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Sub: Information about the new caterers for Amudham Mess, New Mega Mess & Mother Teresa Mess - Reg.

It is informed that the tender process for new caterers has been started in the month of April 2017 based on the request from the various hostel inmates. The application for tender was called on 29.04.2017. The Tender Committee had been constituted by the University Authorities with the composition of Senior Faculty Members, Chief Wardens, Deputy Chief Wardens, Officers, Students Representatives and Mess Committee Representatives. The Technical Bid and Price Bid were opened on 10.05.2017 & 12.05.2017 respectively as per our advertisement.

There were 17 caterers were participated in the technical bid meeting held on 10.05.2017. The Tender Committee scrutinise the technical specifications of the above 17 caterers profiles.

The Tender Committee has decided to eliminate 7 caterers due to their ineligibility in the Technical Bid as prescribed in our tender requirements.

The short listed 10 eligible caterers were called for price bid on 12.05.2017 and opened their price bid for mess. The tender committee had decided to form a Committee for Price Negotiation with the composition of Faculty, Wardens and Mess Committee Representatives. However the Mess Committee Members were requested two weeks time for consulting the profile/reputation of the selected caterers among the hostel inmates. In the meanwhile the summer vacation started and University Departments were reopened on 22.06.2017 and 12.07.2017 for II Year and I Year students respectively. After that, 28 Mess Committee members for various hostels have been selected on 03.08. 2017 and 5 of them were nominated among the 28 Mess Committee Members to the Tender Committee and another 5 Mess Committee members were selected to assist to the above 5 Tender Committee members. The Negotiation Committee has met three times with the short listed caterers and finally recommended 3 caterers for offering catering services to the above three messes.

Finally the Tender Committee has decided to award the catering service for the following three messes/ caterers @ the rate of Rs.65/- per day per head which includes the present Good and Service Tax (GST). This was approved by the University Authorities on 08.09.2017.

- 1) Amudham Mess M/s.Universal Hospitality Services, Chennai.
- New Mega Mess M/s.Sri Sai Krupa Catering and Maintenance Services, Hyderabad.
- 3) Mother Teresa Mess M/s.Sakthi's Kitchen Private Ltd., Chennai

The entire Tender process was made in a transparent manner with the active participation of the Mess Committee members and Tender Committee members.

The above three caterers will start their catering service to the inmates of the Boys' and Girls' Hostels w.e.f. 01.10.2017. Hence the Mess fees have been enhanced from Rs.60/- to Rs.65/- w.e.f.01.10.2017. The inmates are advised to pay the Mess fees Rs.65/- per day from 1st October 2017 onwards.

With respect to Ilango Adigal and Madame Curie messes no caterers had interested to run the catering services in the tender process. Therefore an Expression of Interest has been called for and hosted in the University website on 11.09.2017. The award of catering service for Ilango Adigal and Madame Curie Mess is under process.

Therefore the inmates are hereby requested to give kind cooperation to the caterers for running the mess smoothly at the larger interest of the inmates.

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To:

1) All the Inmates.

Copy to:

- 1) The Chief Warden (Girls' Hostels)
- 2) A.R. to Vice-Chancellor, Pondicherry University.
- 3) A.R. to Registrar, Pondicherry University
- 4) P.S to FO, Pondicherry University
- 5) All Deputy Chief Wardens/Wardens.
- 6) The Systems Manager (Computer Centre) with a request to host in the University Website.
- 7) Notice Board.