Date: July 23, 2026

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

Date: July 15th 2026
Mode: Online
Meeting Chaired by: Dr. R D Patidar, Vice Chancellor, O. P. Jindal University (C.G.)
Meeting Lead by: Dr. Anurag Vijaywargiya, Registrar, O. P. Jindal University (C.G.)

Attendees:

1	Dr. S.S. Rathi	:	Member
2	Mr. Shomen Chatterjee	:	Member
3	Dr. Chandrashekhar Patel	:	Member
4	Dr. Lokeshwar Patel	:	Member
5	Dr. Swarnlata Saraf	:	Member
6	Dr. Mahesh Bhiwapurkar	:	Member
7	Dr. S. Nayak	:	Member
8	Dr. Nithya M.	:	Member
9	Dr. Vatsala Chaturvedi	:	Member

Agenda:

1. **University Updates**
   To apprise the members of the major developments, initiatives, achievements, and key activities of the University.

2. **Admission Status (AY 2026–27)**
   To present the current status of admissions for the Academic Year 2026–2027.

3. **Approval for Award of Degrees**
   To consider and approve the award of degrees to eligible students for the Academic Year 2025–2026.

4. **Approval of Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs)**
   To ratify and approve the MoUs executed with academic institutions, industries, training organisations, and research bodies.

5. **Approval for research support.**

6. **Accreditation and Quality Assurance Initiatives**
   To review the status of accreditation and quality assurance initiatives, including NABL Accreditation and Sustainability Audit.

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7. **Creation of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences**
   To consider and approve the establishment of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences under the School of Science.

8. **Opening of Separate Bank Accounts**
   To consider and approve the opening of separate bank accounts for the National Service Scheme (NSS) and the MSME Idea Hackathon Scheme.

9. **Performance Appraisal**
   To consider and approve the performance appraisal of teaching and non-teaching staff.

10. **Approval of Manpower Requirements**
    To consider and approve the University's manpower requirements.

11. **Financial Snapshot**
    To present the financial position and key financial highlights of the University.

12. **Any Other Item with the Permission of the Chair**
    To consider any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

Following proceedings were recorded-

Member Secretary welcomed the Chairman and other members. Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. With the permission of the members, Dr. Patidar started the presentation.

1. All the members were updated about the latest development and activities carried out in the university viz. establishment of AICTE IDEA Lab, Mining Lab, COE in Drone Technology, DGCA approval for the Remote Pilot Training Organization (RPTO), Key academic initiative & achievements, launch of STEEL curriculum, Launch of B.Sc.- Aircraft Maintenance Program curriculum, FDPs, Conferences, award and recognitions, placement, expenditure done in infrastructure development, upcoming major events etc.

2. Admission Statistics were presented before the members. All the members were informed that total 946 admissions have been done till date across all the schools from the 19 states of the country in 2026 and the admission process is still underway.

3. Approval to award degrees and medals a total no. of 688 students in the inswing convocation was approved by the Board of Management.

4. All the members unanimously approved the various MoUs executed with academic institutions, industries, training organisations, and research bodies.

5. To strengthen and promote research activities, all members unanimously approved the revised financial support to the employees for their research and Fellowship/Stipend amounts for full-time PhD scholars admitted from the Academic Year 2026–27 onwards, is furnished below-

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i) Revised RDC Policy 2026:

S. No.	RDC Policy	OLD (2025-26)	NEW (2026-27)
1	Support for Conferences/ workshops /STTPs (For Full time Research Scholars also)	• The actual registration charges for national events for international events the reimbursement would be as per actual upto (ceiling of **15000/-**). • The travel expenses for international event as per actual upto Rs. 30000/- per year. • The travel expenses for national event as per actual upto Rs. 15000/- per year	• The actual registration charges for national events for international events the reimbursement would be as per actual upto (ceiling of **15000/-**). • The travel expenses for international event as per actual upto Rs. 40000/- per year. • The travel expenses for national event as per actual upto Rs. 20000/- per year
2	Incentive for Research Paper/Book/Book Chapter Publications	• Maximum of Rs. 10000/- per research article in SCI/ABDC/SSCI/ESCI/ABS journals. • 5 articles in SCOPUS with an amount of Rs. 7500/- per article and 5 articles as book chapters with Rs. 4000/- per article will be awarded to the faculty, 3 articles in selected reputed UGC care – I journals will receive 2000/- per article. • In case of Book or Edited Volume. Rs. 25000/no: of authors for International and 10000/- for National.	₹25,000 for publications in Q1 SCI journals / ABDC A* category journals. ₹15,000 for publications in Q2 SCI journals / ABDC A category journals. SCOPUS articles will receive an incentive amount of Rs. 7500/- per article (Maximum 7 articles) Book Chapter will receive an incentive amount of Rs.4000/- (Maximum 5 articles) In case of Book or Edited Volume. Rs. 25000/- as incentive for international publisher and Rs. 10000/- for National. The incentive amount will be divided by both internal and external authors.
3	Patent Support	Rs. 25000/- for granted patents. Only utility patents with less than 6 patentees from other organizations will be considered.	Rs. 30000/- will be provided for granted patents. **The first patentee must be O.P. Jindal University.**
4	Article Processing Charges	An amount of **Rs. 20,000/-** will be provided for selected open access Scopus and SCI journals. One per department is allowed.	An amount of **Rs. 25,000/-** will be provided for selected open access Scopus and SCI Q1/ABDC A* journals. One per department is allowed.

• Revised Fellowship/Stipend Amount for Full Time PhD Scholars admitting from July-2026 onward:

S.No.	Name of School	Amount		
		Year-1	Year-2	Year-3
1.	School of Science	25,000	30,000	30,000
2.	School of Management	35,000	40,000	40,000
3.	School of Engineering	40,000	45,000	45,000

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6. All the members were informed about the status of accreditation and quality assurance initiatives, including NABL Accreditation, Sustainability Audit and NBA.

7. In order to promote the research in the field of Humanities & Social Science including interdisciplinary research, all the members unanimously approved to the establishment of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences under the School of Science. Establishing the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences will also provide the academic platform to integrate technology with human behaviour, policy, sustainability, ethics, communication, economics, and social innovation. This will significantly enhance the University's research output, improve its national rankings and accreditation outcomes, and create opportunities for more externally funded interdisciplinary research.

8. All the members approved to open separate bank accounts for the National Service Scheme (NSS) and the MSME Idea Hackathon Scheme. The Jindal Education and Welfare Society (JEWS) has also accorded the approval to open these accounts as per the directives of MSME & NSS. Mr. Shomen Chatterjee suggested to close the non-operative bank accounts of the University, if any.

9. All members unanimously agreed the performance appraisal for both teaching and non-teaching staff. Provision for the associated expenditure has already been made in the University's budget. The appraisal is expected to result in an approximately 10% increase in the University's expenditure.

10. All members approved the manpower requirement of the University for the year 2026-27 as per below mentioned table:

i) Academic Position (across various schools)

S. No.	Position	No. Required	New / Replacement
1	Professor	05	New
2	Associate Professor	08	05 New & 03 Replacement
3	Assistant Professor	10	04 New & 06 Replacement
4	Trainers for AME Program	02	New
	Total	25	

ii) Non-Teaching Staff

S. No.	Position	No. required	New / Replacement
1	CFAO	01	Replacement
2	Deputy Registrar	01	Replacement
3	Director of Administration	01	Replacement
4	Executives/Managers	06	05 New & 01 Replacement
5	Quality Manager (AME)	01	New
6	Examination Manager (AME)	01	New
7	Lab Assistant /Instructor	10	03 New & 07 Replacement
	Total	21	

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11. An overview of the university's financial position was presented to the members, including expenditure of F.Y. 2025-26 and projection of F.Y. 2026-27.

12. There were no other points for discussion. The meeting concluded with thanks to the distinguished members.

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Member Secretary

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