

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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**Education fees in Central University / JNU**

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Will the Minister of *EDUCATION* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is providing a number of concessions / financial benefits to students of JNU and other Central Universities.
- (b) what is the fees and hostel and mess charges applicable to JNU and other Central Universities during last five years, year-wise;
- (c) whether any financial position of the students is also considered before offering fees concessions or it is available to every student; and
- (d) what is the age limit or number of years one has to remain as student to reside in Hostel, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**

**(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)**

(a) to (d) The Government provides concessional teaching and hostel facilities to the students in the central universities. Moreover, Central Universities being autonomous bodies established under Acts of Parliament can take administrative, academic and financial decisions pertaining to their Universities for the betterment of available facilities with the approval of the competent statutory bodies as prescribed by the provisions of the Acts concerning them, including concessions/financial benefits to students.

As per information received from Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) the students are provided concessional hostel facility and awarded Merit-cum-Means scholarships. In addition, the PWD (persons with disability) students are also provided escort and writer allowances. The annual admission fees for UG and PG programmes in JNU is Rs. 375.50/- and for Ph.D/ M.Tech/ MPH programmes is Rs. 399.50/-. The per semester hostels fees inter-alia comprises establishment charges and room rents which are charged at the rate of Rs. 1100/- and Rs. 60/- & Rs 120/- (for single and double bed rooms) respectively. JNU does not charge any mess fee from the students, rather provides mess workers for cooking and serving. The expenditure on the fooding are shared by residents students in a hostel. Besides, JNU has higher fees structure for admission and hostels for foreign students as well as students pursuing professional course like MBA and Engineering. All registered students are eligible to avail the hostel facilities as per the University rules.

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