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Dear Students,

Greetings from your campus! I trust you and your loved ones are in good health and spirit.

As you eagerly wait to return to the campus and resume your research/studies, we are busy planning for your safe re-entry into the campus and facilitating a gradual, calibrated resumption of your academic life. We are as eager to get you back to the campus as you are, for the campus has no life without you!

As you are aware, the external situation is still fluid and there is no clarity on when normalcy will return. In particular, interstate travel is still very difficult with just a few options available from May 25. Compounding the problem of transport availability are the travel restrictions imposed by the Government of Karnataka from certain high-risk states. This list of high-risk states is dynamic and hence, all our plans and permissions for your return are subject to daily changes in the government advisories.

May as it be, we are getting ready to welcome you back to the campus from June 8, 2020. While most of **you have to wait till you get our next advisory** based on GoK's expected fresh guidelines on May 31, we are happy to advise the following students **residing currently in Karnataka** (irrespective of their domicile) to plan their return to the campus from **June 8, 2020**:

- 1. Regular PhD: 2nd, 5th, and 6th year students
- 2. Int. PhD: 2nd, 3rd, 7th, and 8th year students
- 3. MTech(Res): 2nd and 3rd year students

This is in accordance with the group-wise schedule shown on page 8 of the online document "Schedules and Protocols for Reopening after National Lockdown" (see: <u>https://covidadvisories.iisc.ac.in</u>). I repeat, <u>all of you</u> <u>currently residing outside Karnataka MUST WAIT for our next advisory</u> for your turn to return.

All of you will get a personalized email, in addition to the general information email such as this one, indicating clearly the starting date for your possible return to the campus. You will have to save this personalized email and produce at the IISc gate when you arrive. The mail will contain other important information on what forms to fill before coming, how to plan your travel, how to arrive safely on the campus, what to do when you enter the gate, and what protocols to follow for entering your hostel. Please be prepared for a compulsory 14-day quarantine in your hostel room starting from the day you arrive here.

We are continuously striving to provide you with updated information. We have created a special website: <u>https://covidadvisories.iisc.ac.in</u> for this purpose. We will post updated advisories on this website. We are waiting for you to return to the campus in good health and spirit. We are here to help you with whatever assistance you may need.

We look forward to seeing Best regards, Hari	you soon.
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