

Confirmation of Minutes of the 65th Meeting of the Board of Governors

Minutes of the 65th Meeting of the Board of Governors of The ICFAI University, Dehradun held on December 30, 2025 at 11:00 hrs. through hybrid mode.

Members present:

Prof. (Dr.) Uday B. Desai, Chancellor	Chairman
Prof. (Dr.) Ram Karan Singh, Vice-Chancellor	Member Secretary
Prof. V N Rajasekharan Pillai	Member
Prof. T Tirupati Rao	Member (through video conferencing)
Prof.(Dr.) Aruna Palta	Member (through video conferencing)
Dr. Vineet K. Gehalaut	Member (through video conferencing)
Dr. Ramesh Chand Ramola, Registrar	Ex-officio Secretary

Invitees:

Mr. Srikanth Pothuri, Vice President- Marketing	(through video conferencing)
Dr. Sanjeev Kumar, Asso. Dean- ITS	
Dr. Alka N. Choudhary, Principal- ISPS	
Dr. Meena Bhandari, Dean In-charge - IEd.S	
Dr. Monica Kharola, Asso. Dean- ILS	
Dr. Puneet Kumar Gupta, Asso. Dean- Research	
Dr. Sanjeev Malaviya, Dean- Placement	
Dr. Amit Kumar Bera, Dy. Director, IQAC	
Mr. G. F. Chakravarti, CoE, IUD	

Prof. (Dr.) Uday B. Desai, Chancellor presided over the meeting and the following items of business were transacted:

65.01 Grant of Leave of absence, if any

The Principal Secretary (Higher Education), Government of Uttarakhand, Prof. Atul Joshi, Prof. R. P. Kaushik, and Prof. S. Kishore Kumar could not attend the meeting and were granted leave of absence.

65.02 Confirmation of Minutes of the 64th Meeting of the Board of Governors

The Minutes of the 64th Meeting of the Board of Governors of The ICFAI University, Dehradun, held on August 28, 2025, were placed before the Board. The Board reviewed and confirmed the Minutes.

65.03 Follow up Action on the issues related to 64th Meeting of the Board of Governors

The follow-up action taken on the decisions of the 64th Meeting of the Board of Governors was placed before the Board and noted.

65.04 Minutes of the 81st Meetings of the Board of Management

The minutes of the 81st Meeting of the Board of Management held on November 21, 2025 were noted.

65.05 Minutes of the 82nd Meetings of the Board of Management

The minutes of the 82nd Meeting of the Board of Management held on December 10, 2025 were noted.

65.06 Minutes of the 61st Meeting of the Academic Council

The minutes of the 61st Meeting of the Academic Council held on November 11, 2025 were noted.

65.07 Review of Operations

The Board reviewed and appreciated the various academic activities conducted across the University, including webinars, guest lectures, and workshops organized by different Schools. The research publication data presented and the student activities conducted during the year were reviewed and noted. Further, the Board suggested that the Research and Development Cell prepare and present school-wise research publication details and organize a one-day Doctoral Conference involving Ph.D. scholars from different universities and institutions to promote research exchange and collaboration.

65.08 Faculty Strength

The Board noted the school-wise faculty profiles presented and appreciated the University's continuous efforts to strengthen the faculty cadre ratio. In particular, the Board observed that the teacher-student ratio of the ICFAI Tech School is presently on the higher side and recommended that appropriate measures be taken to bring it to the optimal level in the forthcoming academic session.

65.09 Approval of the ICFAI University, Dehradun (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism) Guidelines, 2025

The Board reviewed the **Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism Guidelines, 2025** of The ICFAI University, Dehradun prepared by Research and Development Cell based on the UGC Regulations on Plagiarism coupled with AI-based plagiarism policy formulated by the University. The Board suggested to the University to obtain approval from the members by circulation.

65.10 Signing of MoU by the ICFAI University, Dehradun

The Board noted and appreciated the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between The ICFAI University, Dehradun and MongoDB Software India Private Limited on December 05, 2025, aimed at strengthening academic engagement in MongoDB and NoSQL database technologies. The Board further suggested that the University prepare a comprehensive list of all active MoUs, along with details of activities conducted under each MoU, and present the same in the next meeting for review.

65.11 Status of Placements (AY 2025-26)

The Dean, Placement informed the Board that the placement drive for the Academic Year 2025-26 is currently ongoing and shared the placement status achieved so far: IBS 31.70% and ITS 53.22%. He also apprised the Board that the placement activities for the Education School and the Law School are scheduled to commence from January 2026. The Board noted the update and conveyed its best wishes for successful placement outcomes across all Schools.

65.12 Program Promotional Activities for the Academic Year 2025-26

The Vice President, Marketing briefed the Board on the admission progress for the Academic Year 2026-27, reporting 1,729 application sales against the target of 1,080 admissions. He also acknowledged the proactive involvement of faculty members in career counselling initiatives for students of Classes 10 and 12. Faculty teams have been visiting schools, coaching centers, and educational fairs in collaboration with the Marketing team, thereby strengthening outreach and visibility efforts. The Board noted the update and conveyed its best wishes for the continued success of the admission activities.

65.13 Minutes of 53rd Meeting of the Research and Development Cell

The Board noted the minutes of 53rd Meeting of the Research and Development Cell.

65.14 Registration of the ICFAI University Dehradun Alumni Society

It was informed that **The ICFAI University Dehradun Alumni Society** has been officially registered (Registration No. UK06003112025015490) on November 20, 2025, with validity up to November 19, 2030. The Board noted and further suggested that the University initiate the process for obtaining a Tax Exemption Certificate by applying through the Income Tax portal and also pursue registration under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA) with the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), to enable the Alumni Society to legally receive foreign contributions.

65.15 University Ranking/ Awards by External Agencies

The Board noted and appreciated the high rankings, awards and recognitions received by different Schools of the University at the National and State levels from various external agencies and commended the collective efforts of all stakeholders in attaining these achievements.

65.16 Compliance Report

The Compliance Report for the period ending November 30, 2025 was presented and noted.

65.17 Any other item with the Permission of the Chair:

The Board suggested the following:

- (i) To organize a dedicated session for all faculty and staff members on the adoption and effective use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in academic and research activities.
- (ii) To consider the feasibility to conduct Summer School and/or Winter School programs for students of Classes 10th, 11th and 12th to enhance institutional visibility, with special emphasis on schools located in the hill regions of Uttarakhand.
- (iii) To explore the possibility to integrate the Indian Knowledge System (IKS) as an introductory component across all academic programs of the University to promote holistic and culturally rooted learning.

65.18 Date for the next meeting

It was agreed that the date for the next meeting of the Board of Governors will be fixed in consultation with the Chairman.

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

Prof. (Dr.) Uday B. Desai
Chairman