

VTU ups security to plug leaks

Recently after Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU) Vice-Chancellor said that the question paper leak during the last semester end examination was an 'outsider' job, looks like the university has decided to strengthen security measures and have a secure question paper delivery system through Virtual Private Network. The varsity has even asked its affiliated colleges to dedicate a separate computer system with 360 degree CCTV surveillance. Recently, several students from VTU had alleged that their semester question papers were leaked by touts who were selling the question paper for Rs. 10,000 each per student.

The Registrar of Evaluation has informed all its affiliated colleges that VTU has established a secured Virtual Private Network between the university and colleges for secured access of Question Paper Delivery System (QPDS) portal and transfer of Question papers. The colleges have been asked to dedicate a computer with specification of i5 processor with 4GB memory, an OS Windows 10 professional with Internet Explorer 11 and Google Chrome installed.

The university has also asked the colleges to have CCTV surveillance system which can be viewed online. The colleges are also asked to have a dedicated smart phone with working SIM card which must have installed mobile application that will be used to generate OTP while double authentication for downloading the question paper. The colleges should set up all this by mid-October and send a report to the university before the examination department executes the work for the upcoming semester examinations. **- Kumaran P**