

Minutes of the 79th Meeting of the Board of Management

Minutes of the 79th Meeting of the Board of Management of The ICFAI University, Dehradun held on March 27, 2025 at 11:00 hrs. through blended mode.

Present:

Prof. (Dr.) Ram Karan Singh (Vice-Chancellor)	Chairperson
Prof. (Dr.) A. V. Narsimha Rao	Member (through video conferencing)
Prof. T S Ramakrishna Rao	Member (through video conferencing)
Dr. K L Narayana	Member (through video conferencing)
Mr. Cheedi Srinivas	Member (through video conferencing)
Prof. (Dr.) Tapan Kumar Chandola	Member
Dr. Meena Bhandari	Member
Dr. Ramesh Chand Ramola (Registrar)	Member Secretary

Invitees:

Prof. (Dr.) Arun Kumar Singh (Director, IQAC)	
Prof. (Dr.) Alka N. Chaudhary (Principal, ISPS)	
Dr. Sanjeev Kumar (Associate Dean, ITS)	
Dr. Rishi Dwesar (Dean, IBS)	
Dr. Puneet Kumar Gupta (Research Coordinator, IUD)	
Mr. G. F. Chakravarthi (CoE)	
Mr. Amit Kumar Bera, (Deputy Director, IQAC)	
Dr. Sanjeev Malaviya, (Dean, Placement)	
Mr. Srikanth Pothuri (Vice Precedent, Marketing)	(Through video conferencing)
Mrs. A. Srilatha (Assistant Accountant General)	(Through video conferencing)

Prof. (Dr.) Ram Karan Singh, Vice-Chancellor presided over the meeting and the following items of business were transacted:

79.01 Grant of leave of absence, if any

The Principal Secretary, Higher Education, Govt. of Uttarakhand could not attend the meeting and was granted leave of absence.

79.02 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 78th Meeting of the Board of Management

The minutes of the 78th meeting of the Board of Management of The ICFAI University, Dehradun, held on December 03, 2024, were confirmed.

79.03 Follow up Action on the Minutes of the 78th Meeting of the Board of Management

The follow-up action taken on the minutes of the 78th Board of Management were presented and noted. The Board congratulated IUD, on securing the UCOST project worth six lakh rupees and extended special appreciation to Prof. (Dr.) Alka N. Choudhary, Principal, ISPS, for her contributions. The Board also conveyed its best wishes for the upcoming 5th International Conference on *Intelligent Vision and Computing (ICIVC 2025)*, scheduled from June 13-14, 2025. Additionally, the Board suggested that a detailed report on the conference, including the number of national and international research papers received and accepted, be submitted in the next meeting of the Board of Management.

79.04 Minutes of the 59th Meeting of the Academic Council

The minutes of the 59th meeting of the Academic Council of The ICFAI University, Dehradun, held on February 21, 2025, were noted.

79.05 Review of Operations

i) Webinars /Guest Lectures/ Workshops Conducted

The Board noted with satisfaction the webinars, guest lectures, and workshops conducted by various schools.

ii) Details of Research Publications by Faculty Members/Research Scholars

The research publication data was presented, and the Board congratulated the faculty for publication of research articles, book chapters, conference proceedings, patents/designs/copyrights, and books.

iii) Faculty Achievements/Recognitions

The Board noted and appreciated the faculty's diverse achievements and recognitions, including serving as Guests of Honor, receiving awards, acting as external examiners, session chairs, and academic experts.

iv) Student Achievements

The Board noted the student achievements and congratulated the students and mentors for their performance.

v) Student Activities

The Board also noted the student activities with satisfaction.

79.06 Faculty Profile

The Board noted the School-wise faculty profiles. The University is actively engaged in ongoing efforts to enhance the faculty cadre ratio, demonstrating a commitment to academic excellence.

79.07 Status of Ph.D. Students

The Research Coordinator informed the Board about the school-wise status of Ph.D. scholars (Full-Time/Part-Time) and presented the phase-wise details.

79.08 Status of Placements (AY 2024-25)

The Dean, Placement Cell informed the Board that the placement drive for the academic year 2024-25 is ongoing. He further shared the placement status achieved so far: IBS at 96.15%, ITS at 53.19%, IEd.S. at 33.33% and ILS at 10.95%.

79.09 Program Promotional Activities for the Academic Year 2025-26

Mr. Srikanth Pothuri, Vice Precedent, Marketing briefed the Board on the various marketing activities undertaken to enhance admissions. He reported that the projected admission target for all programs of the University for the Academic Session 2025-26 is 900.

Mr. Srikanth also acknowledged the active involvement of faculty members in career counselling initiatives for 10th and 12th standard students. They have been visiting schools, coaching centers, and educational fairs in collaboration with the marketing team, contributing significantly to these efforts.

79.10 Budget for the Financial Year 2025-26

As per the Statute 1.14.1 of The ICFAI University, Dehradun First Statutes, 2004 the budget for the Financial Year 2025-26 is presented for the consideration and approval of the Board of Management. The Board considered and resolved to recommend to the Board of Governors for its final approval.

79.11 Minutes of 50th and 51st Meeting of the Research and Development Cell

The minutes of the 50th and 51st meeting of the Research Committee of the ICFAI University, Dehradun were presented and noted.

79.12 Stakeholder's Feedback forms as per Basic Accreditation Framework (BAF)

The IQAC has revised the stakeholders' feedback form in alignment with the Basic Accreditation Framework (BAF) to enhance curriculum quality. The Board noted and appreciated this initiative.

79.13 Research Activities

The Research Coordinator presented to the Board about the school-wise status of research activities conducted by the Research Cell, including Thesis Proposal Seminars, Progress Seminars and Pre-Ph.D. Seminars. The Board appreciated the ongoing research initiatives.

79.14 Compliance Report

The Board noted the Compliance Report for the period ending February 28, 2025.

79.15 Any other item with the Permission of the Chair

- i) The Board suggested to the University to surrender the sanctioned seats in the courses approved by the Bar Council of India (BCI) with the approval of the Sponsor where the admissions are less than the sanctioned strength to maintain a balance between the sanctioned strength and the actual admissions for the purpose of NAAC accreditation.
- ii) The Board suggested that the University prioritize signing a MoU with the Uttarakhand State Council for Science and Technology (UCOST) at the earliest to facilitate projects and consultancy opportunities.
- iii) The Board recommended that the University incorporate the Indian Knowledge System (IKS) and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) into the curriculum as per UGC guidelines.

79.16 Date for the Next Meeting

It was agreed that the date for the next meeting of the Board of Management would be fixed in consultation with the Chairperson.

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

Prof. (Dr.) Ram Karan Singh
Chairperson