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This is to inform all MA students that an undertaking form is being introduced for those having less than 50% attendance in the current semester. As students had some difficulty understanding the implications of the attendance, this is a one-time measure for the current semester only and not to be quoted as a precedent. The undertaking form may be found on our website. Only those students who fill the undertaking that they will make up for the 66% of the total attendance in the next semester, will be allowed to appear in the examination. As stated earlier, attendance is a matter of university ordinance and doesn't come under the purview of the department, the students are strongly advised to attend mandatory number of classes. Following are the excerpts from the ordinance:

page.151: ORDINANCE VII-2.(2)

"...Subject to the provisions of Ordinance VII, no candidate shall be deemed to have pursued a regular course of study for the academic year unless he has attended not less than 50 per cent of the lectures, tutorials and discussion classes, taken together held in each Semester, and not less than two-thirds of the aggregate of the lectures, tutorials and discussion classes taken together for the two semesters combined. A candidate who does not fulfil the attendance requirements as above at the end of the 1st Semester, shall not be allowed to appear at the 1st Semester Examination and shall be required to discontinue studies for the Course forthwith. Such a candidate may seek fresh admission in the following years in accordance with the eligibility conditions applicable at that time."

page. 192: Ord. X. General Rules for Examinations-2

"...The Controller of Examinations shall send the admission tickets of all the candidates, whose applications for admission to the various examinations have been received by the Principal of the College or the Head of the Department or the Dean of the Faculty concerned, as the case may be, for delivery to the candidates concerned. Before delivering the admission ticket to each candidate the Principal of the College or the Head of the Department or the Dean of the Faculty concerned, as the case may be, shall satisfy himself that the candidate concerned has put in the requisite attendance at lectures etc. as laid down in the Ordinances of the University and is otherwise eligible to appear at the respective examination. The admission tickets in respect of candidates who have not fulfilled the attendance requirements or are otherwise not eligible to appear at the examination shall not be delivered to them and shall be returned to the Controller of Examinations together with a statement showing the detailed attendance position and/or other facts in each case."