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The Registrar,  
University of Delhi,  
Delhi-110 007

Subject: **Candidature of Prof. P.C. Joshi for the position of Professor Emeritus**

Dear Sir,

It is with immense pleasure I would like to forward the 'request proposal' of the Staff Council, Department of Anthropology, University of Delhi, to **consider the candidature of Professor P.C. Joshi for the position of Professor Emeritus in the Department of Anthropology, University of Delhi.** Dr. P.C. Joshi, one of the leading anthropologists of India, and has contributed immensely to the teaching and research of anthropology in the department. He is the pioneer of three sub-disciplines of anthropology in the department viz., engaged medical anthropology, anthropology of disaster and visual anthropology and helped them to grow and flourish. Through his eclectic approach he has helped in the synthesis of cultural and biological anthropology and laid the foundation of a true integrated bio-cultural anthropological paradigm in the department. Currently he is the leader of collaborative, engaged and integrated bio-cultural anthropology in India and through his pioneering research in the areas of suicidal behaviour, antibiotic resistance, mental health and public anthropology, he has set a new template for applied and action anthropology in the department. He is also well known for his contribution to Himalayan Anthropology, and Qualitative Research Methods. He headed the Department of Anthropology with distinction in the University of Delhi. Before that he served as head of the Department of Anthropology in various institutions like HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar and Institute of Human Behaviour and Allied Sciences, Delhi. Currently he is the president of the Society for Indian Medical Anthropology, Mysuru and has also served with distinction in many important bodies. He has supervised around 30 Ph.D. and 25 M.Phil. Researchers and was in the forefront in the academic leadership by organizing fifteen national and international Conferences including the one in the University of Hue, Vietnam in the year 2010. He has been prolific in writing, and has authored about 130 articles in the leading journals of anthropology in India and abroad. He also has 56 chapters in books and his work figures in 14 national and international proceedings. He has been also associated as an author or co-author or as co-editor in ten popular

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medical anthropological books. He was instrumental in submitting 14 Reports to various national bodies and 06 Reports to the Government of India.

Other than the department he has also served the University with distinction. In 2020 he was appointed as the Pro-Vice Chancellor and Acting Vice Chancellor. Under his leadership the university made remarkable advancements on all fronts, be it promotions, service conditions of staff, admissions, examinations and overall functioning of the institution. In fact, in spite of hindrance created by pandemic, the university has shown unprecedented progress. The admissions in DU were held completely online which included supernumerary admission such as sports and extra-curricular activity based. The challenge faced in conducting of examinations through online mode was a huge one. The university adopted Open Book Examination (OBE) system to overcome the challenge and was successful in smooth conduct of examination for lakhs of students. 2.9 lakhs students wrote the August, 2020 OBE examinations and 1.7 lakhs of students wrote the December 2020 OBE examinations. On the convocation day, held on 28th of February, 2021, 1.78 lakhs of students were issued digital degree at the click of the button by Honorable Minister of Education. Teaching and Non-teaching promotions in University departments and colleges has been done at a very fast pace. A total of 545 promotions were done in the departments, 45 in UCMS, 17 in VPCI and 4569 in various colleges of the university. Similarly, all the due promotions of non-teaching staff in the university were completed on the 31st of December, 2020 itself. For overcoming the challenge of online teaching, the Delhi University Computer Centre provided facility of online medium across the departments and colleges under the Flagship Programme OneDU. The university established linkages with various foreign universities by signing MoUs. The Northern Centre of ICCR was established in the DU and Bangabandhu Chair got established here. The university launched Vidhya Vistar scheme to create linkage of its departments and colleges across the remote areas of India. Finally, it would be worth mentioning that in spite of having nearly seven lakhs of students in its roll, the DU has not faced any agitation by the students, teachers and nonteaching staff during the last one year. In fact, all the segments of the university have shown unprecedented support and cooperation in smooth running of the university during his tenure.

For all these contributions to the University and to the department of anthropology in particular we strongly feel that granting the status of Professor Emeritus will not just be doing justice to his

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contributions but would also enable the department of anthropology to be benefitted by his presence, academic guidance and leadership.

I, on behalf of my department request you to kindly consider Prof. Joshi's name for Professor emeritus.

With deepest regards

Yours faithfully,

Prof. M.P. Sachdeva

सचिव/Head  
मानव विज्ञान विभाग  
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Encl.: Biodata of Prof. P. C. Joshi

Minutes of the Staff Council



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Minutes of the Staff Council Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> December, 2021, at 4:00pm in  
Department of Anthropology, University of Delhi

The following members were present

1. Prof. M. P. Sachdeva
2. Prof. P. R. Mondal
3. Prof. M. K. Singh
4. Prof. K. N. Saraswathy
5. Prof. B. Murry
6. Prof. R. P. Mitra
7. Dr. Vipin Gupta
8. Dr. N. Kiranmala Devi
9. Dr. Chakraverti Mahajan
10. Dr. Mitashree Srivastava
11. Dr. Shivani Chandel
12. Dr. M. Kennedy Singh

- A. Head of the department discussed the proposal with faculty members to recommend the name of Prof. P. C. Joshi as "Professor Emeritus" in University of Delhi. Staff council unanimously resolved to recommend the name of Prof. P.C. Joshi as "Professor Emeritus" in University of Delhi. Head of the Department has also made the committee, consisting of Prof. K.N. Saraswathy, Prof. R.P. Mitra, and Dr. Chakraverti Mahajan, for drafting the letter of recommendation for the same.
- B. Head of the department discussed the need of shifting the current Departmental library to new I.P. Singh wing of the Department in order to create the more space in Department for other academic activities. Staff council resolved unanimously to shift the library to I.P. Singh wing.
- C. Head of the Department discussed the papers to be taught in B.Sc. Part-II, Sem-IV and B.Sc. Part-III, Sem-VI and M.Sc. Part-II Sem-IV for making the time table for the new session.
- D. Head of the Department also discussed the modalities for guiding the M.Sc. and B.Sc. dissertations due to on-going COVID pandemic and made a committee consisting of Prof. B. Murry, Prof. R. P. Mitra, Dr. Shivani Chandel, Dr. M. Kennedy Singh, to ask the students for their options or broad area of interest in order to assign the supervisors.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Head of the Department.

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University of Delhi Mail - Request for Appointment of

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or DU <vc@du.ac.in>

## Request for Appointment of Professor of Emeritus

1 message

Dinabandhu Sahoo <dbsahoo@hotmail.com>

Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 2:18 PM

To: Deepak Pental <vc@du.ac.in>

The Vice Chancellor  
University of Delhi  
Delhi-110007

Subject: Request for appointment of Professor P.C.Joshi as Professor of Emeritus in the Centre for Himalayan Studies, University of Delhi

Dear Sir,

I wish to inform you that the Centre for Himalayan Studies was established in December 2020 vide E. C. (4)-08.12.2020. As per Ordinance XX (U) as "Ordinance XX (V) – Centre for Himalayan Studies", there is a provision for appointment of Distinguished Professors and Professor of Emeritus who are eminent experts in the field of Himalayan studies and allied areas. It is a new centre and does not have any regular faculty member and office staff. However, several faculty members from various Departments and Colleges are actively associated with it in various ways.

To fulfil the objectives of the Centre, we need some eminent people who have made outstanding contributions in the field of Himalayan studies. I would like to mention that Prof P.C. Joshi, former Pro Vice Chancellor of University of Delhi and Former Head, Department of Anthropology, University of Delhi, have made substantial contribution in the Himalayan region. I am enclosing here with a request letter along with the biodata of Prof.P.C.Joshi as well as a brief about the centre for your kind perusal.

I shall be grateful if you could kindly consider the appointment of Prof. P.C. Joshi as a Professor of Emeritus at the Centre for Himalayan Studies at the earliest.

Looking forward for your kind cooperation.

With Warm regards

Thanking you  
Sincerely yours

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FNASc, FNAAS, FBRS, FISEES

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Former Vice Chancellor, FM University, Odisha

Scientific Adviser to Hon'ble Chief Minister of Meghalaya

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**Former Adviser, Higher Education and Research, Government of Manipur**

**Former Adviser, Climate Change to Government of Manipur**

**Member , Research Council, CSIR-CSMCRI, Bhavnagar, Gujarat**

**Member, Research Council, CSIR-NEIST, Jorhat, Assam**

**Former Director Institute of Bioresources & Sustainable Development (IBSD) DBT, Govt.of India at Manipur, Meghalaya , Mizoram and Sikkim**

**Adjunct Professor, Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology( Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala)**

**Adjunct Professor, Institute of Life Sciences, Bhubaneswar, Odisha**

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The Vice Chancellor  
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It is a new centre and does not have any regular faculty member and office staff. However, several faculty members from various Departments and Colleges are actively associated with it in various ways. During the last one year, the Centre has carried out several activities and also organized a major National Conference entitled '**Beyond Himalayas**' on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2021 which was graced by Dr. Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank, Hon'ble Former Union Education Minister; Dr. Jitendra Singh Hon'ble Minister of State, Prime Minister's Office; Shri. Ajay Bhatt Hon'ble Minister of State for Defence and Tourism, GOI; Dr. Rajiv Kumar Vice Chairman NITI Aayog; Prof. K. VijayRaghavan Principal Scientific Adviser to the GOI; Dr. Shekhar C. Mande Director-General, CSIR; Dr. Renu Swarup Secretary, DBT, GOI.

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Yours Sincerely

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Encl: CV of Prof. P.C.Joshi

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### **Brief CV PC Joshi**

Prof. P. C. Joshi (B.Sc. (Hons.), M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D. in Medical Anthropology, Delhi University) is the current Pro Vice-Chancellor and officiating Vice Chancellor of the University of Delhi. He has been the Head of the Department in Anthropology in the University of Delhi. He served as head of the Department of Anthropology in various institutions like HNB Garhwal University and Institute of Human Behaviour and Allied Sciences. He has organized fifteen Conferences included one in the University of Hue, Vietnam in the year 2010. He is the current president of the Society for Indian Medical Anthropology, Mysore and specializes in the fields of Medical Anthropology, Himalayan Anthropology, Antibiotic Resistance and Qualitative Research Methods. He has supervised around 30 Ph.D. and around 25 M.Phil. students.

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