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AIFUCTO demands deferment of implementation of NEP and an inclusive National Vaccine Policy:

The National Executive Committee(NEC) of All India Federation of University and College Teachers' Organizations(AIFUCTO) was held in virtual mode on 16.05.2021. The meeting was held amidst crisis of deep magnitude unprecedented in the memory of living generations of Indians consequent upon disastrous consequences of second wave of Corona. **Unfortunately and shamelessly the government of India instead of paying priority attention to the life of the people is pushing hard its corporate and communal agenda including the back door implementation of undemocratic and retrograde NEP 2020.** AIFUCTO expressed its serious concern on the unpardonable governance mismanagement of Covid situation resulting in large scale casualties, untold misery and suffering of the common people of India. **Corona has not only robbed people from their kith and keem but also provided a serious jolt to their confidence.** AIFUCTO appealed to all the people of India to have more lively interaction among themselves and to keep their moral high to tide over the present crisis.

AIFUCTO demanded an inclusive National Vaccine Policy after due consultation with the all stake holders including the state government. AIFUCTO demanded vaccination of all teachers, employees and students of institutions of academic learning from KG to PG on priority basis.

Regular salary and medical benefits be given to all part time, Adhoc and contract teachers at par with permanent employees in the present unforeseen crisis. AIFUCTO also demanded the exemption of all types of collections from the students including examination fees. AIFUCTO executive has also drawn attention of central government as well as UGC to declare the closure of all academic institutions including the online examinations and classes till 30th June since **AIFUCTO feels life is more precious than any other things.**

AIFUCTO condemn the undemocratic and arrogant attitude of the central government to push through the sectarian, retrograde and exclusionary Education Policy through the back door taking the shameless advantage of Corona situation AIFUCTO has decided to oppose tooth and nail the NEP unless through a democratic dialogue to reach a point of national consensus. **AIFUCTO demands deferment of implementation of NEP atleast for one academic situation and utilize the period to have discussion with all the stake holders including AIFUCTO. AIFUCTO executive condemned the proposed action of closing down more than three hundred affiliated aided colleges in Andhra Pradesh and facilitates the entry of market forces in a big way to destroy the public funded education system.** Besides AIFUCTO demanded immediate notification of 7th UGC revised pay scales inordinately delayed for the states of Punjab, Chandigarh and Himachal Pradesh, declaration of all educational workers as

Covid workers and appealed to all state affiliates to contribute to State Government for Corona management.

Prof.KesabBhattacharya ,President AIFUCTO presided over the meeting and General Secretary Prof.(Dr)Arun Kumar appraised the members of all developments.

AIFUCTO executive appealed to all patriotic citizens of India to rise to the occasion, face all challenges and restore the trembling confidence of the people and contribute to free the nation from the unholy partnership of corporate and fundamentalist, and that is the only task before all of us.

For Kind Publication,



Prof. (Dr.) Arun Kumar,
General Secretary