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OFFICE ORDER

Celebrating Our 44th Foundation Day

On Monday 4th November 2019, Paro College of Education, Royal University of Bhutan, will be 44 years old. It is a day set aside for the whole College to gather together to commemorate that historic day in 1975 and reaffirm our deep connection with the continuing journey of the College.

Looking back, PCE has played a pivotal role in Bhutan's educational development especially in the critical areas of teacher education and teacher professional development. As well, the College has successfully provided continued access to post-secondary education for Bhutanese people in the past four decades of its history. PCE's establishment as TTC on 4th November 1975 was a remarkable event in Bhutan's development trajectory as it helped to reaffirm and solidify our aspiration to achieve self-reliance in the education sector.

PCE's Foundation Day, as we all know, is an opportunity each year for every single employee who either belongs fully to or has some affiliation to the College, to not only celebrate the founding of this institution but also to reflect on the nature of the path it has taken since its inception. It is a day when we reposition ourselves against the backdrop of a rapidly changing higher education landscape driven by innovation, pursuit of excellence and the versatility of technology. Given the complexity and rapidity of the change that underpins teacher education today, it is only appropriate that we not only rejoice in the successes of the past but also see beyond the present and recast our roles and re-establish our relevance to the realities that surround us.

Let us all – academic and administrative staff, participate in the joyous celebration of the 44th Year of our founding. Confirmation of participation (COP) or written apology by e-mail, in case of an emergency, may please be sent to Ms Kuenzang Wangmo, PA to President, by email before 5pm on Sunday 3rd November 2019. Kuenzang, please brief me on the COPs or written apologies, if any, at 9am the next day.

(Dorji Thinley, PhD)
PRESIDENT

Cc:

1. Dean of Student Affairs, Coordinator of 44th Foundation Day celebrations.
2. Administrative Officer, for information and all necessary support for the success of the event.
3. Ms Kuenzang Wangmo, PA to President, to ensure that the letter is sent to all the staff by email and to solicit confirmation of participation.

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