

Dear Students,

I wish to address the concerns raised by some parents and students regarding the decision taken by our college to opt for offline exams for Semester VI of UG students. **UGC has conferred Autonomy on our institution in 2018 as we are recognised as one of the leading colleges with high quality standards of teaching, learning and evaluation. Jai Hind College has chosen the offline mode of examination in order to maintain this high quality that it is known for. We firmly believe that offline exam and evaluation will be recognised as a more credible measure of a student's capability by the industry and will ensure better employment opportunities.**

All colleges have reopened for offline classes since 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. Also, according to our notice issued on the college website on 18th February 2022, students had been informed that the exams **may be** conducted offline.

Many parents and students have expressed concerns regarding the risk of contracting covid, safety protocols etc. According to the supreme court ruling getting vaccinated is now purely voluntary and thus, we will have to adhere to that. However, **we will continue take all necessary precautions at our end as we have in the past for all the offline exams – NEET, HSC etc. We will also expect all students to follow the usual Covid related protocols from their side and parents to advise their wards to do the same.**

We understand that our outstation students may face some accommodation related issues. However, we are sure that they all have local guardians who they can request for help in finding accommodation at this point. We also have been sharing whatever leads we have to assist the students in finding accommodation.

Also, to keep the transition of going back to the offline mode smooth for you all, **we are retaining the same exam paper pattern** which you all have been used to over the past few semesters. Combination of short answers and Multiple Choice Questions will be there to ensure a fair distribution of marks. It will be a '60 marks, 2 hour' paper pattern - 24 marks will be objective-style questions and 36 marks will be subjective.

**We hope that all students and parents will feel reassured after reading this message and will understand the definite advantage that taking an offline exam will have in the long run for all students.** We all are looking forward to seeing our students back in the campus and we are sure you also are excited about meeting your classmates and teachers. **I urge all my students to now put all their fears aside and focus on the preparation for these exams and believe in the college motto – "I WILL & I CAN"**