



TATA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

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(A Deemed University under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956)

Directorate Office

Dear students, faculty, administrative and service staff, and project staff at all campuses, members of the Students' Union and Students' Councils, and Deputy Directors,

The TISS Students' Union President, Ms. Archana Soreng, endorsed by a majority of the SU members (5 out of 7), has informed me vide her letter dated March 2, 2018 that the students' strike across campuses, which began on February 21, has been called off with immediate effect. I welcome the decision of the Students' Union and appreciate the student body for holding continued and sustained dialogue and discussions with the administration and the Empowered Committee resulting in an agreement on most of their demands.

In view of this positive development I appeal to all concerned to help restore normalcy on all our campuses in the best interest of the Institute.

The Institute administration shall continue to work towards supporting and promoting the interest of all students, especially those from the marginalized sections, by representing their concerns and issues with the respective ministries at central and state levels, and with the UGC, in a sustained manner.

Shalini Bharat
Director (Acting)

Mumbai
March 3, 2018

Plan of Action for GoI PMS Students

02.03.2018

Proposed measures to address the concerns raised, subject to calling off the student strike

I. Masters Students Across the the Campuses

- 1. For SC/ST students eligible for GoI PMS enrolled in Masters programme in the year 2016-2018**

The current exemption for Dining Hall and Hostel charges will continue.

- 2. For SC/ST students eligible for GoI PMS enrolled in Masters programme in the year 2017-2019**

The current exemption for Dining Hall and hostel charges will continue.

- 3. For students of 2016-2018 and 2017-2019 belonging to eligible GoI PMS OBC Non Creamy layer (NC) category** have already been provided upfront tuition fee waiver of Rs. 12000/ on admission, and need based student aid ranging from Rs. 15000/ to Rs. 50000/ per year.

In addition students can apply for financial support to the Office of Students' Affairs.

They will be provided provisional degree/certified copy of their degree and marksheet, so that they are able to secure jobs or for further education.

II. For SC/ST and OBC NC students eligible for GoI PMS enrolled in M. Phil programmes of 2016-2018 and 2017-2019 batches

- 4. These batches will be provided financial support upon application to the Office of Students' Affairs to complete their programme.**

They will be provided provisional degree/certified copy of their degree and marksheet, so that they are able to secure jobs or for further education.

III. For Bachelors Programme in Tuljapur, Hyderabad and Guwahati Campuses

5. For SC/ST students eligible for GoI PMS enrolled in BASS and BASW for the batch 2015-2018

The current exemption for Hostel and Dining Hall Charges will continue.

6. For SC/ST students eligible for GoI PMS enrolled in BASS and BASW for the batch 2016- 2019

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7. For SC/ST Students eligible for the GoI PMS enrolled in BASS and BASW Programmes the batch 2017-2020

The current exemption for Hostel and Dining Hall Charges will continue.

8. For SC/ST students enrolled in BASS and BASW programmes who move to the MA program of 2015 -2018; 2016-2019; 2017-2020 batches

The current exemption for Hostel and Dining Hall Charges will continue.

IV. SC/ST /OBC NC students eligible for GoI PMS registered to be admitted for Masters programme 2018-2020





9. Candidates from Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes who are eligible for GoI PMS are exempted from payment of course fee, as per GoI norms.
10. At the time of admission, SC/ST GoI PMS students are required to pay (a) the base fee of Rs 4500/- (towards caution deposit, student union fee and medical insurance fee) and (b) hostel charges of Rs.15000 for the semester. The Dining Hall charges shall be calculated on monthly basis and payable in two instalments per semester. A policy for the same will be worked out with student involvement.
11. Students from OBC NC who are eligible for GoI-PMS shall pay (a) the course fees for the programme to which they are admitted and (b) hostel charges of Rs.15000 for the semester. However, a relaxed payment over the semester shall be worked in order to reduce the burden of upfront payment. The Dining Hall charges shall be calculated on monthly basis and payable in two instalments per semester.
12. OBC NC candidates eligible for GoI PMS can additionally avail the upfront scholarship of Rs. 12,000 at the time of admission. Further, they are eligible for student aid upon application, after being admitted to the programme.

13. Hostel charges for Hyderabad campus students shall be payable on actuals to the service provider.

V. General

1. Funds to meet the support for Hostel and Dining Hall Charges mentioned in items above will be mobilized by Joint Scholarship Committees set up at all campuses and will work in synergy. This Committee will comprise of members from administration, faculty and students (including representation from SC/ST/ OBC [NC] students and faculty). This committee will continue to work for generating resources for the upcoming batches.
2. The Joint Scholarship Committee will work out mechanisms to further support SC/ST/OBC NC GOI PMS students for 2018-2020 batch.
3. A Programme Officer (PO) (from SC/ST/OBC) attached to the SPO will be appointed within two months. The position will be advertised within 15 days. The PO attached to the SPO will be responsible for liaising with the state governments and central government departments with regard to scholarship related matters.
4. Students are required to remit to the Institute, the entire scholarship amount received till their penultimate year of graduation from their respective state government before they graduate. The scholarship amount received for the final year shall be remitted as soon as it is received.

Executive Committee, TISS Students' Union

S.No.	Name and Designation	Signature
1.	Ms. Archana Soreng, President	
2.	Ms. Sneha Magar, Vice - President	
3.	Mr. Fahad Ahmed, General Secretary	
4.	Mr. Kandharaj M, Treasurer	
5.	Mr. Vikas Tatad, Literary Secretary	
6.	Ms. Anindita Roy, Cultural Secretary	Consent received on email. Copy attached
7.	Mr. Jackson Lotha, Sports Secretary	

Subject **Regarding protest**
From Anindita Roy <anindita.roy2016@tiss.edu>
To Prof. P.K. Shajahan <shajahan@tiss.edu>
Date 2018-03-02 19:16



Dear Sir,

This is regarding the proposal of the Action Plan for the GOIPMS by the High Empowered Committee. I acknowledge the efforts done by institute in terms of the issue and has done best of its ability. I believe that the fight is on but it has to be taken into different level in order to reach out to MHRD and UGC.

Hence, I give my consent to sign up the proposal and call off the strike

Regards,
Anindita