

	<b>D Y Patil International University, Akurdi Pune</b>	
<b>AY 2025-26</b>	<b>Minutes of Meeting IQAC</b>	<b>Date of Preparation 04/03/2026</b>

**Date:** 28th February 2026

**Time:** 11:00 am to 1:30 PM

**Venue:** Board Room, DYPIU

**Chairperson:** Dr. Manish Bhalla, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and Chairman, IQAC

**Coordinator:** Dr. Sunil Dambhare, Director, IQAC

### Agenda and Discussions

Director IQAC welcomed all members and briefed about the agenda of the meeting. He also introduced all the IQAC members. Also, he shared information about the university and various schools and programs offered in the university.

#### 1. Opening Remark by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and Chairman, IQAC

- Chairman, IQAC, highlighted the role of IQAC as the backbone of institutional quality enhancement.
- He shared the progress of DYPIU from last meeting in terms of preparations for accreditations and rankings, new UG/PG programs, infrastructure planning and additional facilities those will be created in next few months.
- Chairman, IQAC informed the IQAC members about the proposed new programs in Economics, Psychology, and Linguistics to be introduced from next Academic year.
- He also appealed to all the members to contribute for the growth of the university. He requested to provide suggestions, inputs to improve the academic and administrative processes.

#### 2. Introduction of IQAC Members

Director IQAC, introduced all IQAC members including deans, directors, academic and industry experts, and student representative.

#### 3. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Director IQAC presented the Minutes of Meeting and Action Taken Report (ATR) of the last IQAC meeting.
- The members confirmed the minutes without suggestions or modifications.
- All the members appreciated the efforts taken by the university to implement the suggestions given by the committee in last meeting.

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#### 4. Academic Quality Enhancement Initiatives

##### Discussion led by Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Dean, Faculty of Non-Engineering:

- The Dean Faculty of Engineering presented the academic activities and innovative approach followed at DYPIU. She introduced the various schools under Faculty of Engineering to IQAC members.
- Dean Faculty of Engineering informed the IQAC members about the new programs which will be introduced from next academic year 2026-27.

Sr No	Name of the School	Proposed Programs
1	School of Biosciences and Bioengineering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• B.Sc. Forensic Sciences</li> <li>• M.Sc. Medicinal Chemistry</li> </ul>
2	School of Computer Science Engineering & Applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• B.Tech. CSE (AI &amp; ML) - In Association with IBM</li> <li>• B.Tech. - CSE (Cyber Security &amp; Forensic) - in association with IBM</li> <li>• M.Tech. (CSE) – Quantum Computing</li> <li>• M.Sc. in Computational Mathematics</li> </ul>
3	School of Continuing Education - For working Professional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M.Tech. Smart Manufacturing</li> </ul>

- She also mentioned about the Coursera being included in the curriculum across all programs in the university and students will be evaluated by the Coursera on the platform.
- From next semester, curriculum for UG program (4 Year) will be revised for maximum 165 to 170 credits. Professional development courses will be part of the curriculum and also value-added courses will be conducted by the schools.
- Dean Faculty of Engineering shared information regarding the feedback mechanism from various stakeholders and actions taken, FDPs conducted at various schools and new centre of excellence recently inaugurated at DYPIU. All the members appreciated the efforts of the university to bring quality in academics and all the processes.
- Dean Faculty of Non-Engineering informed IQAC members regarding the DYPIU's 5th convocation and the total UG, PG and PhD degrees awarded during the convocation.
- She also informed that total Coursera enrolments till date are: 19,925. Approximate courses per learner are 4, Total hours utilized by learners are - 22,389, Assessments done - 77,37, Specialization- 3,223 and Courses completed – 5,440. All members appreciated the efforts of faculty and management and also for adding new learning platform to university.

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- She also informed that 2 full time counsellors available in the university for the help of students. Additionally, university subscribed to two online platforms: 1. Mansikshakti : (online helpline) 2. YourDOST: (Online + Offline) for helping students in online / off-line mode.
- She also informed about the FDPs conducted, value added courses, laboratory upgradations in various schools under faculty of Non-Engineering and also presented the status of the Professional body memberships under various schools.
- Dean Faculty of Non-Engineering informed IQAC members regarding new programs which will be introduced from AY 2026-27. She also briefed about the new centre of excellence available for interdisciplinary research.

New Programs:

School of Media and Journalism	School of Design	School of Applied Arts and Craft	School of Commerce and Management
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Programme – MAJMC</li> <li>• Intake Capacity – 30</li> </ul>	Tracks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interior Design</li> <li>• Fashion Technology</li> </ul>	Planned: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MFA in Applied Art,</li> <li>• BFA in Drawing &amp; Painting</li> </ul>	Introduced: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive MBA</li> </ul>

#### Remarks by External Experts:

- Mr. Sanjeev Bhalwal suggested to include prompt engineering as it is essential in the era of AI. Students must be convergent to communicate with AI properly. Students must be agile to learn new technologies, un-learn and re-learn. At the same, they must know the core concepts of respective domain.
- Mr. Milind Bawa suggested that curriculum related to Risk management and Risk assessment to be added. He also appreciated the efforts to add course on Taxation in the curriculum. Suggested to add Contract Management in the curriculum.
- Dr. Atul Wadegaonkar, suggested to go through the World Economic Forum report regarding new job opportunities and skills required in future. He also emphasized on the importance of context engineering. He informed that the practice of designing and structuring the information (context) given to an AI model must be taught so that it produces better, more accurate outputs .
- Dr. Wadegaonkar also suggested to add courses related to brain economy which are emerging areas from the employability point of view.

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- Mr Milind Bawa enquired about the success ratio of the Coursera courses completed by the students. Chairman IQAC replied that it will be a credit transfer course hence students have to complete in time bound manner only.
- Dr. Atul Wadgaonkar enquired about the content of the Professional skills which is shown as part of the course. Dean, Faculty of Engineering responded that different courses will be taught to the students for improving their professional skills such as communication, presentation skills, and other for improving their chances for placements.
- Mr. Sanjeev Bhalwal also shared that as per industry, Cyber security is also a hot topic and becoming key topic to be learned. He told that in China, it is mandatory to teach cybersecurity at L1, L2, L3 level. We should think about how it can be incorporated.

#### **5. New Infrastructure and Learning Resources**

- Registrar informed that for natural growth of existing programs and new programs, new infrastructure is being added. 8th and 9th floor construction is starting from next month and 10th and 11th floor also will be completed in the same construction phase.
- He informed about the laptop policy to faculty, digital facilities and security measures in the university. Also informed that Library resources are upgraded looking at the volume of students in the university.
- He also shared the new policies introduced in this academic year. These are Finishing School Policy, Intellectual Property Right Policy, Renumeration Policy School of Skill Development, Staff Loan Policy, E – Waste Management Policy, IT Asset Management Policy, Cyber Security Policy, Acceptable IT Use Policy and Software Compliance.
- Dr Wadegaonkar Sir suggested to organize Staff Development program for the non-teaching staff upgradation.

#### **6. Research and Development Activities**

- Dy. Dean, R&D presented the research statistics of DYPIU and briefed about the Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies and Research. He also informed about the changes made in PhD admissions policy.
- He presented various policies available for faculty and students to promote research.
- He informed to IQAC members that under seed money funding, 17 research projects worth Rs. 1,93,55,000 were sanctioned during last semester and window is opened for this semester. He also shared the extramural grant received at DYPIU in this academic year.

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- All the experts appreciated the policies implemented by DYPIU for the research promotion.
- Dr. Narendra Deore suggested to have subscription of journals in library which will wave off the APC charges for publication.
- Dr. Deore further suggested that the non-publishing faculty shall be clubbed with faculty who are publishing research papers to motivate them for publication. Also, incentives to mentoring faculty can be provided.
- Dr Wadegaonkar suggested to link Research at University with Incubation cell.
- Chairman IQAC informed that section 8 company formation is in process and ideas will be incubated in DYPIU's Incubation cell.
- Prof. S. L. Patil discussed related to One nation One Subscription for which IQAC chairman pointed out that the scheme is presently allowing only government institutes.

## 7. Student Support and Progression

- Associate Dean – Corporate Relations & Placements presented the comprehensive report of the placement outcomes, highlighting the number of students placed, sector-wise distribution, and package trends. This provided clarity on current achievements and areas needing improvement.
- He presented the employer feedback and the actions initiated to bridge the gaps.
- He informed that to enhance the employability skills, MOUs are executed with Tech Mahindra in Cyber security, Seed InfoTech, Campus Credentials and Cantilever Labs.
- A Manager - Skill Development is exclusively appointed to track the inputs and outcomes of skill development initiatives.
- Mr. Sanjeev Bhalwal raised the concern about the attrition rate of the new joiners.
- Associate Dean responded that it may be due to work culture and less package offered students went for higher progression. Thus, as the quality initiative, it is has been decided that no company will be invited to campus offering less than 4 LPA.
- Prof. S. L Patil suggested to make sure that the students are aware about the various Government policies related to scholarships and startups.
- IQAC Chairman emphasized that the industry should go for some social responsibility and share with DYPIU what is the skills and process they need while hiring. As DYPIU has a force of students, but this gap can be reduced by such inputs and DYPIU will work and the students can be trained accordingly.
- Mr. Sanjeev Bhalwal shared that WIPRO is utilizing Top Coder recently acquired by WIPRO for Top coder's "Hybrid Crowd" model to blend talent, allowing for secure, certified, and public crowdsourcing. He will check the possibility to extend this facility with DYPIU students.

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- Mr. Ajay Pandit, parent representative raised a concern that the industry should not expect the graduates to deliver from Day 1 as they would be trained as per the need. For this Mr. Milind Bawa shared that they train students before putting on any project. He added that the students have knowledge while the industry is looking for competencies.
- Dean Placements told that to overcome some of the gaps, DYPIU has tied up with certification providers such as AWS, Service Now. This helps the student to get global certifications on the basis of the intellect and learning ability of the students and helping to get the job opportunities. The emphasis from the DYPIU point of view is to give the students right attitude, basic fundamentals and adding as the topping the global certifications.

### 8. Student Welfare Schemes

- Associate Director presented the Mentoring and counselling systems at DYPIU to help the students. He mentioned that there is significant impact of the schemes on the students and helping them to reduce stress, emotional regulation and better way to cope up with the academics.
- He also briefed about various scholarship schemes available in DYPIU for the meritorious and needy students. Also, the mechanism for grievance redressal was discussed
- As per the suggestions in last meeting, 2 Alumni meets were organized. IQAC chairman informed the members that process of establishing Alumni Chapter in various cities is in process.
- Associate Director, Student welfare presented the community engagement activities conducted till date through NSS. He informed that DYPIU received grant of Rs 50,000 from MoE, GoI under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan. DYPIU adopted five villages and community engagement activities are conducted in those villages.
- He highlighted the achievements of the students in National level cocurricular and Extracurricular competitions.
- All the members congratulated the winners of the various competitions and appreciated the efforts.

### 9. NAAC Accreditation & Documentation Updates

- Director IQAC presented the current status of NAAC and mentioned, around 90–95% of the documentation for all criteria is completed as per the old NAAC format.

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- Presented the details of Academic and Administrative Audit 2025-26 (Sem I) and informed that the compliance is in progress.
- IQAC conducted an orientation session on NAAC for all faculty members covering process, requirements, and documentation.
- The expected revised format of NAAC with 10 criteria has been shared and discussed with coordinators.
- Team IQAC presented the Ranking status overview of DYPIU. He informed members about the rankings applied and those which are in process.
- Team IQAC presented the initiatives of DYPIU to address the SDGs through Audits, Curriculum, Activities & Events, Research and Centre of Excellence. He mentioned that nearly 50 events are conducted at DYPIU addressing various SDGs.
- The research contribution and mapping with SDG was also presented and appreciated by the IQAC members.
- Mr Milind Bawa enquired about the SDG awareness process for students. He added that displays can be added to prominent locations for awareness among faculty and students.
- IQAC chairman informed the members that the report preparation of SDGs is under progress and will be presented in next meeting.

#### **10. Other points discussed**

- Sanjeev Bhalwal noted that concerns about AI replacing engineers are overstated, as AI still cannot fully understand complex chemical or neural reactions in the human body. He also explained that expecting institutes to produce fully industry-ready graduates is unrealistic because industry needs evolve rapidly. Since technology can change within the four years a student studies, institutions cannot constantly update curricula in real time. Collaboration with industry and developing students' learning agility are key to reducing this gap.
- IT team of DYPIU presented the Event Data Portal developed inhouse. This website will help to tracking the event of all the clubs and chapters. It was being appreciated by all.
- Dr. Atul Wadgaonkar mentioned that it is a huge task which will be helpful to reduce the efforts as NAAC expects the detailed reports of each and every activity conducted . This website will be helpful in reducing he mammoth work of data collection.
- Mr Milind Bawa appreciated the efforts of Dr. D. Y. Patil International University in areas such as rankings, activities, and alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. He highlighted progress in academic quality through Outcome-Based Education and laboratory upgrades, while suggesting stronger mentor–mentee engagement to build skills and address real industry problems. He emphasized increasing student awareness of SDGs,

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especially among final-year students, with support from the student council. He also noted that promoting diversity is important as industries increasingly value it.

#### Action Items (Summary Table)

Sr. No.	Action Item	Responsible Authority	Timeline
1	Review and update the curriculum to incorporate emerging areas such as <b>Prompt Engineering, Context Engineering, and Brain Economy</b> to enhance students' preparedness for AI-driven industries.	Dean – Faculty of Engineering / Dean – Faculty of Non-Engineering / Board of Studies	Before implementation of AY 2026–27 curriculum
2	Examine the feasibility of introducing <b>Risk Management, Risk Assessment, and Contract Management</b> related modules in relevant programs.	Respective School Deans / Board of Studies	Next curriculum revision cycle
3	Study the <b>future skills and job trends reports</b> (such as those by global organizations) and align academic programs and skill development initiatives accordingly.	Dean – Faculty of Engineering / Dean – Faculty of Non-Engineering / Academic Council	Before next academic planning review
4	Organize <b>Staff Development Programs for Non-Teaching Staff</b> to enhance administrative efficiency and technical competencies.	Registrar / Human Resource Department	During AY 2025–26
5	Strengthen the <b>research mentoring mechanism</b> by pairing non-publishing faculty with experienced publishing faculty to encourage collaborative research and improve publication output.	Dy Dean – Research & Development	Next semester
6	Explore <b>institutional journal subscriptions that provide APC waiver benefits</b> to support faculty in publishing high-quality research papers.	Dy Dean R&D Cell	AY 2025–26
7	Promote <b>linkages between research activities and the incubation cell</b> to encourage innovation, entrepreneurship, and commercialization of research outcomes.	R&D Cell / Incubation Cell	Ongoing
8	Increase <b>awareness among students about Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)</b>	IQAC	Before next IQAC meeting

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	through displays, student engagement activities, and integration with academic and co-curricular initiatives.		
9	Explore opportunities for <b>industry collaboration platforms (such as hybrid talent or crowdsourcing models)</b> to enhance student exposure to real-world problem solving.	Corporate Relations & Placement Cell	AY 2025–26

The meeting concluded with the vote of thanks by the Member of IQAC.

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