

हरकोटे बटलर प्राविधिक विश्वविद्यालय

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Co-operative Hostel Mess run by Students

The hostel messes of the university are run as co-operative by the students from last two decades under general supervision of the warden and team of students. The inmates are required to follow the mess rules strictly. All the inmates are required to join the hostel mess. However warden may exempt a student from the hostel mess on medical grounds for a specified period.

All the hostel inmates are required to deposit a sum of Rs. 36,000/- (Rupees Thirty Six Thousand Only) per annum. Mess Advance Charges of Rs. 18,000/- (Rupees Eighteen Thousand Only) per semester will be deposited in respective hostel account at start of each (odd and even) semester. At the end of year, the Mess Secretary will prepare the account of the student. No dues will be given to the student by the warden only after all the dues are paid.

The following mess rules are applicable for smooth running of messes:

- Mess will be run by the inmates under the general supervision of the Wardens. An
 Executive Committee consisting of elected or nominated student members of the hostel
 will be formed for management of the mess. The duties and responsibilities will be divided
 amongst the members of the committee for smooth running of the mess.
- The Mess Secretary will prepare the account with the help of the Committee members and circulate it within 3 days of the closure of the month.
- Only full day Mess offs may be allowed to such inmates who have taken prior station leave permission from the wardens.
- Outsiders i.e. those not residing in the hostel cannot normally become a member of the mess. However, the Warden is empowered to allow outsiders to take meals in the mess for a brief period only.

Evidence of Success:

The community hostel messes have the following benefits:-

- The students get hygienic food at most economical rates.
- The menu of the messes is decided by the students hence there is a least wastage of food.
- The quality of food ingredients is better as the branded items are purchased
- The fresh vegetables for the messes keep the students healthy.
- The students get managerial skills by running messes.
- Any surplus food items or waste are properly managed by distributing it to the needy people and nearby dairy.
- The mess workers being from rural areas and stay in the hostel, hence during pandemic conditions, the health issues were minimized.



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- The students keep a proper watch on the health and hygiene issues of the mess workers and give adequate wages for their families wellbeing.
- A comparison of the monthly expenditure of all hostel messes, initiate the debate on control of mess rates and improving the facilities.





(a) Studenst eating in the mess in boys Hostel (b) Weakly menu for students (c) & prepartion of foods



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(a) & (b) Studenst eating and taking food in the hostel $\,$ (c) prepartion of foods (d) Team of staff members cooking food in the mess.