



# **Bharati Vidyapeeth's Institute of Management & Information Technology**

**CBD Belapur Navi Mumbai**  
(NBA Accredited)

## **Safety of Students**

Providing students with a safe environment is a key component in the overall success of your institution.

As per the guidelines on safety of students on and off campuses of higher educational institutions the Institute has implemented the Safety and Security measures in the Campus. Keeping student's safe in the institution is not only a necessary obligation of a well-functioning institution, but a key characteristic to maintain student interest.

With that in mind, the areas that the institution addresses to improve student safety on campus are as follows.

- Physical infrastructure is secured by a boundary wall of such height that it cannot be scaled over easily.
- The entry points are restricted to three or less and they are manned by at least three security guards, sufficiently armed, CC TV cameras, identity verification mechanism and register of unknown entrants/visitors with their identity proofs and contact details.
- The bags and other belongings of students/visitors are examined, manually and/or by metal detectors, in order to secure a weapon-free and violence-free campus
- Marking student attendance, both in classroom as well as hostels, to overcome proxy enable Institutes to keep an eye on a student's movement and whereabouts in fail safe manner.
- Students and staff should be provided easily identifiable and authentic ID cards and wearing of such cards in the institutional premises must be made compulsory by administration.

- Frequently visited junctions like canteen and notice boards, have helpline numbers against ragging, sexual harassment, accidents, calamities so that students can record and use them as and when required.
- Discrimination, verbal or behavioural, based on the caste, religion, colour, nationality sex, gender, sexual orientation and[WU1] social status is strictly prohibited and HEIs must do all it takes to ensure that such practices are nipped in the bud.
- “Students Counselling System” for the effective management of problems and challenges faced by students is in place.
- Parents-teachers meet (PTM) are organized so that grievances and gaps in system can be addressed and resolved. Online complaint registration system can also be launched so that issues can be addressed before they slip out of hands of authorities.
- A fire safety system under which mechanisms for the detection of a fire, the warning resulting from a fire and standard operating procedures for the control of fire are evolved. . Mock drills for fire situation are undertaken at least once in a semester
- Talks by officials of police and public administration departments and informative audio-video lectures are arranged at least once in a semester covering issues related to the safety of personal belongings, vehicles, personal information, ATM, special event safety, defensive sprays and so on.
- Self-defence training for women studying and working on campus through tie-ups with training institutions / NGOs should be made a mandatory component of extra-curricular activities undertaken
- Standards of quality and hygiene are strictly observed and the food on offer is certified through hygiene test report by expert doctor for foods, water and cleanings
- In the face of the increasing cases of sexual harassment and violence against women events are organized to :
  - Educate the campus community about sexual violence engage people in a commitment to get involved when they observe risky situations.

- Confront the oppressive stereotypes that are the basis for the disrespect that leads to interpersonal violence.
- Talk about healthy relationships and healthy sexuality, emphasizing the importance of communication and respecting personal boundaries
- Coordinate campus-wide awareness efforts, such as town hall meetings, lectures, and other open spaces for dialogue on sexual violence

### **Safety of Students while they are on Excursion/ Tours/ Academic trips etc.**

- Expedition activities are undertaken under the guidance and supervision of at least two trained teachers, of whom one is a lady teacher.
- The number of students who can collectively embark on such expedition are adjusted in accordance with the multiple factors like duration of the journey, the weather conditions, type of the route and manageability.
- In case number of students exceeds fifty, a qualified doctor with adequate supplies of medicines are included in the entourage.
- The itinerary and travel plan well in advance is circulated amongst the parents/guardians of the students who are setting out on journey.
- Any representation or suggestions made by parents in these regards are taken into consideration in the interest of the successful and safe organization of expedition
- Consent letters from the parents/guardians of the students who are embarking on tour are taken. Further, no excursion/ tours are undertaken without such insurance as would indemnify students against the various emergencies and risks.
- Before proceeding on tour all the students are properly briefed by the way of “training session” about the geography, climate, hazardous locations and risk zones existing in the proposed destination, codes on environmental protection, emergency procedures and basic first aid.

Teachers remind the participants of the importance of safety precautions, team spirit and discipline.

- The institutions ensures that each student is medically fit to be a part of the excursion tour.
- If the expedition involves camping, only such sites are selected as are designated for the purpose by various government agencies concerned. Further, the site are free from hazards such as flooding, dangerous slopes, falling rocks and dead trees etc.
- Students are allowed to carry personal communication devices such as mobile phones and are instructed to remain in constant touch with their parents / guardians. This would also facilitate casualty handling and communication in the event of an emergency.