PREFACE

The writer's interest in this topic was engendered by the release on personal bond of 1092 students who were arrested in the 1974 demonstrations.

Having observed their rather prompt presence in campus on the very next day itself, the writer decided to investigate the use of other techniques for pre-trial release in the Lower Courts.

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