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# Mid-Term Report (2016-17) Council Of Students for Hostel Affairs (COSHA)

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## **Major Items**

- Hall Allocation Policy 2016-17
  - i. The initial policy for 2016-17 was presented in the 1<sup>st</sup> Special meeting of COSHA. However, due to non-completion of Hall 12 and GH-2, the policy was greatly reformed during the summer. The updated policy was formed on discussion with all halls and the Counselling Service, and has been implemented.
  - ii. Hall 12 is expected to be completed by October and will be in use from the next semester. GH2 is partially completed and its occupancy for the next semester shall be discussed in COSHA.
- Constitution of the COSHA (Appendix C of the Constitution)
  - i. A draft of the constitution of the COSHA was circulated on the Appendices Committee list in the beginning of the semester. It has been discussed in the committee and, along with the committee's recommendations shall be brought to the Senate for approval.
- Electricity Issue
  - i. The issue has been discussed elaborately in COSHA. A sub-committee was formed over the COSHA list to look into this over the summer. The sub-committee submitted a proposal to DOSA, including its recommended model(s) along with their justifications and the opinions of the general body. The same was forwarded to the IWD and post several rounds of discussion, a model was agreed upon jointly. The final proposal is to be discussed with the Director, IIT Kanpur.
  - ii. For the summer, a uniform MEC was charged from all Halls. The existing policy was implemented for calculating electricity charges.
- Centralized Mess Committee
  - i. The Centralized Mess Committee was formed in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Special Meeting of the COSHA, as a (standing) sub-committee of the COSHA. The 1<sup>st</sup> meeting was held on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> August 2016, where issues common across all messes, like price

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discrepancies in products, food wastage, common MEC for all halls, were discussed. The ADHA was also present in the meeting to guide us in this respect.

#### • Common HEC Elections

- i. A proposal to hold HEC elections annually in two slots (one each semester) was discussed in the COSHA. The proposal was discussed at length in the 2nd Special COSHA meeting and in the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Students' Senate. HEC elections shall now be held as per a 3 tier structure simultaneously in several Halls. Some members of the Election Council, Students' Gymkhana shall also be part of the Hall-level election commissions. The CEO, Students' Gymkhana shall have the authority to take necessary actions to ensure elections in consultation with the Hall-level CEO, respective warden and the ADHA.
- ii. The proposal has been discussed and passed by the Senate. Elections have been held in Hall 6 accordingly.

## Electricity Charges

i. The report of the Institute level committee formed to review the Electricity Charges recovered from students was presented in COSHA and the relevant concerns and suggestions raised were conveyed to the committee, further the committee decided to recommend a monthly bill system format analogous to the Mess Bill Format. The method will be implemented from the coming semester onwards. The MEC will also be revised when this gets implemented.

#### COSHA Website

 The COSHA website has been revamped from its previous version to allow easier editing and provide all related details in one place. The site shall be completed by the end of September 2016. COSHA has also requested all the HEC's to keep their Hall Websites updated.

## • Action Taken Report (ATR)

i. COSHA 2015-16 had accepted the proposal to keep an ATR, so as to be better informed of the proceedings of COSHA. The ATR shall be presented in the upcoming meeting of COSHA by the Convener, COSHA.

#### **Additional Items**

1) Pools for the General Championship 2016-17 were formed and agreed upon unanimously. The final policy has been passed in the Senate.



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2) The Gymkhana fund for pools was decided not to be alloted this year. The decision was taken in agreement with all pool captains and the Finance Convener. Considering the timing, an amount of Rs. 20,00/- was alloted to each pool for Takneek'16.

#### **Recommendations:**

• All the Halls and Hall Offices are requested to maintain an accurate, complete and updated record of the residents of the Hall. The data of Hall Offices has been often been found to be incomplete or outdated.