



Karakoram International University (KIU) (Gilgit Baltistan)

Subject: **Adherence to Islamic Values/Dress Code to demonstrate Modesty
(HAYA)**

1. In the Qur'ān, Allāh {Aza Wajal} says :

يَبْنِيْءَادَمَ قَدْ اَنْزَلْنَا عَلَيْكُمْ لِبَاسًا يُؤْرِيْ سَوْءَاتِكُمْ وَرِيشًا وَلِبَاسُ
التَّقْوٰى ذٰلِكَ خَيْرٌ ذٰلِكَ مِنْ ءَايٰتِ اللّٰهِ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَذَّكَّرُوْنَ ﴿٣٦﴾

{Sūrah Al-Araf, 7 Ayat 26:}

Translation: *O children of Adam! We have indeed sent down to you clothing to cover your shame, and (clothing) for beauty and clothing that guards (against evil), that is the best. This is of the communications of Allah that they may be mindful.*

- Islam is a religion of peace and harmony. It teaches us the values of Justice, Commitment to self/institution and Mutual respect on the principles given by Quran and Sunnah. Gilgit Baltistan in general and KIU in particular has its specific culture enshrined in the ethical values of Islam and region. Modesty, humility and moderation are some of the core values of our religion and culture. Hence, University serves as a model for society to maintain peaceful coexistence in the ambit of ethical and cultural values.
- In this context, all faculty members, staff and students are highly obliged to practice the aforesaid values of physical and spiritual purity, while endeavouring to create intellectual excellence. The knowledge, Skills and Attitudes, we teach or learn must lead to develop a wholesome personality of the students and the teachers & staff must also demonstrate these values to become a role model.
- Under the legislation of the Government of Gilgit Baltistan and Code of Conduct of KIU, all gathering and processions on linguistic, ethnic, religion (Sects) and sub national basis are strictly prohibited in the University. All religious, social and political leaders have committed to uphold these principles and Value as a Social Agreement for promoting harmony and peace in society. Violation of these rules and legislation, can lead to legal actions under the contemporary laws and Code of Conduct of University. Hence all students, faculty and staff are strictly warned to refrain from involving in any gathering, procession and demonstration at KIU, which is based on the above cited divides.
- To promote the culture of modesty and purity in the campuses and hostels, the students and staff are further directed to observe acceptable dress code, physical distance and sobriety at the Campus, to become a role model for the society.
- The male and female students are further directed to observe physical distance, avoid sitting in the invisible areas and adhere to the values of modesty and moderation. All campuses and hostels have been covered with Close Circuit Camera (CCTVs) and any violation of these principles can lead to serious punishment including removal from University.

7. In line with the values of Modesty (Haya) mandatory for all Muslims, the following dress code must be strictly followed by all students at Campuses and Hostels.
- Each student, male or female, is expected to give a neat and tidy look. Patchy, tattered and shabby-looking jeans, crew neck T-shirts, loafers, chappals are not allowed. Wrinkled clothes or dishevelled hair are not permitted.
 - **Male Students:**
 - o Shorts of any kind must not be part of the attire.
 - o Clothes should not be skin-tight.
 - o Loose-neck shirts are prohibited.
 - o Low-hung (hanging below waistline) pants are not allowed.
 - o Sunglasses or p-caps must not be worn in classrooms.
 - o Slippers are not allowed at the Campuses.
 - o Shirts with pictures or text printed on front or back are not allowed. However, shirts with small logos or emblems are acceptable.
 - **Female Students:**
 - o Shirts should not be over-fitted, or see-through.
 - o Shirt length should at least knee-length or longer.
 - o Length of sleeves must be three quarters or more.
 - o Necklines must be non-revealing.
 - o Fitted trousers, choori-dar pajamas, or tights must be accompanied by calf-length (half-way between knees and ankles) or longer length shirts without slits.
 - o Hairs must be properly tied. Girls with open hairs shall not be allowed in the campus.
 - o Use of head cover, dupatta or Hijab as part of attire shall be appreciated in line with the Islamic values.
 - **Penalties**
 - **For first offense of Dress Code:** The student will be called by the respective male/female dress code supervisor/faculty proctor and will be given a verbal/written warning.
 - **For a second offense,** the student will be fined an amount of Rs. 1000.
 - **For a third offense,** the case will be forwarded to Students Disciplinary Committee (SDC). This can lead to temporary/ permanent termination of the students. **These rules are also made part of the Code of Conduct and Students' Hand Book**

All students, faculty and staff are expected to cooperate for the implementation of Dress.

Approved and Notified on the recommendation of Deans Committee and Provost Committee