To,

1. Heads of all Higher Educational Institutions
   (Universities, IITs, NITs, IIITs, IISc, IISERs etc)

2. UGC and AICTE

Dear all,

The Ministry of Human Resource Development has launched the exercise for Swachhta Rankings of Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs). An advertisement was issued in all major English dailies on 17.07.2017 inviting participation by all HEIs. The details are now available on the website of the Ministry at www.mhrd.gov.in.

2. The Swachhta Rankings would take into account the degree of hygiene in HEIs, the coverage and nature of waste disposal systems, water supply & water purity and several other parameters which have been listed out in the format. The participating institutions are required to submit their details as per the format given in the web page before 30th July, 2017, after which inspection teams would visit the premises of participating HEIs for verification. The top 10 institutions in terms of hygiene would be awarded in a Conference in New Delhi on 8th September, 2017.

3. This ranking exercise will serve to motivate and galvanise all HEIs into achieving higher standards in cleanliness, while duly recognising the institutions that have already reached appreciable levels of hygiene in their campuses. It is an opportunity for institutions to highlight and project their clean campuses and gain credit. I would request all Heads of Higher Educational Institutions to participate in this Swachhta Ranking exercise in right earnest and in recognition of the priority that is being accorded to Swachhta by the Government.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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