

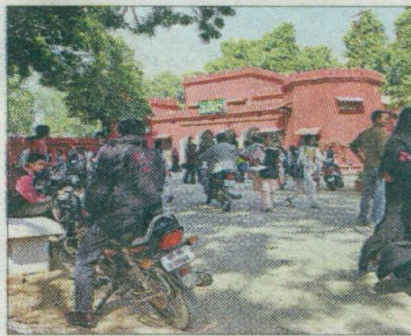
UGC backtracks on giving AMU audit to RTI activist

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New Delhi: The University Grants Commission (UGC) has backtracked on providing the audit report of Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) to an RTI applicant, Paras Nath, after agreeing to the same and asking the applicant to deposit additional money required for the documents.

A panel constituted by UGC has conducted audits of 10 central universities, including AMU, to assess the functioning of these universities. Ac-



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cording to sources, the panel had found inbreeding in AMU, which was affecting the diversity of the university, suggesting that Vice-Chancellor's

quota in admissions be done away with. Some other recommendations were also made by the committee.

It is the same report that was sought through an RTI application from UGC. The Central Public Information Officer (CPIO) of the commission on October 16 had replied, "The requisite information which contains 43 pages, therefore you are requested to send Rs 86 as RTI fee for providing the required information. After the receipt of the RTI fee, the required information will be provided."