

NICMAR UNIVERSITY OF CONSTRUCTION STUDIES
HYDERABAD

Meeting No. 054/2025-26/ IQAC-07
(Internal Quality Assurance Cell Meeting)
Minutes of Meeting

Notification & Agenda

Notification

Ref : NUCS-054/2025-26 / IQAC-07

Madam / Sir,

Notice of 7th IQAC Committee Meeting

The Seventh IQAC Committee meeting of the NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad, will be held as per the details given below:

Meeting No. : NUCS-054/2025-26 / IQAC-07
Day / Date : Thursday, 21 May 2026
Time : 10.30 AM
Mode : Hybrid
Place : N-004, Office Board Room-1, Ground floor, Nandighosh,
NICMAR University of Construction Studies,
Survey No.: 371-384, 389 and 390, Jaggamguda(V), Shamirpet,
Medchal - Malkajgiri (Dist) - 500101, Telangana

Meeting Link:

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Agenda – IQAC

21 May, 2026 at 10:30 AM

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Minutes of the Meeting

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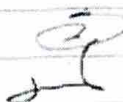
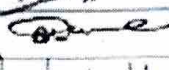
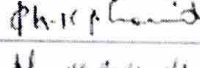
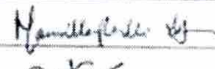
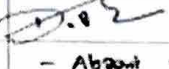
Members Present:

The Following members were present

NICMAR University of Construction Studies (NUCS) Hyderabad, Telangana IQAC Meeting

Date & Time: Thursday, 21 May 2026 at 10:30 AM

Venue: N-004, Office Board Room-1, Ground floor, Nandighosh, Nandighosh,
NICMAR University of Construction Studies.

S. No.	Designated Member	Nominated Designation	Signature
1	Prof (Dr) Shrikant Charhate	Chairman	
2	Dr. T Seshadri Sekhar	Member	
3	Dr. R Sathish Kumar	Member	- Absent -
4	Dr. V Srihari	Member	
5	Dr. R Venkatesan	Member Secretary	
6	Dr. Sarbesh Mishra	Member	
7	Dr. Arun Chandramohan	Member	- Absent -
8	Dr. Binaya Patnaik	Member	- Absent -
9	Dr. P Hanumantha Rao	Member	
10	Dr. V. Pramodha	Member	 21st May 26
11	Dr. P. Anurani	Member	
12	Dr. P. Muralidhar	Member	
13	Dr. K.H.S.S.Phanindra	Member	
14	Dr. Raja Sekhar Mamillapalli	Member	
15	Dr. K. Ravindranadh Chowdary	Member	
16	Mr. Narayan Rao K	Member	- Online -
17	Prof. Lokithaksha Maiyar	Member	- Online -
18	Dr. Abudhahir A	Member	- Online -
19	Mr. Ravindra Wani	Member	- Absent -
20	Mr. Durgam Vikas	Member	
21	Ms. Swatantra Bose	Member	- Absent -

Prof. (Dr). Shrikant Charhate, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor was requested to occupy the chair. The meeting of the members was called upon to discuss and transact the following business:

To grant leave of absence, if any:

All Members were present for the meeting except Dr. R. Sathish Kumar, Dr Arun Chandra Mohan, Dr Binaya Patnaik, Mr Ravindra Wani and Ms. Swatantra Bose.

Item No. 01: Welcome note by Interim Dean- IQAC

Dr. R Venkatesan, Interim Dean – IQAC, has welcomed the Chairman and to both the internal & external members at the Seventh meeting of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) at NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 25 March 2026 were ratified and approved.

Item No. 02: Address by Chairman- IQAC, Vice Chancellor

The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, **Prof. (Dr.) Shrikant Charhate**, welcomed all IQAC members and highlighted the following:

- Emphasized the role of IQAC in driving quality across academic and administrative functions.
- Appreciated FDP (AI tools) & leadership program for staff conducted by IQAC.
- Highlighted achievement of 6-year GAC-PMI accreditation (from 2026) after rigorous evaluation (16–18 March 2026). 4th institution in India to receive this accreditation.
- curriculum revision is in progress to align with global standards for upcoming academic session.
- Informed about seed funding initiatives with multiple options of ₹2L, ₹5L and ₹10L.
- Appreciated outreach initiative with ~50 students for 20-day residential program.
- Informed that incubation centre proposal is under development to support startups.
- NAAC preparation initiated; NBA planned for the two key MBA programs. MBA-ACM & MBA-APM.
- Emphasized focus on quality over quantity and enhancing research output.

Item No. 03: Quality improvement in Teaching & Learning Process of each school

In the absence of the Interim Dean, **Dr. R Sathish Kumar**, Interim Dean- School of Construction Technology, **Dr. V. Srihari**, Interim Dean- School of Energy and Clean Technology represented him. **Dr. V. Srihari**, presented quality improvement initiatives of the School of Construction Technology, covering

- Curriculum revised for all programs with inputs from faculty, industry, and alumni; aligned to current trends

- Academic initiatives: brainstorming sessions (01-04-2026 & 17-04-2026) AI tool demo (01-04-2026), and program-level discussion (13-05-2026) conducted.
- Two guest lectures organized on industry and sustainability themes.
- Four Site visits conducted for experiential learning (industrial plants, irrigation project, waste management).
- Strong student & faculty achievements (IGBC certifications (103), workshops, NPTEL (2), guest lectures)
- Summer School planned (8th of June 2026 to 28th of June 2026); labs (IoT & Construction) under development; outreach activities ongoing (7).

Dr. P. Hanumantha Rao, Interim Dean- School of Project Management highlighted that

- Informed that program structure has been revised; approval under process and course content development to follow
- Highlighted industry integration through full-course delivery by external expert and monthly open webinars on career opportunities.
- Reported conduct of three site visits and field-based learning (including Municipal Corporation exposure).
- Shared faculty and student research contributions (three conference papers, publications, one MOOC completion).
- Informed about two outreach activities conducted for wider engagement.
- Emphasized focus on curriculum strengthening and preparation for NAAC and NBA accreditation.

Dr. V. Srihari, Interim Dean- School of Energy and Clean Technology presented quality improvement initiatives of the School of Energy and Clean Technology, including accreditation and academic activities at the School level.

- Informed that international accreditation (BCSP) application has been submitted; review process will start by Aug 2026.
- Highlighted student engagement through Earth Day activities, expert lecture, and plantation drive on 22 April 2026.
- Reported conduct of skill-based training programs such as First Aid & CPR on 09 May 2026.
- Shared faculty contributions including one research publications, three consultancy projects, one invited expert lecture, and participation in FDPs on AI/ML and renewable technologies.
- Emphasized implementation of an annual activity calendar focusing on environment, energy, and sustainability.

Dr. Sarbesh Mishra, Interim Dean- School of Executive Education & Industry Relations, highlighting its role as a bridge between academia and evolving industry requirements.

- Presented industry-driven, non-conventional academic model with reliance on external experts.

- Highlighted alignment with Industry 4.0–5.0 (AI, BIM, digital twins, automation).
- Informed that curriculum inputs have been shared with Schools for industry alignment.
- Reported active MoU with RDash, three corporate training programs, and upcoming international collaboration.
- Emphasized faculty upskilling through industry exposure and train-the-trainer initiatives.
- Shared achievements in placements, internships, and global opportunities.

Item No. 04: Quality improvement in the process/ strategic planning- Interim Dean, IQAC

Dr. R. Venkatesan, Interim Dean- IQAC, presented

- NAAC process and strategic planning, including formation of criteria-wise committees and identification of coordinators.
- Outlined 7 NAAC criteria, indicators, and quality metrics.
- Informed about Binary Accreditation Framework (draft) with attributes under Input, Process, and Outcome, along with discipline-specific metrics.
- Reported community outreach activity conducted visit to the Maithri Aquatech Pvt Ltd and additional initiatives planned.
- Highlighted upcoming online workshop on CO–PO mapping (planned by July 2026).
- Informed that NAAC preparatory work has been initiated and is to be completed before September 2026.

Item No. 05: Quality improvement in Academic activities- Interim Dean, Academics

In the absence of the Interim Dean, **Dr. R Sathish Kumar, Interim Dean- Academics, Dr. V. Srihari, Interim Dean- School of Energy and Clean Technology** represented him.

- Presented curriculum revision through faculty, industry, and alumni inputs aligned with industry trends.
- Emphasized skill-based and experiential learning (capstone, case studies, simulations, field exposure).
- Highlighted use of digital platforms (NPTEL/MOOCs) in teaching-learning.
- Informed student development through mentoring, value-added courses, and internships.
- Strengthened industry collaboration via MoUs, guest lectures, and site visits.

Item No.6: Updates on International Programs & Research development, PhD - Interim Dean International Affairs & Research

In the absence of the Interim Dean, **Dr. Arun Chandramohan, Interim Dean- International Affairs & Research, Dr. P Ammani, Interim Dean-PhD**, represented him.

- Reported consultancy project with APCRDA (₹4.1 lakhs, 60 months & ₹19.98 lakhs, 90 months) & Varaanga Eng Pvt Ltd (₹25,000, 1 Day).
- Conducted research conclave (6 May 2026) on proposal writing and identifying predatory journals.
- Informed PhD admissions notification for July 2026 intake.
- Reported ongoing PhD batches with structured coursework.

Item No.7: Quality improvement in Student welfare function- Interim Dean, Student Welfare

Dr. P. Muralidhar, Interim Dean – Student Welfare, presented updates on student engagement activities.

- Conducted student well-being session on emotional balance (08-04-2026) during examinations.
- Organized farewell programs (13-05-2026) for outgoing students with participation from juniors (ACM & APM).
- Reported positive student engagement and campus experience post-examinations.
- Prepared activity calendar for AY 2026–27; approval under process.
- Proposed expansion of gym facilities to accommodate more students.
- Informed formation of new student council with incoming batch (July/August 2026).

Item No.8: Any other point with the permission of the Chair – NIL

Remarks / Suggestions from Dr Lohithaksha Maniraj Maiyar, Member,

- Appreciated overall progress in academics, research, and student initiatives.
- Suggested collaborations with IITs/IIMs; support offered for IIT Hyderabad.
- Emphasized collaboration as a solution to faculty expertise gaps.
- Recommended establishing an Institution Innovation Council (IIC).
- Proposed student-led initiatives (Tinkerers Lab, E-Cell) for practical learning and innovation.

S.No	Action Item	Responsibility
7.8.1	Explore the process for IIT Hyderabad collaboration	Interim Dean (International Affairs & Research)
7.8.2	Establish Institution Innovation Council (IIC)	Interim Dean (PhD)

Remarks / Suggestions from Dr Abudhahir, Member,

- Suggested mapping activities to NAAC/NBA criteria with defined quantitative and qualitative benchmarks at institute and school levels for effective monitoring.
- Recommended aligning curriculum with standards of relevant professional bodies.
- Advised strengthening accreditation readiness with structured tracking and gap analysis.
- Encouraged faculty to undertake NPTEL courses and adopt Outcome-Based Education (OBE) practices.

S.No	Action Item	Responsibility	Timeline
7.8.3	Qualitative & Quantitative bench marks for each school(AY 2026-27)	IQAC	August 2026
7.8.4	OBE manual for University	Interim Dean-Academics	July 2026
7.8.5	Curriculum Alignment Checklist based on Professional bodies	Interim Dean-Academics/ Academic Council	November 2026

Remarks / Suggestions from Mr. Narayan Rao, Member,

- Mr. Narayan Rao appreciated the initiatives taken by all Schools.
- Suggested measuring student engagement and quality of student experience (holistic development, wellness, psychological safety).
- Recommended conducting impact studies on experiential learning initiatives.
- Emphasized leadership, resilience, ethics, and stakeholder skills.

Remarks/ Suggestions from Vice Chancellor,

- Emphasized enhancing research output, publications & funded projects
- Defined need for school-specific quarterly vision & review
- Recommended student publications with faculty collaboration.
- Emphasized student welfare, campus experience & mental health support.
- Advised strong alumni engagement & mentoring.

S.No	Action Item	Responsibility	Timeline
7.8.5	Vision for each school to be prepare	Interim Deans (SoCT, SoPM & SoECT)	Jul 2026

VOTE OF THANKS:

There being no other business to be transacted, the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks by the Chair/ Member Secretary. Both internal and external members actively participated and contributed valuable inputs.

Date: 25 May, 2026

Place: Hyderabad



Prof. (Dr) Venkatesan Renganaidu
Member Secretary, IQAC

Approved



Prof. (Dr) Shrikant Charhate
Chairman of IQAC

