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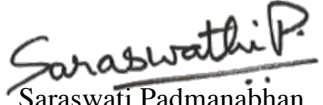
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Ms. Pushpam Priya Choudhary, President of Plurals, requested His Excellency the Honourable Governor of Bihar for urgent intervention in the matter of the students of Bihar stranded away from their family in Kota, Rajasthan. Ms. Choudhary stated that while she respects lockdown and understand that following the restrictions of the lockdown is our utmost responsibility, however it would be counterproductive if the very rule causes misery.

In her letter addressed to the honourable Governor, Ms. Choudhary said that she fails to understand the lack of empathy from the Bihar Government towards thousands of students stranded in Kota who went there in search of better educational opportunities. Many people have contacted her and also from the news reports it appeared to her that these students have problems of food, essential services and so on, adding to this many students are being pressurised by lodge owner for rent. “Furthermore, Students are helpless and sat on hunger protests” she said.

Ms. Choudhary also said that while other state governments have responded quickly and sent their officers to get students, the Bihar Government decided to stay non-responsive.

Ms. Choudhary requested the Honourable Governor of Bihar that **in case if nothing seems fit and the government is not in a position to bring the stranded student back to Bihar during the lockdown, then kindly instruct the government to send a Minister with senior bureaucrats and a team of doctors to Kota. She also requested the Honourable Governor to give directive to the state government to send the team well prepared and stay around the students till the lockdown gets over and thereafter get them back to their parents.**


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