

Today was the 10th day of strike in Himachal Pradesh national law university. Students were waiting eagerly for their demands to be fulfilled. In the afternoon, the Chairman of Bar Council HP Mr Ramakant Sharma came to the campus for mediation between the authorities and students so that the ongoing peaceful protest could be called off. He talked to the students and authorities about the grievances and even visited the hostels to check the living conditions there. After talking to the students he clarified that after the working hours of High court the Chancellor of the University i.e. the acting Chief Justice of Himachal High court will also be visiting the campus to solve the matter. At around 6pm our esteemed lordships Justice DC Chaudhary and Justice Trilok Singh Chauhan visited the campus and invited representatives from each class to hear the demands of student community. The matter was brought upon by student delegations and the mediators agreed to the facts that the student's grievances were genuine and must be addressed expeditiously.

1. It was acknowledged by the honourable Lordships that "transparency" is must in every organisation and we cannot be deprived of our right to fetch information about the administration of University. They even clarified that minutes of each executive meetings will be published for students to come across the on going scenario of meetings.
2. The current mess contract will be repudiated on its earliest because quality food must be ensued for each and every student.
3. Library timings will be extended till 9 pm so that each student gets access to knowledgeable books and e-learning even after the closure of class timings.
4. They also talked about operation of cooperative mess and cooperative library.
5. Electrification and street lighting of University to be done with intolerable delay was also ensured by the honorable Justices as the High Court will take a watch on this issue.
6. Laundry services will be provided to every student and washing machines will be placed shortly because water scarcity is always a problem in Shimla.
7. We demanded Non- teaching staffs as wardens, Lordships agreed to our contention and asked students to write to the authority about whom the students want as their wardens so that existing Teaching Staffs would be released from their duty of wardenship.
8. The demand to form a Student Bar Association was also taken into consideration by the honorable Justices and they have given assurance for the same.
9. Installation of ERP mechanism will also be done as soon as fund is generated.
7. High Court took cognizance of poor internet facility in the University and as well as hostels and speedy redressal of the same is promised.
8. The scholarship portal of UP State has also extended its last date to register so that students and not deprived of financial backing.

Finally, after 10 days of prolonged protest by the students of Himachal Pradesh National Law University, the administration has accepted all our grievances to be redressed with quick and stern action because these demands are very basic in nature and students cannot be deprived of the same. The meeting with the higher authorities was fruitful and hence the peaceful protest has been called off with high aspirations.