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The Trained Nurses' Association of India (TNAI) has recently become aware of a series of emails and communications being circulated by certain individuals, Ms. Radha Saini (a TNAI member), which contain false, defamatory and unsubstantiated allegations targeting the TNAI National Leadership, the Editorial Advisory Board and Peer Reviewers of The Nursing Journal of India (NJI).

What began under the guise of academic feedback has regrettably deteriorated into a concerted smear campaign, marked by personal attacks, derogatory language, and reputational harm. These emails, many of which have been widely shared without discretion to institutions including AIIMS, Government Ministries, National and International Nursing Bodies and other external entities, appear to be designed to deliberately discredit TNAI and malign the reputation of the Nursing Journal of India (NJI).

TNAI notes with concern that similar defamatory remarks have also been echoed by Mr. Vijay Kumar (AIIMS, New Delhi) and an individual identifying as Dr. Sudath (claiming affiliation in Sri Lanka), further compounding the damage to the professional standing of our organization and community.

TNAI unequivocally condemns this conduct. It is a clear breach of the ethical standards expected from professionals within the nursing community and reflects an unacceptable attempt to undermine an institution that has consistently upheld the dignity, credibility and advancement of the nursing profession in India. TNAI wishes to unequivocally reaffirm that it takes all constructive academic criticism and scholarly feedback seriously. We remain committed to continual improvement and uphold the spirit of academic dialogue as essential to the growth and credibility of any scientific publication. However, it must be emphasized that The Nursing Journal of India adheres to a stringent peer-review and editorial process. Each manuscript submitted for publication is subjected to a multi-tiered review conducted by the Editorial Advisory Board, comprising highly experienced academicians, domain experts, researchers, and senior professionals in the field of nursing and healthcare.

This Board undertakes a thorough assessment of each submission to evaluate its relevance, originality, methodological soundness and academic rigor. No paper is accepted without receiving due scrutiny, revisions where necessary and final approval based on well-established academic standards. The journal's commitment to maintaining academic integrity and editorial independence is unwavering. To question or misrepresent this process without evidence is not only misleading but unjustly undermines the credibility of a publication that has served the profession for decades.

A Special Meeting of the TNAI National Core Committee, in consultation with the Editorial Board and Peer Reviewers of NJI, was convened to review the matter. Upon due deliberation, the communications in question were found to be defamatory, containing unfounded allegations and inappropriate language, and are clearly intended to bring disrepute to the institution and its leadership.

In view of the above, TNAI has resolved to initiate legal proceedings against the individuals responsible for disseminating these false and damaging statements. This decision has been taken to uphold the integrity of the Association, protect its members, and preserve the reputation of The Nursing Journal of India.

TNAI remains firmly committed to fostering a culture of academic excellence, constructive feedback, and transparent editorial practice. However, it will not hesitate to act decisively against attempts to malign or destabilize the institution through irresponsible and defamatory conduct.