

University of Lucknow

Tilak Hall

(Girls' hostel for BA, BCom & BVA/BFA)

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(Provost)

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(Assistant Provost)

Hostel Infrastructure, Facilities & Resources:

- Huge palatial building, long corridors, sprawling lawns (more than a century old).
- Earlier this hostel was for boys, in **2003** it was converted into a girl's hostel to accommodate the swelling number of girl students.
- One of the biggest Lucknow University Hostels in terms of area and capacity.
- The hostel boasts 3-tier security and safety, further aided by the vigilant **CCTV** camera network.
- There are **three Residential Blocks - Gargi, Apala, and Maitreyi** (Maitreyi Block is undergoing repair works at present).
- Number of Common Rooms - 4
- Number of Bathrooms - 25 (excluding Maitreyi Block)
- Number of Toilets - 29 (excluding Maitreyi Block)
- One combined toilet & bath for 'Divyang' students.
- Total Capacity - 270 girls (50 rooms are double seater & 33 rooms are triple seater)
- Number of Inmates at present - 206

- Number of Employees - 16
- **Hostel Mess -**
 - 1 Big kitchen, 1 Dining hall, and 1 Store
 - *Menu* according to student's choice (flexible to student's request). It is displayed in the Mess.
 - *Very Special Dinner* - Welcome and Farewell parties, Independence Day, Republic Day, and other functions organized in the hostel
 - *Special dinner* - every Sunday.
 - *Sweets and fruits* are distributed on all occasions of festivals and on the birth anniversary of Tilak.
 - Food according to *Fasts and Roza* is also provided.
- **Medical help -**
 - First Aid Box.
 - Ambulance facility - In an emergency (24X7) students are escorted by Provost/Staff to Vivekananda Polyclinic (a very big hospital at a distance of 1 km).
- **Other Facilities -**
 - Library
 - Newspapers & Magazines
 - **Sports** - badminton, volleyball, kabaddi, indoor games - Table Tennis, Carom, Chess, etc. Girls participate in University sports/athletic-meet. Have also won prizes.
 - **Open Air Gym**
 - Geysers - 12
 - Induction stove on each floor for girls.

- Inverter - 4, also battery backup for an emergency in mess, corridors, and bathrooms)
- Big Water-Cooler with filter - 4
- Computer in the library for girls.
- Free broadband facility with Wifi facility.
- Music system

Hostel Environment:

- **Strict discipline -**
 - Outing time - 6 AM - 7 PM.
 - Surprise visits by the provost (besides the regular ones) anytime in 24 Hrs.
 - 24X7 direct connectivity with the provost via SMS, WhatsApp, and calls.
- One to two meetings per month of the Provost with the students for guidance and morale-boosting.
- Absolutely no ragging.
- Cooperating seniors
- Girls always feel 'at home' in the hostel.
- A clean campus, clean kitchen, and clean bathrooms/washrooms
- Peaceful environment for study.
- **Academic support by the Provost -**
 - Help in studies
 - Girls can ring up even at night
- **Feedback** - a suggestion/complaint box along with a register is in place and feedback is taken care of.
- **Various committees** - sports, cultural, mess, discipline, anti-ragging, cleanliness, etc. committees are formed of volunteers to develop

leadership/management qualities in the students with equal representation from all three courses (BA, BCom, BFA). Names of the member students are displayed.

- **Cultural Activities to inculcate creativity -**

- Girls are good at Rangoli, stage setting & decoration, Arts & Crafts, Dance & Music, skits, etc.
- They have won prizes in the events at '**Sanskritiki**' - the cultural society of the University of Lucknow.
- **Celebrations** - All National Festivals, Social festivals, and the Birth anniversary of Bal Gangadhar Tilak.
- Hostel Magazine - Biennial.
- **Hostel Staff -**
 - Skilled Class IV employees happily do anything asked for, anytime.
 - A gift pack is given to all Class IV employees on Holi and Diwali.
 - Keeping up the morale and motivation of class IV employees in various ways.

Miscellaneous efforts -

- Water recharging.
- Extensive Plantation.
- Periodic weed removal and other activities to maintain the lush vegetation and greenery.

Future Plans -

- Yoga Classes
- Additional rainwater recharging
- Further increasing the green cover