Proceedings of the 40th Governing Body Meeting held on 21.12.24 at J.S.S. Law College, Mysuru

Members Present:

- 1. Dr. C.G. Betsurmath
- 2. Hon'ble Sri Justice Subhash Adi
- 3. Prof. K.S. Suresh
- 4. Prof. R Mugeshappa
- 5. Prof.(Dr.) V.Vijayakumar
- 6. Dr. Jagadish A T
- 7. Smt. Sunitha N
- 8. Prof. P.Shivananda Bharathi
- 9. Dr. N Vani Shree

Members could not be present:

- 1. Dr. H M Vijayalakshmi
- 2. Dr. V Sudesh
- 3. Sri. Muddumadappa
- 4. Prof. B Niranjanmurthy

Agenda 40.1 - Welcome and Introduction

The 40th Governing Body Meeting (Hybrid Mode) was convened on 21st December 2024, at 11.00 am. in the College board room. The meeting commenced with a formal welcome by the Principal. Due to a pre-scheduled meeting, His Holiness Swamiji could not be present. Dr. C G Betsurmath, Executive Secretary, JSS Mahavidyapeetha requested Hon'ble Justice Sri. Subhash Adi to chair the meeting.

Decision: Presence of members online/offline acknowledged

Agenda 40.2 - Reading and Recording of the Proceedings of the 39th GB Meeting held on

June 21st 2024

The proceedings of the 39th Governing Body meeting were considered for approval.

The proceedings were circulated among the members for suggestions and corrections. As

there were no objections or clarifications, the same was accepted as approved.

(39th GB proceedings furnished in annexure-I)

Decision: Approved

Agenda 40.3 - ACTION TAKEN REPORT

Agenda 40.3.1 – SWAYAM/MOOC Courses for UG Programme

In agenda 39.3 of the 38th GB meeting regarding offering SWAYAM/MOOC courses,

the members after a thorough discussion had decided that, as Seminar Course focused on

Research principles which would enhance the research and drafting skills of the learners, the

course should be retained for the final year students of UG (BBA.LL.B, BA.LL.B & LL.B). It was

also decided to introduce SWAYAM/MOOC courses as one of the Vale Added Courses.

Prof. V Vijayakumar pointed out that, as Value Added Courses is not given as credit, it

is better to introduce the same as a core elective. Dr. C G Betsurmath also opined that, in

order to promote online programmes and as a better platform for learning in new areas of

Law, the SWAYAM courses should be included in the core curriculum. Prof. K S Suresh also

consented to the suggestions expressed by the members and added that through such

courses students were offered to do courses which have inter-disciplinary approach and

employability. He also told that the SWAYAM courses for UG programme will be made

mandatory from batch 2025-26 the next academic year.

The Nodal Officers for SWAYAM (UG) programmes was Dr. A T Jagadish and for

SWAYAM (PG) programmes was Ms. Usharani M C (Chairperson of PG Department of

Studies in Law). The Member Secretary and the IQAC coordinator brought to the notice of

the members that, in PG programme, the introduction of SWAYAM/MOOC courses as core

elective was mandatory from batch 2019-20 onwards and it is a success.

Decision: Approved

Agenda 40.3.2 – Inclusion of Artificial Intelligence in IPR Course of UG & PG Programmes

The agenda on introduction of Artificial Intelligence as a course was elaborately discussed.

Prof. V Vijayakumar opined that, introduction of the component of AI was to be included in

all Law courses and programmes and not just in IPR Course to which Dr. A T Jagadish

informed that AI was introduced in IPR course for the UG programme.

Hon'ble Justice Adi added that, the component of AI should be introduced in PG programme

also and expressed his views on the importance and use of AI in different streams including

judiciary.

Decision: Approved

Agenda 40.3.3 – Presentations/Publications as CIA component for PG students

In order to enhance and encourage analytical and drafting skills through research,

presentations and publications in different fields of Law was mooted for the PG students.

It was informed to the members by the Principal that, publication in reputed journals with or

without their teacher/guides was made mandatory to the PG students from batch 2023-24.

The member secretary placed before the members that, along with publications,

presentations at National, State and Regional levels in Conferences/Workshops/Seminars

could also be included in the Internal Assessment components. Dr. Mugeshappa emphasized

on the importance of publications by faculty and students from the NAAC perspective.

Prof. V Vijayakumar expressed that; the institution should focus on research and

publications to improve the quality of legal education and also work put in efforts towards

establishment of a Research Centre. Further he suggested that, reading of judgments should

be made mandatory to both UG and PG students to assist the learners in analyzing and

understanding the principles enshrined by the Courts.

Decision: Approved

Agenda 40.3.4 – To draft a separate design for Internship and class room teaching (PG)

According to agenda 39.3 (5), Regulations by way of a separate design for Internship and

class room teaching for PG students was to be revised to include the distribution of marks

for these components. The former Chairperson and Principal gave a detailed explanation

about how the assignment of class room teaching should be carried out and evaluated.

The IQAC coordinator explained about the internship rules and regulations to be

followed by the students. Hon'ble Justice Subhash Adi and Prof. V Vijayakumar explained

how the significance of internship and class room teaching would enhance the skill set of

students.

Decision: It was approved

Agenda 40.3.5 – To conduct Online Moot Court Training Programmes

The member secretary informed the members about the various moot court society

activities that were being conducted at the college. Prof. V Vijayakumar proposed to

increase the number of activities through online mode. Prof. K S Suresh added that, the

alumni of our college from the High Court, Bengaluru, and from Mysuru Courts

volunteered and is regularly training our students' offline and assured that online training

in moot exercises will also be conducted henceforth.

Decision: Approved

Agenda 40.3.6 - To encourage students for presentations and publications from First

year of all Programmes

The agenda pertaining to acquiring research skills by the learners was discussed at

length. Prof. K S Suresh explained about the student achievers in paper presentations and

publications both as co-authors and authors with faculty members in important platforms

and peer-reviewed journals. Prof. V Vijayakumar and the Executive Secretary suggested

increasing the number publications considerably. Justice Subhash Adi opined to enhance

the quality of the online journal and organizing workshops & training programmes on

research methodology.

Decision: Approved

Agenda 40.3.7: To provide incentive and concession in fees to deserving candidates

The member secretary informed the members about the criteria for disbursement

of fee concession to some of the economically weaker students being paid out of the

donors' monetary contributions. Prof. K S Suresh gave a detailed explanation about the

great gesture of some of the philanthropists who have made their contribution for the

noble cause.

Prof. V Vijayakumar advocated introducing incentives to the toppers either course-

wise or programme-wise. Prof. K S Suresh pointed out that, a proposal would be drafted

and sent to the management for approval. The principal added that, during graduation

day every year, the toppers from each programme were felicitated by way of cash

incentive. Declaring cash incentive course-wise will be discussed elaborately and a draft

proposal will be submitted to the management.

Agenda 40.3.8: To conduct Lecture-series from Alumni Fund

The contributions made by the Alumni Association were discussed elaborately.

Dr. A T Jagadish informed the members regarding the involvement of alumni in all the

activities of the college right from Orientation programme, Guest lectures, Moot Court

Training, Mentoring and other events.

The Executive Secretary suggested organizing Lecture-Series from the Alumni Fund.

A tentative proposal will be drafted and submitted to the management for approval. Prof.

K S Suresh confirmed that, the events will be organized accordingly in the coming days.

Decision: Approved

Agenda 40.4 - Placing the recommendations of the Academic Council:

The 34th Academic Council Meeting was held on 23rd November, 2024, and the

recommendations were placed for information and approval.

UG Programme:

Syllabus Updation:

- **1. Law of Environment:** It was resolved to update topics relating to IPC, CrPC in Unit III of Law of Environment to BNS and BNSS.
- 2. Media and Law: It was resolved to include Media Laws of Sweden; to replace the Cable TV Regulation Act with the Broadcasting Service Regulation Bill; and to include the Telecommunication Act, 2023.
- **3. Jurisprudence:** To incorporate Compensatory jurisprudence, emphasizing its relevance to Article 21 of the Indian Constitution.
- **4. Physical Education and Yoga:** It was resolved to maintain the current nomenclature of the course title. To include topics on sports injury and first aid in Unit II.
 - Value-Added Courses: It was resolved to increase value-added courses to enhance skills and employability.
 - Internship Opportunities: It was resolved to increase MOUs with Universities,
 Industry and other organizations to facilitate internship opportunities.
 - Academic Structure Improvements: It was resolved to add innovative practices to the existing academic structure exercising autonomy.
 - Short-Term Courses: To introduce new short term courses on emerging areas like
 AI, Machine Learning, Insolvency and Bankruptcy, Corporate Disclosure etc. (Skill Enhancement Courses)
 - Clarification on Legal manual: Any changes in Electives/Optional papers and Clinical courses to comply with BCI guidelines amended from time to time.

PG Programme:

- It was resolved by the members to merge Legal Theory and Judicial Process as one course and to add any other Course pertaining to Business laws.
- It was resolved to increase the number of Internship to two.
- The external members proposed to have Faculty and Students Exchange Programme with other PG Departments and Universities/Colleges.
- To focus more on Practical aspects in IPR Course.

• Environmental aspects of Corporate Governance should be included mandatorily in the PG Programme.

• It was suggested to give option either Publication or Presentation in the State Level and National level Seminars or Conferences to develop drafting skills and encourage students to write research papers and chapters.

• The allocation of marks for Internship, Publication and Classroom teaching including Viva-Voce is as follows:

Internship	25
Publication/Paper Presentation	15
Classroom Teaching	20
Viva-Voce & Progress Report	40
Final bound Copy of the Dissertation	100
Total Marks	200

Decision: Approved

Agenda 40.5 - Recommendations of Finance Committee

The annual budget and Fee structure of the College and Hostel was proposed and approved by the management in the Finance Committee meeting held on 7th December, 2024, was placed.

Decision: It was approved

Agenda 40.6 - Results: June-2024

The results, declared in the month of June (the even semester), and their comparative statistics were placed before the Members. Hon'ble Justice Sri Subhash Adi and other members appreciated the transparency maintained by the college with respect to evaluation, and the result was realistic while the objectivity also has been maintained by the college.

Decision: It was approved

Agenda 40.7 - Half-yearly Report (August 2024 – December 2024)

The half-yearly report from August 2024 to December 2024 was placed and

presented by the Member Secretary before the members with photographs. During the

deliberations on the submission of the report, it was informed to the members that, the

college had conducted 234 activities through various committees and cells.

Decision: It was acknowledged

Agenda 40.8 - Any other matter with the permission of the Chair

Justice Adi Sir and the Executive Secretary suggested organizing programmes to

commemorate 75 years of enforcement of Indian Constitution, to which the Chief

Executive and Principal ensured that the activities would be organized.

Decision: Approved

Vote of thanks was proposed to the members by IQAC Coordinator Dr. A T Jagadish
