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Dear Sir/Madam,

The National Flag represents hopes and aspirations of the people of the country and hence should occupy a position of honor. It is the symbol of our national pride. It has been brought to the notice that on important events, the National Flag made of plastic are being used in place of paper flag. These plastic flags being non biodegradable do not get decomposed easily. Appropriate disposal of National Flags made of plastic with dignity of the flag is a big problem. Whoever in any public place burns, mutilates, defaces, defiles, disfigures, destroys, tramples upon or otherwise shows disrespect to or brings into contempt the Indian National Flag or any part of it, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years or with fine or with both. The 'Flag Code of India, 2002' and 'The Prevention of Insults to National Honor Act, 1971' are available on the Ministry's website [www.mha.nic.in](http://www.mha.nic.in).

This is to request you to put in place an effective mechanism to create awareness for strict adherence of the provisions contained in the Act and Flag Code (also available on UGC website [www.ugc.ac.in](http://www.ugc.ac.in)). Furthermore, to ensure that on important national, cultural and sports events, paper flags are used by all and are not discarded or thrown on the ground after the event, wide publicity be done to discourage National Flags made of plastic. If they are used, they are to be disposed off in private consistent with the dignity of the flag. Please do convey these instructions to all the colleges affiliated to your university.

With regards,

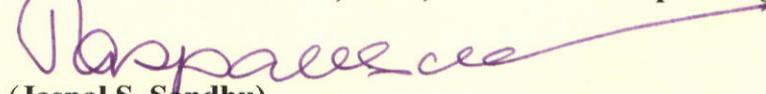
Yours sincerely,

  
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**The Vice-Chancellors of all the Universities.**

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