

To,  
Chairman  
Academic Senate  
IIT Kanpur

Subject: To reconsider the ban on the cultural activities imposed on the residents of Hall of Residence II

Respected Sir,

In light of the decision of the Academic Senate, on the recommendations of the S-SAC and Women's Cell, to restrict the residents of the Hall of Residence II, from taking part in cultural activities, I would like to appeal to you and the Academic Senate to reconsider this decision which has been taken.

This ban has adversely affected the current second year students residing in Hall of Residence II, acting as an active barrier in their participation and growth in cultural activities that take place in the institute. It will continue to affect the current first year students in a greater fashion and this trend will follow, till all opportunities for cultural growth shall be exterminated from the Hall. The students that face the extended punishment, do so with no fault of their own and shall continue to do so for the years to come.

This ban will be a hindrance for all those students who want to follow their passions and express themselves culturally and which goes against one of the basic principles on which the institute was built – "freedom".

Galaxy, the cultural competition of the Gymkhana is the primary opportunity for students to get absorbed in the cultural council of the Gymkhana and hone their skills in different cultural arts. The first year students of Hall of Residence II will be robbed of this opportunity and this decision may result in their complete absence from the activities of the cultural council over their entire stay in the campus.

I humbly request you to take into consideration the implications of this decision on the lives of us students and allow us to participate in the various cultural activities organized and monitored by the Student's Gymkhana.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

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President,  
Hall of Residence II