

Minutes of the 40th IQAC Meeting (held on 19 May 2026)

ICFAI University, Jaipur

The 40th meeting of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of The ICFAI University, Jaipur was held on 19 May 2026 at 4:00 PM in the Boardroom of the University. The meeting was chaired by the Hon'ble President of ICFAI University and the Chairman, IQAC, Prof. (Dr) H P Singh, VSM. Dr Latha Pillai, Senior Advisor, IFHE, Hyderabad, attended the meeting in person. Before the meeting, Dr Pillai met with the attribute owners from 10:30 AM to 3:45 PM to review progress and discuss quality-enhancement measures. The purpose of the meeting was to review the University's progress toward achieving academic excellence and strengthening institutional quality systems and preparation for the impending Binary Accreditation by NAAC.

Chairperson:

Prof (Dr) H P Singh, VSM

Members Present:

Dr. R. Nesamoorthy, Registrar, IUJ
Dr. Harish Kumar Verma, Director- IQAC
Dr. Arun Kr. Saini, Director & Prof. ICFAI Tech.
Dr. Archana Rathore, Dean & Prof. IBS
Dr. Shiv Kumar, Dean of Research, IUJ
Dr. Rana Mukerjee, Dean ICFAI Tech.
Dr. Minal Sharma, HOD, School of Liberal Arts
Dr. Ganesh N. Sharma, Principal, ISPS
Dr. Santosh Kr. Singh
Dr. Vidhu K. Mathur
Mr. SD Bhagtani, CFO
Dr. Pramod Kumar Arya
Dr. Manindra Trihotri
Dr. Ameesha Singh
Dr. Ruchi Gupta
Ms. Monika Yadav
Ms. Sugandha Verma

Special Invitee:

Dr. N. D. Jasuja, Joint Registrar, IUJ

Welcome Address

The Chair warmly welcomed Dr. Latha Pillai and all esteemed members of the IQAC. He acquainted the members with the significant progress achieved by the University since the previous IQAC meeting held on 10 February 2026.

Following the Chairman's address, the Director of IQAC took up the agenda items for discussion.

Agenda 40.01: Grant of Leave of Absence

Leave of absence was granted to:

- Dr. Sweta Jain, Director and Prof. IBS
- Mr. Rohit Malik, Deputy Director
- Mr. N.K. Jain, Industry Expert
- Student Alumni and Nominees

Agenda 40.02: Confirmation of Minutes of the 39th IQAC Meeting

The minutes of the 39th IQAC Meeting were placed before the members for confirmation and were unanimously approved.

Agenda 40.03: Follow-up Action on the Decisions of the 39th IQAC Meeting

The Director IQAC apprised the members regarding the action taken on the decisions of the previous meeting. The members noted the progress and appreciated the follow-up actions undertaken by the University.

Agenda 40.04: Discussion on Quality Initiatives and Institutional Progress**40.04.01 Institutional Development Plan (IDP)**

The Director IQAC informed the members that the Institutional Development Plan (IDP) has been approved by the Academic Council and Board of Management.

The Chairman emphasized the need for regular review of the targets specified in the IDP. Heads of Departments have been advised to implement school-wise related strategies/goals and periodically review outcomes to identify achievements and areas needing improvement.

The members took note of the same.

40.04.02 Activities Undertaken by IQAC after the 39th IQAC Meeting

The Director, IQAC, presented a brief overview of the activities undertaken since the previous IQAC meeting. It was reported that a workshop on Outcome-Based Education (OBE) and Assurance of Learning (AOL) was conducted by Prof. Sindhuja to train and equip faculty members with the skills required to formulate measurable learning outcomes, design effective assessment strategies, and align teaching practices with industry expectations and accreditation standards.

The Chairman directed all departments to initiate COs-POs attainment and Assurance of Learning practices. The following attainment thresholds were approved:

- Students scoring 60%-Level 3 Attainment
- Students scoring above 50%-Level 2 Attainment
- Students scoring above 36% - Level 1 Attainment

The members were also apprised of community outreach activities conducted through NSS, including the seven-day NSS programme coordinated by Dr. Sugandha Verma, Coordinator NSS, ICFAI University, Jaipur.

Further, the Director IQAC informed the members about the status of research publications and patents. Members noted that faculty members from all schools have contributed research papers in journals and books. International conferences organized by the School of Liberal Arts and IBS during March and April 2026, respectively, were also discussed and noted.

40.04.03 Workshop on NEP

It was informed that a workshop on the National Education Policy (NEP) would be organized by the NEP Coordinator, Dr. Mukesh Kalla, on 29 July 2026 to commemorate the anniversary of NEP implementation.

The members noted the same.

40.04.04 Plan of Action for AY 2026–27

The Director IQAC informed the members that AY 2025-26 would be treated as the baseline year for internal benchmarking, and benchmarks would accordingly be developed for Academic Year 2026-27.

Chairman IQAC, directed IQAC to identify common Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) applicable across all Schools. Heads of Schools were further advised to identify School-specific parameters for internal and competitive benchmarking.

The Chairman directed that the internal benchmarking process be completed by the last week of May 2026 in consultation with Heads of Departments.

40.04.05 Review of Progress Reports by Attribute Owners

Attribute 1: Curriculum Aspects

Dr. Vidhu Kumar Mathur informed that data for the odd sem., July-December 2025, has been collected. The Chairman reiterated the importance of COs-POs attainment and AOL implementation. Also, suggestion relating to the revision of COs-POs based on stakeholders' feedback was noted. Integration of AI applications into courses was emphasized by Dr. Latha Pillai, and a suggestion was noted.

Attribute 2: Faculty Resources

Attribute Owner Dr. Ruchi Gupta reported that data collection for the Odd Semester, July 2025-December 2025, has been completed. It was reported that the faculty recruitment details will be updated by June 2026. The Chairman emphasized participation of faculty members in FDPs sponsored by AICTE, UGC, and MMTTC. The University authorities assured to encourage faculty members to participate in industrial training and the industry immersion program. During the meeting, the Attribute Owner was directed to maintain records of faculty pursuing PhD programs. It was recommended to improve the number of PhD faculty members and maintain a healthy student-teacher ratio.

Attribute 3: Infrastructure

Attribute Owner, Dr. Harish Kumar Verma reported that the process of requisitioning books for AY 2026-27 has begun. IT and Library Committee meeting minutes have been collected. Hostel and mess construction has enhanced residential capacity. An open gym has also been established for students and faculty. The process of seeking approval from HO for purchasing of Turnitin plagiarism software in process.

Attribute 4: Financial Resources and Management

Attribute Owner, Mr. S.D. Bhagtani informed the IQAC members that financial information required under attribute 4 has been requested from the Head Office. The Chairman directed that the information be procured at the earliest.

Attribute 5: Learning and Teaching

Attribute Owner, Dr. Ameesha stated that data for Odd Semester, July- December 2025, has been collected. Academic calendars, remedial classes, and pedagogical approaches related information are being collected. The Chairman emphasised adopting more innovative teaching pedagogies to strengthen analytical and skill-based learning among students. Every school was directed to set teaching pedagogical-related benchmarks and assess it periodically to strengthen in light of gaps noticed.

Attribute 6: Extended Curricular Engagements

Attribute Owner, Dr. Sugandha, informed that the data has been collected and verified. However, student participation in sports at the state, national, and international levels requires improvement. The Chairman IQAC informed the members that the University has planned to organize state and national-level sports events, including Girls' Volleyball and Chess Championships on the University campus.

Attribute 7: Governance and Administration

Ms. Monika Yadav, the Attribute Owner, informed that data collection of previous semesters' activities has been completed. She highlighted the requirement of the Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA), which the Chairman directed to be completed. Reports related to ICC and Anti-Ragging Committees would be collected in June 2026. The training for faculty related to the implementation of ERP is going on, and the ERP system will be implemented in University from the coming AY.

The suggestion for inclusion of detailed quantitative targets in the IDP was noted, and it was resolved to review IDP targets and benchmark outcomes periodically.

Attribute 8: Student Outcomes

Attribute Owner, Dr. Promod Arya informed that the data for the odd sem (July 2025-December 2025) has been collected. The Chairman advised the attribute owner to update records relating to recent students' achievements, including Moot Court victories of law students, debate competition awards, and IBS and Tech school students' achievements. Focus on quality placements for meaningful student outcomes was recommended during the meeting, and the suggestion was noted. It was discussed and decided that after completion of the admission procedure every year, as a regular practice, admission data will be placed before the AC and BOM for approval.

Attribute 9: Research and Innovation Outcomes

Dr. Rana Mukherjee, Attribute Owner, reported improvement in the University's research publication status. The Chairman encouraged Schools to further increase publications in reputed journals. The need and importance of a policy on the ethical use of AI in research and publication were discussed and recommended to implement. It was suggested to determine benchmarks related to research and publication in journals and books. The publication incentive policy for faculty should be revised and finalized. Chairman IQAC assured to encourage faculty participation in industry immersion and short-duration industrial training programs. It was emphasized and suggested to plan international conferences well in advance with quality publication strategies and external review mechanism.

Attribute 10: Sustainability Outcomes and Green Initiatives

Attribute Owner, Dr. Manindra Trihotri informed that data for the Odd Semester, July-December 2025, has been collected. The E-waste disposal process is completed, and certification of the

disposal of E-waste has been obtained. It was suggested to establish a structured mechanism for periodic E-waste disposal. It was also proposed to adopt one or two SDGs on which the University can work to support sustainability initiatives.

Attribute 11: Institutional Uniqueness

Attribute Owner, Dr. S.K. Singh, informed that documentation relating to institutional uniqueness and best practices was being continuously updated.

Agenda 40.05: Any Other Item with Permission of the Chair

No additional items were discussed.


Agenda 40.06: Date of Next Meeting

The next IQAC meeting will be held in consultation with the Chairman, IQAC

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

These minutes are issued with the approval of the Hon'ble President, ICFAI University, Jaipur.


Deputy Director-IQAC


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Director-IQAC