# Life @ IISER Mohali



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Road from hostel complex to main gate



IISER Mohali campus layout

Google Maps

### **Welcome Note**

Dear Student,

It is our pleasure to welcome you to IISER Mohali. We truly hope that you will find your stay at the Institute both educative and enjoyable. You will find the academic programme here both rigorous and interesting. Our faculty members are committed to research and teaching. The faculty on their part will be more than happy to help you in every way they can.

We strongly encourage you to attend all classes without fail. The academic calendar is available on our website at: <u>http://www.iisermohali.ac.in/academic-calendar</u> For course details, please visit: <u>http://www.iisermohali.ac.in/course-structure</u>

Our campus provides you with opportunities to participate in a whole range of things including sports, cultural and various club activities. This booklet has more to say on these opportunities.

This booklet also contains information that you may find useful during your stay here at IISER Mohali. Please go through the rules and regulations of the Hostels as given in this booklet. Please note that the students at IISER Mohali have the benefits of health insurance.

Ragging is strictly prohibited in this Institute. The Institute follows a zero-tolerance policy with regard to sexual harassment. If you experience any difficulty in these regards, do not hesitate to bring it to the notice of any of the Wardens or myself.

We, the Wardens, Hostel caretakers, Office staff and Dean (Students), will do everything possible to make your stay memorable. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need any help whatsoever. We take this opportunity to wish you the very best in everything you do. Welcome to IISER Mohali.

(Anu Sabhlok) Dean Students



### **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

#### A. General Conduct Rules

- 1. The Institute prohibits ragging and sexual harassment. This booklet has sections that tells you what constitutes ragging and sexual harassment. You are encouraged to inform the Dean Students, the Wardens or the SRC Convenor, and (in the case of sexual harassment) the Committee Against Sexual Harassment (CASH) members if you face/come across an incident of ragging or sexual harassment.
- 2. Take proper care of the furniture and electrical fittings in the allotted single/double occupancy rooms. A fine may be imposed on the student on improper use or negligence.
- 3. While the Institute will provide you with a mattress, you will have to bring your own bedsheets, pillows and blankets. The mattress must not be used without a bedsheet.
- 4. It is your responsibility to keep your room clean. Towards this end, adequate support staff will be provided to keep the hostels clean. Avoid putting up notices on the wall that deface or spoil it. Under no circumstances should any form of trash be flushed down the toilet.
- 5. Cooking in the hostel rooms is strictly prohibited.
- 6. Please do not play loud music or do anything that will disturb other students of the hostel.
- 7. Smoking, consumption or possession of alcohol, tobacco, gutka, marijuana, illegal drugs etc. are strictly prohibited in the Hostel and Institute premises. Entering the Hostel or Institute premises in an inebriated state and causing nuisance will attract strict disciplinary action. Any of the above actions will attract strict measures.
- 8. Each hostel is divided into two separate wings for girls and boys. Entry for boys in the girls' wing, and vice versa, is not permitted. Trespassing of any kind will attract strong action. Please read about gender sensitization and understand what constitutes sexual harassment. Any related incident should be brought to the notice of the Dean Students or the Wardens.
- 9. In case of necessity, the Wardens and the Dean Students will have unconditional access to any of the rooms. If the room in question belongs to a female student, the access will be gained only in the presence of a female Warden. The female student has the right to demand the presence of a female Warden when such access is being sought.
- 10. During summer and winter vacation periods, students need to submit their room keys unless an explicit approval from the dean student has been obtained. The room might be used to house guests/summer research students etc. during this period.

- 11. Use of Vehicles: As per the rules of the Institute, possession and use of any motorized vehicles within the Institute premises, by the students of IISER Mohali, is strictly prohibited. Any violation of this rule will attract disciplinary action. All students will be required to submit an undertaking in a prescribed form for the above regulation and expected to strictly abide by this rule. Student using bicycles must park their bicycles in the designated area of the Hostels.
- 12. Please carry your Institute identity card at all times and show it to the Security guards if asked. This is a procedure that is meant to ensure your own safety, so that no unauthorized persons enter the Hostel or Institute premises. Your cooperation in this regard is therefore very important.
- 13. In case of an emergency, such as a medical emergency, please do not hesitate to call the Caretakers, Wardens or Dean Students at any time of the day or night. The contact information of the concerned persons can be found in this booklet. We assure you of our attention at all times to resolve any emergency. For non-emergency issues, Dean Students and Wardens are available only during normal office hours.

#### **B.** Time regulations

- **1.** All BS-MS students are expected not to leave the Institute premises between 12:00 am to 6:00 am, except for specific reasons of health or emergency.
- 2. If for any reason you have to be away from the Institute premises beyond midnight, prior approval from the Wardens/Dean Students must be obtained. A duly approved gate pass must be obtained prior to leaving the Institute premises, if you expect not to return to the Institute before midnight. A gate pass will be issued only for valid reasons, such as boarding or returning by a late-night train. The gate pass will be issued by the Warden designated for the purposes of issuing the gate pass. Gate passes can be obtained only before 7 pm. First year BS-MS students are not eligible for Gate Pass.
- **3.** Since gate passes are typically only issued to those traveling out of station, make sure that you have obtained hostel leave and the pre-requisite academic leave for the period of your absence prior to applying for a gate pass.
- **4.** All public functions and activities must be concluded before 10pm.

#### C. Guests

- 1. A limited number of guest rooms are available on payment for visits of the students' immediate family members for a maximum period of three days. The student has to seek a prior approval through the ERP link. Please check the IISER Mohali website to obtain the required form. There are prescribed guest room charges applicable.
- 2. Students will not be allowed to entertain guests within the Hostel premises for overnight stay, without the prior permission of the Wardens. Strict disciplinary actions

will be taken if a student is found to be doing so. In case you need to have guests in your room, make sure that you obtain permission from the wardens by applying well in advance. No permissions are granted post-facto. Prescribed guest charges will be applicable.

#### **D.** Leave Rules

- Students are free to move in and out of the campus during the day. However, students cannot stay off the Institute premises even for a single night without prior permission of Wardens or Dean Students. Therefore, if you are planning to be off campus even for a single night, you need to formally apply and obtain permission from wardens/Dean Students. This includes weekends as well as all holidays that fall during the semester period. This does not apply during vacation period. Leave must be applied for via the ERP system.
- 2. If you have to be away on a working day, academic leave must be obtained prior to applying for hostel leave. Academic leave must be applied for on the ERP system and must be forwarded to the office of the Dean Academics by your mentor. Permission must be obtained from Dean Academics for such absence. You must also intimate the office of the Dean Students of such leave through an application for hostel leave on the ERP system.



#### E. Hostel Mess Facility

- 1. The institute provides mess facilities to the students.
- 2. For first year students it is mandatory to avail the mess facility and they are required to pay mess charges in advance for the entire semester.
- 3. If you are away for a day from the hostel, you may apply for a mess off (=hostel leave). The amount for the mess off can be claimed.
- 4. Carrying food and plates out of the mess area to any other place such as your room, gym area etc is strongly discouraged.
- 5. Any feedback or issues regarding mess facilities must be given to the student representatives of the hostel concerned, who will bring up the issues with the Wardens and Dean Students for follow up and action.
- 6. Cordial behaviour towards the mess workers is expected. Any issues regarding food should be brought to the notice of Dean Students/ Wardens/Student Representative Council (SRC).
- 7. Mess off during weekdays are permitted only for academic reasons and students have to produce proof of academic leave from the office of the Dean Academics while applying for hostel leave.

#### F. Anti-Ragging rules

- 1. The Institute has zero-tolerance towards ragging. Any act of teasing or use of abusive words, acts causing physical or mental harassment shall be treated as ragging. Ragging is a legally cognizable offense which can attract strict action including expulsion from the Institute. A copy of the UGC regulations on anti-ragging in higher educational institutions (published in The Gazette of India July 4, 2009) is available at the IISER Mohali website and main notice boards. The institute has anti-ragging committee as per the guidelines of the Honourable Supreme Court. Any complaint regarding ragging should be reported immediately to this committee without any inhibition or reservation. The following are penal provisions applicable to ragging:
  - 1.1 Abetment to ragging
  - 1.2 Criminal conspiracy to rag
  - 1.3 Unlawful assembly and rioting while ragging
  - 1.4 Public nuisance created during ragging
  - 1.5 Violation of decency and morals through ragging
  - 1.6 Injury to body, causing hurt or grievous hurt
  - 1.7 Wrongful restraint
  - 1.8 Wrongful confinement
  - 1.9 Use of criminal force
  - 1.10 Assault as well as sexual offences or unnatural offences
  - 1.11 Extortion
  - 1.12 Criminal trespass
  - 1.13 Offences against property
  - 1.14 Criminal intimidation
  - 1.15 Attempts to commit any or all of the above mentioned offences against the victim(s)
  - 1.16 Threat to commit any or all of the above mentioned offences against the victim(s)
  - 1.17 Physical or psychological humiliation
  - 1.18 All other offences following from the definition of "Ragging"

#### Anti-ragging helpline numbers:

Dr. Anu Sabhlok (Dean Students)	6283315051
Dr. Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay(Warden)	9674941981
Dr. Santosh B Sathbhai (Warden)	7347342835
Dr. Sanchita Sengupta (Warden)	8095970510
Dr. Neeraja Sahasrabudhe (Warden)	9892017273
Dr. Harvinder Kuar Jassal(Warden)	9357754427
Dr. Sandeep K. Goyal (Warden)	8572879340
Dr. Manjari Jain (Warden)	8288930946
Dr. Indranil Banerjee (Warden)	7044936698
Ms. Yogeet Brar (Counsellor)	9915066726
Ms. Priyanka Sharma	7018720242
Dr. Manabendra Nath Bera (Faculty Incharge of cultural Activities)	9163644275
Anti-Ragging Cell	18001805522

#### G. Measures Against Sexual Harassment

IISER Mohali is committed to ensure a work-culture devoid of sexual harassment coercion or exploitation. Article 15 of the Constitution prohibits discrimination on the ground of sex along with religion, race, caste and place of birth. It is desired that all students, faculty and staff of every description are subject to this policy whose violation invites appropriate disciplinary action by the "Committee Against Sexual Harassment of Women" (CASH) of the Institute. As per the rules, the CASH implements the recommendations of Justice Verma Committee Report (2013:<u>http://www.prsindia.org/uploads/media/Justice%20verma%20committee/js%20</u>verma %20committe%20report.pdf) and Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act (2013: <u>http://www.iitbbs.ac.in/notice/sexual-harrassment-of-women-act-and-rules-2013.pdf</u>). Because of the nature of its work, the CASH has been one of the most important bodies within the campus.

The CASH has three principal functions: A) conducting gender sensitization and orientation for students, faculty and the staff, B) managing and mediating crises, and C) undertaking formal and impartial enquiry and redressal with an aim to make IISER Mohali a zero-tolerance campus toward sexual harassment. Needless to mention, any member of the Institute can be made subject to investigations should a violation of these codes of conduct is brought to the notice of the CASH.

#### 1. What is the definition of sexual harassment?

"Any unwelcome sexually determined behaviour (whether directly or by implication) such as physical contact and advances, demand or request for sexual favours, sexually coloured remarks, showing pornography, or any other unwelcome physical verbal or non-verbal conduct of a sexual nature."

https://www.iist.ac.in/sites/default/files/womencell/VisakhaGuidelines.pdf

#### 2. Who can be a victim of sexual harassment?

The UGC-SAKSHAM (2013) mentions that "all women and some men can become targets of sexual harassment and violence. Such vulnerability is compounded by other axes of discrimination and exploitation, based on class, rural location, caste, minority identity, sexuality and so on". <u>https://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/5873997\_SAKSHAM-BOOK.pdf</u>

#### 3. Why is special legal protection for women needed?

Gender is the social interpretation of biological sex. It refers to the ways in which we get socialized as "men" and "women"— "one is not born, but rather becomes a woman" through the social allocation of tasks, expectations, stereotypes and responsibilities. These roles may transform with time and contexts. Other axes of inequality also mark women from certain groups as especially vulnerable in the university space on the basis of caste, class, disability, sexual orientation. Therefore, to make knowledge more accessible to socially disadvantaged groups, certain special protective measures have been formulated. Such measures are the key outcomes of women's movements across the globe in the last couple of centuries.

#### 4. What are the instances of sexual harassment?

a) "Derogatory comments of sexual nature or based on gender;

b) Presence of sexual visual material or pornographic material such as posters, cartoons, drawings, calendars, pinups, pictures, computer programs of sexual nature;

c) Written material that is sexual in nature, such as notes or e-mail containing sexual comments;

- d) Comments about clothing, personal behaviour, or a person's body;
- e) Patting, stroking grabbing or pinching one's body;
- f) Obscene phone calls;
- g) Telling lies or spreading rumours about a person's personal or sex life;

h) Rape or attempted rape and so on." (<u>http://www.mcrhrdi.gov.in/group1-</u> 2018/week3/Preventing%20SH%20at%20Workplace.pdf)

#### 5. What is "victim blaming"?

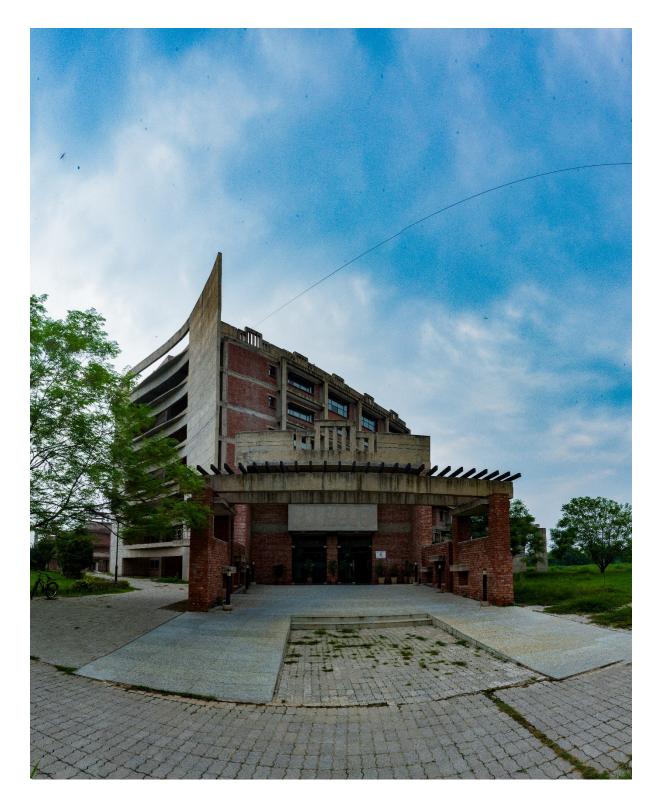
Victim blaming refers to the pervasive tendency of "blaming the victim" and holding her responsible for the harassment. The Institute recognizes this as an act of power by which the victim is coerced to withdraw complaint. The CASH actively prevents and counters acts of victim blaming in all instances and especially in cases of intimate partner violence.

#### 6. Does the CASH maintain confidentiality in its deliberations?

A key hindrance to the lodging of complaints of sexual harassment is the pervasive fear that the act of a complaint will result in negative publicity for the complainant. Confidentiality with regard to the details of the complaint, the complainant's identity and the person(s) who she has complained against is therefore adhered to. However, on its own, this is not enough, as confidentiality ought to continue both to the procedures employed in enquiries and the witnesses involved in them for the assurance to be genuinely substantial. Even the involvement of the parents/guardians of the complainant is subject to her consent.

#### 7. Whom to contact?

One may be encouraged to contact the Chairperson and members of the CASH. The list is available here: http://www.iisermohali.ac.in/commitee-against-sexualharassment/committees/committee-against-sexual-harassment. You may also contact the Dean (Students), Wardens, the Institute Counsellor and the members of the Students Representative Council (SRC). If too inconvenient for her, the victim may ask someone to report the case for her to the CASH. However, when the CASH takes the hearing, the victim/complainant must be present.



Library and Informatics Centre, IISER Mohali

Nakul Raj

### **Student Facilities and Activities**

#### A. Counselling Service

The Counselling Service at IISER Mohali will chiefly address the following areas:

- (a) Social and Emotional Counselling.
- (b) Academic and Professional Counselling.

#### Counsellors

We have two counselors who are very approachable and can be contacted at any time over the phone. Of course, they also have official visiting hours, the details of which can be seen in this booklet under 'medical facilities'. In addition, the following programs are run by the counselling services at IISER Mohali to help the students:

- Student Peer Mentorship Program: We have created student peer groups. Each group will be a mix of 5 students from 2<sup>nd</sup> 5th year BS-MS / senior Integrated PhD, PhD students. Each group will be assigned 8-10 students from the first year BS-MS batch. These peer groups will counsel the first- year students and help them grapple with academics and social life at IISER Mohali.
- 2. **Student Peer Teaching:** Institute will organize help sessions for students who require additional help with academics. The help sessions will be run during weekends and will be taught by senior students.
- 3. **Faculty Members:** The office of Dean Academics will identify a faculty mentor for each incoming BS-MS student. For PhD and Integrated PhD students, the heads of the respective departments will identify faculty mentors. The students will be expected to regularly meet their faculty mentors and get help in terms of academic and social life at IISER Mohali.
- 4. Academic and Professional Counselling: The Counselling Services partners with The Opportunities Cell at IISER Mohali to educate and counsel students about academic and professional opportunities available to them.

#### B. Library and Computing Centre

- 1. The Library remains open between 9.00 AM to 12.00 Midnight (Mon-Sat), 10.00 AM to 6.00 PM (Sun) and you are invited to make use of the facilities available here.
- 2. A Computing Centre with Internet facility is also available in the same building

#### C. Medical Facilities

1. In case of any medical emergency, please do not hesitate to call the Warden or Dean Students at any time of the day or night. We assure you of our attention at all

times to resolve any such emergency. Please note, the students have the benefits of health insurance.

2. We have a Health Centre, with Dr. Gurpreet Singh as the Medical Officer, who is available on all weekdays between 8.30AM -12.30 PM and 4.00 PM to 7.30 PM, for consultations.

3. In addition, Dr. Agarwal visits the Institute every day between 4.30 PM to 5.30 PM in the Health Centre , who also can be consulted for medical issues.

4. There is also a lady doctor, Dr. Virpal J Singh, who visits the Institute on Thursdays between 1.15 PM to 2.15 PM, who is also available for consultation.

5. More information regarding medical facilities can be obtained at <u>www.iisermohali.ac.in/health-centre/facilities/health-centre</u>

6. An Institute Car will be on call 24x7 to assist you in resolving medical emergencies, which you may avail of, if required.

Doctor	Specialization	Time	Contact	Venue
Dr. Gurpreet Singh Medical Officer		Monday to Friday: 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM and 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM	9417360233	Health Centre
		Saturday: 8:30 AM to 1:30PM		
Dr. S.K. Aggarwal	Surgeon & Physician	Monday to Friday: 4:30 PM 9815691982 to 5.30 PM		Health Centre, No. 11
Dr. Paramjit Singh	Pediatrician	Tuesday & Saturday: 9:15 9872809770 AM to 10:45 AM		Health Centre, No. 10
Dr. Virpal J.Singh	Gynaecologist	Thursday: 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM	9815156156	Health Centre, No. 10
Ms. Yogeet Brar	Counsellor	Sunday: 12:00 PM to 03:00 PM Monday & Tuesday: 3:00 PM to 06:00 PM	9915066726	Hostel-5, Room No:110
Ms. Priyanka Sharma	Counsellor	Monday to Friday: 10:0 AM to 5.00 PM	7018720242	Health Centre, Room

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- **D. Students Representative Council (SRC):** IISER Mohali has an elected student representation body to address issues of the students. The SRC also participates in formal forums such as the Library Committee and the Academic Senate.
- **E. Extracurricular activities:** IISER Mohali has sports and gymnasium facilities, a number of clubs such as music, dance, quiz, debate, etc. which you are invited to join and enjoy. You will be introduced to the conveners of these clubs in due course. Dr. Varadharaj Srinivasan is the Faculty-in-Charge of cultural activities.
- F. Gymnasium and Sports Facilities:
- 1. **Indoor Facilities:** Badminton, Chess hall and Yoga hall are established in the Community Center. Table Tennis hall is next to the Hostels. Yoga is taught by a qualified instructor every evening in the yoga hall. IISER Mohali has been a regular participant in the International Yoga Day celebrations.
- Gym Hall: A brand new, fully equipped Gym has been inaugurated in 2017. The Gym Hall is right next to Hostel 5. A qualified Gym instructor is available at all times. You need to register to use the Gym Facility. The Gym is equipped with latest machines i.e. 2 Multipurpose Gym-8 Station, Treadmills, Cross Trainers, Chest /Bench Press, Multipurpose Benches, Weights, Dumbbells etc.
- 3. **Outdoor Facilities:** IISER Mohali has a Multipurpose sports complex with a full-sized cricket and football ground. It has a beautiful pavilion to seat 1500 people. The grounds have flood light facility. This ground has a Standard Athletics grassy track of 400 meters and other standard track and field necessities. It also has Kabaddi courts and Kho Kho courts. The sports complex also has two synthetic basketball courts, two synthetic Tennis courts and two synthetic Volleyball courts. All courts have flood lights.
- 4. **Sports Instructor:** Dr. Kirpal Singh (9464283319) has been the sports instructor at IISER Mohali since 2012. He has overseen all Inter and Intra IISER events and is a champion footballer. He has led IISER Mohali to Team-Championship twice in Inter IISER Sports Meet.
- 5. Sports Activities by Students: Inter IISER Sports Meet (IISM) is the biggest sports fest for IISER students, a national level tournament where all the IISER's and other science institutes like NISER, IISc, CEBS, etc. participate. It is held annually in the month of December in one of the participating institutes and typically hosts more than a thousand participants who compete in several team, individual and athletic events. The



View of stands of cricket stadium in Sports Complex

6. preparations for IISM is done with coaches and regular practise sessions in full swing to fight for the championship for our own institute.

pic: Nakul Raj

- 7. During the spring semesters, IISER Mohali students organise an Intra-IISER sports meet where each batch competes against the others. A healthy body accommodates a healthy mind and we have extended our full support for the students to get the best of health to get the best out of your mind.
- 7. **Facilities for Cultural Activities:** The IISER Mohali student life is heavily tied to its clubs and cultural activities. The students have around 19 different clubs. These include the following:
  - (a) Literary and Debating Society (LDS)
  - (b) Music Club (ARIA)
  - (c) Astronomy Club
  - (d) Physics Club (PHI@I)
  - (e) Quiz Club (IMQC)
  - (f) Adventure and Sports Club
  - (g) Environment Club (Ambiente)
  - (h) Drama Club (Darpan)

- (i) Dance Club
- (j) Curie Club
- (k) Arts Club (Rang)
- (I) Photography and Videography Club
- (m) Mathematics Clusmathematics Club
- (n) Robotics Club
- (o) Biology Discussion Forum (BDF)
- (p) Gaming Club
- (r) Praxis (Humanities and Social Sciences)
- (s) Coding Club
- (t) Entrepreneurship Club



Star Trail image captured by members of Astronomy Club

All clubs are open to all students' participation and auditioning at the beginning of the year. The clubs are run by the students and the Coordinators of the clubs are elected by the students every year. The institute has generously funded and supported club activities and several facilities have been made available to the students for the same. These include:

(i) A 500-seater Air-Conditioned auditorium with sound, light and projection facility on and off stage and green rooms.

(ii) A Dance Room equipped with music system in Hostel 7.

- (iii) A Music Room with several musical equipment Hostel 8.
- (iv) A Drama Room in the Community Centre.

(v) An Art Room in the Health Centre.

Each club hosts activities throughout the year. You are encouraged to associate yourself with at least one club among the many that are active.

**Cultural Activities by Students:** Students of IISER Mohali participate in Extracurricular activities all year round. Some of the activities that are most popular among students are the following:

- i. Freshers' quiz by The Quiz Club, A Brighter Lamp
- ii. Darwin Day by the Biology Discussion Forum
- iii. Exam Busters by RAQQS, the dance club

The diversity in culture and language is celebrated through cultural programs and festivals throughout the year, during Onam, Baisakhi, and Independence Day to name a few. There are games organized for the entire IISER community, and a cultural program where students showcase their culture and heritage, creativity, and talent.

Besides all this, there is one awaited event every odd semester, where students from all batches perform in the auditorium, LH7, the Cultural Weekend. IISER Mohali's annual cultural and science fest, **'INSOMNIA'** takes place every even semester. The fest is a gathering of youth from across the country, to show their talent and skills and compete to win in cultural competitions, science competitions and quizzes. Many artists have performed at this young fest, including India's top band Parikrama, Spunk and the guitar legend Guthrie Govan.



Performance by Indian rock band SPUNK during INSOMNIA 2019



LHC Foyer decorated for INSOMNIA 2019



Birdwatching on campus (pic: Jain PK)

## **Hostel Administration**

The Hostel issues are taken care of by a number of people that include the Wardens, Caretakers, Office Staff and Dean Students, whose contact information is given below. Please do not hesitate to contact any of us if you need any help.

Name	Official	Phone Number	Email@iisermohali.ac	
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Dr. Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay	Warden (Boys)	9674941981	ritajyoti	
Dr. Santosh B Sathbhai	Warden (Boys)	7347342835	ssathbhai	
Dr. Sandeep K. Goyal	Warden (Boys)	8572879340	skgoyal	
Dr. Indranil Banerjee	Warden (Boys)	7044936698	indranil	
Dr. Sanchita Sengupta	Warden (Girls)	8095970510	sanchita	
Dr. Manjari Jain	Warden (Girls)	8288930946	manjari	
Dr. Neeraja Jahasrabudhe	Warden (Girls)	9892017273	neeraja	
Dr. Harvinder Kuar Jassal	Warden (Girls)	9357754427	hkjassal	
Dr. Anu Sabhlok	Dean Students	6283315051	anusabhlok	

Dean Students Office is located in the second floor of the Administrative Block.

The contact number of Hostel caretakers is given below. Please feel free to contact your caretakers for your day-to-day needs at hostel.

Mr. Brijesh: Caretaker of Hostel No. 5, 8968948338

Mr. Santosh: Caretaker of Hostel No. 6, 988152230

Mr. Satinder: Caretaker of Hostel No. 7, 9417237476

Mr. Manoj: Caretaker of Hostel No. 8, 9872582757

Ms Kalpana (Lady caretaker): Caretaker of all hostels, 9814408329



Artwork by students for INSOMNIA 2019



Sweating it out with a late evening football match

#### Weather at Mohali

Mohali has a four months of summer and four of winters with a short spring and monsoon in between. Between summer and winter, weather in Mohali swings from being extremely hot to being extremely cold. For those of you who are not used to the extreme weather conditions, it is recommended that you take appropriate care depending on the weather conditions. April to July can be extremely hot. During this type, avoid unnecessary exposure to the sun and drink plenty of water. The period between late November to early March can be very cold with temperatures dipping to a few degrees above zero. Dress in warm clothes, preferably using multilayers. Use good footwear at all times to keep your feet from getting cold. Spring brings with it a lot of colours in form of flowers and birds that visit campus. Monsson is short and sweet, turning the campus into an island of greenery in the city.

We hope you will have a good time exploring campus and a productive and enriching time at IISER Mohali.



Seasons @ IISER Mohali



Pookalam (Floral rangoli) for Onam celebration at IISER Mohali

pic: Jain PK