

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MEETING

The meeting of the Board of Management of OP Jindal University (OPJU) was held on November 27, 2023 (Monday), through video conferencing at 04:00 PM as per the given agenda:

- I. **University Updates**: Providing updates on recent developments and happenings at the University.
- II. Research and Development Cell (RDC) Policy: Discussion and approval of revision in RDC policy.
- III. **Privileges and Scholarships for students**: Approval of revision in Privileges offered to students for the admission year 2024 and continuation of existing Scholarships.
- IV. **Purchase of New Ambulance**: Discussion on the need for a new ambulance and approval for the same.
- V. Own your Bicycle Scheme (OYBS): Discussion and approval of OYBS.
- VI. Financial Snapshot of the university.
- VII. **Additional Matters**: Other relevant points or discussions with the permission of the Chair.

## The following members attended the meeting:

01.	R. D. Patidar, Vice Chancellor, OPJU	:	Chairman	
02.	S.S. Rathi, Director & Head - NSPL, Raigarh	:	Member	
03.	Samarendra Singh, State NSS Officer & Dy.	:	Member	
	Secretary, Dept. of Higher Education, Govt. of C.G.			
04.	S. Jeswani, Professor & Asst. Dean, SOM OPJU	;	Member	
05.	S. Das, Professor, SOE, OPJU	:	Member	
06.	Mahesh Bhiwapurkar, Professor, SOE, OPJU	:	Member	
07.	Anurag Vijaywargiya, Registrar, OPJU	:	Member Secretary	

## The following proceedings were recorded in the meeting:

The Member Secretary welcomed the Chairman and all distinguished members of the Board of Management. With the permission of the Chair, the Member Secretary started the presentation. The following proceedings were recorded:





1. Minutes of the last meeting were read, and they were confirmed. Member secretary apprised all the members about the latest happening (activities & achievements) at the university viz. successful organization of the 3rd convocation, hosting of 2nd OPJU International Technology Conference on "Emerging Technologies for Sustainable Development", 3rd International Conference on "Innovation and Research in Science & Technology for Sustainable Development", 4th international conference on Role of Innovation, Entrepreneurship & Management for Sustainable Development receipt of various awards and recognitions, such as 4-star rating in the IIC ranking for 2023, making OPJU one of the top 9 Higher Education Institutions in the central zone, Ranking in the NIRF Innovation Rankings, placing OPJU in the 150-300 category, Attaining the 29th position in the Internshala Annual Rankings for 2023, being honored as The Most Promising Corporate Governed University at the New Normal Education Summit 2023, received Outstanding Private University for Research and Innovation in IIRF-Education impact award -2023, receiving an "A" Grade with a Gold Band in the OBE ranking for 2023 by World Institutional Ranking, The signing of major Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) with prominent research and academic institutions and industries, distribution of Entry Level Scholarships and OPJEMS scholarships, Faculty development, with a notable increase in the number of Ph.D. qualified faculty members.

Admission statistics were also presented, in the academic year 2023-24, OPJU achieved a historic milestone by enrolling a record-breaking (≈) 2000 students with significant improvement in the number of female students. A comparison of R & D activities of the last 3 years was also presented before the members. The research activities viz. research articles in journals, conference papers, patent publications, and incentives provided by the university are also inspiring and appreciated by all the members. The placement outcomes for the batch of 2022-23 at OPJU are highly promising. Over 130 companies have conducted campus recruitment drives, with the highest offered package reaching Rs. 16 LPA. The overall placement rate for the academic year 2022-23 stood at an impressive 95%.

The social activities conducted by the University Social Responsibility (USR) cell in the five adopted villages were also appreciated by the members.

In terms of NAAC Preparedness, the Member Secretary reported that OPJU has submitted the NAAC Institutional Information for Quality Assessment (IIQA), which has been accepted by the NAAC. As per the rule, NAAC SSR will be filled by 15th December 2023. A visit from the NAAC peer team is anticipated in March 2024.





- **2.** The financial snapshot presented before the members was appreciated. The last three-quarter financial data was quite satisfactory.
- **3.** After thorough discussion, all the members unanimously accorded their approval for the following proposal:
- > Approval of revision in RDC policy.
- Approval of revision in Privileges offered and scholarships to students for the admission year 2024.
- > Approval for the purchase of a new ambulance.
- > Approval of Own Your Bicycle Scheme (OYBS).

After the presentation, the session was open to get valuable suggestions from the distinguished members. Dr. Samarendra Singh and Mr. S.S. Rathi appreciated the presentation and recognized the strong leadership of Dr. R. D. Patidar for the overall growth of the University.

The Member Secretary proposed his sincere thanks to the Chairman and all the distinguished members of the Board of Management for sparing their time from their busy schedules and giving their valuable suggestions. There being no other points to be discussed, the meeting concluded with thanks to the Chair.

(Anurag Vijaywargiya)
Member Secretary