

**UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
35, FEROZE SHAH ROAD
NEW DELHI – 110001.**

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The Registrar,
Mumbai University,
M.G.Road, Fort,
Mumbai- 400 032.

**Sub :- Suicides being committed by Dalit Students in Higher Education
Institutes due to caste discrimination –Regarding.**

Sir

I am directed to inform you that instances have come to the notice of the UGC that suicides being committed by Dalit Students in Higher Education Institutes due to caste discrimination on grounds of their social origin. It has been emphasized that officials/faculty members should desist from any act of discrimination against Dalit Students on grounds of their social origin. It is necessary that senior officers/ faculty members, including Liaison Officer of the education at institutes should keep a close watch to ensure that such incidents do not occur at all. The University/ Institute/College may develop a page on their web-site for lodging such complaints of caste discrimination by Dalit Students and also place a complaint register in the Registrar /Principal office for purpose. If any such incident comes to the notice of the authorities, action should be taken against the erring official/ faculty members promptly.

You are also requested to advise the officials/ faculty members of your University/ Institute that they should be more sensitive while dealing with above such incidents of caste discrimination.

The affiliated colleges of your University / Institutes may also be informed accordingly.

Yours faithfully

Sd/-
(Dr. K. C. Pathak)
Joint Secretary