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To:
The Vice-Chancellors of Central Universities

Dear Madam/Sir,

Kindly refer to the attached letter from Prof. Rajnish Jain, Secretary UGC, issued on May 4, 2020 to Vice-Chancellors of all Universities and Principals of all Colleges regarding the NDLI COVID-19 Academic and Research Repository.

Vice-Chancellors of all Universities and Principals of their affiliated colleges are kindly requested to share the details of the same, which is available at (https://ndl.iitkgp.ac.in/ and https://www.ndl.gov.in/) with their respective Students, Faculty, Researchers, Innovators and Staff through their Institutions mails, website and social media.

All queries and suggestions may be sent to Prof. Partha P Chakrabarti, National Coordinator NDLI at ppchak@adm.iitkgp.ac.in or Mr Nanda Gopal Chattopadhyay, CTO NDLI at nand@library.iitkgp.ac.in

Looking forward to your active support and encouragement for participation in this national initiative.

A line in confirmation may kindly be sent to the undersigned.
D.O.No.F. 1-1 /2020 (Secy)

4th May, 2020

Subject: National Digital Library (NDLI) COVID-19 Academic and Research Repository

Respected Madam /Sir,

In the ongoing fight against the Novel Corona Pandemic, Indian Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs), researchers and individuals are coming out with several innovations to equip the nation to win this battle. Their efforts and contributions made through their research findings are truly commendable. However, there is a need for a credible platform to collect, avail and widely disseminate such research resources and findings. Recently, in a bid to fulfil this need, MHRD through the National Digital Library of India or NDLI (https://ndl.iitkgp.ac.in/ and https://www.ndl.gov.in/) developed and executed by IIT Kharagpur, has created a special collection called "Corona Outbreak: Study from Home" which contains both academic and research material to enable students and faculty to have continued access to content during the Pandemic Lockdown.

In addition, MHRD and IIT Kharagpur have also released a first of its kind Consolidated Covid-19 Research Resources Repository which can be accessed through National Digital Library of India (https://ndl.iitkgp.ac.in/).

This repository is an initial collection of latest Scholarly Publications, Publisher / Indexed Contents, Data Repositories, Documents, Videos, Journals, Conferences and Idea Calls from the nation as well as the world. In addition, it also enables people to contribute their works to this valuable repository through a Contribute button.

In this regard, the Vice Chancellors of all Universities and Principals of their affiliated colleges are kindly requested to share the details of the Consolidated Covid-19 Research Resources Repository with their respective Students, Faculty, Researchers, Innovators and Staff, through their Institutions mails, website and social media. Also, you may encourage the respective stakeholders to utilise these efforts and also contribute as much related work/findings as possible and further, help in wider dissemination of this development to a larger cross section of researchers.

All the queries or suggestions may be sent to Prof. Partha P Chakrabarti, National Coordinator NDLI at ppcchak@adm.iitkgp.ac.in or Mr Nanda Gopal Chattopadhyay, CTO NDLI at nand@library.iitkgp.ac.in

Looking forward to your active support and encouragement for participation in this national initiative.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Rajnish Jain)

To:
1. The Vice Chancellors of all the Universities
2. Principals of all the Colleges

Copy for kind information to:
1. The Principal Secretary/Secretary to the Governors of all States/Lt. Governors of all Union Territories.
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(Rajnish Jain)