



INTER UNIVERSITY CENTRE FOR TEACHER EDUCATION, BHU, VARANASI

Minutes of the 13th Meeting of the Governing Board held on 23rd May, 2025 at Inter University Centre for Teacher Education, BHU, Varanasi

The 13th Meeting of the Governing Board of Inter-University Centre for Teacher Education, BHU was held on 23rd May, 2025 at 02.00 PM in blended mode. Following Members were present during the meeting:

1	Prof. J. S. Rajput Former Chairman, NCTE	Chairman	Attended online
2	Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava Vice Chairman, UGC, New Delhi	Member	Attended online
3	Prof. Pankaj Arora Chairman, NCTE, New Delhi	Member	Attended online
4	Prof. Sanjay Kumar Officiating Vice-Chancellor, BHU, Varanasi	Member	Attended
5	Prof. P. N. Singh Director, IUCTE (BHU), Varanasi	Member- Secretary	Attended
6	Prof. Shrinivas S. Balli Vice-Chancellor, Nrupathunga University, Bengaluru	Member	Attended
7	Prof. Ramesh Chandra Deka Vice-Chancellor, Cotton University, Guwahati	Member	Attended online
8	Prof. Saroj Sharma University School of Education, New Delhi	Member	Attended online
9	Prof. Chand Kiran Saluja Retired Professor, Delhi University	Member	Attended
10	Prof. Asheesh Srivastava Professor, IUCTE, BHU, Varanasi	Member	Attended
11	Dr. Raja Pathak Assistant Professor, IUCTE, BHU, Varanasi	Member	Attended

The Secretary (HE), MoE, Prof. Manish Ratnakar Joshi, Secretary, UGC, New Delhi, Dr. J.K. Tripathi, JS (IUC), UGC, Prof. Bharat Bhaskar, Director, IIM, Ahmedabad, Prof. Alok Kumar Chakrawal, Vice-Chancellor, Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur and Dr. Nilima Bhagabati, Department of Education, Guwahati University, Guwahati could not attend the meeting due to pre-occupation.

The Hon'ble Chairman, GB welcomed the Members. Then the Director made a presentation regarding the academic events undertaken by the IUCTE during 2024-25 and those planned for 2025-26. The Chairman and many members offered their valuable suggestions in this regard.

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Some of the major suggestions are as under:

- (i) Academic activities may be mapped with the mandates of the IUCTE.
- (ii) Achievements may be made quantifiable.
- (iii) There is need to study impact of NEP on teacher education.
- (iv) There is a need to study how students are deprived of opportunities.

Agenda No. 1: Considered the confirmation of the Minutes of 12th Governing Board Meeting held on 4th October, 2024.

The members were apprised that the Minutes of 12th Governing Board Meeting were circulated to the Hon'ble Chairman and all the esteemed members of the Governing Board. No comments were received on the Minutes.

Resolution: **Confirmed & approved.**

Agenda No. 2: Considered the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 12th Governing Board Meeting held on 4th October 2024.

While considering the Action Taken Report, the members noted that in its 12th meeting, the Governing Board had strongly recommended to UGC for the age of retirement of IUCTE Non-Vacation Academic Staff as 65 years. This recommendation was subsequently approved by Council in its 6th meeting held on 18.10.2024 Chaired by the Chairman, UGC.

It was further noted that in response to the letter dated 16.01.2025, the UGC, vide letter dated 31.01.2025, clarified that the age of superannuation shall not be applicable to any other categories of employees; notwithstanding the fact that the posts they hold may be considered as "equivalent" to teaching positions.

The members were informed that two Faculty Members had already left IUCTE and one more Associate Professor tendered his resignation on 22.05.2025.

The Chairman informed the members that matter was discussed in the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 23.05.2025 and it was decided that the Director will again take up the matter with the UGC.

GB suggested that the matter regarding age of superannuation of Non-Vacation Academic Staff be again taken up by the Director with the UGC.

Resolution: **Approved** the Action Taken Report on the minutes of the 12th meeting of the Governing Board.

Agenda No. 3: Considered the approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Research Advisory Committee of IUCTE and other invited experts of diverse experiences held on 8-9th November, 2024.

The Director briefed the members about the proposals/suggestions finalized in the meeting.

Resolution: **Approved.**

Agenda No. 4: Considered the approval of the Minutes of the 9th Research Advisory Committee meeting of IUCTE held on 17th May 2025.

The Director informed the members that the minutes of the 9th meeting of the Research Advisory Committee were considered by the Finance Committee in its 12th meeting held on 23.05.2025.

Resolution: **Approved** and further action be taken accordingly.

Agenda No. 5: Considered the approval of Annual Report of IUCTE for the year 2024-25.

The Director apprised the members about the salient points of the Annual Report. It was suggested that after completion of each programme suggestion/feedback should be obtained from participants and should be analyzed. Further, based on suggestion, as and where necessary interventions may be made.

It was also suggested that for creating awareness about the activities being undertaken by the IUCTE, quarterly e-newsletter may be published.

Resolution: **Approved** the Annual Report for the year 2024-25.

Agenda No. 6: Considered the approval of the Minutes of the 12th Finance Committee meeting of IUCTE to be held on 23rd May, 2025.

The Director informed the members about the major decisions taken by the Finance Committee. He also informed that the detailed minutes would be prepared and circulated among the members of the Finance for approval. Subsequently, the confirmed minutes would be placed before the Governing Board.

GB also suggested that in order to maintain the vacant residential quarters;

- a. Director is authorized to take appropriate decision in allotting the quarters to the contractual and outsourced staff on need basis.
- b. Cleaning and maintenance of vacant quarters may be done on regular intervals.

Resolved: **Approved** the minutes of 12th meeting of the Finance Committee and the confirmed minutes be placed on records.

Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

1. The Director informed that on the basis of recommendations of the Departmental Confirmation Committee, employees of the IUCTE, have been confirmed/probation period extended.

RESOLVED that confirmation of Dr. Deepty Gupta and Dr. Kushagri Singh w.e.f. 26.12.2024, after completion of two-year probation period, be approved and recorded. Further, the extension of probation period by one year in respect of Dr. Gyanendra Singh and Dr. Raj Singh be approved and recorded.

RESOLVED FURTHER that confirmation of Shri Chakradhar Rana, Assistant Librarian, Shri Vikash Janu, Web Master, Shri Rana Pratap Rao, Engineer (Hardware) and Shri Kuldeep Pandey, System Analyst, after completion of two-year probation period, be approved and recorded.



2. The Director informed the members that Dr. Vinod Kumar Singh, Associate Professor, has tendered his resignation to return to his parent institution, Banaras Hindu University and requested to relieve him at the earliest.

RESOLVED that the resignation of Dr. Vinod Kumar Singh be accepted and as per his request, he may be relieved.

The Meeting then ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.

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