

Confirmation of Minutes of the 84th Meeting of the Board of Management

Minutes of the 84th Meeting of the Board of Management of The ICFAI University, Dehradun held on August 14, 2026 at 11:00 hrs. through blended mode.

Present:

Prof. (Dr.) Ram Karan Singh (Vice Chancellor)	Chairperson
Prof. (Dr.) A. V. Narsimha Rao conferencing)	Member (through video
Prof. T S Ramakrishna Rao conferencing)	Member (through video
Prof. S Vijayalakshmi conferencing)	Member (through video
Dr. K L Narayana conferencing)	Member (through video
Mr. Cheedi Srinivas conferencing)	Member (through video
Prof. (Dr.) Sanjeev Kumar	Member
Dr. Rishi Dwesar	Member
Dr. Meena Bhandari	Member
Prof. (Dr.) Alka N Chaudhary	Member
Prof. (Dr.) Arun Kumar Singh	Member
Prof. (Dr.) Sanjeev Malaviya (Registrar)	Member Secretary

Invitees:

Mrs. A. Srilatha (Assistant Accountant General)	(Through video conferencing)
Mr. Srikanth Pothuri (Vice Precedent, Marketing)	(Through video conferencing)
Dr. Puneet Kumar Gupta (Associate Dean, Research, IUD)	
Dr. Gaurav Bhandari (Director, IQAC)	
Dr. Amit Kumar Bera, (Deputy Director, IQAC)	
Mr. G F Chakravarthi (CoE, IUD)	

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

84.01 Grant of leave of absence, if any

The Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Government of Uttarakhand and Mr. V Bharadwaja were unable to attend the meeting due to their prior commitments. The Board considered their requests and granted leave of absence.

84.02 Re-Constitution of the Board of Management

The Board was informed that the Uttarakhand Private Universities Act, 2023 (Act No. 2 of 2024) repealed the ICFAI University Act, 2003. In accordance with Section 28(2) of the Uttarakhand Private Universities Act, 2023, the Board of Management of The ICFAI University, Dehradun, has been reconstituted for a period of three years with effect from August 12, 2026. The Chairperson welcomed all the members on behalf of the Board of Management and expressed confidence that their valuable guidance and contributions would strengthen the academic and administrative excellence of The ICFAI University, Dehradun.

84.03 Appointment of the Registrar

The Board was informed that, in terms of Section 17(1) of the ICFAI University Act, 2003, read with Statutes 1.4.1 and 1.4.2 of the First Statutes of the ICFAI University, 2004, the Chancellor, based on the recommendations of the duly constituted Selection Committee, appointed Prof. (Dr.) Sanjeev Malaviya as the Registrar of the University for a period of three years. Prof. (Dr.) Sanjeev Malaviya assumed charge as Registrar of The ICFAI University, Dehradun, with effect from June 01, 2026. The Board welcomed Prof. (Dr.) Sanjeev Malaviya and conveyed its best wishes for a successful tenure. The Board also placed on record its appreciation for the valuable contributions of Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh Chand Ramola, who completed his three-year tenure as Registrar on May 31, 2026, and acknowledged his dedicated services and contribution to the development of the University during his tenure.

84.04 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 83rd Meeting of the Board of Management

The minutes of the 83rd meeting of the Board of Management of The ICFAI University, Dehradun, held on April 10, 2026, were confirmed.

84.05 Follow up Action on the Minutes of the 83rd Meeting of the Board of Management

The follow-up action taken on the minutes of the 83rd Meeting of the Board of Management was presented before the Board. The members reviewed and noted the progress made on the action points. During the discussion, the Board suggested that the University should take necessary steps to explore the engagement of Professors of Practice, including retired professors and experienced professionals, to strengthen academic delivery and industry-academia interaction. The Board further advised that faculty seminars should be continued to promote knowledge sharing and academic development. The Board also emphasized the need to promote collaborative research, joint publications, and research projects between faculty members of IFHE and IUD. Further, in view of the IEEE subscription available with IFHE, the Board suggested that IUD faculty members should be encouraged to make effective use of the available resources for quality research and publications. The Board also suggested that the profiles of IUD Research Guides be compiled and circulated among all members of the Board of Management for information and reference.

84.06 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 63rd Meeting of the Academic Council

The minutes of the 63rd Meeting of the Academic Council of The ICFAI University, Dehradun, held on July 30, 2026, were noted.

84.07 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 58th Meeting of the Finance Committee

The Board of Management considered the minutes of the 58th Meeting of the Finance Committee of The ICFAI University, Dehradun, held on August 12, 2026 and resolved to recommend to place the same before the Board of Governors for its consideration and approval.

84.08 Review of Operations

i) Webinars /Guest Lectures/ Workshops Conducted

The Board reviewed and noted the webinars, guest lectures, and workshops conducted by the different schools of the University.

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

The Associate Dean (Research) presented the details of research publications contributed by faculty members and research scholars across various schools. A

total of 51 publications, including research articles, book chapters, conference proceedings, patents/designs/copyrights, and books, were reported during the period. The Board noted the same and appreciated the continued efforts towards enhancing research output and quality.

iii) Activities of Research and Development Cell

The Research and Development Cell presented a brief report on its recent activities. The 6th International Conference on Intelligent Vision and Computing, held on June 12-13, 2026, received 1,866 research paper submissions, of which approximately 6% were selected through a rigorous review process, with participation from India and 10 other countries, including the USA, UK, and South Africa. The Board was also informed about the subscription of Turnitin software for plagiarism checking of faculty research work and the disbursement of publication incentives amounting to Rs. 2,52,664/- to 18 faculty members under the IUD Research Incentive Scheme for publications during October 2025-March 2026. Further, regarding Ph.D. Admissions for the Summer Session 2026-27, 57 applications were received, of which 31 candidates (27 part-time and 4 full-time) were selected following the entrance examination and/or interview, and offer letters were issued.

iv) Faculty Achievements

The achievements of faculty members were presented before the Board. The Board noted the same and appreciated their contributions.

v) Student Achievements

The achievements of students were presented before the Board. The Board noted the same and appreciated their accomplishments.

vi) Student Activities

Board noted 26 student activities conducted across various schools and appreciated the active participation of students and the efforts of the respective schools in promoting co-curricular engagement.

84.09 Approval of the lists of graduating students, recipients of Medals and award of Ph.D. Degrees of 2026

The Chairperson presented the names, ID numbers, and CGPAs of the individual graduating students to the Board members. After review, the Board approved 459 graduating students and two doctoral students for degree conferral in the upcoming convocation. Additionally, the council approved the list of 42 recipients from various programs who are eligible to receive Gold (13 Nos.), Silver (15 Nos.), and Bronze medals (14 Nos.) during the 13th Convocation 2026.

84.10 Analysis of Results

The Board noted the analysis of the results for the Odd and Even Semesters of the Academic Year 2025-26.

84.11 Faculty Strength

The Board noted the school-wise faculty profiles presented and appreciated the University's ongoing efforts to strengthen the faculty cadre ratio as part of its commitment to attaining academic excellence.

84.12 Signing of MOU by the ICFAI University, Dehradun

The Chairperson apprised the Board regarding the various Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) and academic collaborations entered into by The ICFAI

University, Dehradun, with reputed organizations and industry partners. The ICFAI School of Pharmaceutical Sciences signed MoUs with Natco Pharma Limited on June 01, 2026. The University also entered into an MoU with the Indian Society of Artificial Intelligence and Law (ISAIL) and Indian Pacific Legal Research on May 14, 2026, and a Celonis Academic Cooperation Agreement with The ICFAI Society on March 18, 2026. The Board noted and appreciated these initiatives aimed at strengthening industry academia collaboration, research, experiential learning, and professional development opportunities for students.

84.13 Status of Placements (AY 2025-26)

The Dean (Placement) apprised the Board of the status of the placement drive for the Academic Year 2025-26, which is nearing completion. The placement status reported across the Schools was 86% for IBS, 81% for ITS, 49% for IEd.S., and 83% for ILS. The Board noted the progress and conveyed its best wishes for the successful completion of the remaining placement activities across all Schools. The Board members also appreciated the increase of average CTC and highest CTC of the IUD. To leverage in admissions work, these achievements need to be put in promotional materials

84.14 Program Promotional Activities for the Admission Year 2026-27

The Vice President (Marketing) briefed the Board on the admission progress for the Academic Year 2026-27. He informed that 11,284 applications had been sold against the target of 1,020 admissions, with 798 admissions achieved as of the date of the meeting. He also highlighted the proactive involvement of faculty members in career counselling and student outreach initiatives, particularly for students of Classes 10 and 12. The Board noted the progress and appreciated the efforts of the University towards strengthening its admission and promotional activities, and conveyed its best wishes for the continued success of the admission process.

84.15 Approval of Annual Accounts and Annual Report for the year 2025-26

The Annual Accounts for the year 2025-26 together with the Audit Report were reviewed and recommended for submission to the Board of Governors for its approval.

Annual Report on the activities of the University for the year 2025-26 was reviewed and recommended for submission to the Board of Governors for its approval.

84.16 Appointment of the Statutory Auditors for the year 2026-27

A proposal to reappoint M/s. Narasimha Rao & Associates, Chartered Accountants as Statutory Auditors for the year 2026-27 on a remuneration of Rs.50,000 plus GST and reimbursement of out of pocket expenses was reviewed and recommended for submission to the Board of Governors for its approval.

84.17 Activities conducted by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

The Board was apprised of the various quality performance initiatives undertaken by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) in association with different schools of the University. The Board noted and appreciated the diverse range of initiatives aimed at enhancing student learning, industry exposure, research orientation, and social responsibility, thereby contributing to the overall quality enhancement and holistic development of the institution.

84.18 University Ranking/ Awards by External Agencies

The Chairperson apprised the Board of the national rankings and recognitions received by The ICFAI University, Dehradun, and its constituent Schools, namely ICFAI Law School, ICFAI Business School and ICFAI Tech School from various reputed external ranking agencies. The Board noted the achievements and appreciated the continued efforts of the University and its Schools towards enhancing academic excellence, quality education, research, and institutional reputation at the national and state level.

84.19 Compliance Report

The Board noted the Compliance Report for the period ending July 31, 2026.

84.20 Any other item with the Permission of the Chair

The Chairperson informed the Board that two more Ph.D. research scholars, Ms. Seema Sharma (RSILS190058) and Ms. Priya Chanana (RSILS210057), successfully defended their Ph.D. Viva-Voce on August 07, 2026 and August 10, 2026, respectively. After due consideration, the Board approved the award of two additional Doctoral Degree to both research scholars at the 13th Convocation 2026 of The ICFAI University, Dehradun.

84.21 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 Chairman.

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

Prof. (Dr.) Ram Karan
Singh
Chairperson