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## Minutes of the 8th Standing Academic Committee meeting, AIIMS Gorakhpur held on 23rd August 2025


The 8th meeting of Standing Academic Committee (SAC) AIIMS Gorakhpur was held on 23rd August 2025 from 12 noon in the Board Room, Academic block, AIIMS Gorakhpur.

The following members of the Standing Academic Committee (SAC) were present in the meeting:

Sl. No.	Name	Designation
1.	Prof. Ashoka Jahnavi Prasad Consultant Psychiatry	Chairperson
2.	Prof. Arati Lalchandani Ex Principal and Dean GSVM Medical College, Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh	Member
3.	Prof. V. K. Tiwari Dean, North DMC Medical College, New Delhi	Member
4.	Prof. Rameshwar Nath Chaurasia Professor and Head of Neurology IMS- BHU, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	Member
5.	Prof. Manindra Agrawal Director, IIT Kanpur	Member
6.	Maj Gen (Dr) Vibha Dutta, Retd (SM) Executive Director AIIMS, Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh	Member Secretary

Prof Ashoka Prasad, Consultant Psychiatry, Gorakhpur; Prof Arati Lalchandani, Ex Principal and Dean, GSVM Medical College, Kanpur & Maj Gen (Dr) Vibha Dutta, Retd (SM), Executive Director AIIMS, Gorakhpur, were present in the meeting physically.

Prof V. K. Tiwari, Dean, North DMC Medical College, New Delhi; Prof. Rameshwar Nath Chaurasia, Professor and Head of Neurology, IMS- BHU, Varanasi; Prof Manindra Agrawal, Director, IIT Kanpur attended the meeting online.

  
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Dr Dinesh Sharma, Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha; Prof Sangeeta Srivastava, Vice Chancellor, University of Allahabad, Prayagraj; [redacted], [redacted] had informed in advance of their inability to attend the meeting and the leave of absence was granted to them by the chairman.

Prof Mahima Mittal, Dean Academics, AIIMS Gorakhpur and Dr Manish Kumar, Faculty Academics, attended the meeting as invited members.

Executive Director & CEO AIIMS Gorakhpur welcomed the chairman and members present in the meeting. After a welcome address by the Chairman SAC, the meeting began.

**Agenda Item No: SAC/08/01: Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> Standing Academic Committee**

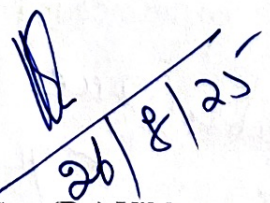
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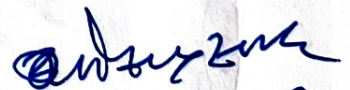
The members of SAC were requested to consider and approve the minutes of meeting of the 7<sup>th</sup> SAC meeting held on 26th March 2025.

**Discussion:**

Minutes of meeting & Action taken report of 7<sup>th</sup> Standing Academic Committee were reviewed by the members.

**Decision:** Minutes of Meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> Standing Academic Committee were approved.

  
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**Agenda Item No: SAC/08/02: Action Taken report of 7th Meeting of Standard Academic Committee of AIIMS, Gorakhpur**

**Approval Sought:**

The members of SAC were requested to consider and approve the action taken report of the 7th SAC meeting held on 26th March 2025.

**Discussion**

SAC reviewed the Action taken report. Following items of ATR were discussed.

1. **Agenda SAC/07/05:** DM in Clinical Pharmacology to be discussed in upcoming SAC meetings.
2. **Agenda SAC/07/06:** MDS in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery was deliberated upon. It was decided that once the increase in number of junior residents is approved, the courses may be initiated.
3. **SAC/07/14-02:** Chairman SAC emphasized upon the need for providing adequate psychological support to the students. Executive Director Maj Gen (Dr) Vibha Dutta, Retd (SM) apprised SAC members of the institutional measures taken in this regard. In addition to 'Manoday' counselling clinic, Executive Director and Dean Student affairs oversees students' illnesses and other health issues. The institute has also started screening of movies for students, facility of sports such as upgradation of cricket ground and gymnasium facility has been done and development of badminton court is under process.

Dr Arati Lalchandani offered to take a session with faculty on "how to communicate with students and colleagues in a medical college". And for students a session on "how to study".

For consolidation of student counselling clinic at AIIMS Gorakhpur, suggestion was invited by chairman SAC from Prof. Manindra Agrawal, Director, IIT Kanpur. Prof Agrawal told that at IIT Kanpur, counselling services are student led/peer supported. Second year students act as counsellors for all newly enrolled students. For appointment as student counsellor, formal interviews are done by a group of faculties. Only those students, who have demonstrated ethical behaviour and good communication skills during their 1<sup>st</sup> year are appointed as

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student counsellor. During the counselling, If a student counsellor flags any issue then the case is referred for professional counselling. Third year students are assigned role of student counselling coordinator while the 4<sup>th</sup> year student head the student counselling programme under the supervision of assigned faculty. Prof Agrawal offered to share SOPs of student counselling services at IIT Kanpur with AIIMS Gorakhpur.

**Decision:** The Action taken report of 7<sup>th</sup> SAC was approved unanimously with incorporation of aforementioned suggestions.

## **Agenda Item No: SAC/08/03: Proposal for adoption of NMC guidelines 2024 for duration of various professional years in MBBS.**

**Discussion:** Chairman SAC expressed his concerns regarding completion of MBBS 1<sup>st</sup> year in 12 months. Dr Tiwari emphasized that distribution of MBBS duration as per proposed NMC pattern should be followed. He suggested 1<sup>st</sup> year curriculum should be curated to ensure completion within the stipulated 12 months. Dr Chaurasia also agreed upon aligning with NMC framework. Members also pointed out that 18 months for MBBS 3<sup>rd</sup> Prof part 2 is justified given the number of allied subjects with general medicine and general surgery. These changes will be applicable from MBBS batch 2024 onwards.

**Decision:** Proposal for adoption of NMC guidelines for duration of various professional years in MBBS was approved. *These would be reviewed in two years time.*

## **Agenda Item No: SAC/08/04: Proposal for change in Internal Assessment marks as eligibility criteria for appearing in Professional Exam**

**Discussion:** Member secretary SAC informed the members that the internal assessment is not used in many INIs as eligibility criteria to appear in Prof Exam.

She proposed that the current requirement of "50% in internal assessment in

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theory and practical separately in each subject” can be changed to “40% internal assessment in combined theory & practical in each subject”.

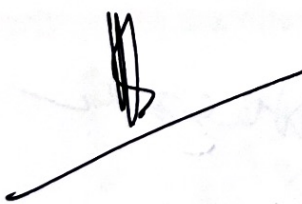
Dr Tiwari suggested that internal assessment should be an eligibility criterion, however, it can be changed to to 40% internal assessment in combined theory & practical in each subject as proposed. Chairman SAC has suggested that this criterion should be reviewed after one year.

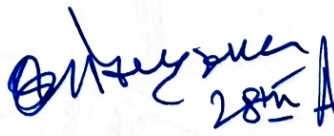
**Decision:** Proposal for change in Internal Assessment marks as eligibility criteria for appearing in Professional Exam was approved.

**Agenda Item No: SAC/08/05: Proposal for adoption of NMC guidelines for MBBS in a phased manner**

**Discussion:** Dean Academics Prof Mahima Mittal informed the SAC members that phased adoption of NMC guidelines is being proposed to ensure that changes in curriculum are seamlessly adopted by students. Chairman SAC enquired the process of phased implementation will be done. Dean academics informed that after departmental review meeting of concerned HoDs and inputs from external experts through board of studies, proposed changes will be put for consideration of upcoming SAC meetings.

**Decision:** Proposal for adoption of NMC guidelines for MBBS in a phased manner was approved. *This would be reviewed in two years.*

  
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**Agenda Item No: SAC/08/06: Approval of Scholarship and Book prize for MBBS students**

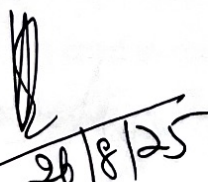
**Discussion:** SAC members appreciated the initiative. Chairman SAC said that this is the traditional practice of motivating students and this should be promoted.


**Decision:** The proposal for approval of Scholarship and Book prize for MBBS students was approved.

**Agenda Item No: SAC/08/07: Approval of Guidelines for Post Doctoral Fellowship Courses**

**Discussion:** Chairman SAC emphasized that PDF courses should be interdisciplinary and encouraged that the institute should add more PDF courses. Executive director informed that proposals for PDF courses in different specialties are on agenda in this SAC meeting and more courses will be added in upcoming SAC meeting. Dr Prasad suggested that more PDCC courses should also be initiated. Dr Arati Lalchandani suggested that PDF should be equivalent to the regular senior residency scheme and teaching experience should be provided.

**Decision:** The proposal for approval of Guidelines for Post Doctoral Fellowship Courses was approved.

  
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## **Agenda Item No: SAC/08/08: Starting Post Doctoral Fellowship (PDF) Courses under Department of Trauma and Emergency and Department of OBGY**

**Discussion:** SAC members reviewed the proposal including the experience and expertise of coordinating faculties for these courses. Dean academics informed that trauma and emergency department have requested for one year- PDCC instead of proposed PDF course.

**Decision:** PDCC in spine trauma and trauma anesthesia along with the proposal for PDF in Maternal Foetal Medicine was approved.


## **Agenda Item No: SAC/08/09: Approval to initiate super speciality courses:**

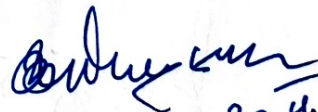
### **9.1 DM in Neurology**

**Discussion:** Executive Director informed SAC members that Dept of neurology has Dr Ashutosh Tiwari, Associate professor with almost 7 years of post DM experience and another faculty for the department will be recruited soon and therefore DM course in the department may be initiated. Dr Chaurasia pointed out that DM program can be coordinated with associate professor as guide. Prof. V. K. Tiwari concurred that DM in Neurology, may be initiated.

The SAC members also discussed DM programme in cardiology, but suggested that approval may be sought after expansion of services especially cath lab.

Regarding DM in critical care medicine, chairman SAC suggested that department of anesthesiology has adequate number of faculties to run the

  
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program. Executive director sought the permission of SAC for initiating DM critical care medicine.

**Decision:** DM in neurology and critical care medicine were approved.

## 9.2 DM in Pain Medicine

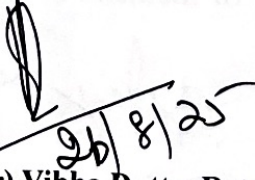
**Discussion:** The SAC members reviewed the experience and expertise of coordinating faculty Dr Ravi Shankar Sharma. It was pointed out by executive director that one candidate has already enrolled in the previous batch and therefore the DM programme may be reinitiated.


**Decision:** The proposal for DM Pain medicine course was approved.

## Agenda Item No: SAC/08/10: Approval to initiate MS Trauma Surgery under department of Trauma and Emergency

**Discussion:** The SAC members reviewed the experience and expertise of coordinating faculties for trauma surgery program. Note was also made of the gazette notification (dated 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2022) allowing faculties with orthopedics and surgery specialization to run the program.

**Decision:** The proposal for MS trauma surgery course was approved.

  
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## **Agenda Item No: SAC/08/11: Post-facto Approval of OT Technology Course in the Allied Sciences Course**

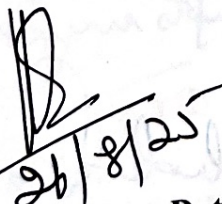
**Discussion:** SAC reviewed the proposal. Prof V.K. Tiwari insisted that the course is an important course and would improve the functioning of institute's Ots and therefore should be promoted. Dr Arati also concurred that human resources developed through this course will be useful for institute in the coming course.

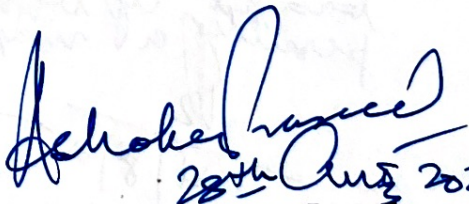
**Decision:** The proposal for Post-facto Approval of OT Technology Course in the Allied Sciences Course was approved.

## **Agenda Item No: SAC/08/12: Approval to initiate Ph.D. in Nursing**

**Discussion:** The proposal was reviewed. Chairman SAC remarked that PhD program under supervision of Principal, College of Nursing is feasible and will add to institute's academic credentials.

**Decision:** The proposal for PhD nursing program was approved.

  
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## Agenda Item No: SAC/08/13: Approval for converting the 2-year PDF course in Paediatric and Adolescent Gynaecology to one year Certificate course

**Discussion:** Chairman SAC agreed that as a newly initiated course offering a one-year certificate program is acceptable. He further added that the course should undergo a review after a year and further upgradation to PDF or MCh should be based upon feasibility.

**Decision:** The proposal for converting the 2-year PDF course in Paediatric and Adolescent Gynaecology to one year Certificate course was approved.

## Agenda Item No: SAC/08/14: Ratification of additional permit extended to eight medical students to avail an extra mercy attempt

### Discussion:

The proposal for ratification of additional permit extended to eight medical students to avail an extra mercy attempt was put forth. Executive director informed about undertaking given by the concerned eight students that they will not ask for any further additional mercy attempt. Chairman SAC emphasized that this proposal should not be taken as precedence for future and rigid adherence to rules regarding maximum permissible attempts should be ensured in future. Prof Tiwari mentioned that maximum of ten years should be permitted for completion of MBBS including internship and students being provided extra attempts should

complete MBBS within the stipulated time. *Additionally, it was brought up before the committee that the NMC penalty a maximum of four attempts in each subject.*

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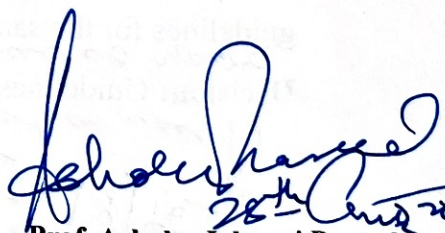
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**Decision:** The proposal for ratification of additional permit extended to eight medical students to avail an extra mercy attempt was approved. *It was also decided that this would not serve as a precedent and we would permit a maximum of four attempts in any subject.*  
**Agenda Item No: SAC/08/15: Enquiry into the conduct of former Academic Dean**

**Discussion:** Chairman SAC recused himself from this agenda point and nominated Dr Arati to chair the deliberation. Dr Arati informed that Dr Kumar Satish Ravi levelled false allegation on Dr Ashok Prasad and other SAC members including herself and Dr Chaurasia at various forums including national ST/SC commission. Prof Joshi being Dean Academics did not follow the correct office procedures and ignored the directions of then SAC chairperson Dr Bipin Puri. She also put forth an email from Prof Joshi to then president AIIMS. This email was read to all members of SAC. It was discussed that the matter related to Dr Satish Ravi's case is subjudice. Executive director also informed that Dr Joshi is on lien for 2-years and has agreed to cooperate with any enquiry.

**Decision:** Considering this agenda relates to a subjudice matter, it was decided that further decision will be taken after completion of judicial process. *and that Dr. Joshi's communication on this matter would be passed on to our legal counsel in the Allahabad High Court where the matter is being deliberated.*

  
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**Agenda Item No: SAC/08/16: Any other agenda with the permission of chair**

**Discussion:** With permission of chairman, executive director put forth the following agenda:

1. **PDF course in pelvic-acetabular surgery:** Experience and expertise of coordinating faculty was reviewed. Dr Arati pointed out towards the focussed nature of the course. Dean Academics informed that the department has requested for PDCC instead of PDF.

**Decision:** SAC/08/16/1: PDCC in pelvic acetabular surgery was approved

2. **MSc course in biochemistry:** The committee considered the proposal. Prof Tiwari suggested that MD biochemistry course may be initiated first. He further added that in view of currently subjudice matter of MSc qualification for faculty in pre-clinical subjects in medical colleges, the proposed course may be deferred till there is clarity on this matter.

**Decision:** SAC/08/16/2: The proposed MSc course in biochemistry was not approved.

Chairman SAC proposed the following agenda:

3. **Adjunct faculty for short term courses:** Chairman SAC proposed that institute can offer multiple interdisciplinary courses such as genetic counselling, biophysics for this endeavours, adjunct faculty can be engaged. The committee deliberated upon the proposal and agreed that the guidelines for the same need to be developed before implementation.

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**Decision:** Guidelines for adjunct faculty engagement will be developed as *soon as possible*.

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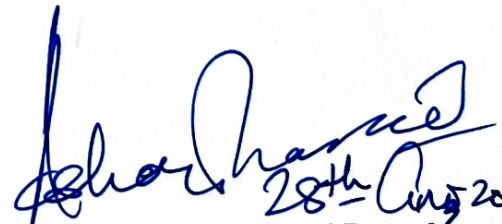
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4. **Creation of clinical societies for students:** Chairman SAC proposed that in order to promote the holistic development of students, clinical societies for students can be initiated at AIIMS Gorakhpur. Dr Arati concurred with the proposal. Executive director suggested that guidelines for the proposal will be developed and implemented

**Decision:** Guidelines for creation of clinical societies for students will be developed and implemented *as soon as possible.*

The meeting ended with vote of thanks proposed by the Executive Director & CEO, AIIMS Gorakhpur Maj Gen (Dr) Vibha Dutta, Retd (SM)

  
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