Sub: “Nation Salutes Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the Unifier of India” –
Observing the Birth Anniversary on 31st October, 2017 – Reg.

Ref: Lr. D.O.No.f.1-1/2017(Secy), dt. 27th October, 2017 of the Secretary, UGC
New Delhi

Sir/Madam,

The Ministry of Human Resource Development vide its letter No. C-30021/09/ 2016-CDN,
dated 23rd October, 2017 has informed that it has been decided by Hon’ble HRM that all higher
educational institutions in the country will observe “Nation Salutes Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel” on 31st
October, 2017 to honour the birth anniversary of Sardar Patel by conducting programmes & events
built around the theme of unity, which reflect his decisive efforts in unifying a diverse country like
India, so as to create a single political, socio-economic and administrative entity for governance
under Independent India. The following is a list of events that can be carried in memory of the great
“Unifier” that was Sardar Patel, by Higher Educational Institutions in the country.

i. Unity Runs – in cities, towns and rural areas by students with the message of
unified Bharat.

ii. Inter-Department competitions within every institution in the area of unity.

iii. Dramas, Songs, and Plays on the theme of unity with an award for most
creative theme.

iv. Historical essays on the character and contribution of Sardar Patel with prizes.

v. Essay writing and elocution on “Relevance & Importance of Sardar Patel in
today’s India”.

vi. Competition of designing T-shirts and caps on the theme of unification.

vii. Competition for writing/composing/singing original songs on the unity theme.

viii. Mobilization and felicitation of freedom fighters in the region by students –
recording of their stories/reollections of Sardar Patel and Views on current
issues of unity.

In view of the above, you are requested to conduct the above programme & events in a
befitting manner in your esteemed Colleges and photographs of the Unity Run and other activities
undertaken on 31st October, 2017 may be sent through email at sardarpatelhrd2017@gmail.com.
Local Doordarshan may be informed of the Unity Run for coverage.

This important activity may be accorded Top Priority.

Yours faithfully,

REGISTRAR

Copy to:-

1) The Secretary to Vice-Chancellor, KU
2) The P.A. to Registrar, KU
3) The Public Relations Officer, KU with a request to issue PRESS NOTE in this regard.