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Jadavpur University issues work order for CCTV camera installation

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KOLKATA: Jadavpur University will install CCTV cameras at the hostel entrances, including at the Main Hostel and the gates of the main and Salt Lake campuses. The university has also written to a wing in the defence ministry on deployment of ex-servicemen on campus.

EX-SERVICEMEN MAY BE DEPLOYED

- 10 CCTV cams at strategic points at the gates of both campuses and hostels
- Work order given to Webel, with a budget of ₹37.4 lakh
- Ex-servicemen may be deployed at vulnerable spots on campus, at ₹2.5 crore/year



A source said the university issued a work order to Webel Technology Ltd on Friday for installation of CCTV cameras at an estimated budget of Rs 37.4 lakh in the first phase. Interim VC Buddhadeb Sau said, “We have asked them to start work within the next couple of days.”

JU had written to the state, seeking financial aid for installation of CCTV cameras and received an assurance of help, sources said.

The university also wrote to the department of ex-servicemen’s welfare under the defence ministry a few days ago. A team had thereafter visited the campus and spoken to the interim VC and finance officer on the issue. “A proposal has been submitted to the university to deploy ex-servicemen in three shifts at 10 points on campus. The annual expense is estimated at Rs 2.5 crore,” a source said.

Sau said, “We are concentrating on measures to strengthen security. The main work of the ex-servicemen will be to manage the gates and engage in human surveillance in vulnerable spots of the university. They will not take any action but will report incidents to the authorities. The university will take action, if necessary.”