

Jawaharlal Nehru University

Equal Opportunity Office

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Socio - Economically Disadvantaged Group Cell (SEDG)

The Equal Opportunity Office (EOO) wishes to state that the EOO caters to the difficulties issues and challenges faced by the socially disadvantaged group through its terms of reference already indicated on the JNU website. Following is an extract from the EOO section of the website which covers issues related to the socio-economically disadvantaged groups:

“The terms of reference wherein the Equal Opportunity Office at the University may undertake activities are *inter alia* as under:

- ▶ To provide information and act as a counselling-cum-guidance centre for students belonging to the marginalized sections, especially with regard to academic, financial and other matters;
- ▶ To help create a socially conducive atmosphere for the growth of healthy inter-personal relations among students from marginalized sections and from various social backgrounds;
- ▶ To help develop cordial inter-personal relationships between teachers and the students from marginalized sections for academic interaction and extra-curricular activities;
- ▶ To extend help/ support to the students from marginalized sections to overcome problems and barriers emanating from discrimination at any level within its mandate.”

Furthermore, the EOO financially supports students from these groups to participate in National and International seminars/conferences. Such support, however, is provided subject to availability of funds. On the other hand, there is no separate cell for the group ‘socio-economically disadvantaged group’.

Sincerely,

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