



### **7.1.7 The Institution has Differently-abled (Divyangjan) friendly, barrier free environment**

Eternal University provides a barrier free environment at the campus where all resources are accessible to all students, employees and visitors. Barrier free environment is not limited to the only physical infrastructure but goes beyond the instruction, content, and attitudes of those who are associated with the Institution.

- University provides **ramp** facility for the easy access to the academic buildings, offices, hostels, guest houses, library, health centre, activity centres, canteens, sports complexes, and all other facilities in the campus. The reduced inclination in the ramp makes safer and easier movement of wheelchair. The ramps have been carefully designed as per the specifications to be required by the divyangjan persons. Railings have been placed thoughtfully in various locations throughout the campus, including every block. The primary purpose of these railings is to facilitate the unimpeded mobility of people with disabilities, so promoting an environment that is more accessible and accommodating.
- The **lifts** are provided in the administrative buildings and hostels for the divyangjan persons to go to different floors. The lifts are equipped with wider doors and sufficient space to accommodate wheelchairs. All lifts are accessible from the ground floor.
- The College of Education provides separate **washrooms** for the divyangjan persons. They are designed as per the standard specifications to accommodate the divyangjan persons. These washrooms are equipped with features that cater to the specific needs of individuals with disabilities, making personal hygiene more accessible and convenient. The sign boards are provided outside of the divyangjan washrooms to access them easily and to prohibit their use by others.
- Institution provides smart boards for visually and hearing impaired students. Language laboratory for the students with language learning disorders (Akal College of Education).
- The institution has placed **signage** boards and display boards at different places in the campus. The signboards are at the key places indicating reserved parking, ramps, way to lifts and washrooms.
- The **Human assistance** is provided to students for examinations as per UGC rules, those due to some mishap are not able to write. The examination is conducted for even for single students who has been hospitalized due to some intervention. Students with fits have been allowed to appear on line the MCQ examination.

- The entry gate is wide enough for wheelchair entry. University corridors are wide for ease of wheelchair navigation. The entry to campus is vehicle free pedestrian entry. All-important campus places are fully accessible by the divyangjan persons.
- The college has **enquiry section**/desk at the entrance. The divyangjan students are given additional time for writing their university examinations. The reading material is also available in the soft copies for all the subjects.
- Akal College of Health and Allied Sciences have a dedicated centre for **mental disability and psychiatric facilities**. Centre aims to provide extensive care and support for individuals dealing with mental health problems.