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Hinduphobic guidelines prohibiting the celebration of Holi across campuses must be withdrawn: ABVP

Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad demands that guidelines pertaining to the prohibition of Holi celebration across various universities across the nation, including Delhi University etc that associate Holi with words like hooliganism, that have negative connotations, must be withdrawn with immediate effect. Such guidelines portray a festival of joy and happiness like Holi in negative light.

Holi is a symbol of the triumph of good over evil. It is a festival that carries the message of burning our vices and turning into better people. Holi also has social significance, people come together and bury their hatchets, celebrating the festival as one, colored in the same colors irrespective of their class, creed, social and economic stature. This sense of oneness is the essence of Holi. To call this festival hooliganism is truly far from reality and unfortunate.

Yagyawalkya Shukla, National General Secretary, ABVP, said, "The notice released by DU pertaining to the prohibition of Holi celebration is absolutely unpleasant and an indicator of intellectual bankruptcy. Such unwanted directions present a nationwide celebration like Holi in bad light instead of propagating the message that the festival stands for. All educational institutions must take back such notices and must abstain from making such foul remarks. Educational institutions must abstain from making such Hinduphobic remarks on cultural subjects and change their biased attitude."

(This Press Release has been issued by Central Office Secretary Digambar Pawar)