

### English Honours In Colleges

Sir,

Sensing that the job market of English knowing people is comparatively better than those of other subjects in the gamut of general education the government and non-government colleges under the National University have started a race for opening honours courses in English. The NU permits to do so without thinking of the infrastructure, library facility and availability of deserving teachers in the colleges. Thus the National University is greatly responsible for bringing down the standard of English.

The non-government colleges enroll below standard students in the department of English to meet their financial ends and government colleges take sub-standard students to show the number. Most of the newly appointed government college teachers are unable to teach honours courses. They managed a second class both in honours and masters degree by the help of Indian notes available in the market. Necessarily their knowledge of the subject is poor. English departments of our general universities hardly produce first class holders every year. Those who can manage a first class find their place either in the department as a teacher or go abroad for higher education or obtain service in privately run established institutions.

They hardly come to college teaching. Some veteran college teachers have the ability to teach and give quality teaching. Their number is very small and they are not clustered in a college, rather they are scattered in different colleges.

The National University was established to ease the burden of general universities ; to spread education and to maintain the quality of education not to increase the quantity only. Our education has a very low standard due to en masse copying in the public examinations, commercialization of education and a lenient attitude of the education authorities. Undoubtedly it is a grave concern for the entire nation. There is a need for streamlining the teaching of English honours course.

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