

दिनांक 24 अप्रैल, 2026 को आयोजित अंतर्राष्ट्रीय जनसंख्या विज्ञान संस्थान के बोर्ड अध्ययन की बैठक का कार्यवृत्त ।

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF STUDIES OF THE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR POPULATION SCIENCES HELD ON APRIL 24, 2026.

The meeting of the Board of Studies of IIPS was held on April 24, 2026 at 02.30 PM in Seminar Hall, IIPS. The meeting was chaired by Prof. D. A. Nagdeve, Director and Senior Professor (Additional Charge), IIPS . At the outset, the Chairperson extended a warm welcome to all the members of the Board of Studies (BoS). The list of members attended the meeting is given in Annexure I.

Prof. Dewaram A. Nagdeve, Director and Senior Professor (Additional Charge) & Chairperson of Board of Studies requested Prof. K. C. Das, Member-Secretary to proceed with the agenda.

Agenda Item No.1: To confirm minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies held on November 10, 2025

The members confirmed and approved the minutes of the meeting of BoS held on November 10, 2025.

Agenda Item No.2: Action taken on the minutes of Board of Studies meeting held on November 10, 2025.

Action taken were noted.

Agenda Item No.3 To discuss and consider the fellowship guideline for PG programmes.

The BoS was briefed by the AR (Acad.) and presented the fellowship guidelines as recommended in the meeting of Course-Coordinators /AR (Acad.) under the chairpersonship of Director & Sr. Professor (Additional Charge) . The members of BoS gave their suggestions and views on the guidelines of fellowship for PG students. It was recommended that the guidelines of fellowship may be placed in the forthcoming meeting of the Academic Council .

Agenda Item No.4 To discuss about the equivalence certificate .

It is submitted before the BoS that the Institute frequently received requests from passed-out students to issue an equivalence certificate stating that the IIPS degree (Ph.D & PG) is equivalent to the discipline such as demography, statistics,etc. The BoS was briefed by AR (academic) on the necessity to review and discuss the matter . At present, the institute does not have any provision to issue this kind of certificate. After due deliberations, the members of BoS suggested to providing the syllabus /course outline instead of equivalence certificate for M.Sc in Biostatistics & Demography and the concerned higher education authority or employer may have the right to examine the equivalence of the IIPS degree .

Additionally, the BoS has recommended to issuing a notice indicating that any degree awarded by IIPS in Population Studies is equivalent to Demography.

The BoS recommended the above to be placed before the Academic council.

Agenda Item No.5 To consider the revised format for Dr. P. N. Mari Bhat Award for the best thesis in Ph.D. Programe.

As the matter was already discussed in the Academic Council meeting held on 12-11-2025 and subsequently the matter was reviewed by the BoS . The BoS has recommended the same is to be placed before the forthcoming Academic Council meeting for approval.

Agenda Item No. 6 To report about the revision of fees structure.

The BoS was briefed by Prof. Abhishek Singh, Chairperson, revision of fees structure committee on the background of the revision of fees structure and also explained different criteria considered for fees revision. Prof. Singh has also mentioned the inclusion of Institution Development Fund (IDF) once in the entire course. The BOS recommended the same is to be placed before the Academic council.

- Agenda Item No. 7** To discuss and consider the restructure and revision of Diploma in Health Promotion Education (DHPE) into Post Graduate Diploma in Health Promotion Education (PGDHPE) offered by National Institute of Public Health Training and Research (NIPHTR) Mumbai.

Dr. Vijay Manohar Bhagat, NIPHTR, made a presentation and also explained the need for the restructuring of the DHPE course into PGDHPE in line with NEP-2020. Dr. Bhagat has also presented the detailed course structure of PGDHPE(NCrF level-6) along with credit distribution. Dr. Bhagat also enlightened the requirement of field activities/AI/digital media for health promotion education. In addition, the internal assessment weightage and methods were also discussed and reviewed. After due deliberations, the BoS has recommended the same is to be placed before the Academic council.

- Agenda Item No. 8** To review & discuss the feedback report submitted by NEP SAARTHI.

Dr. Kunal Keshri, NEP-SAARTHI Coordinator made a presentation on the feedback report submitted by NEP-SAARTHI. Dr. Keshri has also informed the BoS that the feedback survey was conducted to understand students' perceptions regarding digital initiatives, participation in online platforms and awareness of NEP-SAARTHI initiatives, etc. The members of the BoS reviewed the entire feedback report and recommended the same is to be reported to the academic council.

- Agenda Item No. 9** To report the matters regarding current academic activities.

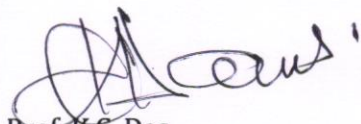
The Board of Studies noted the reporting items and recommended to be placed before the Academic Council.

- Agenda Item No. 10** Any other item with permission of the Chairperson.

With the permission of the Chair, the following agenda were discussed:

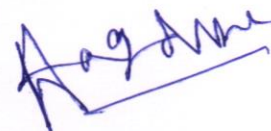
1. It has been decided that all the new external and internal project proposals are required to be presented elaborately in the meeting of BoS & AC. The chairperson informed that the project proposal needs to be submitted well in advance so that the same will be circulated along with the agenda. The same is to be placed before the academic council.
2. As per the recommendation in the meeting of Course –Coordinators, final results of final year PG students (Cumulative result, Transcript, Provisional certificate and TC cum Migration) will be declared and issued on 08/05/2026. It was also decided IV semester (PG)students will be eligible for fellowship up to 08/05/2026. In case of Ph.D., Provisional certificate will also be issued on 08/05/2026. It was recommended that the same be placed before the academic council.
3. In the case of Ph.D awarded scholars of IIPS, it has been recommended that henceforth a research paper publication fee waiver certificate will be issued only for the research paper communicated for publication at the time of viva-voce. Moreover, the fee waiver request will be considered within one year from the date of viva-voce and subject to the approval of the Guide. The same is to be placed before the academic council.

4. Head, CDoE has presented the following guidelines on for MA (Distance learners) in population studies.
 - I. The CDoE will provide the soft copy of study materials from the AY 2026-27.
 - II. As per the syllabus , distance learners are required to choose six (6) credit courses from the SWAYAM platform. The selection of the courses from the SWAYAM platform are as following :
(2Credit+2Credit +2Credit),(3Credit+3Credit)+(4Credit+2Credit).
The same is to be placed before the academic council.
5. Chairperson informed the BoS that in the meeting of SFC held on 01-10-2025, fifth year Govt. of India (GoI) fellowship extensions for Ph.D students were reviewed and discussed comprehensively. In the SFC meeting , it was suggested to submit the Ph.D thesis within the tenure of the Ph.D fellowship (GoI), else extension of the Ph.D without fellowship will be granted. The same is to be placed before the academic council.
6. Prof. Archana K. Roy raised concern regarding the quality of dissertation, scientific writing and plagiarism checks. It was recommended to discuss the matter in the faculty meeting.
7. With reference to the email dated 21-04-2026, the BoS considered the request of Dr. Mayank Singh for the issuance of the Dr.P.N.Mari Bhat Best Ph.D thesis award on 08-05-2026 .
8. It has been decided that the faculty promotion pro-forma will discuss and review in the faculty meeting.The same is to be placed before the academic council.
9. AR (Acad.) informed the BoS that the last twenty years' medals and awards list were uploaded on the institute website.



Prof. K.C. Das

Member Secretary, Board of Studies.



Prof. D. A. Nagdeve
Director & Sr. Professor (Additional Charge) &
Chairperson, Board of Studies

Annexure-I
List of Members Attended the Meeting

1	Prof. Dewaram A. Nagdeve, Director & Sr. Professor (Additional Charge)	Chairperson
2	Prof. Kailash Chandra Das, Department of Migration & Urban Studies	Member Secretary
3	Prof. Chander Shekhar, HoD, Department of Fertility & Social Demography	Member
4	Prof. Abhishek Singh, HoD, Department of Public Health and Mortality Studies	Member
5	Prof. Archana K. Roy, HoD, Department of Migration and Urban Studies	Member
6	Prof. Dhananjay W. Bansod, Head CDOE, Controller of Examination	Member
7	Prof. Aparajita Chattopadhyay, HoD, Department of Population & Development	Member
8	Prof. Laxmi Kant Dwivedi, HoD, Department of Survey Research and Data Analytics	Member
9	Prof. Udaya Shankar Mishra, HoD, Department of Biostatistics and Epidemiology	Member
10	Dr. Harihar Sahoo, Associate Professor, HoD, Department of Family and Generations	Member
11	Dr. Srinivas Goli, Associate Professor	Member
12	Dr. Vijay Manohar Bhagat, NIPHTR	Invitee
13	Shri Sudarshan Bhadra, Assistant Registrar (Academic)	Invitee