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'The ABVP delegation submitted a memorandum to the Vice-Chancellor of IGNOU to start distance courses in tribal and regional languages.'

'IGNOU should start offering distance courses in tribal and regional languages: ABVP.'

A delegation led by National General Secretary of Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad Mr. Yagyavalkya Shukla submitted a memorandum to IGNOU Vice-Chancellor Prof. Nageswara Rao in Delhi on Sunday, demanding that IGNOU starts offering distance courses in Indian and regional-tribal languages. ABVP has demanded that along with Indian languages, courses in tribal and regional languages should also be started for distance education and quality course material should be prepared for the same so that education can be made accessible easily for students speaking regional Indian and tribal languages.

At the moment, remarkable efforts are being made to develop course materials and books in several Indian languages for medical, pharmacy, and engineering courses. As a large number of students in India pursue distance education, ABVP determined after extensive discussions with students that the introduction of distance learning in regional and tribal languages will result in an increase in enrollment into higher education as working youth from tribal and rural areas will no longer face linguistic barriers in learning.

Yagyavalkya Shukla, National General Secretary of ABVP, stated, "Languages are not only a medium of communication, but also a carrier of culture. Today, with the implementation of the National Education Policy, changes are taking place on a large scale with the introduction of courses in Indian languages. If distance education courses in tribal and regional languages are launched, an enormous proportion of the nation's young population will be able to acquire good quality education. Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad expects that all educational institutions that provide distance education, including the Indira Gandhi National Open University, will take constructive measures in this regard."

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