The Fresher's guide to H1

the Enlightened Abode
WELCOME!!!!

HI, The Queen of the Campus, would like to welcome you all to this prestigious Institute. Millions of people keep trying to get into IITs but only a special few can actually make it here. We are sure you too have many expectations about the standards of this institute. And we wish you have a pleasant and satisfying stay at Hostel 1. Consider this as your second home.

Hostel 1 is the first Hostel built in IITB campus in the year 1959!!! Many of your professors who are the alumni of IITB would have stayed here. The rooms here are more spacious than most of the other hostels of IITB. The best thing about HI is its location. HI is situated nearest to the academic area, so that even after waking up late you can have a quick breakfast and run to your classes 😊. Right opposite to HI is the student’s activities centre along with a swimming pool. So during programs like MoodI, you can easily sneak into the queue. HI is the research hub of IIT and that is definitely a thing for us to boast about.

You should know that Institute has minimum involvement in running these hostels. Almost every aspect of running a hostel is managed by the Hostel Council. Council is a student body elected by the inmates of this hostel. Every year a new council takes over and manages the various activities of the hostel. Council has been divided into several departments which are: Maintenance, Mess, Sports, Cultural and Computer. For further details you can log on to the hostel website http://hostel1.iitb.ac.in

This small booklet has been created to bring to your notice various details regarding the hostel especially a few rules to be followed, which would help us in making this hostel better. One of the main reasons to bring this up is that, every year there are a few nutcases who do not follow the rules and try to create annoyance to other HIites, or misuse the facilities provided to them. So kindly go through all the points written in this booklet without fail and follow them. It is also to be noted that the rules given here may need some timely additions, again, to improve the standard of living here. Remember that Council has the right to impose heavy fine on defaulter with the permission of our Warden.

Once again a grand Welcome!
Cultural Council (Cult)

IIT is among the top institutes in the world, not just because of its high academic standards but also because of its rich extracurricular activities. After hectic courses and research work it is always refreshing to get involved into several cultural activities. Every one among us has some hidden talents. And we, the cultural council of H1 will give you every possible opportunity to explore your talents. Be it singing, dancing, dramatics, fine arts or any literary works, we will be very happy to support you to present your skills.

We have inmates from different cultural backgrounds. So we have a practice of celebrating all festivals. Dahi-Handi(Janmashtami), Ganesh-pooja, Onam, Christmas etc. are grandly celebrated and every H1ite participates with infyenthu. So we expect that this tradition continues with your support.

In coming days get ready for various cultural competitions such as T-shirt design, H1 idol -singing competition, Antakshari etc. Actively participate in all those events. Keep checking the notice boards for the info. Hostel Picnic will also be arranged in good time.

There are various competitions at institute level also. And there is blood boiling rivalry among different hostels to win in these events and get the overall General Championship (GC) cult trophy. Soon you will have orientation from various clubs of IITB, related to different genres of cultural activities. Attend all of them. It is a wonderful experience to participate in these events and even more thrilling is to support our H1 team. I need not mention the wonderful opportunity of interacting with the rare species of IIT. You know what it means right!! So start forming teams and start practicing, because we have to rock this time in all the GC events.

Details of various competitions will be put up on the notice board. You can also check the details at the website: http://gymkhana.iitb.ac.in/~cultural/. We suggest you to join all the forums of your interest listed there to get timely details and schedules. Also join H1 Google group “iitb_h1forum”, as this is the way hostel interacts.

We have a music room of our own, filled with different musical instruments like Guitar, keyboard, table, drums etc. We also have a very rich collection of old LP discs though we don’t have a Gramophone☺. Use the room effectively without disturbing other inmates. You can avail the keys from the security. Also keep in mind not to damage any instrument and don’t take them outside without permission.

Don’t just be a maggu….. Participate in every cultural activity you are interested in. Remember that an IITian is smart enough to manage his time between studies and fun. Jyada pain mat lo yaar!
Sports council

“*A sound mind resides inside a healthy body*”. Is there any better way to keep your body healthy than to play games? That is why we at H1 have facilities for many games in house and have maintained an inventory which consists of sports equipments for almost all games being played at the institute. There is also a full-fledged gymnasium. The major advantage of H-1 is its location. All the institute sports centers are very near and can be made use of easily. The only possible shortage could be of players due to lack of enthusiasm.

**Indoor Games:**

- **Table Tennis:** There is a room specifically designed for TT. It is well lit and avoids disturbances due to air.
- **Badminton:** There are 2 baddy courts near the entrance.
- **Carom:** We have two carom boards in the TV room. Keep the board covered and use lamp to avoid moisture and roughening of the surface. Keep count of the coins and do not spill powder (boric) around. NEVER USE any other talcum powder etc.
- **Chess:** We have 2 sets of chess boards and pieces which can be issued and used.
- **Pool:** We have a pool table in the upper TV lounge. But it is a paid sport. You need to have a pool card obtained after payment of a minor amount.

**Outdoor Games:**

- **Cricket:** We have provision for bat, balls and stumps.
- **Football:** H1 has a football ground, with halogen lamps for night matches between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> wing. Just be careful enough so that you do not hit the window panes or the expensive halogens.

- **Volleyball:** Like footer we have an illuminated volleyball ground between the 3<sup>rd</sup> and the 4<sup>th</sup> wing.
- **Basketball:** This is next to the volleyball ground.
- **Tennis/Squash:** You can issue rackets for the same from the sports cupboards.

Play as much as you want but remember anything given free is taken for granted. Avoid this. Just a few words of caution though, so that we continue to be as well equipped...

- All items are to be issued against your ID Card. Also write down the exact no. of items you have issued and returning them is your responsibility.
- Use all the equipments as you own or else you will be forced to use your own.
- Pool table demands high maintenance. So please use the cue with great care. Use chalk and DO NOT scratch the table.
- We would be very happy to have your friends from outside play with us. But someone from within the hostel *must* be present. Also it will not be pleasant if outsiders are found using our equipments outside of hostel.
- Before using any of the sports equipment, make sure that it is in proper condition. If you find a damaged item immediately bring it to the notice of the sports councilor or the sports secretary before further using it.
- If some equipment is found to be damaged during regular checks, then the inmate, who has issued it last, will be fined.
- You can play outdoor games (footer, basketball, volleyball) within the hostel up to 12am in the night. We are trying to extend this limit, but till then avoid exceeding this limit.
PS: In the sports GC 11, we as a hostel need to bounce back strongly as the previous 2 years have not been good due to lack of players. Hope we can achieve higher places this year in the General championship.

Have a happy and healthy stay at H1.
Library & Literary (Lit)

HI freshies, welcome! You have all struggled very hard but have finally got through into one of the premier institutes in the country. And by premier we mean in all fields of student life be it academics, sports, extra-curricular activities and others. Among the many bragging features of HI is our library. We have over 1000 books of various genres including fiction, nonfiction, academic, self-improvement, regional etc. For those bookworms out there, you just might end up requesting the warden to change your room into the library! For those who are not, this is a great opportunity to get hooked on to the most popular hobbies of man/to start a lifelong passion. There are not only best-selling novels, but also books on history, biography, science, philosophy, sports and management which will not only increase your knowledge but also broaden your horizons and give an added polish to your personality (you will definitely need those for campus placements and other interviews later).

A few basic points to note about the library are given below:

- Library opens 2 times a week on Tuesday (Lower)/Thursday (Upper) from 19:30-20:30 Hrs.
- Inmates can issue 3 books at a time for up to 2 weeks.
- Books should be returned in the same or better condition.

Also associated with the library are the newspapers and magazines being subscribed in the lower TV room.

For full list of subscriptions please visit HI site.

Please note the following points with regard to the lower TV room subscriptions.

- Please do not take any paper/magazine out of the TV room.
- Please do not de-leaf the stapled paper.
- Please keep the magazines back in the rack and newspapers back in the blue basket after reading as by midday the TV room looks really messy with papers lying scattered on the chairs and floor.
- Please do not bring eatables into the TV room.

As the hostel has a multilingual population, only papers in English and Hindi language are bought. Regional papers may be bought by individuals or the respective cultural associations.

The literary committee is also planning to organise intra hostel competitions in debating and essay writing to not only give opportunities to the inmates but also to prepare them for institute level competitions. So those who are interested, start sharpening your spoken and written skills.
Maintenance Council (maint)

Welcome folks!! Congratulations on being envy of the campus. Life in H1 is as comfy as at home due to the large number of available amenities. And hurray most of them are free 😊 (unlike in some other hostels where u end up in paying for them)

The facilities we boast of are:
- 24-hr hot water
- Washing Machines
- Iron room
- STD Booth
- Photocopy Shop
- Sorted Mail-Boxes
- Two TVs including 36" Plasma TV

Use all these max to improve ur stay in H1.

Although all these are for ur recreation & convenience, please keep following points in mind:
- **Do not waste electricity.** Switch off fans, lights & geysers, when not needed
- Please do not use high power consuming electrical equipments in rooms.
- **Strict NO to alcohol & intoxicating substances.** Violation of this rule will attract heavy fine form both institute & hostel council.
- Smoking NOT permitted in public areas like corridors, bathrooms etc.
- No guests without permission. Guests are allowed to stay overnight in the hostel only by paying guest charges.
- Female guests are not allowed to stay in the hostel between 10 P.M to 8 A.M. (Insti rule 😊)
- Please park cycles in the stand properly.
- Do not ride in corridors.
- Please do not arrange any group religious activities without prior permission from warden and council.
- Follow instructions for use of washing machines.
- And common don’t waste water!
- Issue keys for facilities against I-cards and return them promptly.
- Treat Housekeeping Staff respectfully.
- Please latch the doors at stair-case entrances.
- Do not throw waste, scraps & any other useless items in the corridor and in the garden area. Kindly, make use of the waste bins placed in each wing corridors.
- Please maintain healthy relations with other inmates!
- Birthday celebrations only in upper TV room not elsewhere.
- After 11.30 pm, Playing in footer, basketball or volleyball ground is not permitted.

In order to file any of your complaints, please mail it on to Hostel Forum. No verbal complaints are
entertained!

However, after everything said, IF you are still found Vandalizing any of Hostel Facilities in any form you are liable to be fined heavily!

So don’t make us, ’cause we don’t want too!

Note that it takes a lot of co-ordinated effort to keep our hostel clean and neat, hence We except ur CO-OPERATION to MAINTAIN our H1, so that ur stay here will be a pleasant one!

Happy Staying in H1 ..
Mess Council

Salaam Freshie Junta! Many of u might have struggled with 'messy' food sometime before or for some it might be their first experience away from home. But never fear, give urself a pat on the back bcoz u have joined the finest mess on the campus. H1 is respected since long for its wholesome food & hygiene. It is also one of the very few mess facilities available round the year. The mess council makes sure, the kitchen functions the best way possible. And the food prepared is to everyone's liking.

To make the mess facility function smoothly, please follow the rules & notices posted in the mess. A few important ones are mentioned below.

- DO NOT WASTE FOOD. Please take only as much as needed.
- Follow the queue system.
- Think of others when taking items such as parathas.
- During rush hours restrict yourself to single piece per serving which are prepared then and there.
- Guests are to be accompanied by the hosts.
- Guest entry must be registered in the Mess-Extras book.
- Non-veg items should be taken against the entry in your account.
- Entry in cooking area is prohibited.
- Please keep the used utensils in proper places.

Rebate: For those who won't be dining in the mess for more than 2days, should enter details in the Rebate book. This entry should be made atleast 2 days prior to start date.

Gala Dinner: Oh surely this is the most awaited event. This is organized on special occasion such as festivals & celebrations (PAF win, Sports win etc). So the mantra is, win as many events as possible
Hiya fellas.. What would life be without computers?? Like an engineer without his tools. In H1, all rooms have an Ethernet port via which inmates access inter and intranet facility. So for all you enthusiastic students out there with Laptops and PCs, this is where u'll probably be spending most of your time. Just follow some simple IP rules and some configurations (not really hard) and u r good to go. As a reminder, in a gist:

Please refer to the notice displayed for the IP settings.

**COMPUTER ROOM**

For those of you who do not have access to Laptops or PC's, fear not for we have a COMPUTER ROOM with 24X7 inter/intranet facility right next to the canteen (Quite convenient u see). This facility is open to all H1 inmates. Simply adhere to the computer room rules. In a nutshell:

1. Do not use the server machine.
2. Do not browse objectionable sites / download illegal material. The computer room is for study purposes, checking mails etc.
3. Do not attempt any illegal activity like hacking, IP bombarding etc.
4. The person leaving last (who we assume also has the key) should switch off the fans and lights of the computer room, lock it and deposit the key with the Security personnel.

**RULES TO BE FOLLOWED IN COMPUTER ROOM**

1. The cyberdrome key is with security. Whoever wants to sit in cyberdrome can collect the key from the watchman by signing in the register kept there. You have to write the date, time, your roll no, room no, full name and signature.
2. Also you have to submit your ID-card to the watchman. There is a separate register for ID-card. You have to enter Name, time and other details.
3. Whenever you enter the cyberdrome please switch on the lights and fans.
4. Whenever you want to leave the cyberdrome you should request one of the users to handover their ID-card to you so that you can submit the same at security to get back your ID-card.
5. If found that no user is carrying their ID-card then you are authorized to ask all users to leave and close the cyberdrome.
6. You have to submit the ID-card of some other user and enter details in ID-card register to get your ID-card back.
7. Whenever you are leaving cyberdrome switch off the monitor.
8. If you are the last person to leave the cyberdrome, please switch off all the monitors, lights, fans, close the cyberdrome and return the key to watchman AND YOU SHOULD ENTER YOUR DETAILS IN THE CONCERNED REGISTER KEPT THERE.
9. Please DO NOT REBOOT the machines. If you reboot the machine and found by H1 cc team, you will be fined heavily.
10. Anybody found violating the above rules are liable to be fined. If a person is found repeating the same then fine amount may increase.

**Code of conduct to be followed:**

1. Playing games/chatting is prohibited
2. Pornography is strictly prohibited (STORING AND WATCHING)
3. Rebooting any machine is strictly prohibited and people found doing it will be fined.
4. Footwear is not allowed inside cyberdrome during any season.
5. Guests are not allowed to use computers unless accompanied by inmates
6. Window machines are mainly for documentation. Hence, documentation gets preference over mailing or other activity.
7. Users are requested to maintain silence in cyberdrome.
8. For the machine to which scanner is attached, scanning gets preference over any other activity.
9. For installation of any software contact any computer committee member.
10. During thesis submission report writing and thesis work should be given preference over any other work.
11. All the users are requested keep backup of their files. The council is not responsible for lost file from a particular system.
12. All the users are requested follow the rules. Violating the rules may lead to imposition of fine and/or temporary locking of their accounts.
13. Users are requested to watch the notice board regularly to keep track of the rules.

**DC++:** Once you learn to use this software, you can access a large number of files on different machines connected to the net. Movies etc all at your fingertips. Need something? Check DC++.

**LAN BAN:** From 12 to 7AM, the net facility will be disconnected every day. In case of any urgency, use the computer room facility. During End-Sems and vacations, the LAN-BAN is from 4-7AM.

**Warning:** Do note that we take IP misuse & bombardment issues seriously. Hence we encourage you all to use Linux (Ubuntu etc) as far as possible & if you're using windows OS, to install a firewall like Zone Alarm etc at least while browsing.

All in all, we hope you enjoy your stay at iitb in H1. Wishing you the very best.
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Quick F1 [Help]

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H1 (Security): 5601

Unity in Diversity – H1 Culture
Code of Conduct of a Hostelite:

1. He should primarily take into account the interest of the hostel and promote a strong hostel feeling.
2. He should vote in elections.
3. He should not commit any act which may blemish the name of the hostel.
4. He should respect, preserve and propagate all the honored traditions.
5. He should try to settle his disputes with others amicably.
6. He should not keep unauthorized property and unauthorized guests in his room.
7. He should settle all his dues in time.
8. He should handle hostel equipment carefully and not abuse or tamper with it.
9. He should maintain high standard of decorum and propriety.
10. He should maintain harmonious relations with the employees in the hostel.
11. He should maintain harmonious relations with members of other hostels.
12. He should not consume alcohol or any intoxicating substance in the hostel premises.
13. He should avoid smoking at common places in Hostel.
14. He should not fix posters, notices, pictures, or anything that might damage the surface of the walls of the Hostel.
15. He should not attempt to make duplicate keys to the Hostel rooms or any Hostel property therein.
16. He should use water and electricity judiciously.
17. He should not use electrical equipment that draws high current like coil based heaters, clothes iron etc. in his room.
18. He should not arrange any group religious activities in his room, without prior written consent of the Warden, under any circumstances.

Please read the hostel constitution to know more the functioning of the hostel.