice Chancellor and the Registrar.