## BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND SCIENCE, PILANI ACADEMIC GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH DIVISION

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## Financial Assistance Policy for students admitted to M.E. / M.Pharm. / M.Phil. programmes in AY 2019 - 20

This note describes the policy related to Stipend/fee waiver given to students admitted to M.E., M.Pharm. and M.Phil. Higher Degree (HD) programmes of BITS Pilani (Indian campuses only) in the AY 2019-20.

 Students admitted to a HD programme based on their GATE or GPAT scores will receive a tuition fee waiver of Rs. 60,500/- per semester.

These students are eligible to apply for the GATE/GPAT scholarship as per MHRD/UGC norms. Their applications for GATE/GPAT Scholarship will be forwarded to MHRD/UGC by the Institute.

 Students admitted to a HD programme based on their scores in HD Test or interviews conducted by BITS Pilani will receive a stipend of Rs. 13,400/- p.m.

Should these students have a valid GATE/GPAT score, they are eligible to apply for the GATE/GPAT scholarship as per MHRD/UGC norms. Their applications for GATE/GPAT Scholarship will be forwarded to MHRD/UGC by the Institute. In such a case, these students will not be eligible for a waiver or stipend from the Institute.

The following may also be noted:

- Students admitted as per 1 and 2 above will be required to devote 6 to 8 hrs. per week assisting in teaching, research or administration related work to avail the benefits mentioned above
- Decision regarding award of the GATE/GPAT scholarships to admitted students is solely made by MHRD/UGC as per their existing norms. The Institute as mentioned in 1 and 2 will only facilitate the process of forwarding applications.
- The status of the student at the time of admission will decide the eligibility of the student for the above benefits. The status will not change if the student passes the GATE or GPAT test after admission.
- The release of fee waiver or stipend will be applicable during the Semesters of the academic year for which the student is registered and will devote 6 8 hours of work as mentioned in 1.

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