

COVID19: Further Updates Dated 25-Mar-2020

Dear All,

We are going through an extraordinary situation due to COVID-19 and I am grateful to the campus community for their cooperation in these trying times.

In view of the powers invoked by the Government of India under Disaster Management Act 2005 declaring nationwide lockdown for 21 days beginning 25th March, we have taken the following decisions.

1. The suspension of classes is extended until further notice. Students should not plan their travel back to the campus until instructed to do so. The decision about the contingent academic plan for the on-going semester will be communicated once a final decision on this has been taken.
2. The academic area will be completely closed except for skeleton staff required for essential services and those involved in financial year end accounting. Fresh permissions to visit academic area will have to be sought by the concerned staff/Section Heads/HoDs from the Deputy Director.
3. Entry to the Institute will be closed for all visitors except for those with security passes issued by the district administration. Household help/maids from outside the campus will not be permitted except for those employed for medical/nursing help. In such cases, specific permission will have to be sought from the Deputy Director. All residents are requested to cooperate.
4. All campus residents (including those residing in outhouses) are required to stay at home at all times and not move even within the campus except when required for emergency or essential services. All residents are also advised not to use air conditioners at home during the lockdown period.
5. Arrangements for Grocery/Vegetables/Milk etc are being worked out and separate guidelines will be issued by the Dean of Administration.
6. Anybody requiring regular repeat medication should send email to hcrecep@iitk.ac.in with a scanned copy of prescription and other details like PF No, House No and internal residential phone number. Home delivery will be done by the Health Center.
7. A separate dining facility is being arranged for RAs/Project Staff. Details of this will be communicated by the Dean of R&D.

You will appreciate that these are difficult times and we are likely to face some disruptions/inconvenience in terms of domestic help and provisions. You are requested to cooperate fully with the administration, and specially with the Security.

Once again, I request everyone to stay at home safely. Wish you all a good health!

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