



RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW, PUNJAB

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MINUTES OF THE 43rd MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON DECEMBER 08, 2025 AT 04:00 P.M. THROUGH BLENDED MODE AT RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW, PUNJAB (PATIALA).

Members were present:

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| 1. | PROF. (DR.) JAI S. SINGH
Vice-Chancellor
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab | Chairman |
| 2. | MR. SANJEEV SHARMA
Senior Advocate
High Court of Punjab & Haryana, Chandigarh | Member
(Joined Online) |
| 3. | MR. MANDEEP SINGH BEDI
Senior Advocate,
High Court of Punjab & Haryana, Chandigarh | Member
(Joined Online) |
| 4. | MR. SUVIR SIDHU
Member, Bar Council of India from Punjab & Haryana
Represented Chairman, Bar Council of India
New Delhi | Member
(Joined Online) |
| 5. | PROF. (DR.) NARESH KUMAR VATS
Professor of Law
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab | Member
(Joined) |
| 6. | PROF. (DR.) SHARANJIT
Professor of Law
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab | Member
(Joined) |
| 7. | PROF. (DR.) KAMALJIT KAUR
Professor of Law
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab | Member
(Joined) |
| 8. | DR. SHRUTI GOYAL
Associate Professor of Law
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab | Member
(Joined) |
| 9. | DR. MANPREET KAUR
Assistant Professor of Law
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab | Member
(Joined) |
| 10. | DR. IVNEET KAUR WALIA
Officiating Registrar and Associate Professor of Law
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab | Secretary
(Joined) |

Prof. (Dr.) Himanshu Pandey, Professor & Head, Dept. of Law, Dr. Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya Sagar, M.P. and Mr. Rakesh Gupta, Chairman, State Bar Council of Punjab & Haryana, Chandigarh did not attend the meeting. The Chairman permitted the absence of Member.

Prof. (Dr.) Jai S. Singh, Vice-Chancellor (Chairperson) and Dr. Ivneet Kaur Walia, Officiating Registrar (Secretary), Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab welcomed all the members of the Academic Council.

The Chairman presented the agenda of the meeting. The Secretary explained the details of the items as and when required. The following decisions were taken by the Academic Council:

Item No.	Particulars of Agenda Item(s)	Decision(s)
1	To confirm the Action Taken Report of the 40 th meeting of the Academic Council held on March 26, 2025 at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab through blended mode	The Members of the Academic Council confirmed the Action Taken Report of the 40 th meeting of the Academic Council held on March 26, 2025 at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab through blended mode.
2	To confirm the Minutes of the 41 st meeting of the Academic Council held on July 04, 2025 at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab through blended mode	The Members of the Academic Council confirmed and approved the Minutes of the 41 st meeting of the Academic Council held on July 04, 2025 at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab through blended mode.
3	To confirm the Minutes of the 42 nd meeting of the Academic Council held on November 20, 2025 at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab through blended mode	The Members of the Academic Council confirmed and approved the Minutes of the 42 nd meeting of the Academic Council held on November 20, 2025 at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab through blended mode
4	To note the Award of Ph.D. Degree in the Faculty of Law to the following Ph.D. Scholars 1. Ms. Manpreet Kaur 2. Ms. Tridipa Sehanobis	The Members of the Academic Council noted and approved the Award of Ph.D. Degree in the Faculty of Law to the Ph.D. Scholars: Ms. Manpreet Kaur & Ms. Tridipa Sehanobis. Further, recommended to the Executive Council for approval.
5	To note the Award of Ph.D. Degree in the Faculty of Sociology to the following Ph.D. Scholar 1. Kavita Saharan	The Members of the Academic Council noted and approved the Award of Ph.D. Degree in the Faculty of Sociology to the following Ph.D. Scholar, Ms. Kavita Saharan. Further, recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

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6	<p>To note the Award of Ph.D. Degree in the Faculty of Law to the following Ph.D. Scholars</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Richa Jain 2. Gunjan Sharma 3. Rehatjit Kaur 4. Bhumika Modh 	<p>The Members of the Academic Council noted and approved the Award of Ph.D. Degree in the Faculty of Law to the following Ph.D. Scholars:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Richa Jain 2. Gunjan Sharma 3. Rehatjit Kaur 4. Bhumika Modh. <p>Further, recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
7	<p>To note and approve the Admission / Enrollment / Registration of the following candidates of Post-Doctoral Research Programme:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prof. (Dr.) Vandana Arora 2. Dr. Rupesh Banga 3. Dr. Puneet Pathak 	<p>The Members of the Academic Council noted and approved the Admission / Enrollment / Registration of two candidates as Prof. (Dr.) Vandana Arora and Dr. Puneet Pathak for the Post-Doctoral Research Programme except Mr. Rupesh Banga.</p> <p>Further, recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
8	<p>To note and approve the request of following candidates of Ph.D. Research Scholars, RGNUL, Punjab</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ms. Shreya Sharma and Mr. Yoganshu Sehgal, Batch 2023 conversion from Full Time to Part-Time. 2. Mr. Yashavardhan Pandey, Batch 2025 conversion from Full Time to Part-Time. 3. The request of supervisor Dr. Geetika Walia, Associate Professor of Law, RGNUL, Punjab regarding Mr. Ankush Garg, JRF doing Ph.D. under the supervision has not reported from a very long time 	<p>When the item was taken up by Dr. Ivneet Kaur Walia, Secretary of the Academic Council, in the first item Prof. Dr. Sharanjit being the supervisor of Ms. Shreya Sharma and in the second item Prof. Dr. Naresh Kumar Vats being the supervisor of Mr. Yashavardhan Pandey recused themselves from the discussion and decision.</p> <p>The Members of the Academic Council noted and approved the request of following candidates of Ph.D. Research Scholars, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab as under:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ms. Shreya Sharma and Mr. Yoganshu Sehgal, Batch 2023 conversion from Full Time to Part-Time, Ph.D. 2. Mr. Yashavardhan Pandey, Batch 2025 conversion from Full Time to Part-Time, Ph.D. 3. On the request of supervisor Dr. Geetika Walia, Associate Professor of Law, RGNUL, Punjab regarding Mr. Ankush Garg, JRF doing Ph.D. under the supervision has not reported from a very long time, the members

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		<p>suggested taking appropriate action in this matter as suggested by the Doctoral Committee.</p> <p>Further, recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
9	To note and approve the request submitted by Ms. Srishtpreet Kaur for her third and fourth Ph.D. research extensions	<p>When this item was taken up by Dr. Ivneet Kaur Walia, Secretary of the Academic Council, Prof. Dr. Kamaljit Kaur being the supervisor of Ms. Srishtpreet Kaur, recused herself from the discussion and decision.</p> <p>The Members of the Academic Council noted and approved the request submitted by Ms. Srishtpreet Kaur for her third and fourth Ph.D. research extensions.</p> <p>Further, recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
10	To note and approve the orders of the Vice-Chancellor in anticipation of the approval of the Academic Council, considered the request of Mr. Nik Kumar (Roll No. 20235)	<p>The Members of the Academic Council noted and approved the orders of the Vice-Chancellor in anticipation of the approval of the Academic Council, considered the request of Mr. Nik Kumar (Roll No. 20235).</p> <p>Further, recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
11	To note the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU's) signed/proposed to be signed by the Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab with Jagat Guru Nanak Dev Punjab State Open University, Patiala	<p>The Members of the Academic Council noted and approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU's) signed/proposed to be signed by the Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab with Jagat Guru Nanak Dev Punjab State Open University, Patiala.</p> <p>However, members suggested finalising and mentioning the end date of the memorandum.</p> <p>Further, recommended to the Executive Council for approval.</p>
12	To consider the recommendations of the Medal Committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor for award of Chancellor's Medal, Vice-Chancellor's Medal, University Medal and Sponsored Medals at the Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, 7 th Convocation scheduled to be held on December 23, 2025	<p>The Members of the Academic Council considered and unanimously approved the recommendations of the Medal Committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor for award of Chancellor's Medal, Vice-Chancellor's Medal, University Medal and Sponsored Medals at the Rajiv Gandhi National</p>

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		University of Law, Punjab, 7 th Convocation scheduled to be held on December 23, 2025, as per Annexure XII attached. Further, recommended to the Executive Council for approval.
13	To consider award of the Degrees in the 7 th Convocation to the students of different courses who qualified their final examination as given below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) FYIC Batch 2018-23, Batch 2019-24 & Batch 2020-25 • LL.M. (One Year Course) Batch 2022-23, Batch 2023-24 & Batch 2024-25 • Ph.D. - 09 Scholar (Law 08 & Sociology 01) • LL.D. - 02 Scholar (Law) 	The Members of the Academic Council considered and unanimously approved the award of the Degrees in the 7 th Convocation to the students of different courses who qualified their final examination, as per Annexure XIII attached. Further, recommended to the Executive Council for approval.
14	To consider and approve the recommendations of the Doctoral Committee (online) meeting held on (01.12.2025) for award of LL.D. Degree to the scholar Dr. Ivneet Kaur Walia	Before the item was taken up, Dr. Ivneet Kaur Walia, who is the Secretary of Academic Council recused herself from the discussion and decision. The Chairman authorised Prof. Dr. Naresh Kumar Vats, Member Academic Council to present this agenda in the meeting. The Members of the Academic Council considered and unanimously approved the recommendations of the Doctoral Committee (online) meeting held on (01.12.2025) for award of LL.D. Degree to the scholar Dr. Ivneet Kaur Walia. Further, recommended to the Executive Council for approval.
15	To consider the recommendations of the Committee for appointment of Hon'ble Mr. Justice M. M. Kumar as Distinguished Jurist Professor/ Distinguished Professor Emeritus at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab	The Members of the Academic Council considered, appreciated and unanimously approved the recommendations of the Committee for appointment of Hon'ble Mr. Justice M. M. Kumar as Distinguished Jurist Professor/ Distinguished Professor Emeritus at Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab. Further, recommended to the Executive Council for approval.



16	To consider and approve the names for conferring Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) (Honoris Causa) to the two Judges of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India	The Members of the Academic Council considered and unanimously approved the names of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Pankaj Mithal, Judge, Supreme Court of India and Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Bindal, Judge, Supreme Court of India for conferring Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) (Honoris Causa) in the 7 th Convocation of Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab scheduled for December 23, 2025. Further, recommended to the Executive Council for approval.
17	Any other item with permission of the Chair	No other item

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



VICE-CHANCELLOR



REGISTRAR(Officiating)