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MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING

Date: 10.07.2026

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:

S. No.	Name of the members	Designation
1.	Dr. Dheeraj K. Khatod, Assoc. Prof. IIT Roorkee	Member
2.	Dr. Subhojit Ghosh, Professor, NIT, Raipur	Member
3.	Dr. Thipendra P. Singh, Pro Vice Chancellor Chandigarh University, Lucknow Campus	Member
4.	Dr. Girish Chandra Mishra, Dean, SOS	Member
5.	Dr. Muthukumaran Ramasamy, Vice-Dean, SOM	Member
6.	Dr. Mahesh Bhiwapurkar, Vice-Dean, Mech. Engineering	Member
7.	Dr. M. Kalyan Phani, Vice – Dean, Meta. & Mat. Engineering	Member
8.	Dr. Nithya Muthukumaran, Vice – Dean, Civil Engineering	Member
9.	Dr. Ashish K Sharma, Vice – Dean, CSE	Member
10.	Dr. S. D. Swain, Head, Electrical Engineering	Member

Agenda:

- University Updates:** To apprise all members of the recent developments, initiatives, and key activities taking place at O.P. Jindal University.
- Implementation of the STEEL Curriculum:** To review the progress and implementation status of the STEEL Curriculum across the University.
- Approval of Scheme & Syllabus:** To consider and approve the revised schemes of examination and syllabi for various Diploma, Undergraduate, Postgraduate, and Ph.D. programmes in Engineering, Science, and Management for the forthcoming academic sessions.
- Approval for the Award of Degrees:** To consider and approve the award of degrees to students who have successfully fulfilled the requirements for graduation during the Academic Year 2025–2026.
- Creation of Department of Humanities and Social Science:** To consider and approve the establishment of the "Department of Humanities and Social Sciences" under the School of Science.
- Status of Accreditation and Quality Assurance Initiatives:** To review the status of accreditation, quality assurance, and institutional excellence initiatives, including NABL Accreditation and Sustainability Audit.
- MoUs Undertaken:** To ratify and approve the Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) executed by the University.
- Any other points with the permission of the Chair.**

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Following proceedings were recorded in the meeting:

The Member Secretary welcomed all the members and introduced 02 newly inducted members of the Academic Council as **Dr. Subhojit Ghosh** and **Dr. Thipendra P. Singh**. Minutes of last meeting were read, and they were confirmed.

1. With due permission of the Chair, Dr. Anurag Vijaywargiya, Registrar, shared a brief presentation based on the current achievements and activities, including DGCA approval for the Remote Pilot Training Organisation (RPTO), establishment of the AICTE Idea Lab, national and international rankings, admission overview with a aim to achieve 1000+ record admissions this year across all programmes, research accomplishments, student achievements, placement performance, scholarship initiatives, and infrastructure developments in line with development plan 2030.
2. The Council reviewed the implementation status of the STEEL Curriculum and appreciated the University's pioneering initiative in introducing an industry-integrated curriculum aligned with NEP 2020.
3. The proposed Scheme & Syllabus of Various courses of Engineering, Management & Sciences were discussed & approved as below;

CSE	• To approve the scheme and syllabus of NEP based B.Tech. programme for Sem. 5th to 8th semester (2024 - 28 Batch), and 3rd to 8th semester (2025-29 Batch). • To approve the proposed scheme and syllabus of NEP based B.Tech. programme with specialization in AI-ML for Sem. 5th to 8th semester (2024 - 28 Batch) and 3rd to 8th Semester (2025-29 batch). • To approve the scheme of the new B.Tech. CSE (AI-ML) for Sem. 3rd to 8th (2026-30 Batch).
Civil	• To approve the NEP based Scheme and Syllabus of B. Tech 3rd & 4th Semester (Batch 2025-29), B. Tech 5th & 6th Semester (Batch 2024-28) and B. Tech 7th & 8th Semester (Batch 2023-27). • To approve Scheme and Syllabus of M. Tech (Structural Engineering) 1st & 2nd Sem. (batch 2026 - 28) and 3rd & 4th Semester (Batch 2025-27). • To approve syllabus and scheme of Ph.D. course work (Departmental electives). • To approve proposed scheme and syllabus of Diploma 1st - 4th Sem. of (batch 2026 - 29)
EE	• To approve the scheme and syllabus of Diploma 3rd to 6th semester (2025-28 batch). • To approve the NEP based scheme and syllabus of B.Tech. 7th and 8th semester (2023-2027 batch), B. Tech. 5th to 8th Semester (Batch 2024-28) and B. Tech 3rd to 8th semester (Batch 2025-29) • Introduction of Specialization AI & ML and Power Technology in B. Tech (2025 batch) • To approve the scheme and syllabus of M. Tech 1st and 2nd Year (2026-28 batch)
Mining	• To approve the scheme and syllabus for B.Tech. 5th to 8th Semesters (Batch 2024-2028) and 3rd to 8th Semesters (Batch 2025-2029) • Approval of scheme and syllabus of new AICTE approved program of B. Tech for Working Professionals in Mining Engineering. • To approve the scheme and syllabus of Diploma 3rd to 6th Semesters (Batch 2025-28).

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Mechanical Engineering	- To approve the NEP based Scheme and syllabus of B. Tech 3rd to 8th Semester (Batch 2025-29), Scheme and syllabus of B. Tech 5th to 8th Semester (Batch 2024-28), B. Tech 7th & 8th Semester (Batch 2023-27). - Approval of scheme and syllabus of new AICTE approved program of B. Tech for Working Professionals in Mechanical Engineering. - Approval of scheme and syllabus of New M. Tech. in "Heat Power and Thermal Engineering (HPTE)" for upcoming batch 2026-28 and revision in scheme and syllabus of existing M. Tech. in "Manufacturing Technology and Automation" for batch (2026-28) - Approval of change in scheme and syllabus of Diploma in Mechanical Engineering Semester III-VI for Batch 2025-28
Metallurgical Engineering	- To approve the scheme and syllabus of B.Tech. 7th and 8th Semesters (Batch 2023-27), NEP based, B. Tech. 5th to 8th Semesters (Batch 2024-2028) and B.Tech. 3rd to 8th Semesters (Batch 2025-2029). - Approval of scheme and syllabus of new AICTE approved program of B. Tech for Working Professionals in Metallurgical and Materials Engineering. - To approve the scheme and syllabus of M. Tech. (Material Science and Technology) and M. Tech. (Metallurgy Material and Technology) 1st to 4th (Batch 2026-28) - To approve the scheme and syllabus of Diploma 3rd to 6th Semesters (Batch 2025-28)
B.A Economics	- To approve proposed syllabus of NEP based B.A.-Economics 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th Semester (2024-28 batch) - To approve proposed syllabus of NEP based B.A.-Economics 3rd & 4th Semester (2025-29 batch)
B.Com	- To approve proposed syllabus of NEP based B. Com. 5th & 6th Semester (2024-28 batch) - To approve proposed syllabus of NEP based B. Com. 3rd & 4th Semester (2025-29 batch)
BBA	- To approve the proposed Scheme and Syllabus of NEP based BBA 1st & 2nd semester (2026-30) batch. - To review & approve the Scheme and Syllabus of NEP based BBA 3rd & 4th semester (2025-29 batch), 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th semester of BBA (2024-28 batch)
MBA	To approve the addition of electives in MBA 2nd year in 2025-27 batch and approval of new Scheme and Syllabus for MBA (2026-28 batch).
B.Sc.	- To approve the 3rd Year Scheme and Syllabus of the NEP-based 4-Year B.Sc. Programmes in: Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Biotechnology, Data Science and Analytics. - To approve the Scheme and 1st Year Syllabus of the 3-Year B.Sc. Aircraft Maintenance. (New Program-2026 Batch). - To approve the Scheme and 1st Year Syllabus of the NEP-based 4-Year B.Sc. Programme in Environmental Science and Sustainability. (New Program-2026 Batch). - To approve the revised 1st semester Scheme & Syllabus of the NEP-based 4-Year B.Sc. Programmes in: Chemistry, Biotechnology, and Data Science and Analytics. (2026 Batch)
M.Sc.	To approve the 2nd Year Scheme and Syllabus of the NEP-based 2-Year M.Sc. Programmes in: Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics and Computing, and Industrial Biotechnology.
Ph.D. Mathematics	To approve the inclusion of the Departmental Subject in the Ph.D. Coursework in Mathematics

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4. The Council approved the award of degrees to 688 eligible students who successfully fulfilled the academic requirements during the Academic Year 2025-26.
5. After detailed deliberations, the Academic Council approved 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."
6. The members reviewed the status of accreditation and quality assurance initiatives, including NAAC accreditation, NBA preparations, NIRF participation, sustainability audits, and NABL accreditation initiatives.
7. Memorandum of Understanding executed by the University with various national and international institutions and organizations, including Nottingham Trent University (UK), Indamer Technics Private Limited (Nagpur), NAMTECH (Gujarat) and HDFC Bank, National Institute of Securities Market (NISM) etc. were approved by the council.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the floor was opened for the esteemed members to offer their valuable suggestions and recommendations for the further advancement of the University.

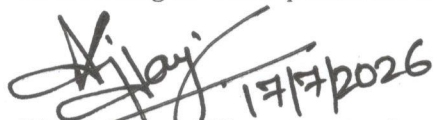
Dr. Thipendra P. Singh emphasized the need for proper integration and alignment of the STEEL Curriculum with the objectives, principles, and requirements of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

Dr. Dheeraj K. Khatod advised to develop adequate on-campus residential accommodation facilities for faculty members to facilitate greater faculty engagement for better academic and research contributions.

Dr. Subhojit Ghosh suggested increasing the intake of Ph.D. admissions and encouraging a larger number of research scholars to enroll in doctoral programmes to strengthen the University's research ecosystem, improve the quality and quantity of research publications and increase opportunities for externally funded projects. Dr. Ghosh also suggested increasing the faculty strength across various departments to facilitate effective preparation for upcoming NBA accreditation.

The members expressed their appreciation for the remarkable progress and overall development of O.P. Jindal University under the visionary leadership of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. The Vice Chancellor conveyed his sincere thanks to all the distinguished members for their valuable suggestions and sparring their valuable time in attending the Academic Council Meeting.

There being no other points for the discussion. The meeting concluded with thanks to the Chair.


(Dr. Anurag Vijaywargiya)
Member Secretary