

STUDENT HANDBOOK



2023-2024
SCALING THE HEIGHTS



Deanery of Students

North Campus



South Campus



“ IT IS THE
DEPTH OF
KNOWLEDGE
THAT MAKES
AN ICON. ”

-DR. VIKRAM SARABHAI
(August 12, 1919 – December 30, 1971)



Foreword



Prof. Laxmidhar Behera

Dear Students,

It is a pleasure to welcome you all to this picturesque campus of IIT Mandi situated in the lap of Himalayas. I am proud of each one of you as you selected IIT Mandi to pursue your professional career. I also congratulate all your parents who supported you in this decision making.

Now it is time for action. Every moment of your stay here must be associated with positive energy, creative thinking, transformative attitude and holistic lifestyle that will make you the person of character and a leader in your chosen field. This requires a BIG dream that you build for you based on your nature aided by your hard work and dedication.

While you go through the usual schedule of class room teachings along with the rigors of quizzes, assignments, lab sessions and other evaluations, you need to be involved in out-of-the-box thinking as well. The globe is in a cross-road with global warming, environment pollution, and the perceived threat of possible extinction of human race. Such a situation naturally impels us to come out of your selfish goals and to embrace the Universal brotherhood by becoming empathetic and mindful of social needs.

In this context, each one of you can become the instrument of change with the holistic use of science and technology. Instead of borrowing western ideas, lets be indigenous by appealing the spirit of this great nation. To embark upon such a challenging journey, we are ensuring that you feel this campus as home away from home. There are many support systems for you in terms of staff at dean, students, faculty advisor, student mentors and caring health centre.

As you settle in the campus, you will get many opportunities to lead, participate and run many Institute activities. Through Student Gymkhana, Senate, Board of Academics and Class Committees you will be able to express your opinion as well. This will enable to you to learn and grow as a leader.

As IIT Mandi as a community strives hard to become one of the best, you will also play a very important role in this endeavor. There will be endless opportunities for each one of you as innovators and researchers. Remember a journey of a thousand miles starts with a single step. Let us walk this journey side by side with each other until we help you realize your career aspirations.

I extend my warm greetings and best wishes to all of you.

Prof. Laxmidhar Behera
Director

Message from Dean (Students)



Prof. Hitesh Shrimali

Dear IIT Mandi Students,

Welcome to the institute! This handbook is designed to serve as a guide to the campus for the newly joined students. The institute has lots of resources to explore about it, and the presented book is one of them. The book may act as an initial learning of the institute in terms of academic- and student-activities/facilities.

IIT Mandi is not producing just an engineer, however, determined to produce an all-rounder technocrat with exposure to academic as well as non-academic activities viz. the cultural, the technical, the literary and the sports. The institute caters students with some of the unique activities such as hiking, trekking and mountain-biking. You should use every resource very carefully and with a sense of the responsibilities.

The book briefs about available facilities in terms of the academic, the hostels, the canteens, and the student gymkhana. The book has also enlisted some of the frequently asked questions which can be beneficial to understand the system at ease. It also includes details of many issues you may encounter in the institute. The useful contact details of the key people such as the gymkhana presidents, the useful office- and hostel-staffs under the deanery of the student affairs, are herewith mentioned.

I wish you fruitful studies and student-life at the campus. I believe that you will contribute to the development of the institute as well as the nation, while becoming a responsible citizen of India.

Prof. Hitesh Shrimali
Dean (Students)

Message from Chair SAP



Prof. G Shrikanth Reddy

I heartily welcome you on behalf of the IIT Mandi Students' Gymkhana. Our Students' Gymkhana is a confluence of multiple societies which are there to nurture your academic, technical, cultural, physical and social skills. These societies also play a major role in strengthening the Institute's perception and its overall development. Hence, I enthusiastically invite you and look forward to your active participation in all the activities which the Students' Gymkhana has to offer. Let's start our journey with a vision that together we shall scale all the heights!

Message from Chief Warden

I am delighted to welcome you on behalf of the Institute Hostel Administration of IIT Mandi. I believe your energy and excitement enrich our vibrant campus life. We look forward to learning, exploring, and growing together. I trust you will find unlimited opportunities for growth here at IIT Mandi. As an institute dedicated to educating the next generation of engineers and scientists, we are excited to partner with you as you pursue your dreams.



Prof. Sunny Zafar



Message from Student Gymkhana

The Student Gymkhana, IIT Mandi extends a warm welcome to you all to this beautiful place of learning. It is more often than not said that what sets an IIT apart from the rest is the student environment and learning that takes place beyond the walls of the classrooms. The Gymkhana along with the various representatives of the clubs and their respective faculty advisors play a significant role in this 'learning outside the classroom'.

As the highest Student Body of an institute in its developing stage, we strive to grow and develop to become a Self-Governing body that is Independent, Innovative and Irreproachable. We encourage the students to do the same by participating in various student activities, exploring them to their fullest extent, and scaling new heights.

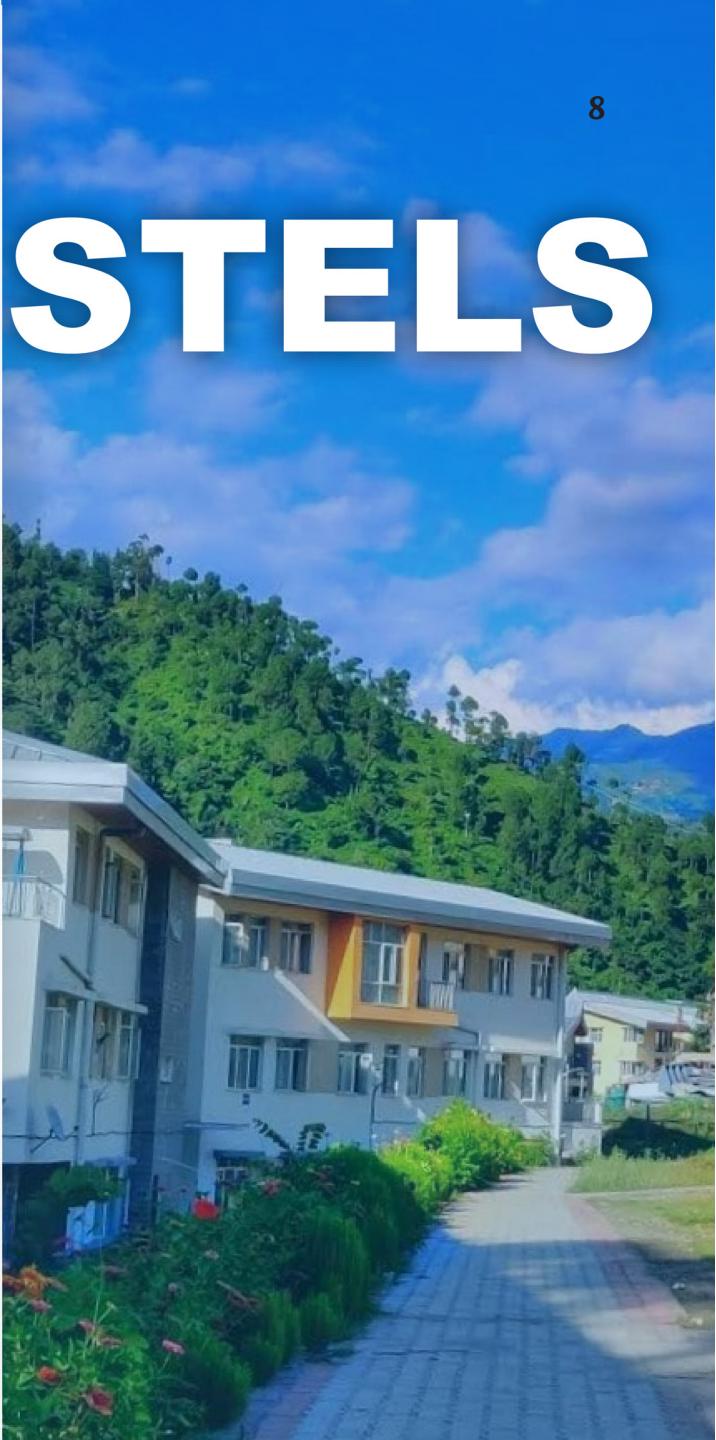
We wish you all the very best for an exciting and memorable journey during the next four years.

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HOSTELS

It is practice at IIT Mandi to name the hostels after the lakes of Himachal. The ten hostels spread over campus provide students reasonable accommodation and each of them has several study rooms and a common room.



HOSTELS

Each hostel has several study rooms and a common room, which is equipped with LCD TVs, TT table, electric kettles, ironing boards and boxes, microwave oven etc. Laundry rooms are equipped with washing machines (fully automatic for those who prefer to exercise solely the index finger). You may receive visitors in the common room till 10:00 p.m. on a given day. Depending on the room size we have single, double and triple occupancy rooms. Each student is given an almirah, spacious enough to secure all belongings, a table and chair. All hostels have internet facilities, and we hope that internet services will keep improving.

Hostel Complexes

It is practice at IIT Mandi to name the hostels after the lakes of Himachal.

Girls Hostels

Renuka: Renuka is made up of B3, B4 & G3 (South Campus) and an annexe next

to the Medical Unit in the south campus. The annexe is a renovated building, with a clutch of new rooms built around the shell of an old building - the architectural equivalent of old wine in a new bottle.

GauriKund: Situated in the north campus, Gauri Kund hostel comprises B16, B21, B22 and B20 buildings.

Chandratal: The most recently built girls hostel B8 of IIT Mandi lies parallel to the banks of Uhl river. It is a multiblock hostel with high capacity

Boys Hostels

Prashar: B1, B2, and G2 form Prashar hostel. Though 'B' does not stand for boys, they are meant for boys only. The construction has been done in such a way that the rooms have excellent insulation, i.e., they remain really cool during hot summers and fairly warm during cold (very cold!) winters.

Nako: It was the first student settlement on Kamand campus, comprising four blocks known popularly as Bamboo Barracks. After the Nako hostel in Sauli Khad in Mandi town was shifted to Kamand campus in 2014, the bamboo blocks were renamed Nako. Today, Nako comprises two of the most comfortable buildings in south campus B6, B7 & G4. The students were shifted on April 25,2015 to the new G4 block on Kamand campus - a historic milestone in campus history! For the gender sensitive, 'G' stands for Gypsum, the construction material used and not for girls!



Suvalsar: Suvalsar, the first hostel for boys, was earlier in Mandi transit campus next to the academic block and accommodated the first year students till the 2013 B.Tech. batch. Building B5 is called Suvalsar hostel.

Beas Kund: Situated in the north, Beas Kund includes buildings B13, B14 and B23. UG and PG/PhD students stay together in all hostels.

Dashir: Situated in the north Dashir hostel comprises buildings B9, B10, B12, B17 and B25.

We are expecting more buildings to be ready for occupation in 2019 and more hostel blocks to be created in the north campus. B18, B19 and three more buildings would be added and we would have a new hostel complex soon.

SurajTaal: Situated in North Campus, it consists of 5 hostel buildings i,e, B8, B11, B18, B19 & B15. First year B.Tech students(boys) reside in Suraj Taal.

Manimahesh: Situated in South campus (B9 South Campus) along the riverside, is a multiblock hostel which accommodates masters & PhD students. It is the most recently built hostel of IIT Mandi.



A Word on the Surroundings

IIT Mandi, located in one of the most picturesque, unspoiled areas of rural Himachal, features the majestic Himalayas, lush mountains, and silvery streams cutting through the confined valleys.

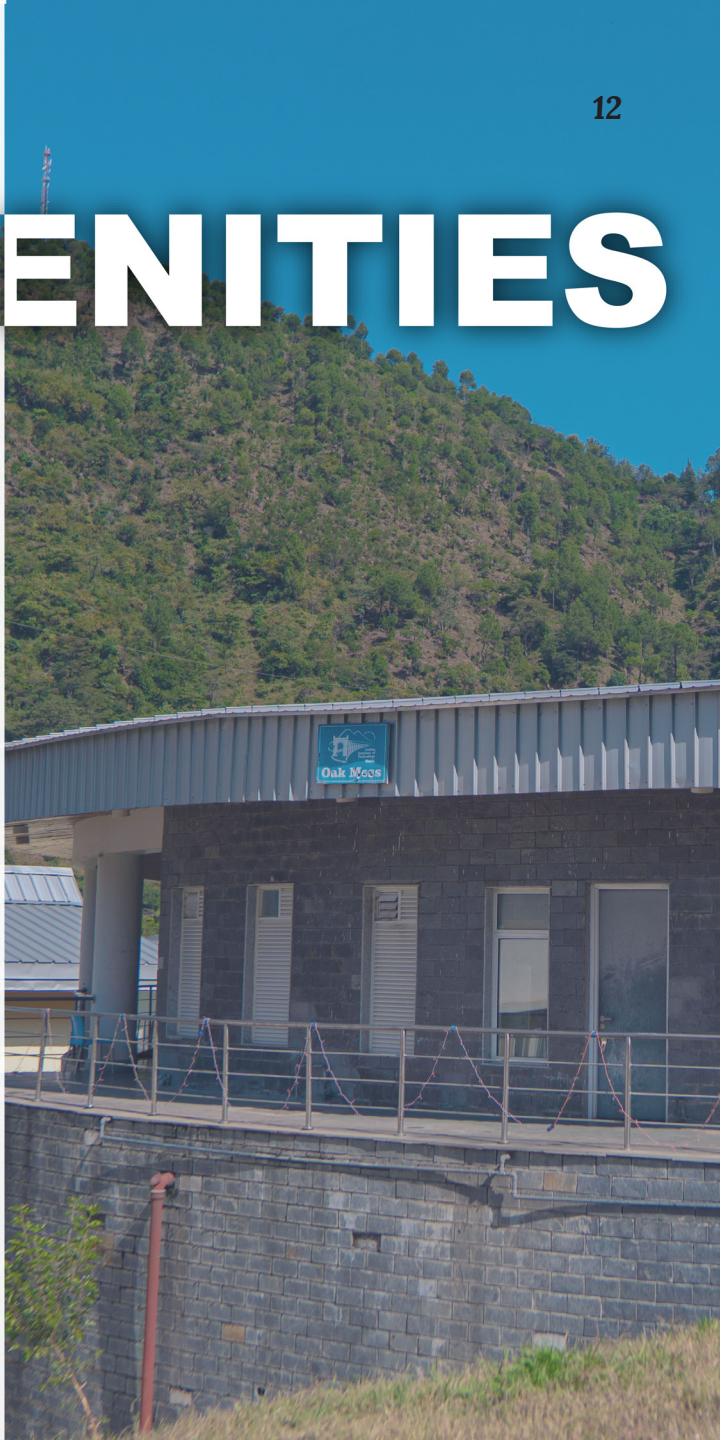
In the morning, the sound of birds fills the hillside. During early spring, you get to witness the breathtaking display of wild rhododendrons. Adding to all this is the soft rustle of river Uhl, flowing down to join the Beas, enticing you to take a swim in its icy cold waters. However, it is never safe to get in these tricky mountain rivers.

Then there is the majestic peak of Khani separating the two campuses. Begin your journey from one campus and end it in another. Another place you can trek to nearby the campus is the Griffin peak. The beautiful view of both the campuses from the top is completely worth the tiring trek.

Present right next to campus is the Kamand village, giving a glimpse of the local himachali life. During the night, with its moonlit clear skies, it provides a perfect escape from the busy college life. Simply stroll along the road while listening to the river run directly below you to lift your spirits.

AMENITIES

The institute makes sure that students have access to all the essential amenities they need, including 24-hour medical services, banks and ATMs, transportation options, meal facilities, etc. A number of canteens are located on campus to sate students' appetites also.



AMENITIES

Canteen

On campus, there are many canteens working from 8 a.m. to midnight. The canteens are named after birds of Himalayas. We have Magpie, Bulbul, Hoopoe, Tragopan, Redstart, Drongo and Monal. Together, the canteens offer a reasonable assortment of food, mostly north Indian. If you like to have instant soups and noodles you can always use the microwave facility in your hostel common room!

Dining Facilities

There are two mess halls in the south campus, Cedar (D1) mess, Maple (D2) mess and two in the north campus Pine mess, and Oak Mess. They are named after mighty trees of Himalaya. The mess halls are managed by students. The Mess halls have been built in a round shape (with glass walls and mesmerising views) and are spacious enough to serve food for a large number of students and faculty. It is well ventilated and has

several noise-cancellers. The food served is 'home-like'. There are separate counters for veg and non-veg food. The mess has wash-rooms as well. An automatic dish-washer is used to wash your plates and clean glasses. You get a valley view while eating if you are lucky enough to get a table close to the glass wall ;). Of course, you can always take your plates outside and sit at the tables in the open under the shade of an umbrella

Provision Store and Amenity Shops

The stationery shops on campus caters to the academic needs of the students and provides other services like Xerox copying, printing, stationery products, mobile recharge etc. The Auditorium Complex in North campus and D-3 mess in South campus have a Provision store where you can get standard household items besides daily routine requisites. A new unisex salon has also been opened recently in South campus, ground floor of D-3 building and Auditorium Complex in North Campus.



Medical Unit and Ambulance

We have a well equipped hospital in the north campus and a smaller medical unit in south. Both provide you 24x7 medical support. There are doctors, staff nurses and pharmacists. Medical facility is well equipped for diagnostics. It also has an ambulance round the clock for emergencies. There is an efficient zonal hospital in Mandi besides many private hospitals.

GCS

At the Guidance and Counselling Service or GCS, you are offered a hand of friendship. You do not need a reason to visit them. If you have any concern or problem, be it academic, social, emotional or psychological, you can talk to them in confidence. It helps you find your own answer to the problems you may encounter. This team does the student orientation for the freshers besides organising mentoring programs by senior students. It works unassumingly in the background all the year through.

[Insider Tip: Nice joint to relax! Recline on a bean bag and forget your blues!]

Transportation to Mandi

We have a very reliable system of transport between Mandi-Kamand and south-north campus round the clock. The shuttle system between Mandi and Kamand starts at 7 in the morning and is available frequently until 10:00 p.m. There are other government and private run buses as well as smaller vehicles which routinely commute between Kamand and Mandi. The bus schedule is available on the Institute website.

Banks



There are two banks (SBI & PNB) in Kamand. Banks are open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Two ATMs (SBI/PNB) ensure that you do not run out of the stuff.

Book Nook

If you are still in the habit of reading books, this is the place for you. It is stocked with popular fiction and recreational reading. You may rent any book at 10% of its actual price and can even take novel home during the semester break at the same prices. It is like having online bookstore at your door step!

Upcoming facilities:

A student village square in front of the B-19 hostel in North campus is planned. It will provide a place for students to conduct various recreational activities. It will also have a juice corner on its premises. A road connection between North and south campus is in progress. Further, construction of a few more hostels has been planned

Nature's Palette

IIT Mandi campus is blessed with rich flora and fauna. The floral rainbow of nature is seen throughout seasons. Throughout the year, your senses will be enticed by beautiful flowers, fruits and berries growing on our campus. In summer nature treats you to Raspberries, Mulberries (found near the Cedar mess and A5 building), Kaafal, Kashmal (a black color fruit seen near the roadside), Figs, and the like. As residents of pristine Kamand valley you would see beautiful and useful flowers. As summer sets in, the red colored Simbal and beautiful Erythrina blossoms and looks like 'Kumkum' on the valley's forehead. The crisp pinewood air will keep your lungs healthy and fresh. You could visit the Botanical garden and try to identify some of the trees planted.

Other than bestowing us with flowers, fruits and fresh air, the trees and plants provide habitat for a vibrant bird and insect community. You can easily spot birds like hawk, cuckoo, magpie etc. If you are a keen observer you would notice the seasonal variation in the avian residents and the occasional visits from migratory birds. Some days you may be treated to the fascinating spectacle of huge birds encircling the campus. These are The Great Himalayan Griffon, scavenging birds of an endangered species. Leopards are also reported in the forests of Kamand. But always remember that nature loves harmony and animals only attack in self-defense when their territory is invaded.

Tip: Get up early in the morning, pick up your camera and just go around the campus. Nothing will be more rewarding!

ACADEMIC FACILITIES

“An investment in knowledge pays the best interest.” – Benjamin Franklin



ACADEMIC FACILITIES

Academic Block

Currently IIT Mandi has several academic blocks : In North campus we have A9 building which comprises of all administrative offices such as Directorate, all Deaneries, Registrar office and Finance and Audit section. Adjacent to this building we have robotronics lab. Most of the undergraduate labs are located in the North campus and mechanical workshop is in South Campus. South campus also houses research centers like AMRC lab, C4DFED center etc. IIT Mandi also has Drone lab and iHub.

Library

At IIT Mandi, we have a central library at North Campus (A16 building) along with satellite libraries in both the north (A9 building, third floor) and south campus (A5 building, first floor). At present, the library houses over 42,924 books and provides access to more than 48,746 e-resources. The satellite library at North Campus also houses hard copies of all the institute theses.



The library also has the facility of low-voice discussion rooms. The libraries remain open from 8 am to midnight on working days and till late on weekends and holidays. Circulation time is restricted to working hours.

Lecture halls

North campus houses most of the classroom complexes of IIT Mandi (A10, A11, A13, A17 and A18). They have various lecture halls of varying capacities. A18 building consists of classrooms big enough to seat 300 students. All classrooms are equipped with projectors and green boards, allowing for both modern and conventional methods of teaching.





Career and Placement Cell (CnP)

All placement associated activities are handled by the Career and Placement Cell (CnP) of the institute. The CnP consists of a CnP executive, faculty advisor and student volunteers working round the clock to provide the best possible services to the visiting organisations. The cell works on creating the best possible placement opportunities for you. You can also become a member of CnP in your 3rd year (of course, through a selection procedure) and make the best use of your communication skills for the placements of your batch mates.

Student Exchange

IIT Mandi provides international Masters and Ph.D. students opportunities to spend up to a year at IIT Mandi. International students can work with institution's faculty on collaborative research topics involving institutional, regional, and national interests. IIT Mandi also provides a platform for faculty members from international universities to teach and to research. IIT Mandi has

MoU with TU9 Germany, BIT Sweden, HEI Finland, ITU Denmark, HEPIA Switzerland, McMaster Canada, WPI USA, ICTP Italy etc enabling exchange of students and faculty. You can go to the universities with whom we have an MoU on an exchange program for a semester or two as an integral part of your program of study. We have an active International office who would guide you further.

Visiting Foreign Students

The campus has a fair amount of students visiting from abroad, staying and studying for a semester or two. The DAAD exchange program (RISE) facilitates the exchange of students from German universities. The Interactive Socio-Technical Practicum (ISTP) is a kind of major capstone project for B.Tech students. This is done in collaboration with students from the Worcester Polytechnic Institute. Students from both institutions join up to form project teams under the guidance of faculty from IIT Mandi and WPI. Since 2018 we have also been welcoming Masters and PhD students from SAARC countries. In the coming years we are planning to increase diversity and welcome students from Africa and other parts of Asia.



Gallery

Hostels



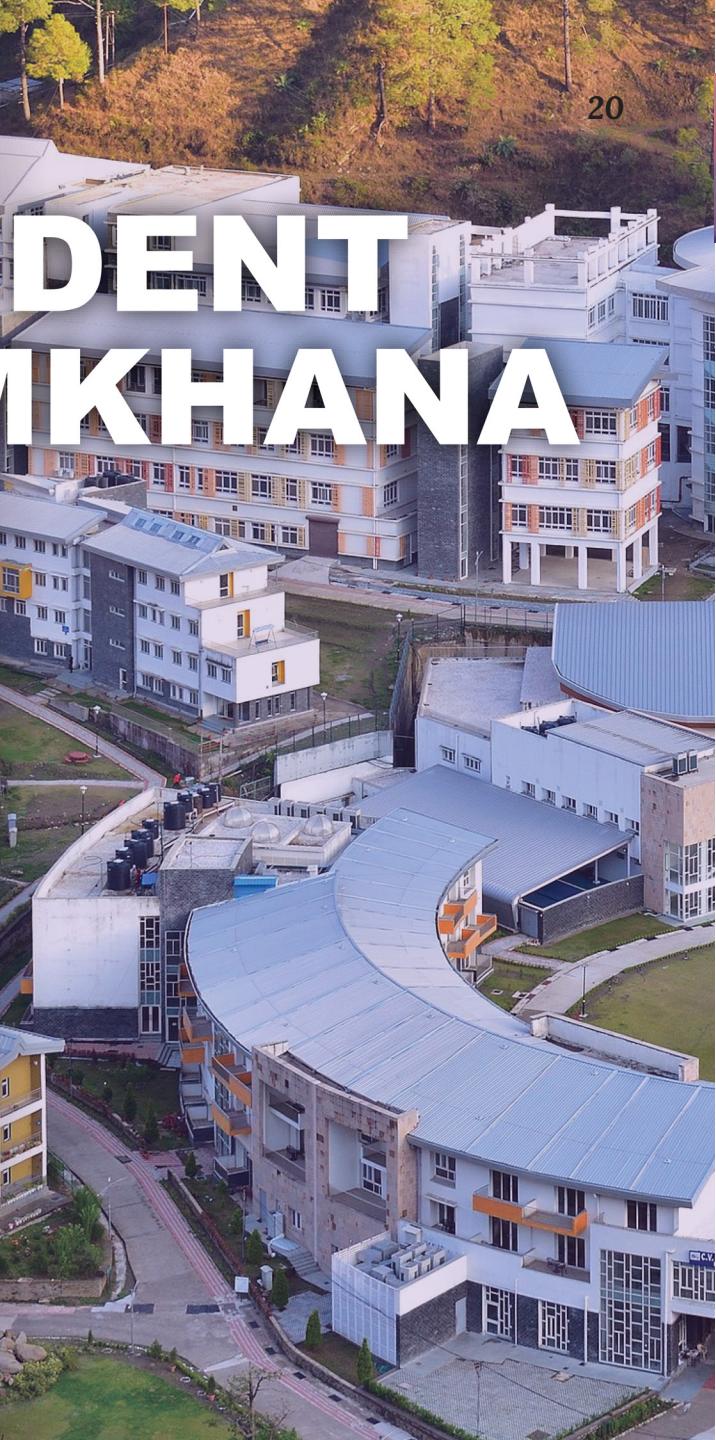
Library



Canteen

Lecture Hall

STUDENT GYMKHANA



The Gymkhana of IIT Mandi was established in 2011, and since then it has been instrumental in the growth and development of the Institute and its students through its elected secretaries.

The Gymkhana has nine secretaries: General, Technical, Sports, Cultural, Literary, Academic (UG/PG), Hostel Affairs and Research, all organising collective student activities in their respective spheres.



GYMKHANA

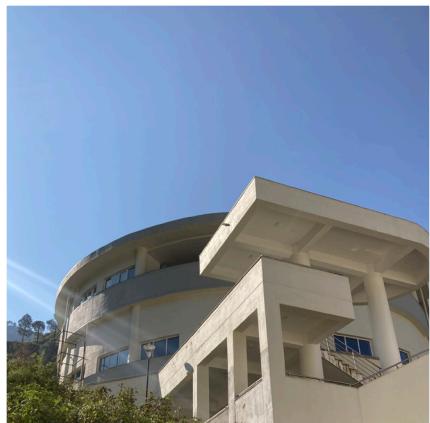
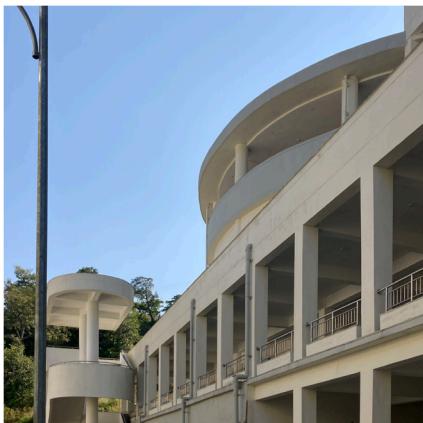
“We shape our Institution and these in turn shape our lives.”
-Winston Churchill

Gymkhana Office

The Gymkhana (various societies and clubs under it) will officiate its activities from A19 building.

Student Clubs

There are many student clubs that cater to diverse interests. Most of the clubs come under the Student Gymkhana, with club coordinators for the various programs. Science and Technology Council (SNTC), Cultural Society, Sports Society and Literary Society are the major student bodies overseeing the various student clubs.





SNTC



Robotronics Club

Robotics + Electronics = Robotronics. This club works in the fields of both robotics and electronics. In the electronics domain, it works on analog and digital electronics helping in developing practical skills in building and designing circuits. On the other hand in robotics it provides everything that students need to build robots: workspace, tools, supplies, money and expert answers to questions and help with projects. Most of the projects are aimed at either solving day to day problems by means of smart machines or just building something incredibly awesome.



KamandPrompt - Programming Club

An enthusiastic or aspiring coder? Here is the club for you. It is a club dedicated to competitive programming, software development, information security and machine learning. It keeps you updated with all the programming related activities and competitions happening world-wide. It also organises several competitions, hackathons and sessions to improve your coding skills. The Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) Chapter at IIT MANDI collaborates with the programming club to organise various guest lectures and tutorials for you from time to time.



Space Technology and Astronomy Cell (STAC)

The Space Technology and Astronomy Cell has a host of equipment at its disposal. The club will soon be having its own astronomical observatory, taking the astronomical observational capabilities to a new level. STAC is working to make its own Radio telescope and motor mounts in the coming semester. STAC is also into astrophotography and stargazing events. This club has been quite active since its inception and has been participating and winning in events in other institutes.





SAE Collegiate

The exhilaration of seeing prodigiously potent, open cockpit machines whizzing past the cameras at staggering speeds can't be lost on us. Each of us has been dreaming of stepping into the race seat, tackling corners, hitting the pedal to the metal, and leaving the competition in smoke. Since its inception in September 2012, the SAE Collegiate Club at IIT Mandi has grown from being the most anticipated club to being one of the most active ones in the institute. Starting with a CAD modelling workshop just after formally beginning operations, the club has gone on to conduct diverse range of activities ranging from imparting training to beginners and getting people acquainted with the world of automobiles and unique opportunities that SAE offers, to helping automobile and mechanical design enthusiasts from all disciplines to explore new horizons in vehicular design and development.



Entrepreneurship Development Cell (E-Cell)

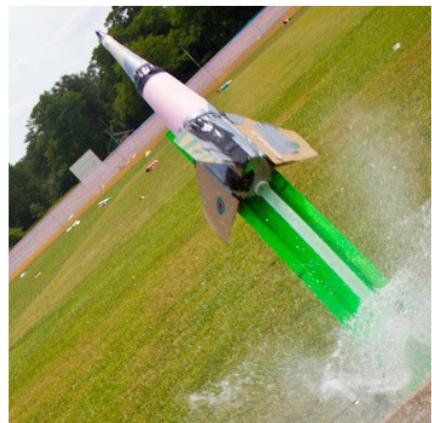
The E-Cell is a student organisation with a vision to establish, promote and foster the spirit of entrepreneurship at IIT Mandi. The E-Cell is committed to build a strong platform for budding entrepreneurs. Its target is to help students learn about entrepreneurship, the difficulties faced and the

possible solutions. It enables interaction among students, entrepreneurs, mentors, firms and corporate and thus helps towards the development of an entrepreneurial ecosystem. The E-Cell is now proud to have Catalyst, a technology business incubator established in May 2016. E-Cell was also instrumental in organising the first TEDx event at IIT Mandi in May 2017.



Yaantrik Club

As a part of the SNTC of IIT Mandi, this club plays a crucial role in the field of mechanical engineering. It focuses on developing green and effective energy methods. It organised several activities and participated in various award winning competitions like arCAD, MechFest. It was instrumental in setting up the SAE collegiate society at IIT Mandi that made the formula car for SAE SUPRA 2014. They also undertook various projects like offline maps of surrounding



local areas besides a small scale wirelessly controlled car powered by a 3cc IC engine.



Nirmaan Club

Nirmaan Club aims at creating a realisation among students of the importance of Civil Engineering aspects in day to day which are often ignored by organising events, workshops, quizzes, projects etc. The club organises dam visits across the state, organises sessions on AutoCAD and helps its members participate in competitions in other colleges.



Kamand Bioengineering Group (Bio Club)

Bio Club is a newly formed official club that aims to create a culture of bioengineering. The aims of the Kamand Bioengineering Group are to flourish knowledge, skills, networks, and experiences of individuals in the field of bioengineering. Development of a vibrant student community by making a network among members and alumni of the club. To make strong industry, academia and business networks of the club by building a strong network of the IIT Mandi community and think-tanks in these fields. To participate in international and national competitions in the field of bioengineering.





Cultural Society



Photography and Movie Making Club

The photography club brings together the Institute's enthusiastic photographers. Have a nag for photography but don't know the technical aspects? Don't worry, we've got you covered. The club is there to teach as much as you want. Regular photography tours and trips in the region besides professional workshops give you a chance to hone your 'shooting' skills. The club also covers all the college events and keeps them updated at photoclub.iitmandi.ac.in, which is hosted on the IIT Mandi Intranet. Being located in one of the most scenic campuses of India, it is natural to develop a sense of cinematography and video making and that is precisely what the club caters to in the college. The club has made remarkable

progress by consistently giving out quality videos and short films. Be sure to follow its official channel on YouTube!



Dramatics Club

This group aspires to stage everything from short skits to plays, both in English and Hindi. The club has been a star performer at many inter college fests including the Inter-IITs and has delivered exceptional, powerful performances time and again. Among other skits and plays, they participate in Nukkad Natak at the college's annual cultural festival, Exodia and various other fests at different colleges. Open mic events are a delight to watch.





Music Club

Learn to play an instrument, if not tune it. And if you can't sing, just sing along. Karaoke will do the rest for you. By the way, the music club has all the work to crank up the decibel levels. Run by highly talented members and equipped with specialised musical instruments, the section is scripting success stories in all cultural events. From organising musical nights to performing at fests in Mandi, the Music club performances are the ones not to miss!



If dance is your love, then this is the group for you. It all started with the Hip-Hop & Bhangra fusion at the Institute's first cultural event 'NAISSANCE' held in IIT Roorkee. Going by the name, Uhl Dance Crew, the club now performs in Hip-Hop, lyrical Hip-Hop and Bollywood styles, being open to learning many more. With regular guidance under professional choreographers and workshops, the club plans to perform and compete at various competitions in IIT's and other colleges alike.



Uhl Dance Crew (UDC) Dance Club



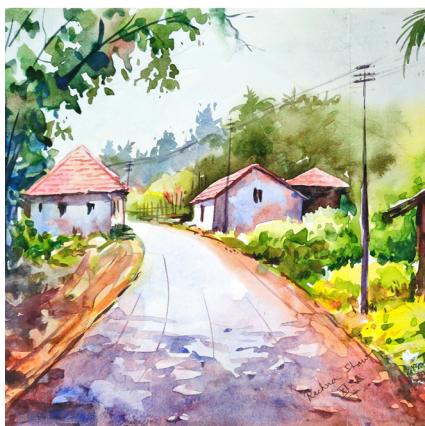
Designauts - Design Club

This is the umbrella club for all the expressions of digital creativity. From newbies to experts, Designauts provides a platform to all! Stir and explore the cauldron of posters, logos, digital art, animation, photo-editing, UI-UX and even 3-D modelling! Become a part of the learning experience for recreation or even unlocking a new career opportunity.



Art Geeks - Fine Arts Club

It is the fine arts club of IIT Mandi and covers all forms of art. Artists, art enthusiasts, wanna be artists all are welcome to join this club, all you need to be is a Geek, not for studies but for Art! From decorations for every event to wall paintings for fests, this



club handles it all beautifully. Vibgyor, the two day intra-college art fest is organised by the Art Geeks for everyone to explore the artist within. In the company of many talented artists extraordinary things are bound to happen.

EBSB- Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Club

The EBSB Club is a recent addition in the Cultural Society. The club conducts activities which help in restoring the traditional art forms of our country. It aims to enhance interaction & promote mutual understanding between people of different states/UTs through the concept of State/UT pairing. The club carries out activities to promote a sustained and structured cultural connection in the areas of language learning, culture, traditions & music, tourism & cuisine, sports and sharing of best practices, etc.

SPIC-MACAY

The Society for the Promotion of Indian Classical Music And Culture Amongst Youth (SPIC MACAY) is a voluntary youth movement which promotes intangible aspects of Indian cultural heritage. Currently, we focused majorly on 3 aspects- Indian classical music, classical dance and craft. Apart from this, we will organise various interactions with great personalities, in the cultural field who secured Padma-Bhusan, sangeet natak academy award etc.

German Club

This club aims to promote German as a language and also the rich german culture and traditions. We aspire to prepare for various certification courses related to the German language and create a community for sharing knowledge.



Literary Society and



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Quizzing club

The quizzing club transforms traditional notions of a quizzer and makes quizzing a social hobby. Apart from mainstream events like General Quiz, India Quiz, etc., it also organises off-beat themes based events like Marvel Quiz, Anime Quiz, Bollywood Quiz etc. Thus everyone gets a chance to present their genre of knowledge. The club has brought laurels to the institute by finishing 2nd in the Inter-IIT IIM quiz organised by IIT BHU



THE SOCIETY OF DEBATERS

Debating club

The Debating club is aimed at making people express their thoughts without any sort of restriction. The club organises various events like open GDs, parliamentary debates, MUNs, etc. The club has also participated in various fests like ROSTRA(BIT Mesra) and brought laurels to the institute by winning different events such as Newsroom and Youth Parliament. They also qualified for the JAM finals in Antaragni, IIT Kanpur and Rendezvous, IIT Delhi.



Writing club

Writing club's vision is to help people pen down their thoughts by providing various platforms to facilitate them to write in their own style at their own pace. The club organises events like essay writing, open mics, poetry nights, etc at regular intervals. Another feature of the club is its focus on technical writing skills. The club also publishes the institute's annual student magazine, Vivaan. One of the club's members also qualified for the top 6 in STELLAR 2022, a story-telling event organised by Tape a Tale, India's largest storytelling platform



Student Media Body - Griffinsight

The club gives members a forum to express their views and engage in free-flowing discussions about any topic. Griffinsight endeavours to enliven and enrich the community by disseminating authentic information and encouraging healthy conversations about relevant issues.



Research Council

The IIT Mandi research society headed by the Research Secretary is engaged in facilitating, supporting, and developing research activities in order to address the needs and research related challenges of the students and institute. The society consists of SCRI, IEEE, ACM, and ACM-W organise frequent events to keep students in the swim. With events like research fair-Anusandhan, AMRC day, Sports day, PG - UG interaction, personality development program etc., it is possible to interact with like-minded graduates and scholars, as well as make and maintain career and research relationships all inside an internal network. The Research Council, constituted by the Research Secretary, assists the smooth functioning of societies by conducting meetings, workshops, and so on.

Society for Collaborative Research and Innovation (SCRI)

SCRI at IIT Mandi is a forum that encourages students to pursue innovations and collaborative research. SCRI provides a venue for engagement with research scientists and faculties on a variety of creative initiatives (these collaborations may result in an MTP, ISTP or Design Practicum idea). The IIT Mandi technical journal ESSENT has been published by the club. The SCRI also funds research programmes to encourage undergraduate students to pursue research careers. The Journal Club is a subsection of the SCRI. Students convene to debate relevant journal pieces. Against the backdrop of fresh waves of growth, IIT Mandi's objective is to "be a leader in science and technology education, knowledge production, and innovation in an India marching towards a

fair, inclusive, and sustainable society." IIT Mandi is always looking for innovative ways to promote research and innovation. It has served as a springboard for the SCRI, which seeks to provide a collaborative platform for extensive, effective, and long-term research and innovation. SCRI is a platform that offers excellent chances to students from any degree or discipline, as well as exposure to Interdisciplinary Research fields.

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)

IEEE Student Branch IIT Mandi is a student-run chapter of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE). We provide opportunities to meet and learn from fellow IEEE students and Graduate Student Members and engage with professional IEEE members locally and globally. We offer programs, activities, and profes



sional networking opportunities that build critical skills for students and help them in their academic journey. An IEEE Student Branch gives students a community of peers and a connection to faculty and industry professionals who drive innovation in countless technical fields. Student involvement in Branch activities, whether special projects, social and technical meetings, outreach programs, conferences, local Section or Regional opportunities, etc. can help develop a record of accomplishment and capabilities beyond the norm. The IEEE Student Branch IIT Mandi encourages technical and professional excellence, this is achieved by conducting workshops, lectures, competitions and other events on both national and local levels. It helps interested students (UG and PG) in their research projects through awards and global recognition.

Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)

ACM IIT Mandi is a student chapter organisation of the Association for Computer Machinery, a global computing learning society. It began with the goal of carrying out ACM International's ideals at the grassroots level in IIT Mandi. Our primary focus has been on organising multiple events to share computing and technical knowledge at the undergraduate level, as well as to assist students in participating in different ACM-held conferences and schools. ACM hosts flagship events on a regular basis to explore trends in science and technology, as well as to commemorate ACM's spirit and professional accomplishments in computing. At ACM events, research scholars, professionals, industry experts, and faculty members discuss their work and share their experiences, perceptions, and ground realities of a PhD, as well as their professional lives. Following that, selected organisations and institutions demonstrate

their research credentials, recruitment, and career development strategies. In an interactive setting, the audience consists of students, academics, and industry leaders from various organisations.

Association for Computing Machinery - Women (ACM - W)

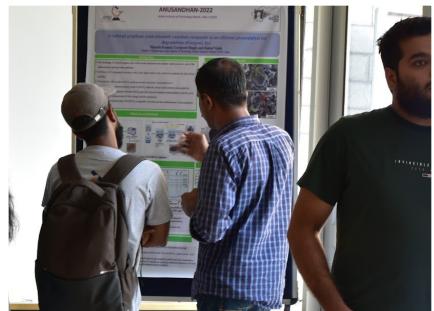
The ACM-W Student Chapter at IIT Mandi seeks to materialise the dynamic image of women in the field of computers and information technology by providing a platform for them to demonstrate their technical talents. We encourage, promote, and support women's participation in all parts of computing by offering a variety of activities and programs to ACM members and working in the greater community to enhance the contributions of technical women. The ACM-W Student Chapter at IIT Mandi strives to emulate their efforts to build a community in which everyone is given equal chances and everyone works in harmony. The ACM-W Student Chapter is solely for women, intending to demonstrate that women are just as capable as men in



the field of technology. To do this, we plan a variety of activities and events designed to bring out the coder and genius in every individual. We want to provide a positive environment for women that encourages them to take risks and demonstrate their abilities. The ACM-W Student Chapter believes that putting women's visions into action will lead to a better future. We seek to create an atmosphere in which women can learn from one another and become excited about being computer scientists, whether through academic and professional skill development seminars or mentoring events with alumni and local industry leaders. We continue to address the issue of women's engagement in computer science and engineering, and we hope that information and education regarding women's contributions to technology will motivate our members to achieve their ambitions. Professional Development Workshops, Algorithms Contest, Academic And Technical Seminars, Networking Events With Industry Representatives, Algohack, Frosthack, Mentorship Events, and B3B Coding Contests are examples of events and activities conducted by ACM-W.

Research Council (RC)

The RC at IIT Mandi was established to facilitate, support, and develop research activities in order to address the needs and research challenges. The RC was established to oversee the institute's research operations. The members of RC meet on a regular/as-needed basis to discuss research-related activities and other academic problems of research scholars, and to provide suggestions/recommendations to the concerned authority for further approval/processing. RC emphasises and supports research scholars to progress by prioritising their mental health. We encourage as much involvement of scholars as possible in national and international seminars, conferences, and workshops.



SPORTS

IIT Mandi wishes that students perform the best in every field and hence provides its students with world class facilities for sports and games. Today, the Institute has some of the best facilities in a number of games and sports and awards proficiencies in more than 11 games. The tradition continues, as students of the institute keep making use of the marvellous sports facilities to excel in sports and games.



SPORTS

Sports can be a co-curricular as well as extra-curricular activity. In fact, in the first year, you are expected to choose from among NSO, NSS and Hiking & Trekking. You are expected to put in forty hours of participation in any one of these activities. NSO encourages athletics, football, cricket, hockey, volleyball, table tennis, lawn tennis, badminton, and basketball, and it has dedicated coaches for most games. The Campus has facilities for all these games including tennis, swimming and squash.

You can also use the NSO route to get into one of the IIT Mandi sports teams and take part in the annual Inter-IIT Games, held usually at one of the bigger IITs. IIT Mandi teams have started making a mark at these games.

Gym & Fitness Club

The Institute has a well equipped gymnasium. Get to use it often and keep fit! You may also try aerobics or yoga at the Fit-

ness Club in the Lounge or sports complex in the south or north.

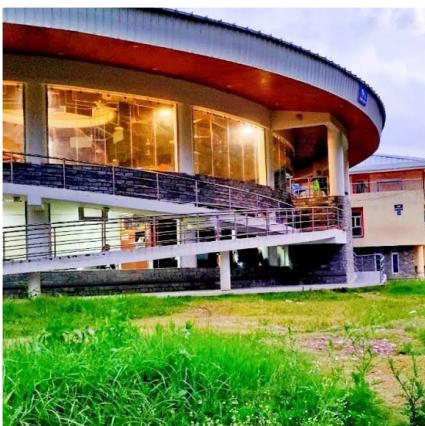
Jogging ,Walking, Cycling

The South and North Campuses have beautiful roads snaking through to nearby villages. Enjoy the scenic splendor as you walk to it, or jog up to 'Peepul Point' (2.8 km from the Director's Office). Of course, you can also go to nearby villages from the north. And if you are lucky, as you most certainly will be, you can join Professor Gonsalves, Mrs Gonsalves and Rusty on their regular constitution. You can lend yourself a cycle from the mountain biking club and huff and puff your way down to one of the neighbouring villages.

[Insider Tip: Don't mistake the dogs on campus for strays. These are the friendly, tail-wagging Bhutias of Himachal, which invariably accompany you - give you safe passage - and hand you over to the next Bhutia at the edge of its territory, the canine sporting equivalent of passing the baton.]

Hiking and Trekking

The spirit of adventure beckons you. Join the H & T club and explore the great Himalayan outdoors! Places like Prashar, Rewalsar, Kamand, Manikaran, Bijli Mahadev, Barot etc., are ideal for trekking. With the Director and many faculties themselves having keen interest in hiking, the club arranges trips to various places on a regular basis. Students have trekked to Beas Kund, Prashar lake, Naina Devi Temple, Shikari Devi Temple, Bijli Mahadev, Kamrunag Temple and to the hill tops adjoining the campus.

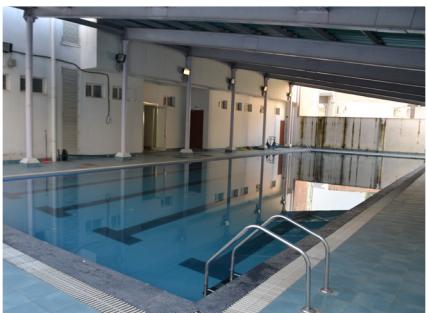


Mountain Biking club:

Taking full advantage of our local advantage, we have active adventure enthusiasts including a mountain biking club. They routinely organise events like expeditions, rappelling, river crossing etc. As our student community expands we are hoping for more activities and enthusiasm.



increase in the size of our community, we aspire to climb further up this ladder.



Inter IIT Sports meet

Annual Students' Inter-IIT Sports Meet is the most awaited and prestigious inter-college sports tournament for all IITs including IIT Mandi. IIT Mandi has participated in the Inter-IIT sports tournament since 2010 and has shown good competition year after year while moving up the Inter-IIT general championship ladder. We have won 2 medals in team games i.e. bronze in Table Tennis Women 2014 and bronze in Cricket 2019 and 7 medals in individual Athletics events in 2018 and 2019. In the last Inter-IIT Sports Meet held at IIT Kharagpur in 2019, we stood 10th out of the 23 IITs in the Inter-IIT General Championship and with a constant



National Service Scheme (NSS)

As IIT Mandi is situated in an ecologically sensitive area, the NSS plays an important role in raising the awareness level of students and faculty in conserving the fragile environment, and in learning to live in harmony with the neighbourhood in this essentially rural habitat.

This group comprises three broad sections: The Health section conducts various campaigns right through the year, promoting blood donation, and creating awareness about major diseases. The Literacy section consists of a group of students devoted towards spreading education and literacy. It helps the poor and the financially disabled by providing them free study materials and guiding them through their course structure. It organises free classes for the students in our own campus. The Awareness section thrives to create awareness about all sorts of evils which are present in the society, be it the evils related to child labor, ill effects of smoking, and poor hygiene etc.

Recently, Government of Himachal Pradesh has extended a support of INR 2 lakhs for NSS IIT Mandi.

Tip: Want to help society? Become part of Spark, Prayaas or Birdgeschool and start teaching underprivileged children!

STUDENT EVENTS

Celebrating the unique culture of the IIT of the Shivaliks, the student body organises a number of intra and inter-college events with great grandeur and splendour.



STUDENT EVENTS

Aagaaz

This is an inter-year sports competition, organised by the Sports Society during the even semester. Students eagerly look forward to this event. And going by the record, this is an occasion when junior teams often put the seniors in their place.

KPL

Kamand Premier League, KPL, is one of its own inter-year, interdisciplinary, inter-club technical event of SnTC, IIT Mandi. It has 8-10 teams which have leaders and approximately 10 members each. The teams are formed by an online IPL type auction. The tournament consists of various rounds by different clubs and the team which gets the highest points in all rounds wins the tournament. KPL 3.0 was organised in 2020, and the tournament is ready to kick-off this year again with its latest edition and new exciting rules.



Aakarshan

Aakarshan is the inaugural cultural event of the Cultural Society, and is meant mainly for freshers. You get to know the full range of activities of the Society, not to speak of the talent of your seniors on view.

Astrax

AstraX is the inter-college astronomy themed fest organised annually by the students of Indian Institute of Technology Mandi. Spanning multiple days and including several engaging events, talks & workshops, it is the centre of attraction for students and professors with an inclination towards computational and theoretical astronomy. From 2022 onwards AstraX will be organised within Xpecto.



Exodia (Inter College Fest)

Exodia was the annual technical cum cultural fest of IIT Mandi started in 2011. Since the past few years, owing to the global pandemic, Exodia hasn't been able to take life. However, starting this year, Exodia is back with a bang, with a changed look, yet the same expectation- becoming the biggest fest of the Himalayas. Now, going to be conducted as the annual literary cum cultural fest of our college, Exodia is ready to get into its own stride and re-establish its glory. Colleges from all over North India come and participate in the fest. Several cultural events like Synchronians, the group dance competition, are fought vigorously. Various new cultural events like Rap Battle and Open Mic had been introduced in the last edition, and in the coming year, more such events would be added. Plenty of informal events including a PhotoWalk, are also organised by the students. The winners of various events are awarded with goodies and prize money. Exodia provides students the perfect opportunity to learn how to organise and coordinate a fest of this scale.

Caution: You need to have a Plan B for all events you plan on the open stage as it inevitably rains whenever Exodia is on.



Exuberance

Exuberance is the inter-hostel cultural event of IIT Mandi and takes place in the even semester. This event has performances from all the cultural clubs. Dance groups and music bands form the mainstay; besides artworks created by the Art Geeks and photo exhibits of the PMC lend colour to this event.

Hostel General Championship

A name that requires no further details, the Hostel GC is one of the major events that is fought between hostels with much fervour and enthusiasm. Organised during the even semester, in combination with Exuberance, the cultural aspect of this overall championship, Hostel GC hosts various sports matches ranging from Basketball, Hockey, Football, Table Tennis, Badminton, Volleyball and Cricket. Rest assured, the movies do no justice to the amount of friendly competition during the championship as students fight to bring glory to their hostels.



Kala

Kala is the annual intra-college cultural event organised by the cultural society from 2020. The various innovative activities organised by the clubs under the society in addition to the exhilarating auction during selection of teams, ensures that Kala educates students about teamwork, dedication and of course, the cultural society. It acts as a wonderful forum to interact with peers from across both campuses and compete for the coveted prize- being the winning team

Rann-Neeti (Inter College Fest)

Rann-Neeti is the sports fest of IIT Mandi, held in the odd semester and invites colleges from north India to participate. The fest was conceptualised by the Sports society in 2013 and the first edition was a great success. The consecutive sessions have seen increasing participation from colleges around Himachal, Punjab and Haryana with total footfall crossing 1000 in the 2018 edition of the event. The fest witnesses sports events like Cricket, Football, Hockey, Badminton, Table Tennis, Athletics, Basketball, Volleyball and some informal events like



Chess, LAN Gaming. You get the exposure required for the Inter-IIT sports meet through this fest. An invitational event of this kind gives you the necessary exposure to management, hospitality, control and sponsorship canvassing

Ruvaan

Ruvaan is the three-day inter-college annual literary fest of our college. Conceptualised in 2019, the two editions of the fest have been curated such that it caters to the creative minds of the students and allows them to dive deep into their love for all things literature. Coupled with Comedy Nights, Kavyanjali and evening stalls, the plethora of events provide as much excitement as competition. Starting from 2023, Ruvaan will be organised within the umbrella of Exodia.



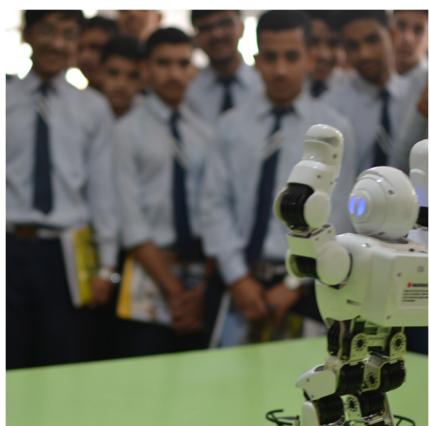
Utkarsh

Utkarsh is an Intra-IIT technical event organised by the SNTC Council in the month of November. The clubs under SNTC participate in Utkarsh and showcase to the freshers what is to come their way during

the four years of their stay in IIT Mandi. It includes many competitive events for programming, robotics, electronics, astronomy along with workshops and guest lectures. The best amongst the participants win prizes. It is a wonderful opportunity for freshers to explore different fields and seniors to showcase their skills.

Xpecto (Inter College Fest)

Xpecto is an annual three-day inter-collegiate technical fest, which is organised by the Science and Technology Council (SnTC). An offshoot of the institute's yearly student festival Exodia, it is one of the largest technological festivals in the Himalayas. Launched in 2022 in hybrid mode, Xpecto aims to exceed the expectations of technophiles and live up to their standards for a science and technology festival of this calibre. With the objective of providing students a platform where they could cultivate and exhibit their technical proficiency, Xpecto comprises numerous contests and competitions on subjects ranging from entrepreneurship to 3-D design, from programming to civil engineering, excitement.



Gallery



Gallery



Frequently Asked Queries

1. Why there is no separate hostel for PG students?

A: For interaction and camaraderie, IIT Mandi follows a tradition of mixed hostels where UG and PG students are put up in the same hostel. Each program may be allotted a floor or wing so that students can stay with their classmates.

2. I want to change my hostel room, what should I do?

A: Any issues related to hostel, you are to approach the hostel caretaker. He would guide you regarding the procedure.

3. How is the mess food?

A: The mess food is nutritional and offers a huge variety from matar paneer to chole bhature to non veg food and not to mention the special dinner at every month end. In case you are unhappy about the mess food you can give feedback in the feedback register provided as well as talk to your mess secretary.

4. How many people will stay in a hostel room?

A: Hostels have rooms of different sizes, single, double and triple occupancy. First year UG students usually get a shared room.

5. Is there any restrictions in hostel?

A: Though hostels are 24 hrs open, residents are to follow some rules for their own safety. Go through Appendix V hostel rules for more info.

6. How is the weather in Kamand like?

A: Weather becomes chilly after mid-October, and in winter, there is the occasional snowfall, especially in the mountains above Kamand. But in general, we have a long winter vacation from early December until mid-February to keep the cold at bay. The weather is usually pleasant, especially in the evenings and is ideal for nature enthusiasts who want to explore the serene surroundings of IIT Mandi.

7. What is the holiday schedule of IIT Mandi?

A: A generous holiday schedule is followed in here. We have a five-day working week, and at times there are other holidays in between too. Semester breaks are from December to Mid February for winters and from mid June to early August in summers.

8. What about sports?

A: Sports activities are coordinated by the Principal Sports Officer, Faculty Sports Advisor and PTIs. A team of highly experienced coaches and ground staff work under their direction to help you take part in the games of your choice. Participate in various tournaments like Inter-IIT, Aagaaz, Rann-Neeti and other in-house tournaments.

At Kamand, we have fields for Cricket, Football and Hockey, Basketball, Tennis, Squash,

Badminton, TT and Volleyball courts. TT and Foosball tables are also available in most hostels. There is also Swimming pool, gym and yoga room etc.

9. What are the co-curricular activities and clubs at IIT Mandi?

A: We have very active clubs who take care of all co curricular activities. These are already detailed in the Handbook and for more info have a look at the link below
<https://students.iitmandi.ac.in/gymkhana/>

10. I want to be a member of XYZ club, what should I do?

A: Any student can become a member of a club, but sometimes there may be auditions to verify certain skill-sets.

11. Is there Ragging? Does IIT Mandi have policies against it?

A: Zero Tolerance for ragging. We have the following committees to take care of any issues: Student Welfare and Disciplinary Committee (SWDC), Anti-Ragging Committee (ARC).

12. Wild animals

A: The campus is safe. No incident involving wild animals has been reported so far.

13. Unique activities

A: Due to its pristine location, students can enjoy hiking and trekking, mountain biking etc. We have active student clubs who coordinate these activities.

14. What are the good places to hang out in Mandi town?

A: Mandi has a fairly good market, which can provide you with almost anything. Hotels like Raj Mahal, Regent Palms, Treat are good for dinners. Dominos, Raman Bakers, Sai Sweets have their share of fast food fanatics. Indira Market, built around a sunken lake, - the Mandi version of a super mall - is a delightful place for making little discoveries.

15. What will be the courses in 1st sem of B.Tech?

A: There will be common courses for all of you in the first semester. These courses include Calculus, Graphics for Design, Introduction to Python and Data Science, etc. Some courses involve Lab work, and offer a thorough understanding of the subjects as well! More info about courses: <https://iitmandi.ac.in/academics/courses.php>

16. How easy is the branch change in IIT Mandi? What is the criterion for the same?

A: Branch change depends solely on your CGPA (Cumulative Grade Point Average) for the first two semesters. Compared to other IITs, it is easy to get a branch change here. For a more details kindly have a look at the link below:

http://iitmandi.ac.in/academics/branch_change.php

But don't go by the flow, carefully analyse why you would like to go into a particular branch, talk to your Faculty Advisor, other faculty members, the Academic Affairs Secretary and then decide!

17. What is the procedure for getting the MCM scholarships?

A: Income certificates are submitted at the time of admission as mentioned on the website and applications are collected in September. The decision is made by the Senate to award the scholarships, and later in the second semester, students are given the scholarship reimbursing their earlier tuition fees and that of the second semester. Other details can be found here:<http://iitmandi.ac.in/academics/scholarship.php>

18. The WiFi is not working what should I do?

A: IIT Mandi has a very efficient service request tool. Any issues with the infrastructure, raise a service ticket and the concerned person would get in touch with you provide assistance.

https://insite.iitmandi.ac.in/service_request/

19. I am facing some personal and academic issues and not able to focus on my studies. What should I do.

A: For personal issues, we have the GCS to guide you and provide counseling. Faculty advisors and Academic Affairs Secretary are there to help you with any academic issues that you may face. There are also Women's centre and Internal Complaints Committee, Anti Ragging committee etc to look into different types of problems faced by students. Just ask and help is always available at IIT Mandi!

Anti Ragging Committee: Ragging has ruined countless innocent lives and careers. The focus of this body is to prohibit, prevent and eliminate the scourge of ragging including any conduct by any student or students.

Internal Complaints Committee: Sexual harassment results in violation of fundamental rights of a woman to live and work with dignity. The mandate of Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) is to evolve a mechanism for the prevention and redressal of sexual harassment complaints and other acts of gender based violence at IIT Mandi.

Student Welfare & Discipline Committee: To maintain a healthy, disciplined and conducive environment for students for teaching, learning and living.

Academic Disciplinary Action Committee: The committee determines the appropriate disciplinary action/ remedial measures for cases of misconduct in coursework, research and academics related areas.

GCS: <https://students.iitmandi.ac.in/main/gcs/index.html>

Women's Centre: https://iitmandi.ac.in/women_centre.php

ICC: <https://students.iitmandi.ac.in/main/grievances/icc/index.html>

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APPENDIX I

Student Code of Conduct

Defines the boundary between acceptable and unacceptable conduct of students. This is not a set of laws but rather of self proclamation by students. Rational for each of the codes is also given along with the code.

We, the students of IIT Mandi undertake that each of us shall conduct himself/herself in a manner befitting his/her association with the standing of IIT Mandi as an Institute of National Importance. We are fully aware that IIT Mandi envisions being a leader in technical knowledge creation, education and innovation, in an India marching towards a just, inclusive and sustainable society. Every one of us shall be rooted on collective human values and the rich moral, ethical and cultural values of our country, while pursuing excellence in academics. We shall not indulge in any activity which is likely to bring down the prestige of the Institute. We shall give due respect and courtesy to faculty and staff members, fellow students and visitors.

- We shall be honest and forthright in our academic studies. Students of IIT Mandi shall be leaders in the fight against corruption and hence we shall refrain from academic violations of any kind such as plagiarism, copying, cheating, fabrication etc.
- We are aware that health, safety and academic performance of the students are of prime importance to IIT Mandi. Hence we shall try to avoid smoking, consumption of alcohol, narcotic drugs etc. that may harm our health and our academic performance. We shall not possess, use, consume, manufacture, sell, or distribute any such intoxicating materials within the premises of the Institute.
- We shall carry our valid identity cards issued to us by the Institute and produce it whenever asked for by any security personnel of the Institute, whilst inside the premises of the Institute. We understand that this will help the Institute to identify genuine students and manage the security for everyone.
- We understand that the Institute wants to maintain a friendly atmosphere where success is sought through teamwork. Hence we shall not impair, interfere with or obstruct the orderly conduct, process or function of the Institute or any of its students, faculty members, staff members or guests.
- We are committed to protecting the rights and dignity of all students and seeking to maintain an environment that is free from all forms of unlawful harassment and discrimination. Hence we will not tolerate any form of unlawful harassment such as ragging, sexual harassment, bullying etc. among us. We shall also refrain from discrimination of every kind such as regional, lingual, gender, caste, religion etc.
- We believe that the Institute aims to impart world class education to its students to make us global leaders in science and technology. In order to achieve this goal, it is import

ant that we conduct ourselves in a manner conducive for excellent teaching and learning.

· We know that IIT Mandi is an autonomous institution under the Ministry of Human Resource and Development, Government of India and hence destroying, damaging, misusing or defacing any Institute building, facility or property will amount to the damage of public property as almost everything in the Institute is built mainly through public funding. We shall not indulge in any such indecent act.

· We shall not violate any law of our country as we understand that being students of IIT Mandi we have the responsibility of not only being leading scientists and engineers but also of law abiding citizens.

· We understand that the environment where we live and study is fragile and has to be preserved and protected from any kind of damage. We shall respect the environment of the campus and will do everything possible to maintain it clean and green.

· We shall not, through act or omission, assist another student, individual, or group in committing or attempting to commit a violation of this code of conduct. Any student who has knowledge of another committing or attempting to commit a violation of the code of conduct shall remove him or herself from the situation and report the same to Institute authorities. We understand that our failure to do so when reasonable under the circumstances may lead to punishment.

· Student organisations shall also adhere to the same standards of conduct applicable to individual students.

We understand that the violation of this code of conduct may lead to the following corrective measure(s) and/or disciplinary action(s), but are not limited to:

1. reading a good book and then writing an essay or delivering a seminar on the contents of the book.
2. community/social service
3. charging with fine
4. disciplinary probation
5. debarring from becoming student representative
6. debarring from representing the Institute in any event outside
7. debarring from examinations and from the campus placement process
8. suspension from the hostel or Institute
9. expulsion from the hostel or Institute

APPENDIX II

Hostel Rules

1. ACCOMMODATION

- 1.1 Hostel accommodation shall be available to all registered students of the Institute.
- 1.2 B.Tech. students shall occupy a seat/room only during the semester. No B. Tech. student will occupy a room during vacation. However, he/she may be permitted by the Hostel Warden, after recommendation of Faculty Advisor to stay on request if he/she is doing any course work/project work/Institute work/Hostel work.
- 1.3 Hostel accommodation is available to all registered M. Tech./M.Sc./MA students for a maximum period of two years. They can retain their room during the vacation, if needed for curricular academic requirement. At the end of the programme they have to vacate the Hostel.
- 1.4 Hostel accommodation is available to M.S. and Ph.D. scholars throughout the year till their final defense. Part time scholars will be provided accommodation for a maximum of 6 months, further extensions may be approved by the Warden after the recommendation of the guide. Scholars shall vacate the Hostel even in the middle of a semester once they are relieved from the Institute. However, they have to pay hostel charges on a pro rata basis for a period of stay in the hostel. The MS and PhD scholars availing Hostel accommodation are not eligible for HRA.
- 1.5 Students going on semester exchange may be exempt from paying the hostel fee, provided they vacate the hostel room completely. Students who temporary leave the hostel for workshop/exchange program for less than a semester should pay the hostel Charges
- 1.6 Hostel accommodation (if available) may be provided for a limited period to a project staff. If accommodated, he/she is required to pay all applicable fees and rents and any other charges as decided by the Hostel Management. The project staff residing in a Hostel is governed by the same rules and regulations as applicable to regular boarder of the Hostel and shall not be eligible for HRA.
- 1.7 Application for admission to the Hostel must be made in the prescribed form, which is available in the Hostel office or in the Academic Section of the Institute. Accommodation would be provided only after the receipt of requisite fees and rents as decided by the
- 1.8 Hostel Management from time to time. All charges and rents prescribed in the application form or any other documents are subject to change as per the decision of the Institute authorities without prior notice.
- 1.9 No student will be allowed to stay in the Hostel without formal admission.
- 1.10 The Hostel administration has the right to refuse admission to anyone and/or withdraw permission already granted, if it is found that he/she has submitted incorrect informa-

tion.

1.11 Under special circumstances, the Director/Dean Students may permit a student to reside with his Parent/Guardian or within a reasonable distance from the Institute. Such a student shall, however, be attached to a Hostel of Residence and will be required to pay seat rent, hostel establishment and other charges. However, this permission may be withdrawn at the discretion of the Director/Dean Students, at any time considered appropriate without assigning any reason.

2. ROOM ALLOTMENT

2.1 All the hostel residents are required to submit a duly filled prescribed Personal Data Form containing the current address, mobile and/or the telephone number and the e-mail address of the parents/guardian. At the time of admission in the hostel and at the beginning of every year.

Any change in this information at any point of time has to be intimated to the Hostel office in writing.

2.2 The Hostel Management will generally provide a minimum set of furniture and fittings in each room, consisting of a cot for each hosteller as well as table, chair, fan and reasonable light fitting.

2.3 Allotment of rooms shall be the sole discretion of the hostel administration, which may allot the rooms either on first-come-first-served or any other basis, depending upon the situation, prevailing factors and objectives e.g. fostering cross-cultural relationships.

2.4 Students must occupy the respective room allotted to them. Rooms once allotted to the students for an academic year will not be changed without the permission of hostel warden. Under no circumstances the hostellers should exchange seats/rooms without the knowledge of the hostel warden.

2.5 Hostellers shall respect the equal rights of their roommates.

2.6 In exigencies the Hostel Management, without assigning any reason, may shift hostellers from one room to another.

2.7 If the status, on the basis of which a hosteller was allowed accommodation in the hostel, changes during the period of stay in the Hostel, he/she is required to inform the hostel warden(s) immediately. Such student may be asked to vacate the Hostel if the Hostel Management finds that he/she is no longer eligible for Hostel accommodation.

2.8 The students are entitled for accommodation in the hostel as long as they are full time registered students. Any student, whose name has been removed from the Rolls of the Institute, will automatically cease to be a hosteller of the Hostel. Such students shall immediately leave the Hostel.

2.9 Before vacating the rooms, the students have to fill up Vacate Room form available on OAS. The furniture, electrical installations including the fan(s) and any other fixtures

that were provided in the room, all have to be handed over in proper condition to the Hostel Management at the time of vacating the room. If any damage in any item is found to have occurred, compensation as assessed by the Hostel Management shall be recovered from the boarder concerned as per Clause 11.11 detailed hereunder.

3. ACCOMMODATION OF GUESTS

Day scholars and other relatives of boarders are not permitted to stay in the Hostel as guests. Entertaining unauthorized guests will lead to severe punishment, which may include a monetary fine of Rs. 2000/- (Rupees two thousand only) and expulsion from the Hostel. In addition, such cases will be referred to the Institute Disciplinary Committee for further necessary action.

4. VISITORS

- 4.1 The visit of male students to the women's Hostel and vice versa is allowed up to the common Room till 10 pm. Between 10 pm and 6am, opposite genders should return to their own hostel. Violation of this rule will lead to severe penalty and punishment as decided by the Hostel and Institute Authorities.
- 4.2 Any kind of religious gathering, speeches, calling religious person or any other non-academic groups are prohibited inside hostel, any notice of such gathering outside of campus can only be posted in MESS notice board

5. USE OF APPLIANCES

- 5.1 The use of any personal electrical / electro-mechanical equipment, gadgets, appliances, such as electric stove/heaters/iron/refrigerator/infrared cooker, is strictly prohibited in or outside the rooms. Private cooking in the rooms or anywhere in the Hostel is strictly forbidden. Any such appliance found in a Hostel room will be confiscated and shall attract both monetary fine and disciplinary action by the Hostel Management.
- 5.2 The use of audio systems which cause inconvenience to the roommates or other hostellers is not allowed. The use of personal TV, VCR, VCD/DVD, etc. is strictly prohibited.
- 5.3 When the boarders go out of their rooms they should switch off all the electrical/ electronic appliances, and lock the doors (at all times). Violation of this rule will attract suitable penalty and punishment as decided by the Hostel Management.

6 MESS:

6.1 Mess Committee

- Advisor
- Chief Warden
- Chairperson
- Hostel Coordinators
- Members
- Mess Secretaries of all hostels

The committee will be reporting to Chief Warden, who will be the advisor

The following will be the responsibility of the committee

- Maintaining the quality of food
- Maintaining the hygiene
- Checking the quality of the raw material used for cooking
- To keep the food waste in control
- All other issues related to working of the mess.

6.2 The weekly menu will be prepared by the Mess Committee and the menu will be displayed on the Notice Board. Changes in the menu, if necessary, can be made by the Mess Committee.

6.3 Discipline should be maintained in the dining Hostel .

6.4 Food will not be served in rooms and the hostellers are not supposed to take food from the dining Hostel to their rooms. If a hosteller is ill, the Hostel Management will make suitable arrangements for his/her food.

6.5 The hostellers (except mess committee members) should not enter the kitchen.

6.6 Mess Off rules

Student can avail mess off on following ground

During Mid-semester break, if any

When student goes out on Institute related official work.

When student goes out on personal leave (maximum 10 days per semester).

On medical grounds (when the student goes on medical leave).

Special cases as deemed appropriate by the chief warden.

6.7 In all cases, the student has to send the request through OAS at least one day in advance.

7 HOSTEL MAINTENANCE AND CLEANLINESS

7.1 It is the responsibility of the Hostel Management to look after and take care of the general maintenance and cleanliness of the Hostel premises including the building, court-yards and the toilets. All hostellers shall whole-heartedly cooperate in these endeavors.

7.2 The hostellers should take care of the cleanliness of their rooms.

7.3 Hostel Maintenance Committee

To plan, supervise and carry out the responsibilities mentioned at 7.1, a Hostel Maintenance Committee consisting of the following members shall be constituted:

- i) Warden --- Chairperson
- ii) Assistant Warden(s)
- iii) Three regular boarders --- Elected by the Hostellers
- iv) Resident Warden
- v) Hostel Caretaker --- member secretary

8 RAGGING:

8.1 Ragging in any form is banned. Severe punishment, including expulsion from the Hostel and the Institute, shall be imposed on any resident if he/she is found to have indulged in ragging.

8.2 Ragging is a cognizable offense. The offender shall also be dealt as per laws of the state.

8.3 Any fresher, or any resident, if subjected to any form of ragging, must report the incident immediately to the Hostel Authorities. Non-reporting of the incident by a victim shall also be considered as an offense.

8.4 Any resident, for that matter any person / student, if they are witnesses to an incident of ragging, must report the same immediately to the Hostel Authorities and/or Institute Authorities. Failure to do so shall be considered as a serious offence and shall be dealt with at par with the perpetrators of ragging.

8.5 When the students/hostellers committing or abetting the crime of ragging could not be identified, collective punishment on a group or all the hostellers may be resorted to as a deterrent measure.

8.6 All boarders and day-scholars attached to the Hostel are required to sign an Anti-Ragging undertaking as per stipulated guidelines and submit these to the Hostel office.

9 MATTERS RELATED TO TIMING AND ABSENCE FROM HOSTEL

9.1 You should be within campus by 10:30 pm (campus is defined between SBI ATM and Badminton Court for South campus and see Annexure-A for North campus). Students are advised not to go beyond the badminton court in south campus after 7 p.m. in winter (Sept- March) and 8 p.m in summer (April- August).

9.2 If you enter the campus after 10:30 pm, then make an entry at the security post, and show the approval (if any) for the same. Strict action may be taken against those who enter after 10 pm without prior approval.

9.3 B.Tech., M.Sc. and MA students need to make an entry with signatures in the hostel

register or with their finger print on the biometric system between 9 pm and 12 am every day (no proxies). M.Tech., I.Ph.D., M.S. and Ph.D. students are exempted from making entry in the hostel register every day.

- 9.4 If any hostellers wants to go out of campus and not beyond Mandi town between 6.00 AM and 9.30 PM, They should enter their names in the register kept in the Hostel office for this purpose indicating the time of leaving the Hostel and expected time of return with dates, PhD and MS students are exempt.
- 9.5 If any hostellers want to go out of campus and beyond Mandi town after 9.30 PM, should fill the "Intimation form for traveling beyond Mandi town" and submit the same to the hostel caretaker. This form requires approval from the hosteller's parent / guardian.
- 9.6 Residents below the age of 18 should seek written permission from the warden to go out of campus and beyond Mandi town during any time of the day and night.

10 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 10.1 All hostellers are required to maintain standards of behavior expected of students of an Institute of National Importance. They are expected to behave courteously and fairly with everyone inside and outside the Hostel and campuses.
- 10.2 You need to keep noise-level low after 10 pm on campus (thus, you are not allowed to make loud noises by shouting, clapping etc. between 10pm & 6am).
- 10.3 The rooms, common areas and surroundings of the Hostel should be kept clean and hygienic.
- 10.4 Any acts of vandalism shall be dealt with severely and shall attract penalty.
- 10.5 All hostellers are required to produce, whenever asked, their valid identity cards issued to them by the Institute.
- 10.6 Defacing the walls, doors, windows, and shelves of the hostel rooms is prohibited and shall be met with penalty.
- 10.7 A room is allotted to a student on his/her personal responsibility. He/she must take care of the cleanliness and maintenance of his/her room.
- 10.8 Hostellers must also take care of the Hostel and its environment.
- 10.9 If any maintenance work (Civil, Carpentry, Electrical, and Sanitation) is required to be carried out in the rooms, corridors, toilets or any other place in the Hostel premises, boarders should bring it to the notice of the Hostel Authorities.
- 10.10 Boarders must cooperate in carrying out maintenance work and vacate their rooms completely when the Hostel Administration requires the rooms for this purpose. On such occasions, the Management shall provide alternative accommodation.
- 10.11 The resident of a room is responsible for any damage to the property in the room during his/her occupancy or at the time of vacating the room. If any furniture or fixture under the responsibility of the resident is found to be damaged or broken, the Hostel Management shall take strict disciplinary action including levying a monetary penalty

- equal to the market price of the item and a fine.
- 10.12 In case of any damage or loss of Hostel property, the cost of repairing/replacing the same will be recovered from the boarders responsible for such damage or loss, if identified; otherwise, the same will be recovered from all the students of the wing/Hostel, as decided by the Hostel Management.
- 10.13 The resident shall not move any furniture from its allotted place. If there is any additional item in a room other than those belonging to the Hostel, the occupant of the room shall hand it over to the Hostel staff, failing which he/she will be charged a penal rent as decided by the Hostel Management.
- 10.14 The resident shall not remove any fitting or fixture from any room or common area.
- 10.15 Hostellers should not participate in any anti-national, antisocial or any other undesirable activity within or outside the campus.
- 10.16 The boarders will be responsible for the safe keeping of their own property. In the event of loss of any personal property of a resident due to theft, fire or any other cause, the Hostel Management shall in no way be considered responsible.
- 10.17 Ragging is strictly prohibited. Any violations shall be dealt with very severely (as per law in force) and could lead to expulsion from both hostel and the Institute.
- 10.18 Any undesirable activity designed to disturb others or cause bodily harm or danger to others shall attract penalties/fines.
- 10.19 The entry of opposite genders in a hostel (boys in girls' hostels and girls in boys' hostels) is restricted to the study room/common room till 10 pm. Between 10 pm and 6am, opposite genders should return to their own hostel.
- 10.20 You shall not possess any weapons that can be used to cause harm to others.
- 10.21 All visitors to the hostel including parents / guardians shall have to make necessary entries in the visitors' book available with the Caretaker/ Security guard.
- 10.22 No crockery/utensils shall be taken from the mess to the hostel room except for sick/convalescing hostellers. Violation of the same shall attract fine.
- 10.23 Any complaints or suggestions regarding the quality of food and water in the hostel should be brought to the immediate attention of the Warden/Asst. Warden/General Sec. /Mess Sec. for corrective action.
- 10.24 Kindly refrain from ordering fast/packed food to the hostel rooms from any outside agencies.
- 10.25 The use of electrical appliances such as immersion heaters, electric stoves, heaters, electric irons is strictly forbidden in the hostel and so is cooking inside the rooms. Such appliances, if found, shall be confiscated and fines imposed.
- 10.26 Hostellers must observe decorum in the hostel, especially in the common rooms and dining areas. Please be dressed properly.
- 10.27 Parties, functions, or any meetings within the hostel premises are not allowed without specific permission of the Warden or Asst. Warden. Students can use Mess/canteen for the same

10.28 Hostel Internet facilities shall be shut down from 12 a.m. to 6 a.m. every day for all the users except during the exams.

10.29 Engaging personal attendants is prohibited.

10.30 In the Hostel premises the following acts are strictly prohibited:

- Smoking
- Consumption of alcoholic drinks
- Consumption of drugs
- Gambling
- Intimidation or violence
- Willful damage to property
- Entering the Hostel premises in an intoxicated state
- Using abusive languages
- Body shaming
- Employing unauthorized persons for personal work such as washing clothes,
- Repair of Hostel property, etc.
- Cooking in the room or on the Hostel premises
- Using two-wheelers and/or motor vehicles of any kind.

10.31 Hostel management reserves the right to make surprise inspections in order to ensure that this code of conduct is followed both in letter and in spirit.

11 DISCIPLINARY MEASURES

Any hosteller, who is found to be indulging in undesirable and offensive activities such as ragging, physical assault, damage to property, causing inconvenience to other hostellers, noncompliance of any of the conduct rules or violation of any other rule stipulated in several clauses under various sections and subsections, shall be subjected to disciplinary action by the Hostel Management as stipulated under the relevant clause after a proper enquiry. Moreover, depending upon the gravity of the offence if the Hostel Management so considers, the case may be forwarded to the Students Welfare and Disciplinary Committee for further necessary action.

12 GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL

If any boarder feels aggrieved on any matter concerning running of the Hostel or its Mess, he/she may approach the Hostel Management in writing for help, guidance and/or redressal of the grievance. Depending on the nature of the grievance, the Hostel Management may refer the case to the Institute Students Welfare and Disciplinary Committee for further action. The following is the hierarchy to be followed for addressing any grievance:

Caretaker / Hostel Secretary -> Hostel Affairs Secretary -> Hostel Warden -> Chief Warden -> Dean Students

13 RIGHTS OF HOSTEL MANAGEMENT

The Hostel Management reserves the right to initiate amendment of the rules and regulations stated hereinbefore from time to time as felt necessary. The hostellers shall be informed of any amendment becoming effective through circulars displayed on the Hostel notice boards.

14 APPELLATE AUTHORITY

In case of any dispute or any grievance not being satisfactorily taken care of, a hosteller may make an appeal to the Dean (Students) through the Warden for redressal. The Dean (Students) can further raise the issue to the Director of the Institute. The decision of the Director on the matter shall be considered as final and binding.

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