



Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur
Office of International Relations

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To:
The Director
IIT Kharagpur

Dear sir:

Sub: Approval for joining of international students without vaccination and administering COVID -19 vaccines in India

This is to inform you that Office of International Relations (OIR) have received requests from some of our international students to allow them to join the Institute without vaccination since either vaccines administered in their home countries are not approved in India or they are not eligible for vaccination yet in their home countries. They have further requested for getting vaccinated after their arrival in India.

On 09-Aug-2021, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) issued a press release allowing foreign nationals residing in India to register on CoWin portal and get vaccinated using their passport as identity document. This enables the above-mentioned students to arrive in campus and get vaccinated in Kharagpur/Kolkata after their quarantine period. The office memorandum dt. 31-08-2021 from MoHFW

These students are very keen to come to IIT Kharagpur due to difficulties faced at their current locations due to inadequate broadband infrastructure, time zone difference forcing them to attend classes at unfriendly hours or volatile situation in their home countries.

In light of the above, I would humbly request you to

- a. Waive the requirement of vaccination for three international students and allow them to return to campus.
- b. Allow Office of IR to arrange for their isolation in PDF block 7th floor
- c. Allow Office of IR to facilitate their Covid vaccination on payment basis.

The above is placed for your kind consideration and approval

Associate Dean (IR & Ranking)

Dean (Outreach)

Enclosed:

1. MoHFW Press Release dt. 09-08-2021 and Office Memorandum 31-08-2021
2. Email requests from students
3. Correspondences with Dean, SA
4. Approval for return of foreign students