National Institute of Technology, Durgapur.

Office of Senior Medical Officer

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Dear all,

Greetings from the Medical Unit! Hope this message finds you in sound health!

This is regarding the sudden surge of COVID-19 cases in our campus. At present we have around fifteen COVID-19 positive cases, diagnosed within past five to six days. The number of ILI (Influenza-like illness)/ fever cases are also increasing, which may or may not be COVID-19.

The new COVID-19 Variant Omicron, is increasing in a faster pace in the whole country than any other variants of COVID-19.

The symptoms of this new variant is unlike its earlier partners. The major symptoms include severe Weakness, Muscle/Body ache, Sore throat, headache, Mild Cough, mild/no fever, Night sweats, Nausea, Vomiting, Loss of Appetite and diarrhoea.

To bust out the myth that we would not get COVID after two doses of vaccination, we are getting positive patients even after full dose vaccination from our campus itself.

Not to forget the unvaccinated population, follow COVID appropriate behaviour all the time.

To protect yourself and others from COVID-19 variants:

- Keep a distance of at least 1 meter from others
- Wear a well-fitted mask over your mouth and nose
- Open windows
- Cough or sneeze into a bent elbow or tissue
- Clean your hands frequently
- Get vaccinated, as soon as it is your turn

As per advice of GOI, get yourself vaccinated with precautionary dose of COVID-19 vaccine on your turn.

Contact Medical Unit if needed.

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