

Report on Student Hunger



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Year 2024-25



SDG-2	ZERO HUNGER
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Student food support runs through the hostel mess and canteen system and begins at admission. The ERP form that every hostel student fills in asks for a preferred menu, so the mess plans meals around what residents will actually eat. For students who find it hard to meet food costs, the University runs a Mess/Canteen Concession Scheme that gives free or discounted meals to eligible students.

Under it, economically vulnerable students receive free or subsidized meals, students identified as needy are provided breakfast, lunch and dinner, and partial support is given towards mess or canteen charges. A student who hits temporary financial hardship can get food assistance for that period, and essential items such as rice, pulses, flour and oil are given free where required. The University collaborates with NGOs, charitable organizations and food banks for this support, and surplus food is redistributed safely to students in need. Students are also given awareness on affordable, nutritious and balanced diets.

The ERP menu-preference form and the records of each of these support measures are attached below.



DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

- ✓ Student preferred menu (ERP form filled during hostel admission)
- ✓ Free/subsidized meals for economically vulnerable students
- ✓ Provision of breakfast, lunch and dinner to identified needy students
- ✓ Partial financial support for mess/canteen charges
- ✓ Food assistance for students facing temporary financial hardship
- ✓ Free essential food items such as rice, pulses, flour and oil
- ✓ Collaboration with NGOs, charitable organizations or food banks
- ✓ Awareness on affordable, nutritious and balanced diets
- ✓ Free or discounted meals for eligible students (Mess/Canteen Concession Scheme)
- ✓ Safe redistribution of surplus food to students in need

