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University of Construction Studies
— HYDERABAD —

Institutional Development Plan (IDP)

NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad

I. Preamble

NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad, established under the Telangana State Private Universities Act and operationalized on 30th July 2024, envisions emerging as a Centre of Excellence in construction studies and allied domains. In pursuit of this vision, the University is committed to delivering transformative education, fostering innovation, and advancing societal impact.

This Institutional Development Plan (IDP), developed in alignment with the UGC Guidelines and the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, outlines a strategic roadmap for the next 10–15 years to achieve excellence in academics, research, governance, and community engagement.

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) has played a pivotal role in shaping this plan by integrating quality benchmarks, facilitating participatory planning, and institutionalizing a culture of continuous improvement to ensure the effective realization of the University's long-term objectives.

II. Social and Academic Mission

Social Mission

NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad is committed to fulfilling its social responsibility by contributing to inclusive national development and building an equitable knowledge society. In line with the goals of Viksit Bharat 2047 and Aatmanirbhar Bharat, the University's social mission is articulated through the following commitments:

Enhancing equitable access to quality education in construction and infrastructure domains:

The University prioritizes access for students from diverse socio-economic backgrounds, including rural, marginalized, and underrepresented communities.

Special efforts are made to provide scholarships, preparatory support, and bridge courses to ensure that no capable learner is left behind in accessing future-ready education in critical sectors like infrastructure, urban planning, and real estate.

Promoting sustainability, diversity, inclusivity, and gender parity:

As a socially responsible institution, NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad integrates the principles of environmental sustainability, cultural diversity, and gender equality into its policies, curricula, and campus life. The University strives to create a safe, inclusive, and empowering environment, particularly for women, differently-abled students, and learners from disadvantaged communities.

Integrating skilling and employability for societal development:

In alignment with NEP 2020 and the National Skill Development Mission, the University embeds vocational, entrepreneurial, and digital skills across all programs. Through community engagement, capacity-building initiatives, and livelihood-oriented training, NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad contributes to the socio-economic upliftment of local populations and supports the creation of a self-reliant India (Aatmanirbhar Bharat).

Social Mission

have purposeful goals.



Academic Mission

Rooted in the vision of making India a global knowledge hub by 2047, NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad's academic mission aims to build intellectual and professional capital that drives national progress. The University advances this mission through the following strategies:

Fostering multi-disciplinary and experiential learning:

Aligned with the holistic and flexible learning model of NEP 2020, NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad designs academic programs that integrate technical knowledge, management principles, sustainability concepts, and social sciences. Project-based learning, studio practices, and real-world case studies promote hands-on exposure and interdisciplinary problem-solving.

Developing well-rounded professionals with ethical, creative, and problem-solving abilities:

The curriculum emphasizes constitutional values, professional ethics, innovation, and critical thinking. By cultivating leadership and social responsibility, NICMAR University

of Construction Studies, Hyderabad aims to produce future-ready graduates who can address complex challenges in infrastructure development and nation-building.

Strengthening research and innovation in infrastructure, smart cities, and sustainable development:

The University promotes applied and policy-relevant research to advance India's infrastructure ambitions. Through research centres, innovation hubs, and collaborations with government and industry, NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad contributes to strategic sectors such as urban resilience, green construction, transportation systems, and smart cities—thus playing a vital role in achieving Viksit Bharat 2047.



III. Basic Principles

NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad is guided by a set of foundational principles that not only reflect its institutional ethos but also provide a strategic pathway for achieving academic and administrative excellence. Each principle is aligned with the broader objectives of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, the National Credit Framework (NCrF), the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and national priorities such as Viksit Bharat 2047.



The following elaborates on these principles, along with strategies for their implementation:

1. Institutional Autonomy with Accountability

NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad operates with academic, administrative, and financial autonomy to innovate and respond proactively to emerging challenges in the education and infrastructure sectors. This autonomy is exercised within a

robust framework of institutional accountability, ensuring transparency and performance-driven governance.

Strategy for Implementation:

- Establish well-defined policies and charters for statutory bodies including the Board of Management, Academic Council, and IQAC.
- Regular academic and administrative audits, including peer and third-party evaluations.
- Transparent performance metrics and annual reviews of institutional units and faculty.

Path to Excellence:

- Empowering decision-makers while instituting checks and balances fosters a culture of responsible autonomy, enabling agile innovation and systemic efficiency in line with global best practices.

2. Alignment with NEP 2020, NCrF, SDGs, and Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) Frameworks

The University is fully committed to adopting the transformative vision of NEP 2020. It implements academic frameworks that align with national reforms like the NCrF, SDGs, and ABC to ensure global relevance, credit portability, and learner flexibility.

Strategy for Implementation:

- Curriculum redesign using NSQF/NHEQF-aligned level descriptors and modular formats supporting multiple entry/exit options.
- Integration of skilling and vocational modules certified under NCrF.
- Participation in the Academic Bank of Credits for credit mobility across institutions.
- Promotion of sustainability across teaching, research, and campus operations in line with the SDGs.

Path to Excellence:

- Aligning with national and global frameworks ensures program credibility, student mobility, and institutional benchmarking—paving the way for NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad to become a model for future-ready education.

3. Learner-Centric, Inclusive, Innovation-Driven Education

NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad places the learner at the centre of its educational model, fostering intellectual curiosity, practical engagement, and equitable access to learning. Innovation in pedagogy, assessment, and technology integration ensures that education is relevant, adaptive, and impactful.

Strategy for Implementation:

- Adoption of blended learning models with AI-enabled platforms, virtual labs, and outcome-based pedagogy.
- Tailored support services including academic mentoring, career guidance, and psychosocial counselling.
- Special outreach programs and financial assistance to empower first-generation learners, women, and students from underrepresented groups.

Path to Excellence:

- By embedding inclusivity and innovation into the learning process, the University cultivates a diverse and competent talent pool aligned with the demands of a knowledge economy and the goals of Aatmanirbhar Bharat.

4. Transparency, Collaboration, and Continuous Improvement

The institution is anchored in values of openness, participatory governance, and a relentless pursuit of excellence. NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad fosters internal and external collaboration, both nationally and internationally, and embraces a culture of systematic review and feedback.

Strategy for Implementation:

- Open data systems and digital dashboards for governance, finance, and academic performance.
- Multi-stakeholder engagement including industry, alumni, students, and regulatory bodies in institutional planning.
- IQAC-led academic audits, stakeholder feedback loops, and benchmarking with top-tier institutions.

Path to Excellence:

- Transparent operations and collaborative mechanisms nurture trust and accountability, while structured feedback and review systems ensure that the institution evolves with agility and purpose.

These basic principles serve as the institutional compass, guiding NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad toward achieving sustained excellence and national impact in higher education.

IV. Main Objectives

The Institutional Development Plan of NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad is driven by a clearly defined set of objectives designed to enable holistic institutional growth, national relevance, and global competitiveness. Each objective is aligned with the vision of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and is supported by actionable strategies to ensure measurable outcomes over a 10–15-year horizon.

1. Clearly Articulate Vision and Mission Aligned with NEP and SDGs

The foundation of institutional development lies in establishing a compelling vision and mission that reflect the values of equity, excellence, inclusivity, and innovation. NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad aims to become a global leader in construction studies, while also contributing meaningfully to national development goals.

- The vision and mission statements serve as the philosophical and operational anchors of the institution. They are framed through consultative processes involving all stakeholders and are periodically reviewed to reflect evolving societal needs, policy shifts, and technological advancements. Alignment with NEP 2020 ensures a future-ready framework, while integration with the SDGs positions the University as a socially responsible academic institution.

2. Conduct Needs Assessment and Capacity Gap Analysis

Strategic planning must be grounded in a realistic understanding of current capabilities, opportunities, and limitations.

- NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will undertake comprehensive assessments across academic, administrative, infrastructural, financial, and human resource domains. These assessments will identify shortfalls, inefficiencies, and areas requiring policy interventions. The findings will directly inform infrastructure development, faculty recruitment, research planning, and support services, ensuring data-driven decision-making and resource optimization.

3. Establish Robust Governance, Financial, and Academic Systems

Sound governance is the backbone of institutional excellence and regulatory compliance.

- NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad shall establish and operationalize statutory bodies such as the Board of Management, Academic Council, Finance Committee, Planning & Monitoring Board, and IQAC. Governance frameworks will emphasize transparency, accountability, and decentralization. Financial systems will include multi-year budgeting, internal audits, and diversified revenue models. Academic systems will focus on curriculum innovation, credit transfer mechanisms, and academic audits to ensure quality and flexibility.

4. Design Capacity-Building Plans for Faculty, Staff, and Students

Empowering people is central to sustainable development in higher education.

- The University will develop structured training and development programs tailored to the evolving roles and responsibilities of faculty and administrative staff. Faculty will be supported in pursuing research, attending FDPs, and acquiring international exposure. For students, skill-enhancement workshops, internships, mentoring schemes, and career development modules will be institutionalized. Digital fluency and pedagogical innovation will be prioritized across all groups.

5. Integrate Employability, Skilling, and Entrepreneurship Across Programs

Enhancing the employment-readiness of graduates is a key priority of NEP 2020 and *Aatmanirbhar Bharat*.

- All academic programs will embed skill-based modules in collaboration with Sector Skill Councils and industry partners. The curriculum will be designed to align with NSQF/NHEQF frameworks and include real-world case studies, site visits, apprenticeships, and startup incubation support. Entrepreneurship development cells, innovation hubs, and business plan competitions will nurture a mindset of self-reliance among students.

6. Promote Internationalization and Digital Transformation

To remain globally competitive, NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will proactively engage in international partnerships and technology-driven reforms.

- The University will enter MoUs with leading global institutions for joint degrees, faculty exchange, and collaborative research. It will also promote cross-border digital learning initiatives such as virtual mobility, global classrooms, and open-access learning platforms. Internally, all administrative, academic, and student services will be digitized through robust ERP and LMS platforms to enhance efficiency and accessibility.

7. Engage Stakeholders and Ensure Regular Reviews

Sustainable development requires continuous dialogue, adaptability, and shared ownership.

- NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will implement a multi-tier stakeholder engagement strategy involving faculty, students, alumni, employers, and regulatory bodies. Feedback mechanisms, advisory boards, and participatory planning forums will be institutionalized. The IQAC will coordinate periodic reviews of strategic plans, policies, and outcomes to ensure alignment with institutional goals and dynamic policy landscapes.

Together, these objectives form a cohesive and actionable agenda that positions NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad as a leader in construction education and a catalyst for India's progress toward *Viksit Bharat 2047*.

V. Strategic Goals and Development Objectives

The strategic goals and development objectives of NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad are designed to operationalize its long-term vision of becoming a Centre of Excellence in construction, infrastructure, and sustainable development. These goals are not only aligned with institutional aspirations but also reflect national imperatives outlined in the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, the National Credit Framework (NCrF), and policy missions such as *Viksit Bharat 2047* and *Aatmanirbhar Bharat*.

They also recognize the critical role that higher education institutions must play in preparing globally competent graduates, fostering innovation, strengthening industry linkages, and addressing pressing societal and environmental challenges. In this context, NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad's strategic framework focuses on measurable transformation across access, quality, equity, employability, research, and international competitiveness.

The following strategic goals and objectives provide the University with a clear roadmap to achieve academic excellence, institutional sustainability, and national relevance in the coming decade. Each goal is supported by targeted development objectives that ensure integrated and actionable implementation, creating a strong foundation for NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad's contributions to the nation's construction-driven growth agenda.

A. Strategic Goals (Indicative)

Institutional Transformation

To realize its long-term vision and fulfill national expectations from future-ready higher education institutions, NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad outlines the

following strategic goals. These are indicative yet comprehensive, providing the direction for policy formulation, operational priorities, and performance measurement across the institution:

1. Accessible and Inclusive Admission Processes

NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad aims to democratize access to quality education in construction and infrastructure fields by creating inclusive and equitable admission systems.

- The University will adopt transparent, merit-based, and need-sensitive admission policies. Special provisions will be implemented to support first-generation learners, women, students from rural and underserved regions, and persons with disabilities (PwD). Outreach campaigns, scholarships, digital literacy support, and pre-admission counselling will help ensure equitable participation in higher education.

2. Faculty Recruitment and Retention Aligned with Academic Excellence

Attracting and retaining high-caliber faculty is fundamental to institutional quality.

- NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will implement a competitive recruitment process guided by UGC norms and global best practices. Incentive mechanisms such as research grants, fellowships, sabbatical opportunities, housing, and performance-linked promotions will be introduced. A faculty development roadmap, including exposure to global pedagogy and interdisciplinary teaching, will support long-term retention.

3. Promote Entrepreneurship and Experiential Learning

The University will nurture an ecosystem that empowers students to apply knowledge innovatively and solve real-world problems.

- Programs will embed hands-on experiences such as fieldwork, industry internships, capstone projects, and site-based studios. Incubation centers, startup boot camps, and access to seed funding will encourage entrepreneurial ventures. Faculty will also

be encouraged to mentor student-led innovations and startups, contributing to the *Aatmanirbhar Bharat* vision.

4. Elevate Student Outcomes, Global Mobility, and Employability

Graduates of NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will be equipped with globally benchmarked competencies, making them industry-ready and internationally mobile.

- The University will focus on continuous curriculum upgrades, soft skills development, language proficiency, digital literacy, and career services. Global exposure through student exchange programs and international internships will enhance cross-cultural competencies. Alumni and industry mentors will guide students on emerging career pathways and professional certifications.

5. Financial Sustainability Through Diversified Revenue

Ensuring long-term institutional stability requires a well-diversified and sustainable financial model.

- Revenue sources will include tuition fees, executive education, research consultancy, intellectual property (IP) commercialization, government grants, CSR funding, and philanthropic endowments. The University will also explore income-generating campus assets and international student enrollments as additional revenue streams.

6. Interdisciplinary Curriculum with Digital and Global Integration

NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad's academic framework will foster holistic, future-relevant learning that blends technology, management, and sustainability.

- Curriculum design will emphasize modularity, flexibility, and transdisciplinary linkages between engineering, management, design, law, and environmental studies. Integration of digital tools like Building Information Modeling (BIM), GIS, AI, and smart infrastructure platforms will be emphasized. Collaborations with international institutions will ensure global curricular relevance.

7. Strengthen Alumni and Industry Relationships

Strategic partnerships with alumni and industry stakeholders will enhance employability, innovation, and resource mobilization.

- The University will institutionalize alumni engagement through a dedicated cell and digital platform for mentorship, internships, guest lectures, placements, and fundraising. Industry Advisory Boards will guide curriculum development, provide case studies, and collaborate on research projects. Regular industry conclaves and sectoral dialogues will reinforce engagement.

8. Expand International Collaborations for Dual Degrees, Joint Research, and Faculty/Student Mobility

Global engagement is critical for benchmarking standards and enhancing institutional reputation.

- NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will formalize partnerships with universities and research institutions across North America, Europe, Asia, and Australia. Dual degree and articulation agreements, collaborative research grants, faculty exchange programs, and global classroom models will be developed. The Office of International Affairs will coordinate outbound and inbound mobility initiatives.

B. Development Objectives

Institutional Priorities for Quality Enhancement and Regulatory Alignment

To operationalize the strategic goals, NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad of Construction Studies, Hyderabad has identified key development objectives that address the core dimensions of institutional functioning. These objectives provide actionable direction for achieving quality assurance, regulatory compliance, innovation, and sustainable operations. Each objective is elaborated below with a focus on relevance, implementation strategy, and expected impact.

1. Academic Governance and Compliance Structures

Establishing robust academic governance mechanisms is essential to ensure academic integrity, policy alignment, and regulatory adherence.

- NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will constitute and empower all statutory academic bodies including the Academic Council, Boards of Studies (BoS), School-level Boards, and Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC). These bodies will guide curriculum development, examination reforms, and academic audits. Policies will be formulated in accordance with UGC, AICTE, and other relevant regulatory frameworks. Regular documentation, minutes, and review systems will institutionalize academic decision-making and foster compliance with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and other quality mandates.

2. Integration of Skills (NSQF, NHEQF-Aligned) in Curricula

Embedding skills across the curriculum enhances learner employability and aligns academic offerings with national frameworks like NSQF and NHEQF.

- The University will redesign its academic programs to align with the National Skills Qualifications Framework (NSQF) and National Higher Education Qualifications Framework (NHEQF). This will include defining program outcomes using level descriptors, introducing multiple entry-exit pathways, and mapping skill modules to industry needs. Sector Skill Councils will be engaged to certify skill components, while vocational labs and project-based assessments will operationalize experiential learning. This approach supports credit accumulation and mobility through the Academic Bank of Credits (ABC).

3. Faculty and Staff Performance Management and Development

Continuous professional development and performance management are key to academic excellence and institutional growth.

- NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will develop a comprehensive Human Resource Development Policy covering faculty recruitment, orientation, mentoring, career progression, and performance appraisal. A performance management system with clearly defined Key Result Areas (KRAs) and annual self-

assessment will be implemented. Faculty will be supported through Faculty Development Programs (FDPs), research grants, and participation in national and international conferences. Administrative staff will also undergo regular training on digital tools, compliance protocols, and student services to enhance institutional effectiveness.

4. Research and Innovation Capacity Enhancement

Developing a vibrant research ecosystem is critical for institutional credibility, knowledge creation, and societal impact.

- NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will establish a dedicated Research and Innovation Cell (RIC) to oversee research policy, ethics, grant facilitation, and intellectual property (IP) management. The University will offer seed grants, research incentives, and doctoral fellowships to promote faculty and student research. Collaborative projects with industry, government, and international institutions will be encouraged. Focus areas such as sustainable construction, infrastructure financing, urban development, and smart technologies will be prioritized to align research with national and sectoral priorities.

5. Administrative and Financial Accountability Mechanisms

Strong administrative and financial systems are foundational to institutional sustainability and stakeholder trust.

- NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will implement an integrated Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system to digitize all administrative workflows including admissions, examinations, procurement, HR, and finance. Financial accountability will be ensured through budgeting protocols, internal audits, and adherence to statutory reporting. A dedicated Planning and Monitoring Board will track key performance indicators (KPIs) linked to the Institutional Development Plan.

Transparency, data-driven decision-making, and stakeholder participation will be central to the governance culture.

Together, these development objectives represent a strategic and systemic approach to building institutional capacity, driving quality enhancement, and delivering measurable outcomes that align with national priorities and global academic standards.

C. Operationalisation Strategy

Translating Vision into Action through Phased, Accountable, and Measurable Implementation

The successful execution of the Institutional Development Plan (IDP) at NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad depends on a structured and well-phased operational strategy. This strategy is designed to transform strategic goals and development objectives into actionable initiatives, guided by timelines, accountable leadership, and continuous monitoring. The operationalisation process is embedded in a culture of quality assurance, participatory governance, and outcome-oriented planning.



The following elaborates the core elements of the operationalisation strategy:

1. Phased Implementation Timeline

The IDP will be implemented across three broad phases:

Phase	Key Focus Areas	Timeline
Short-Term (0–2 Years)	Vision and mission finalization, statutory body formation, foundational academic and administrative systems, initial program launches	2024– 2026
Mid-Term (2–5 Years)	Establishment of research centers, incubation and entrepreneurship hubs, international collaborations, digital transformation	2026– 2029
Long-Term (5–10 Years)	Global rankings, multi-campus expansion, accreditations (NAAC, NBA, international), large-scale research and innovation outputs	2029– 2034

2. Assignment of Institutional Responsibility

Each action point under the IDP is assigned to specific authorities or committees to ensure accountability:

- **Board of Management (BoM)** – Policy-level approvals and strategic oversight
- **Vice-Chancellor’s Office** – Executive leadership and coordination across departments
- **Academic Council and Deans** – Curriculum design, pedagogy, and academic reforms
- **Finance Committee** – Budgeting, financial monitoring, and resource allocation
- **IQAC** – Continuous quality monitoring, stakeholder feedback, and periodic reviews
- **Research Council** – Research funding, innovation policy, and knowledge dissemination
- **International Affairs Office** – MoUs, exchange programs, and global outreach
- **Directorates (Admissions, HR, IT, etc.)** – Day-to-day operations aligned with IDP goals

3. Development of Institutional Policies and SOPs

To support smooth implementation, the University will codify its operational processes through:

- Academic Regulations & Credit Framework Manuals
- Human Resource Policies and Appraisal Guidelines
- Financial Regulations and Procurement Manual
- Research Policy and IP Commercialization Guidelines
- International Collaboration Policy and MoU Templates
- Student Handbook and Grievance Redressal Mechanism

4. Use of Digital Platforms and Dashboards

NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will leverage digital tools to enhance transparency, efficiency, and real-time monitoring:

- Implementation of an **ERP system** for academic, administrative, and financial functions
- A **Learning Management System (LMS)** for hybrid and online teaching-learning
- **MIS Dashboards** for tracking KPIs of each unit aligned with IDP milestones
- Stakeholder portals for students, faculty, alumni, and partners to access data, raise concerns, and track institutional progress

5. Monitoring, Evaluation, and Feedback Loops

A key pillar of the operationalisation strategy is continuous performance tracking:

- IQAC will establish an **Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR)** mechanism
- Mid-year and end-year **progress review meetings** will be held for each department

- Structured **feedback systems** (students, faculty, industry, alumni) will inform decision-making
- **Third-party evaluations and benchmarking** against top-performing institutions will validate progress

6. Resource Mobilization and Budgeting

Financial planning will be aligned with IDP phases to ensure fiscal prudence and sustainability:

- Annual and five-year **rolling budgets** aligned with priority actions
- Creation of **corpus funds and endowments** for scholarships, research, and infrastructure
- Strategic **proposal submissions** for government grants, CSR funding, and international aid
- Efficient **utilization tracking** and periodic audits to ensure accountability

7. Risk Management and Course Corrections

Proactive identification and mitigation of potential risks will be integral to operations:

- Risk registers maintained at functional and institutional levels
- Scenario planning exercises conducted by Planning and Monitoring Board
- Corrective measures and re-alignments initiated through stakeholder consultations and IQAC alerts

This multi-tiered operationalisation strategy ensures that NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad's vision is not only aspirational but also achievable. By anchoring implementation in sound governance, structured planning, digital enablement, and continuous feedback, the University positions itself to deliver impactful outcomes and emerge as a national model in specialized higher education.

VI. Major Components (Parameters for Institutional Excellence)



FRAMING IN LINE WITH UGC GUIDELINES ON INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS (2023)

Framing in Line with UGC Guidelines on Institutional Development Plans (2023)

The University Grants Commission (UGC), through its official *Guidelines for the Preparation of Institutional Development Plans for Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)*, has identified eight core components or enablers that must be addressed systematically to achieve long-term excellence, institutional sustainability, and alignment with national education reforms such as NEP 2020, NCrF, and SDGs.

NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad has adopted and contextualized these parameters to suit its identity as a domain-specific institution focusing on construction, infrastructure, and allied studies. Each of these components is interdependent and

contributes collectively to building an integrated, outcome-oriented, and future-ready academic ecosystem.

A. Governance Enablers

UGC Guideline Alignment: Promote transparency, decentralization, stakeholder representation, and responsible autonomy.

- NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad is committed to establishing efficient, participatory, and accountable governance through the formation of statutory bodies including the Board of Management, Academic Council, Finance Committee, Planning and Monitoring Board, and IQAC.
- The institution will adopt a policy-based decision-making framework, ensure stakeholder feedback loops, and utilize IT-enabled systems for governance monitoring.

B. Financial Enablers and Funding Models

UGC Guideline Alignment: Ensure financial sustainability through diversified revenue streams and effective resource mobilization.

- NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will develop a structured financial model that includes tuition fees, executive education, consulting, research projects, industry partnerships, CSR funding, and philanthropic endowments.
- Multi-year budgeting, financial audits, and investment in institutional reserves will ensure sustainability and compliance with statutory norms.

C. Academic Enablers

UGC Guideline Alignment: Strengthen learner-centric and flexible academic structures that integrate skill development and interdisciplinary learning.

- The University will design modular, credit-based academic programs aligned with NSQF/NHEQF descriptors and Academic Bank of Credits (ABC).

- Emphasis will be placed on outcome-based education (OBE), multidisciplinary integration, and skill development linked to industry standards.

D. Research, Innovation, Intellectual Property, and Supportive Enablers

UGC Guideline Alignment: Promote research productivity, innovation, commercialization of knowledge, and an ecosystem for intellectual property development.

- NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will establish a dedicated Research and Innovation Cell (RIC), provide seed grants, and incentivize faculty and student research.
- The University will pursue research collaborations, patent filings, and industry-sponsored innovation projects in key areas such as green construction, smart infrastructure, and project finance.

E. Human Resource Management Enablers

UGC Guideline Alignment: Implement professional HR systems for recruitment, performance appraisal, and faculty development.

- Faculty and staff recruitment will follow transparent, merit-based processes. A structured performance appraisal system with career progression, training, and capacity-building initiatives will be institutionalized.
- Faculty development will focus on pedagogical innovation, research exposure, and global academic immersion.

F. Enablers for Networking and Collaborations

UGC Guideline Alignment: Foster institutional linkages with industry, alumni, peer institutions, civil society, and global academia.

- NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will strengthen partnerships through formal MoUs with national and international universities, research bodies, professional associations, and government agencies.

- Alumni will be engaged as mentors, recruiters, donors, and collaborators. Industry input will inform curriculum, research, and placement strategies.

G. Physical Infrastructure Enablers

UGC Guideline Alignment: Develop inclusive, green, and future-ready physical infrastructure.

- The campus master plan will emphasize eco-friendly construction, universal accessibility, and digitally equipped learning spaces.
- Infrastructure development will include smart classrooms, specialized labs, innovation hubs, hostel facilities, and student wellness centers.

H. Digital Enablers

UGC Guideline Alignment: Leverage digital technologies for academic delivery, governance, evaluation, and learner support.

- A full-scale ERP system, integrated LMS, e-governance tools, digital content repositories, and online assessment platforms will be deployed.
- NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad will ensure data privacy, cybersecurity, and interoperability in line with the Digital University vision under NEP 2020.

Component (As per UGC Guidelines)	UGC Guideline Alignment	NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad's implementation Strategy
Governance Enablers	Promote transparency, decentralization, stakeholder representation, and responsible autonomy.	Establish statutory bodies, policy-driven decision-making, stakeholder feedback, and IT-enabled monitoring.

Financial Enablers and Funding Models	Ensure financial sustainability through diversified revenue streams and effective resource mobilization.	Develop tuition, consulting, CSR, and grant-based revenues; implement rolling budgets and audits.
Academic Enablers	Strengthen learner-centric and flexible academic structures that integrate skill development and interdisciplinary learning.	Modular, NSQF-aligned curriculum with ABC integration; OBE and multidisciplinary focus.
Research, Innovation, IP and Supportive Enablers	Promote research productivity, innovation, commercialization of knowledge, and an ecosystem for intellectual property development.	Create Research & Innovation Cell, fund research, encourage patents, and collaborate with industry.
Human Resource Management Enablers	Implement professional HR systems for recruitment, performance appraisal, and faculty development.	Merit-based recruitment, structured appraisals, training, and global exposure for faculty/staff.
Enablers for Networking and Collaborations	Foster institutional linkages with industry, alumni, peer institutions, civil society, and global academia.	MoUs with national/international bodies, alumni engagement, and industry-informed academic planning.
Physical Infrastructure Enablers	Develop inclusive, green, and future-ready physical infrastructure.	Eco-friendly campus, smart classrooms, labs, wellness and innovation spaces.
Digital Enablers	Leverage digital technologies for academic delivery, governance, evaluation, and learner support.	Implement ERP, LMS, online assessments, digital content hubs, and cybersecurity protocols.

These eight major components form the structural and functional pillars of NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad's Institutional Development Plan. Their

alignment with UGC's recommended framework ensures statutory compliance, national relevance, and global competitiveness. Through phased implementation and quality monitoring, NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad aims to embed excellence into every layer of its academic and administrative framework.

Summary

The NICMAR University of Construction Studies, Hyderabad IDP presents a strategic and integrated approach towards building a world-class institution in construction studies. It aligns with UGC and NEP 2020 guidelines and is committed to outcome-based education, research innovation, skill integration, and societal transformation. Regular reviews, stakeholder engagement, and adaptive governance will ensure its successful implementation.

ANNEXURES

Annexure 1: Detailed SWOC Analysis

Strengths:

- Legacy of Specialized Education: Longstanding reputation in construction management.
- Sector-Focused Programs: Tailored to infrastructure, project management, and real estate sectors.
- Industry Linkages: Strong relationships with construction companies and government departments.
- Experienced Faculty Base: Blend of academic and industry experts.

Weaknesses:

- New University Setup: In process of establishing identity and visibility.
- Limited Global Outreach: Few international collaborations yet.
- Digital Ecosystem Under Development: ERP and LMS being implemented.

Opportunities:

- Demand for Skilled Professionals: Expanding infrastructure sector.
- Alignment with NEP 2020: Policy supports multidisciplinary, skill-based education.
- Smart Cities & Sustainability: Potential for R&D, consulting, and innovation.
- Internationalization Potential: Dual degrees and global partnerships.

Challenges:

- Faculty Recruitment & Retention: Competitive academic market.
- Brand Competition: Existing institutions in similar domains.
- Financial Viability in Early Years: Resource constraints.
- Regulatory Compliance: Timely accreditations and affiliations.

Annexure 2: Stakeholder Consultation Log

Stakeholder Group	Consultation Mode	Key Inputs	Action Taken
Faculty	Workshops & Focus Groups	Curriculum design, research priorities	New courses proposed, research cell setup
Students	Surveys & Town Halls	Learning needs, campus facilities	Upgraded LMS and student services
Industry Partners	Round Table Meetings	Industry readiness, skill alignment	Industry-linked modules integrated
Alumni	Online Feedback Forms	Mentoring, branding suggestions	Alumni cell and portal launched
Regulatory Bodies	Compliance Meetings	NEP & NCrF alignment	Policy framework aligned with UGC & AICTE

Annexure 3: Risk Assessment and Mitigation Matrix

Risk Area	Potential Risk	Mitigation Strategy
Academic	Curriculum irrelevance	Continuous review, industry feedback
Financial	Revenue shortfalls	Diversified income streams, phased expansion
Governance	Lack of compliance	Robust statutory bodies, audits, legal review
Reputation	Low enrolments	Targeted branding, outreach campaigns

Annexure 4: KPI Monitoring Dashboard

Enabler Area	Key Performance Indicators	Target Timeline
Governance	Full functioning statutory bodies	By Dec 2024
Academic	Launch of 2 PG programs and 2 PG diploma programs	By July 2025
Research	10 publications, 3 funded projects	By 2026
Finance	Achieve break-even	By 2027

Digital	ERP & LMS live campus-wide	By 2025
HR	80% faculty with PhD/industry exp.	By 2028

Annexure 5: Program Deployment Timeline

Program Name	Level	Duration	Expected Launch
Ph.D. in Built Environment	Doctoral	3-5 years	July 2025
B.Tech in Construction Automation	UG	4 years	July 2026
M.Tech in Construction Technology and Management	PG	2 Years	July 2026
MBA in Advanced Energy Management	PG	2 Years	July 2026
PG Diploma in BIM	PG Diploma	1 year	July 2026
MBA in Sustainable Mobility Management	PG	2 Years	July 2027
MBA in Infrastructure Development and Management	PG	2 Years	July 2027
M.Tech in Bridge and Tunnel Engineering	PG	2 Years	July 2028