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Registrar

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Notification

Constitution of Institute-wide Mental Health & Well-Being Monitoring Committee

In compliance with UGC Guidelines on Uniform Policy on Mental Health & Well-Being for Higher Educational Institutions, 2026 (proposed) and further to the Institute's Mental Health Promotion, Access and Wellness Policy issued vide Office Order dated 29th January 2026, an Institute-wide "Mental Health & Well-Being Monitoring Committee (MHWBMC)" is hereby constituted with the following composition:

- (1) Chairperson : Prof. V. Ramgopal Rao, Vice Chancellor (Ex-Officio)
(2) Convener : Prof. Sandip S Deshmukh, Dean, SWD (Ex-Officio)

Sr. No.	Names	Designation/Category	Capacity
a)	Prof. Priya Sande (Pilani) Prof. Geetha Kannan (Dubai) Prof. Sunilkumar Vattezhath (Goa) Prof. Aravinda N. Raghavan (Hyderabad) Prof. Sangeeta Paliwal (Mumbai) Prof. Febin A Vahab (WILP) Prof. Praveen P K (Digital)	Faculty	Members
b)	Prof. R P Mishra	Chief Warden	Member
c)	Dr. Abhijeet Deshmukh (Mpower) Mr. Gopinath RS (Mpower) Ms. Ajeeta Mulye (Mpower) Dr. Guru Prasad Burnwal (CMO, Pilani)	Psychiatrist/ Psychologist/ Counsellor/Doctor	Member
d)	Dr. Sushil Yadav, Pilani Campus	Parent and Non-Teaching Representative	Member
e)	Prof. Sangeeta Sharma, Pilani Campus	Alumni Representative	Member
f)	Mr. Aryan Bhardwaj, ID No.: 2023A3PS0316P Ms. Navya Agarwal, ID No.: 2023A7PS0359G Ms. Mahima Nandana K, ID No.: 2023B4A70660H Mr. Debendra Kumar Kar, ID No.: 2025DA04076 Ms. Shivatmika Prasad, ID No.: 23282050 Ms. Siddhi, ID No. 2025EB1100053	Student Representative	Member
g)	Dr. S Srividhya (Hyderabad)	Adjunct Faculty	Member-Secretary

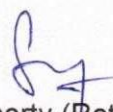


The MHWBMC shall function as the apex institute-level body for policy formulation, coordination, monitoring, and governance of mental health and well-being initiatives across all campuses of the institute. The Dean SWD shall act as the Nodal Officer and will liaise with the UGC on all matters related to mental health & well-being and ensure regulatory compliance.

The role and responsibilities of the MHWBMC are as under:

- To oversee implementation of the Institute's mental health policy in alignment with guidelines of the UGC.
- To ensure proper, ethical, and legally compliant functioning of the Mental Health & Well-Being Centre.
- To review anonymized reports on crises, emergencies, harassment cases, actions taken, and challenges faced, for submission to UGC as required.
- To conduct a monthly review of all crisis cases, identifying systemic gaps and recommending training or structural reforms.
- To oversee digital well-being initiatives, and coordinate awareness, mindfulness and relaxation sessions across all campuses.
- To oversee planning and execution of awareness and observance days related to mental health.
- To report data to UGC on the MANAS-SETU Portal.

The Committee shall remain in force for a period of two (2) years from 24 February 2026, or until a new Committee is constituted in accordance with the guidelines issued by the UGC, whichever is earlier.


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Copy to: All Students, Faculty and Staff members.