

**Student Welfare:**

# **KU creating inclusive stage for excellence, personal growth: VC**

*DSW holds meeting to discuss amenities for student welfare*



**Srinagar, May 2:** To enrich student experiences and encourage a vibrant campus, the University of Kashmir (KU) is empowering students through a series of initiatives aimed at enhancing their welfare. In this backdrop, KU's Department of Students' Welfare (DSW) held a meeting with key stakeholders here Wednesday.

In a statement, KU Vice Chancellor, Prof Nilofer Khan reiterated that the varsity remains steadfast in its commitment to student welfare.

"We consistently strive to create an enriching and inclusive campus environment conducive to academic excellence and personal growth," Prof Nilofer Khan said.

The meeting highlighted the importance of leveraging digital tools to streamline admissions while focusing on creating a conducive study environment for students.

"The aim is to simplify procedures and create a seamless and efficient experience for prospective students by minimizing hassles and improving accessibility," Dean, Student's Welfare, Prof Shamim was quoted in the statement as saying.

To organise a variety of activities that align with the interests of students and enhance their overall campus experience, suggestions were explored for specialised extracurricular programmes designed specifically for hostel residents.

"To simplify fee payments for students, reducing wait time and enhancing convenience for a hassle-free financial experience, payment methods such as, QR code-based transactions were explored," the spokesperson said.

The varsity encourages active involvement in NSS activities and sports programmes among undergraduate, postgraduate and research scholars, promoting comprehensive development, mental health and encouraging community engagement.

Other concerns that were discussed included enhancing the healthcare services at the University Health Centre, particularly for hostel residents, improving accessibility, quality of care and medical facilities to better support student health and wellbeing was also discussed.

The university is already conducting health awareness camps to ensure the campus remains agile.

The meeting also underlined the need for optimizing transportation services to enhance campus accessibility for the university students. The varsity already has a fleet of buses and vehicles to facilitate student and staff commutation.

“To bridge the student community with the administration, an online grievance redressal system is already in place to provide students with a convenient platform to address concerns and seek resolution for issues they encounter in a time bound manner ,” read the statement.

Further discussions included plans to make the process of obtaining ‘No Objection Certificates’ (NOCs) from various offices and departments available online.

“This will eliminate the need for students to physically visit multiple offices, simplifying administrative procedures and saving valuable time,” it read.