

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY held on 26th April 2025

A meeting of members of the Governing Body of R J College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Empowered Autonomous), also known as Hindi Vidya Prachar Samiti's Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Empowered Autonomous) affiliated to the University of Mumbai was held on 26th April 2025 at 3.00 pm via Hybrid Mode through Google Meet.

The following members were present:

1. Dr. Rajendra Singh (Management, Chairperson of the meeting)
2. Principal Dr. Sonali Pednekar (University Nominee)
3. Dr Rupesh Raut (State Government Nominee) Leave of Absence
4. Shri. Alok Kumar Saboo (Management Nominee)
5. Shri Chandra Mohan (Management Nominee) Leave of Absence
6. Shri. Umesh Singh (Management Nominee)
7. Shri. Rajdeep Singh (Management Nominee)
8. Dr. Usha Mukundan (Management Nominee - Invitee)
9. Shri. Aditendra P. Sengar (Industrialist- Member)
10. Prof. Dr. Shashi Mishra (Senior Teacher of the College- Member)
11. Prof. Dr. Baisakhi Dutta (Senior Teacher of the College- Member)
12. Dr. Himanshu Dawda (Principal of the College)

AGENDA

1. To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Governing Body held on 28/10/2024.
2. To present approval of recommendations made by the respective Board of Studies in various subjects for the curriculum designed under NEP 2020 for the Third year UG program and starting of the new programs- **UG Program Bachelor of Commerce in Financial Markets (BFM)** and **PG Program Master in Hospital Administration (MHA)** approved by the Academic Council held on 19/04/2025.
3. To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 19/04/2025.
4. To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 24/04/2025.
5. To present update on the IQAC initiatives during the period of 13/11/2024 to 25/04/2025.
6. Submission of AQAR 2023-2024 and update on AQAR 2024-2025.
7. Update on promotion of teachers under CAS.
8. Update on status of new appointments of Assistant Professors (Aided) made after university approval and files submitted in Joint Director's office.
9. Update on CHB appointments and Contractual appointments.
10. Update on MoUs.
11. Update on Seed money grant and Project grant received from ICSSR.



12. Any other matter.

The following business was then transacted:

Item 1: To read and confirm the minutes of the meeting of the Governing Body held on 28/10/2024.

Resolution 1: The minutes of the Governing Body meeting held on 28/10/2024 were confirmed and passed.

Item 2: To present the approval of the recommendations made by the respective Board of Studies in various subjects for the curriculum designed under NEP 2020 for the Third Year UG program and the approval of starting of the new programs from the coming academic year 2025-2026 in the Academic Council meeting held on 19/04/2025.

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Item 3: To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 19/04/2025.

Resolutions 2 & 3: The Chairman presented before the Governing Body the recommendations made by the respective Board of Studies in various subjects for the TY syllabus under NEP and starting of new programs- **UG Program ' Bachelor of Commerce in Financial Markets (BFM)** and **PG Program Master in Hospital Administration (MHA)** from the academic year 2025-2026 that was approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 19/04/2025 and the minutes of the Academic Council meeting held on 19/04/2025. The Governing Body members unanimously approved the recommendations, starting of new programs and the minutes of the Academic Council meeting held on 19/04/2025 and the following resolution was passed-

"Resolved that the recommendation made by the respective Board of Studies in various subjects for the curriculum design under NEP 2020 for the Third Year of UG and starting of one new PG program, one new UG program and two new PG Diploma programs and one new Certificate program presented for the approval in Academic Council meeting held on 19th April 2025 be approved and passed unanimously for its implementation from the academic year 2025-2026."

Item 4: To approve the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 24/04/2025.

Resolution 4: The minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 24/04/2025 were confirmed and passed.



Item 5: To present the update on IQAC initiatives during the period of 13/11/2024 to 25/04/2025.

Principal presented a brief update on different academic and co-curricular activities carried out on campus for both students and the Teachers during the last 6 months which included FDPs for teachers and non-teaching staff, Placement training programs for students, Student research seminars, preparing contingency for 19th Aavishkar- research convention of Mumbai University, Annual Academic Prize Distribution and Degree Certificate Distribution ceremony for the batch 2023-2024, Annual Cultural Gathering, COCO sessions, a year-marked Inter-collegiate event exclusively for non-teaching staff, Annual week-long National level workshop for library staff, Industry - Academia Partnership Conclave, Guest lectures, student participations in extension activities and sports etc. Some of these are the exclusive initiatives of IQAC which spread across all the departments involving participation of almost all teachers and many students benefiting from the same.

IQAC, joining hands with the *Samarthanam* Trust for Disabled with support from the Barclay's Bank organized inclusive Job Fair for youth on R J Campus on 12th November 2024. 127 candidates were shortlisted. On 26th November 2024, with the participation of students, teachers and non-teaching staff, 75th Anniversary of the Constitution Day was carried out on R J Campus by reading the preamble of the Indian Constitution. Under the flagship of IQAC, department of BMS through ICC- (Institutional Incubation Cell) of the college organized 'Hunar 3.0' to showcase talent of the students. On 7th December 2024, department of IT organized a TechConnect session on 'Software Testing – Tools and Techniques'. 16th Annual National Level One Week Training Program for Library support staff on 'Emerging Trends and Technologies in Academic Libraries: Upgrading Skills of Library Support Staff' was organized by the Central Library between 26th Dec to 31st Dec 2024. In the month of January, RAC (Research Advisory Committee) of the college organized video making competition on 'Recent and Significant Discoveries' where students participated enthusiastically. IQAC led one day FDP for non-teaching staff was organized on 7th January 2025 which consisted of two sessions. Session I on 'Rules & Regulations pertaining to the Promotion of Non-teaching staff' was conducted by Mr Sachin Shinde, Senior Clerk, Accounts section. Session II was jointly conducted by Mr Sachin Shinde and Accounts & Finance Officer of the college Mr Dhananjay Parab on 'Understanding of EPF'. On 8th and 9th of January 2025, the departments of Computer Science and Information Technology organized intercollegiate competition event 'Tech Extreme' in which more than 600 students from the colleges all over Mumbai participated. A mega Intercollegiate event exclusively for the non-teaching staff of different colleges in Mumbai, called '*Chand Mazha Vegala, Rang Mazha Vegala*' was organized on 9th January 2025. More than 100 non-teaching members from 13 different colleges participated in it through 6 different competitions like Singing, Instrumental, Monoacting, Rangoli, Shuddha lekhan and Crossword. Andrews College, Bandra won the overall championship called 'Usha Karandak- 2025'. On 10th and 11th January, Principal and all teachers interacted with the students of Junior college educating them about the career options available around



them and the National Education Policy NEP 2020 reforms in school and college education under School Connect 2.0. RJC Student Council on 13th January 2025 celebrated National Youth Day by organizing story writing and Poetry writing competitions. College NSS unit in association with KEM Hospital organized a Mass Blood Donation Camp on 15th January 2025. Department of Mathematics celebrated National Mathematics Day by organizing National Level Online Quiz on Indian Mathematics and Indian Mathematicians on 22nd January 2025. NCC and NSS units jointly celebrated Swami Vivekananda Jayanti by presenting an exhibition on the life of Swami Vivekananda on 23rd January 2025. On 24th and 25th January 2025, IAQC organized a two-day National level Conference on the 'Knowledge Bridge- Academia to Industry'. Academicians and industry experts addressed the students from the common platform and the highlight of every session was the deep interactions between the academicians, industry personnel and students. Another remarkable event in the month of January was 'Threads of Tradition'- An Exhibition on Textiles of India, jointly organized by the departments of Economics, Geography, History and Fashion Design to celebrate National Tourism Day on 29th January 2025. On 5th February 2025, CWDC in collaboration with NCC and NSS units of R J College organized a self-defense training program for Girl students. On 8th February 2025, CWDC and NSS unit of college organized an awareness session on Drugs Abuse Prevention in collaboration with the Anti-narcotic Cell, Crime Branch, Ghatkopar, Mumbai. Student Council of the College organized Appreciation Day for non-teaching staff members on 19th February 2025 giving them rose, chocolate and a thank you note in appreciation of their hard work put in for the green clean campus and their readiness to help any student anywhere, any time and for anything on the campus. Gender Equity Cell and NSS of RJC jointly organized a power point presentation competition on 'Overcoming Gender Stereotypes'. On 28th February 2025, National Science Day, the RAC (Research Advisory Committee) of RJC organized Anusandhan-2025: Student Project Presentation wherein students from all discipline participated with the quest to learn something new. IQAC led session on 'Studies Abroad' for all TY and PG students was organized on 6th March 2025 to provide them one more avenue for higher studies overseas. Officers of the near by banks also were present during the session and provided students with the information on Educational Loans they can avail from the bank. On 14th April 2025, on Dr Babasaheb Ambedkar Jayanti, the central library of the college organized an exhibition of books on life, teachings and transformation of Dr Babasaheb Ambedkar as a father of Indian Constitution. This exhibition was visited by all the stake holders. Entire teaching and non-teaching staff of the college participated in the fire safety training program that was conducted in the college campus by the Fire Brigade Public Safety Unit on 15th April 2025. The Capacity Building Committee of the college organized a session for non-teaching staff on 25th April 2025. The topic was 'Investment: New Options'. For teaching staff, the Capacity Building Committee organized a session on 'Audio-Visual Content Development using Microsoft Office 365' on 28th April 2025.

Item 6: Submission of AQAR 2023-2024 and update on AQAR 2024-2025.



The Principal informed the members that AQAR 2023-2024 was successfully submitted to the NAAC office before the deadline in December 2024 and the document is now available for reference on the college website. With regards to the AQAR 2024-2025, the Principal updated the house that IQAC is currently preparing the document, and the information received from different departments is being mapped fitting into different subsections of AQAR format. The document shall soon enter the final stages of its preparation that is ready for the submission before the due date.

Item 7: Update on promotion of Teachers under CAS.

The Principal informed the members that in the second schedule of CAS wherein Six teachers- Dr Asawari Mokal, Dr Amol Kadam, Dr Prabijna Babu and Dr Jitendra Girase from Chemistry department and defending promotion from stage 3 to 4, Dr Manisha Bhattacharya also from Chemistry department, defending for promotion from stage 4 to stage 5 and Dr Mithilesh Sharma-Head, department of Hindi also defending for stage 4 to 5 that was put on hold till 22nd November 2024 due to Assembly Elections was finally conducted on 21st December 2024. Files of successful candidates have been submitted to university for their approval. He further appraised the house that the third and final schedule of CAS for the academic year 2024-2025 was completed on 23rd April 2025. Dr Rina Pitale Puradkar, Head, Department of Philosophy and Dr Shubhangi Vedak, Librarian successfully defended for their CAS promotion from Associate Professor stage 4 to Professor stage 5.

Item 8: Update on status of appointments of Assistant Teachers (Aided) made after university approval and files submitted to the Joint Director's office.

Principal updated the house that as per the State Govt GR of 24th July 2023 regarding granting of 12 teaching positions (Assistant Professor- Aided) to RJ College followed by the communication received from the Higher and Technical Education Department, Government of Maharashtra. On 9th July 2024, NOC was obtained for the 12 teaching posts (Assistant Professor- Aided), 2 each in Botany and Chemistry and 1 each for the subjects of Zoology, Mathematics, Statistics, Hindi, Economics, Sociology, Commerce and Accountancy. The due procedure was then followed, and the interviews were conducted between 20th to 28th September 2024. All files were then submitted to the University CTAU unit on 22nd October 2024. On 6th February 2025, approval for the following teachers was received from the university.

Name of the Teacher	Nature of appointment & remarks
Ms Aishwarya Dipak Parab	Full-time Assistant Professor in Botany, w.e.f. 04/10/2024.



Dr Karishma Tausif Khan (Nee: Karishma Deep Chand Rajbhar)	Full-time Assistant Professor in Botany, w.e.f. 04/10/2024.
Ms. Priya Pradeep Singh	Full-time Assistant Professor in Zoology, w.e.f. 16/10/2024.
Ms Priya Prakash Shetty	Full-time Assistant Professor in Accountancy, w.e.f. 04/10/2024.
Shri Devidas Dnyanadeo Harade	Full-time Assistant Professor in Chemistry, w.e.f. 14/10/2024.
Dr Suyash Shashikant Mane	Full-time Assistant Professor in Chemistry, w.e.f. 16/10/2024.
Dr Dnyaneshwar Dattatray Bobalade	Full-time Assistant Professor in Mathematics, w.e.f. 17/10/2024.
Shri Nilesh Chandrakant Ghadge	Full-time Assistant Professor in Commerce, w.e.f. 04/10/2024.
Shri Gupta Ashok Kumar Kripanath	Full-time Assistant Professor in Hindi, w.e.f. 04/10/2024.
Ms Vilma Manuel Monteiro	Full-time Assistant Professor in Sociology, w.e.f. 15/10/2024.
Shri Jaishankar Hanuman Bakas Singh (Nee: Jaishankar Hanumanbaux Singh)	Full-time Assistant Professor in Statistics, w.e.f. 04/10/2024.

All files have been submitted in the Joint Director's office in February 2025. Regular follow up is being carried out with the JD office. Their office has communicated that for some subjects, there has been some technical roadblock which shall require in depth discussion for it to resolve. On meeting up with the Joint Director Sir in this regard, he assured that he shall investigate the matter and resolve it at the earliest.

Item 9: Update on CHB appointments and Contractual appointments

The Principal informed the members that on 15th October 2024, in line with NOC was obtained from the Joint Director's office regarding CHB positions in the subjects of English, Geography, Botany, Zoology, Chemistry, Statistics and Physics; interviews for CHB positions were conducted. With selected candidates in 5 subjects declining to accept the offer, only 2 files, one each in Chemistry and Statistics, were submitted to Mumbai University for their CHB approvals. Following approval was received from CTAU of Mumbai University on 4th April 2025.

Name of the Teacher	Nature of Appointment & Remarks



Shri Ravikumar Gurupadam Talla	Assistant Professor in Chemistry on Clock Hour Basis from 16/10/2024 to 30/04/2025 for the academic year 2024-25.
Ms Vaishnavi Nair	Assistant Professor in Statistics on Clock Hour Basis from 16/10/2024 to 30/04/2025 for the academic year 2024-25.

The Principal further informed the house that 21 contractual appointments in teaching section and 9 contractual appointments in non-teaching section made by the management in the beginning of the academic year are currently also helping in the smooth functioning of the academic affairs of the college.

Item 10: Update on MoUs

The Principal updated the house regarding new MoUs signed in the last six months. These are- 1) MoU with 'Gully Classes Foundation' for teaching assignments for R J students registered with the extension activity programs like NCC, NSS, DLLE and Rotaract club who will teach underprivileged students, conduct activities like drawing, painting, street play and enhance the personality of a child. R J students will also benefit for OJT and Internship through this partnership. 2) MoU between 'Marathi Vidnyan Parishad' (MVP) and Department of Botany for propagating science in society. The students will undergo training at MVP to become 'Facilitators' to visit selected schools on Saturdays and conduct experiments before the school students. 3) MoU between the 'Pukar Foundation' and the department of BAF for the Community Engagement Program (CEP), one of the compulsory verticals under NEP 2020 for BAF students.

Item 11: Update of Seed money grant and Project grant received from ICSSR.

The Principal appraised the house that the management has made a provision to provide seed money to deserving and desirous young teachers for carrying out small scale research in their respective subjects. In academic year 2024-2025, six projects by teachers under seed money grant are supported to the tune of Rs. 7,00,000/-. Teachers whose projects are supported under seed money are Dr Bindu Achary- Dept of Zoology, Dr Sandesh Divekar- Dept of Chemistry, Mr Ashok Gupta- Dept of Hindi, Dr Geeta Joshi- Dept of Zoology, Dr Manisha Bhattacharya- Dept of Chemistry, and Mr Devidas Harade- Dept of Chemistry. He further appraised the members that post pandemic, with the recommendation of RAC, seed money is granted to deserving PG students also. Students work under mentorship of their teachers for these projects and nine such projects were supported by seed grant money to the tune of Rs. 2,22,750/- in academic year 2024-2025.

Principal informed the members that this year, two teachers had received research project funding from Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), Ministry of Education



supporting their minor research projects of 12 months duration each. Dr Sucheta Joshi, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Economics was awarded a grant of Rs. 6,60,000/- for her project entitled 'Study of Causes of Low Consumption of Ayurveda and Panchakarma Healthcare in a Multi-stakeholder' Framework with reference to Greater Mumbai and Thane City and Solutions'. Dr Baishakhi Dutta, Professor, Department of Geography was sanctioned a grant of Rs. 6,44,000/- for her project titled 'An Empirical study of Factors Affecting the Quality of Life in the Slum Area of Mumbai City: Case of Selected Slums of Eastern Suburbs'. Both the Projects have been successfully completed and the final project report and utilization certificates have been submitted to the ICSSR before due date of 31st March 2025.

Item 12: Any other matter.

The Principal shared with the house that the college has total 9 Research Centers across all 3 faculties of Arts, Science and Commerce. LIC (Local Inquiry Committee) visit of 25th February 2025 in support of starting a Research Centre in the subject of Mathematics was completed by the visit of Team of subject Experts sent by the Mumbai University. Dr Sanket Tikare, Assistant Professor from the Department of Mathematics who specializes in Applied Analysis received his Ph.D. recognition in December 2022 and with the recently completed LIC visit, he shall be research supervisor in the subject of Mathematics on the campus of R J College. Dr Tikare is a sought-after teacher and a committed researcher. His areas of research include dynamic equations on time scales, difference equations, qualitative analysis of equations with impulses and delay. He has successfully built international collaborations with USA, Australia, France, Germany, Brazil, China and Egypt. Currently, two students are in the process of defining and deciding their research line in consultation with Dr. Sanket Tikare.

The Principal shared with the members that under NEP, the student performance and progression data is mandatory to be filled in the ABC (Academic Bank of Credit) portal also called NAD (National Academic Depository) Portal. It is mandatory that through Digi Locker, every student creates his/her ABC ID. Respective colleges are required to upload the data of their student (credits earned by the learner) in two semesters per every academic year in the ABC portal. Updating the house on data of RJ Students available on ABC portal as on today, the Chairman informed the members that for PG programs, for AY 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24, data has been fully uploaded. For UG, the data for Sem I and II for 2021-22, data of Sem III, IV, V, VI of 2022-23 and all Semester data of 2023-24 is uploaded. Balance data is verified and kept ready for uploading as and when the portal is made accessible for respective semesters. Currently the portal is inaccessible. Total of 10000+ students in UG and 3000+ students in PG credits are accessible through Digi Locker. He further appraised the members that for the current AY 2024-2025, the deadline given for data uploading in ABC portal is 20th



June 2025. The qualifying semester results shall be declared soon, and we will be able to meet up with this closing date.

The Principal expressed sincere thanks to IQAC coordinator Dr Bhushan Arekar and his team who under the mentorship of our Director Dr Usha Mukundan ably shouldered a huge quantum of work and achieved desired curriculum under each vertical of NEP. At the same time, keeping teachers motivated. It is indeed a very challenging task, but our vibrant IQAC unitedly did it. Currently IQAC is focusing on Binary Accreditation. NAAC documentation released on 19th March 2024 which is applicable to all affiliated and autonomous colleges of Western regions mentions for the metric criteria with metric title and metric description. It is mainly focusing on Outcome based education and describes the role of HEI to bring in a robust process in place which leads to inputs bearing fruits. It focuses on minimizing 'diversions' and bringing in 'inclusiveness'. It is an Input-Process-Outcome exercise for academic growth of any HEI.

The Principal informed the house that the original document of NEP which forms the basis of implementing NEP in autonomous colleges in 2023-2024 has a mention of Four-year Honors Degree program to be offered to the learner upon completion of Three - year UG program. However, there has been no further communication from the University and more clarity is sought from the University on this matter. The original document does mention about the fulfilment of certain criteria in the process, like, requirement of the academic score in the core subject with consistently good performance of the student in Major (Core) subject and having acquired not less than 70% in the semesters completed so far and the mandatory existence of the functional PG departments for the subject within the college. Clarity is also sought in understanding whether the fourth year under Honors Degree shall be the first year under PG and, if so, students successfully completing honors degree can with one additional year of PG be eligible for integrated PG? The Principal expressed the hope that the required guidance will soon be received from the University.

The principal shared with the members the excellent participation that RJ students exhibited in all extension activities. Our NSS volunteer Ms. Anushka Jadhav was selected for National Adventure Camp at ABVIMAS, Manali from 20th to 29th June 2024. NSS Volunteer Ms. Priyanshi Jaiswal won Best Group Leader Award for 2024-25 in annual project of AKSHARA Centre's Youth for Change program on 8th February 2025. Our college won Best College Award for year 2024-25 in recognition of Gender Equality Club towards performance excellence in gender awareness and leadership. A team of nine volunteers of RJ NSS Unit participated in the Mera Bharat Mahan project of Shri Sathya Sai Seva Organization. It was a 3-month project of teaching school children to remove from their mind the fear of speaking English. Under the Clean Shore Mumbai Project, our NSS volunteers in collaboration with United Ways, Mumbai participated in Awareness sessions, Beach clean-up drive and Shore Walk.



The Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension (DLLE) unit of R J College is dedicated towards fostering social transformation among underprivileged communities and enhancing students' life skills through various projects that include Survey Research, Career Project, Population Education, Club and Annapurna Yojana. To promote civic responsibility, a Voting Awareness Rally was held by DLLE in November 2024. Street play, fireless cooking, debate, elocution, Solo dance, song competitions were organized at intercollegiate level by DLLE giving exposure to the diverse talent. 400 students from 35 colleges participated in the same. 566 DLLE students successfully completed 120 hours of extension work under the guidance of extension work teachers and student managers.

Rotaract club of R J College carries out plenty of activities that help the society and the community at large benefits from the Rotaract activities. This year, Rotaract Club of RJ College took one wonderful and very innovative initiative called 'Kesh for Cause'. It was a heartfelt hair donation drive dedicated to support cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy. The project aimed to raise awareness about the emotional toll of hair loss, promote empathy and generosity, and provide high-quality wigs to help patients regain confidence and dignity. The salon partner for this activity was Absolute Parlor. The student donors donated 5-7 inches of hair in exchange of free haircut. The initiative transformed simple acts of donation into powerful expression of hope and solidarity. The event left a lasting emotional impact on both the donors and the beneficiaries, reflecting the core values of service and compassion.

NCC cadets of the college Under 6 MAH BN NCC, Mumbai 'A' Group exhibited remarkable achievements. Cadet Vishal Shivakant Gupta proudly represented Maharashtra Directorate at the Republic Day Parade held in New Delhi. His selection and performance added great prestige to our unit. 15 cadets of our unit took part in the grand Shivaji Jayanti Rally in Mumbai, honouring the legacy of Shri Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. 15 cadets of our unit visited the National Security Guard Hub in Mumbai. The visit offered a rare insight into elite defence operations and inspired the cadets. 40 cadets participated in the Leprosy Marathon held at Ghatkopar, showcasing commitment to public health awareness and community involvement. Two cadets from our unit were selected for the prestigious Adventure Camp at ABVIMAS at Manali. Their selection is a testimony of their physical and mental fitness. Cadet Atmaj Rajesh Akolkar received the *CWS Best Cadet Award* for Mumbai A group acknowledging his all-round performance and leadership.

The Principal shared with the house the achievement of R J students in sports during the period of the last six months by stating that students first play at Zonal matches from wherein they migrate towards interzonal tournaments, then in interuniversity tournaments. Performance with ranking take them to either National levels tournament representing West Zone or State level Championship of Ashwamedh Kreeda Mahotsav. Three of our PG level students from the college Basketball Team (Men's), Mr Tushar Gupta, Mr Mahesh Prajapati and Mr Vinit Vaidya secured second place in Ashwamedh Kreeda Mahotsav held at Gondwana



University in February 2025. Two of our students from college Kho Kho (Men's) team, Mr Bhore Dhiraj of TYBA and Mr D. Prathamesh of MA-English secured second place in All India Inter-University Tournament held at Udupi, Mangalore in April 2025. Our student of MSc-IT program Mr Pandekar Chaitanya secured his participation in All India Inter-University Best Physique competition held at Kerala in March 2025. In Kabaddi (Women's), three of our students, Ms Yashika Poojari of TYBBI, Ms Samruddhi Mohite of SYBCom and Ms Gayatri Devlenkar of SYBCom secured the First place at Ashwamedh Kreeda Mahotsav at Gondwana University in February 2025. Our Volleyball (Women's) team member Ms Pawar Riya of class SYBSc secured Silver Medal at Ashwamedh Kreeda Mahotsav held at Gondwana University in February 2025. In Athletics (Women's) our SYBA student Ms Leena Dhuri secured Silver Medal at Ashwamedh Kreeda Mahotsav held at Gondwana University in February 2025.

Vice Chancellor Nominee Prin. Dr. Sonali Pednekar appreciated the efforts of each department in meticulous planning of the curriculum not only for the core subjects but also for the NEP verticals like CEP and OJT. She inquired with the Principal about the planning of OJT specially for Commerce programs where student number is large, OJT vertical expects student to spend 120 hours in field and along with this, a learner needs to invest considerable amount of time in learning core subjects and related DSE and VSC components. The Principal shared with the Expert that soon after the completion of SEE, SY students were addressed by their teachers. Departments had already identified sectors in which their students can go to complete OJT hours. Letter to that effect was provided to each student and OJT Booklet is prepared by the department which every student must submit at the end of the OJT for evaluation. Work done, skills acquired, and number of hours spent at the OJT providing organization and 200 words handwritten report by the student form the part of content of the OJT booklet. Evaluation protocol of 40 (dept mentor report) +40 (OJT provider report) +20 (booklet submission & student ppt highlighting skills acquired) is also told to the students. For already working students, their organization, sector, nature of work and hours spent, skills acquired etc. has also been taken into consideration by the department. Most importantly, students have been advised to accumulate their OJT working hours starting from this summer vacation, then Diwali vacation and conclude in Winter break. Weekend working along with the regular studies was also the choice asked by some students which was granted by the department. Prin. Dr. Pednekar madam expressed satisfaction over the detailed planning for OJT vertical completion and had a word of praise for the college management for the proactiveness shown by the management in starting new UG, PG and Diploma programs keeping in pace with the fast-changing technological innovations that swiftly gets interwoven in the fabric of human life.

In his closing remarks, Principal thanked all the members for their participation in the meeting and their appreciation and valuable suggestions. He informed the house that the academic terms for 2025-2026 are still not received from the University. However, summer vacation



mentioned in the circular of academic year 2024-2025 is from 01-05-2025 to 12-06-2025. As per this communication, the college will reopen for the new AY 2025-2026 on 13th June 2025.

There being no other matter, the meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.

Date: 26/04/2025



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