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The Executive Council of JNU in its 296th meeting held today took several important decisions. Executive Council unanimously approved the observance of 14th August each year as "Partition Horrors Remembrance Day" by the university. The university will organize on 14th August every year various events including webinars/seminars, exhibitions, distinguished lectures, recording of true account of the events through survivors, and other related activities in order to educate the younger generation about how millions of Indians lost their lives to the horrors of the partition. Further, the partition of India as a moment of national trauma with broad historical phases related to ideologies and ideologues of the partition, the events of partition leading to violence, the breaking up of a civilization and the aftereffects of partition where silencing of truths and construction of an obfuscated discourse will be revisited.

The Council further approved the observance of Birth Day (14 April) and Mahaparinirvana Diwas (6 December) of Baba Saheb Dr. Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar by the university every year. On both these occasions, the contributions of Dr. Ambedkar in the nation building will be discussed by the university through seminars and lectures.

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