

Minutes of 27th meeting of Board of Management

The 27th Meeting of Board of Management of Manipal University Jaipur was held on August 11, 2021, in online mode through WebEx platform.

Following members were present.

Chairperson:

Dr K Ramnarayan, Chairperson, MUJ

Members:

Dr Gopalakrishna Prabhu K, President, MUJ

Dr Ranjan Pai, Chairman, MEMG

Shri Rajen Padukone, Group President, Corporate Affairs, MEMG

Shri S Vaitheeswaran, Group CEO & Vice Chairman, MEMG.

Shri Abhay Jain, Advisor, MEMG

Mr Nishith K Mohanty, Group President HR & Academia, MEMG

Dr N Ravichandran, Professor (Retd), IIM Ahmedabad

Shri Sandesh Nayak, IAS, Commissioner, College Education & Special Secretary, Higher Education, Government of Rajasthan

Dr NN Sharma, Pro President, MUJ

Dr Amit Soni, Professor, Dept of EEE, MUJ

Member Secretary:

Dr Nitu Bhatnagar, Registrar, MUJ

Invitees Present:

Shri TV Mohandas Pai, Chairman, MaGE

CA Rajesh Moorti, Group CFO, MEMG

CA Pradeep Chaturvedi, CF&AO, MUJ

Prof Rajesh Solanki, Professor Chair

Mr Divya Pritwani, CEO, AIC-MUJ

Mr Puneet Dutta, COO, AIC-MUJ

Dr Ravi Kant Gupta, Director Admission

Dr Lokesh Sharma, Dy Director Admission

Dr Prakash Ramani, Dy Director Admission

Dr CS Lamba, Director, Corporate Relations & Placements

Members Granted Leave of Absence:

Mrs. Mira Mehrishi, IAS (Retd.)

27th Board of Management Meeting of MUJ on virtual mode



The 27th meeting of the Board of Management began with the Chairperson, MUJ, extending a warm welcome to all the members present. He also welcomed the newly appointed Registrar and conveyed his best wishes on behalf of the Board members.

After the confirmation of the quorum by the Registrar, MUJ, the agenda were taken up for discussion. The discussion on the different agenda and decisions taken thereon during the meeting are as mentioned below:

27BoM (A-1) Nomination of Member Secretary of the Board of Management:

The Board noted the nomination of Dr Nitu Bhatnagar, Registrar, Manipal University Jaipur as Member Secretary of the Board of management of Manipal University Jaipur by the sponsoring body in accordance with provision under section 18(3) of the Manipal University Jaipur Act no 21 of 2011, for a period of three years with effect from August 01, 2021.

The inclusion of the newly appointed Registrar as Member Secretary of Board of Management of Manipal University Jaipur is hereby noted.

27BoM (A-2) Confirmation of minutes of the 26th meeting of the Board of Management:

Registrar informed all the members that the minutes of the 26th Meeting of the Board of Management held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, was circulated among members and no comments were received. The Board was requested to confirm the same.

Resolved that the minutes of 26th meeting of the Board of Management held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, are hereby confirmed.

27BoM (A-3) Review of action taken on Minutes of the 26th meeting of the Board of Management:

The action on the suggestions and the resolutions passed in the 26th Meeting of the Board of Management were briefed to the Board members by the Registrar.

Due deliberations were held on the action taken and their implementation, as suggested.

With regards to the agenda from TSB, it was reiterated by the members that the leadership in the School of TSB should revisit the entire strategic roadmap of TSB with regards to the product quality and student intake quality in consultation with Prof N Ravichandran.

The action taken report on the 26th meeting of the Board of Management held on March 16, 2021, is hereby noted.

27 BoM (B) Discussion and Decision

27BoM (B-1) MUJ Vision 2025

Pro President, MUJ gave a detailed presentation on MUJ Vision 2025. The presentation was mainly focused on targets to be achieved in the next five years on Critical To Quality (CTQ) parameters as mentioned in the table below:

S.No.	CTQ Parameters	2019-20 Actual	2020-21 Actual	2025-26 Target
1.	Total No. of Academic Programs (UG and PG)	62	60	100
2.	Total No. of Students in Campus	7,985	8810	15,000
3.	Total No. of Faculty Members	464	462	1,000
4.	90% of Faculty Members with PhD	292	304	900
5.	NIRF Ranking	150-200	150-200	Top 50
6.	NAAC Re-accreditation (CrGPA)	3.28	3.30 est.	3.51-4.00
7.	No. of additional PhD research scholars with full scholarship per year	17	10	100
8.	Total revenue from campus based regular programs (Rs. Crores)	168	183	370
9.	No. of Govt./Non Govt Research Grants Sanctioned	40	70	200
10.	No. of Scopus indexed research publications	1,198	1,794	7,866

In order to achieve the targets for the above parameters, some strategic themes on Academic Excellence, Research Progress, Student Number and Quality, Faculty Excellence, Collaborations, Branding and Visibility, Financial Stability and Infrastructure Growth, were also discussed.

After thorough deliberations on the agenda, members gave the following suggestions:

- Focus on all areas of research, good placements, best teaching faculty, more adjunct faculty from outside, unique research assistants, introducing good PhD and Masters' programme.
- Faculty members can be given an option to have a research track or teaching track and accordingly their load can be set in the ratio of 60:30:10.
- Performance of faculty members can be evaluated on the basis of teaching excellence, research contribution (theoretical & applied), & services to the University.
- Faculty members can be appropriately compensated.
- Curriculum of any programme should be contemporary but at the same time, it should be digitalized across all streams.
- Identify 3-4 key departments which can excel in areas of teaching/research or consultancy and provide them with every support to help them realise their full potential.
- Reimagine the campus with its full capacity (students & faculty) and create a master plan with a vision of 10 years wherein each school will be a separate entity with specific assigned responsibilities. This can be done in two phases.

Resolved that the roadmap to MUJ Vision 2025 and proposed strategies to achieve the goals, are hereby noted.

27BoM (B-2) Atal Incubation Center at MUJ - Status and way forward

CEO, Atal Incubation Center, Mr Divya Pritwani gave a brief presentation on the establishment of AIC, its infrastructure, the incubated startups, the collaborators/mentors, events organized under the umbrella of AIC, and the various initiatives taken by the AIC during the COVID pandemic.

Following suggestions were given:

- Ensure the incubate to raise external seed capital
- More focus on the outcomes of the start-ups
- Get more local and high-quality mentors involved at AIC

Resolved that the focus on the desired outcomes of different startups at AIC, MUJ with the involvement of local and high-quality mentors, should be the priority.

27BoM (B-3) Admission 2021 - Status Report

Registrar placed the agenda and requested Director Admissions to present the details. Director Admission shared the status report of the admission that is ongoing for the AY 2021-22. He shared the data of admission status, state wise, offline and MET admission, with the members.

Resolved that the status report of the ongoing admission details briefed is hereby noted.

27 BoM (C) Reporting and Ratification

27BoM (C-1) Important Events in the University - AV

The event details from March 01, 2021, to July 31, 2021, was placed before the board through AV mode. Due to paucity of the time, it was suggested to share the link of the important events with the members.

The Board members noted the details.

27BoM (C-2) NBA Visit

Registrar placed the agenda and requested the ex-Director Q&C and Board member to present the details. Ex-Director shared a brief note on the NBA visit which was held during July 16-18, 2021. He apprised the members that five eligible UG programmes for Engineering had gone for the NBA accreditation. The meeting was conducted in a hybrid mode. The Chairman of the committee along with an expert from MNIT had physically visited the campus and interacted & inspected the programmes, while a team of 5 experts related to specific disciplines did the interaction & inspection online. On the last day of the visit, during exit meeting, the Chairman along with the members shared their perspective on the infrastructure and facilities available with the University and the departments. Some suggestions on strengthening of the Outcome Based Education were stressed upon.

Resolved that the NBA visit details briefed, are hereby noted.

27BoM (C-3) Update on training & Placements.

Registrar presented an update on the various initiatives and activities taken up by the Directorate of Training and Corporate Relations. Director, Training and Corporate Relations, shared the highest, average, and median salary package of the Engineering students, compared to the last year. It was suggested to put in more efforts to increase the median salary comparable to the average salary.

Resolved that the placement details briefed are hereby noted.

27BoM (C-4) Minutes of 9th Meeting of Executive Committee.

Registrar briefed the salient features of the minutes of 9th meeting of the Executive Committee held on February 24, 2021. She further informed that the minutes of the meeting were circulated among members, and no observations were received for the minutes.

She requested the members for ratification of the same.

Resolved that the minutes of the 9th Executive Meeting held on Feb 24, 2021, are hereby ratified.

27BoM (C-5) Minutes of Meeting of 31st Academic Council.

Registrar briefed the salient features of the minutes of 31st meeting of the Academic Council held on June 11, 2021. She further informed that the minutes of the meeting were circulated among members and no observations were received for the minutes.

She requested the members for ratification of the minutes.

Resolved that the minutes of the 31st meeting of Academic Council held on June 11, 2021, are hereby ratified.

27BoM (C-6) Minutes of Meeting of 23rd Finance Committee.

Registrar shared the recommendation of the Finance Committee of Manipal University Jaipur for the statement of Financial Year 2020-21 for approval. She further informed that the same were circulated to BoM members and no comments were received.

She requested the Board for the ratification of the minutes of 23rd meeting of the Finance Committee held on March 16, 2021.

Resolved that the minutes of the 23rd meeting of Finance Committee held on March 16, 2021, are hereby ratified.

27BoM (C-7) Update on Ranking and Awards received by the University

Registrar presented an update on the ranking and awards received from different regulators and agencies to the members.

Sr. No.	Agency	Ranking Category	Ranking/Ratings
1	Competition Success Reviews-GHRDC-Law school Survey 2021	Top Law School in Rajasthan & Top Outstanding Law Schools of Excellence (All India)	1 st 6 th
2	India Today-MDRA Best Colleges Ranking 2021	'Emerging Private Engineering Colleges' (Highest - scoring colleges set up in or after 2000 were considered in Emerging category). and 'Private Engineering Colleges'	8 th and 24 th
3	MHW Rankings 2021	"Private University of Eminence: Super Excellence Category" as India's Best University for Campus Life	1 st Across India
3	THE WEEK Hansa Research	Multidisciplinary University (All India)	50 th
		Private Multidisciplinary University (All India)	15 th
		Multidisciplinary University (North Zone)	16 th
		Private Multidisciplinary University (North Zone)	6 th
		Multidisciplinary Emerging University (All India)	3 rd
4	India Today	India's Best Universities - General (Private)	12 th (All over India) and 2 nd (Private University with the Best faculty student ratio)
5	THE OUTLOOK-ICARE	Top Private Engineering Colleges (All India)	20 th

Members noted the details and congratulated the MUJ team for the achievements.

27 BoM (D) 28th BoM Meeting

Registrar placed the tentative schedule for the 28th meeting of BoM. Members suggested to have the meeting before the convocation either in the last week of October or week of November. It was conveyed that once the date of Convocation is finalized, the next meeting of the BoM will also be frozen, and the dates will be shared with the members in advance.

27BoM (E) Any Other Matter with Permission of Chair

Further, with no other agenda to discuss, the meeting concluded with a thanking note from the Chair to all members for their inputs and valuable time.



Dr Nitu Bhatnagar
Member Secretary



Dr K Ramnarayan
Chairperson