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To

The Principal/Campus Director,  
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Sir,

**Sub: Dr. P. K. Rajan Memorial Essay Competition 2015-16 – Reg**

As you are aware, Kannur University has been organizing essay competition in English, annually, since 2008-09 for the students of South Indian Universities, in memory of our former Vice-Chancellor Dr. P. K. Rajan. The winners have been awarded with Cash Prizes, certificates and mementos.

The Cash Prize is as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize – Rs 5,000/-

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - Rs 3,000/-

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - Rs 2,000/-

This year, the competitors may select any one of the following topics:

- i) "Freedom of Expression vs Sedition"
- ii) "Are Elections in India Fair & Free"
- iii) "Gender Bias"

In this regard, I request you to take steps to conduct an essay competition and forward the 1 place winning essay to the undersigned on or before 15<sup>th</sup> July 2016 . The rules and regulations of the competition are attached herewith.

Expecting your whole hearted cooperation in this endeavor,

Yours faithfully,

  
Director of Student Services

## Rules & Regulations of the Essay Competition:

1. The competition is open to all regular students of the Colleges/Universities in South India.
2. The language medium of competition will be English.
3. The age of the participants on the date of the competition shall not exceed 25 years.
4. Every University shall send only one entry selected as the best by conducting competition on topic prescribed by the Kannur University.
5. The entry from each University shall accompany a certificate from the Registrar/the Dean of Student Welfare concerned to prove the age, class, etc.
6. The prize winners will not be allowed to participate in the competitions in the coming years.
7. The judging committee of 4 members constituted by the Vice-Chancellor of the Kannur University will evaluate and select the winners and the decisions shall be final.
8. The essay should be a maximum of 8000 words on the topic and neatly typed or printed on one side of A4 size paper. The HoD/Principal shall certify at the end of the essay that the essay is genuine and not published in any periodicals, souvenir, etc.
9. The Kannur University shall decide the topic of Inter University Competition.
10. The topic shall have scientific, social, cultural, political and literary relevance.
11. The prize winners will be given certificates & cash awards as follows

I Prize	:	Rs.5,000/-
II Prize	:	Rs.3,000/-
III Prize	:	Rs.2,000/-
12. The copyright of the selected essays is vested with Kannur University.
13. The essay competitions will be held annually during September-December.
14. The Prizes will be distributed in a function organized at Kannur University. Travel Expenses (actual train fare –II class) for the award winners will be paid by the Kannur University.