Accommodation Policy for Divyangjan



Harcourt Butler Technical University Kanpur



Preamble

Harcourt Butler Technical University (HBTU), Kanpur, established in 2016 by the Government of Uttar Pradesh, is a premier technical university with a rich legacy dating back to 1921 as the erstwhile HBTI. The university is known for its commitment to academic excellence, research, and holistic development of students in engineering, technology, and applied sciences.

In alignment with its inclusive vision and in accordance with guidelines issued by the University Grants Commission (UGC) and Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, of 2016, the university prohibits discrimination against individuals with physical and mental disabilities. HBTU Kanpur has taken significant steps to ensure that students with disabilities are provided with equal opportunities and accessible facilities. HBTU Kanpur remains committed to fostering an inclusive campus environment where all students, irrespective of their physical abilities, can thrive academically and socially.

Scope

This policy applies to all students, faculty, and staff with disabilities at Harcourt Butler Technical University (HBTU), Kanpur. It ensures the provision of accessible infrastructure, priority-based accommodation, and necessary support services to promote equal opportunity, dignity, and full participation in academic and campus life.

Objectives

- To foster an inclusive environment that promotes equality and eliminates discrimination, exploitation, or segregation of students and staff with disabilities in all educational and institutional activities.
- To establish an effective regulatory framework for the seamless and efficient delivery of support services to individuals with disabilities within the institution.
- To fully comply with and implement all applicable laws and regulations related to the rights and welfare of persons with disabilities.
- To ensure equal access, opportunities, and active participation for individuals with disabilities across all domains of university life.
- To allocate appropriate financial resources necessary for achieving the stated objectives and supporting inclusive initiatives.

Current Initiatives





- Admission of Divyangjan students as per state Government reservation rules
- Online payment of hostel, mess and academic fees.
- Allotment of ground floor rooms in hostels to differently-abled students, with priority and as per their convenience.
- Room allotment in hostels will be done through the new system 'Samarth Portal'.
- Ramp-up and ramp-down facilities for differently-abled students in academic areas, hostels and washrooms.
- Washroom (urinals and lavatory) for differently-abled students
- Lift/Escalators facilities for differently-abled students in academic areas.
- Bus facility operation for students' transportation.
- Rules applicable in hostels and hostel mess for both regular and differently-abled students.
- Efforts made to ensure that the differently-abled faculty members are allowed to engage their classes on ground floor.
- Provision of reservation in recruitment for faculty members and staff of the university.

Future Plans

- Expand accessible facilities, including ramps, elevators, tactile paths, and accessible restrooms across all university buildings and hostels.
- Introduce assistive technologies such as screen readers, speech-to-text tools, and accessible digital platforms for academic use.
- Provide wheelchair-accessible campus transport for students and staff with mobility impairments.
- Conduct regular training for staff and hostel wardens on disability inclusion and sensitivity.
- Efforts for recruitment of vacant positions of faculty and staff so that adequate representation of differently-abled persons.
- Regular review of the policies to ensure that it remains relevant and effective. Revisions will be made in consultation with relevant stakeholders, representations from diverse groups etc.

The Institution has disabled-friendly, barrier free environment

• The University takes care of disabled persons and has arranged ramps at important locations. In addition, there is a lift for this purpose which facilitates such persons. For more details click on the following link: