

**Proceedings of the 42<sup>nd</sup> Governing Body Meeting held on 15.12.2025 at  
J.S.S. Law College, Mysuru**

**Members Present:**

1. Prof.(Dr.) V Vijaykumar
2. Prof. Morabada Mallikarjuna
3. Dr. Prathima D
4. Prof. K S Suresh
5. Dr. Jagadish A T
6. Smt. Sunitha N
7. Prof. P Shivananda Bharathi
8. Dr. N Vani Shree
9. Sri. Muddumadappa

**Leave of Absence:**

1. Dr. C.G. Betsurmath
2. Hon'ble Sri Justice Subhash Adi
3. Dr. Sudesh V
4. Prof. B Niranjnarmurthy

**Agenda 42.1 - Welcome and Introduction**

The 42<sup>nd</sup> Governing Body Meeting (Hybrid Mode) was convened on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2025, 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. Prof. K S Suresh Chief Executive requested Prof. (Dr.) V Vijaykumar to chair the meeting.

**Decision: Presence of members acknowledged**

**Agenda 42.2 - Reading and Recording of the Proceedings of the 41<sup>st</sup> Governing Body Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2025**

The proceedings of the 41<sup>st</sup> Governing Body meeting were considered for approval. The proceedings were circulated to the members prior to this meeting for suggestions and corrections. As there were no objections or clarifications, the same was accepted as approved.

**Decision: Approved**

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**Agenda: 42.3 - To Consider and Approve the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 41st Governing Body Meeting held on 4th June, 2025**

With regard to **underperforming or slow learners** in the **UG Programme**, **Prof. (Dr.) V Vijaykumar** suggested maintaining a **register to document and record the academic assistance provided by teachers, mentors, and LL.M. students**. Dr. N Vani Shree informed that teachers assist the slow learners after the regular class hours in the library. It was suggested to maintain a document in the library with regard to the assistance given to slow learners which was already being done by Dr. Chidananda from the academic year 2025-26.

With reference to providing counseling support to students and staff requiring such assistance or having special needs, **Prof. (Dr.) V Vijaykumar** opined that the term **‘Counselling’** should be used instead of the words **Mental Health**. He further stated that, students requiring such support should be **identified by teachers in the classroom**, and that the **inputs or information from fellow students** may also be collected and considered for identifying such students for proper guidance.

**Decision: Approved**

**Agenda: 42.4 - To Consider the Resolutions of the 36th Academic Council held on 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2025, at 11.00 am on hybrid mode in the Board Room, JSS Law College, Mysuru**

The 36th meeting of the Academic Council was held on 25<sup>th</sup> October at 11.00am on hybrid mode. The detailed deliberations of the Academic Council meeting were placed before the members:

Prof. (Dr.) V Vijaykumar suggested incorporating the concept of Gig Workers in the Employment Law Course and excluding the topics of Whistle Blowers and Sexual harassment. He also emphasized the inclusion of Cyber Crimes related to technological aspects under the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS). Prof. K S Suresh informed that Right to Information and Information Technology Laws included study of cybercrimes in detail.

**Prof. (Dr.) V Vijaykumar** observed that the course titled **‘Technology Integrated Corporate Laws’** does not presently contain sufficient technology-related contents and that the title must be changed accordingly. He further recommended including the topic **‘Use of AI Tools in Corporate Vetting and Drafting, including Memorandum of Association (MoA) and Articles of Association (AoA), with the aid of AI tools and software’**, in order to distinguish the course from other courses. Dr. Jagadish A T informed that technology Integrated Corporate Laws will be introduced to include assorted aspects of corporate laws which is not included in the four specialization courses in the PG programme of Business laws. It was informed that, the course objectives and course outcomes focus on the need to equip students with practical skills, such as using artificial intelligence tools and software for tasks like contract drafting, to make them more attractive to law firms for employability. Sir suggested the title of the course to be **‘AI and Corporate Law’** instead of Technology Integrated Corporate Laws.

Prof. P Shivananda Bharathi, Controller of Examinations suggested removing the course on Law and Social Transformation in India and replace the same with a specialized course on Business Laws but the member secretary replied that it was one the core law courses recommended by the KSLU, Hubballi for a PG programme. However, by virtue of autonomy of the college, the same would be considered in the future.

Prof. (Dr.) V Vijaykumar suggested appointing Data Protection Managers in the college, providing adequate training to them on data privacy and documents the details of individual students for their future reference. Prof. K S Suresh replied that as the strength of the students was manageable and that the college has a software campus.uno which does the documentation.

**Prof. (Dr.) V Vijaykumar** opined that Open **Book Examinations** should be introduced in order to **build confidence among the students**. Prof. K S Suresh informed that suitable methods for testing the students will be adapted as and when needed as per the feasibility.

**Decision: For Consideration and Approval**

**Agenda: 42.5 – To Place the details of MOUs’ Signed**

Dr. N Vani Shree informed the members that college has entered into a MoU with Administrative Training Institute, Mysuru, by explaining its objectives. The proposal to enter MoU with Outlawed (Bengaluru based NGO) during the even semester was placed before the members.

Outlawed India as per Section 8 is a not-for-profit organization working towards enabling last-mile justice delivery. Since its founding in 2019, they have been equipping law students and young lawyers with opportunities to engage meaningfully in access to justice initiatives through internships, training programmes, and recently launched fellowship programmes. The purpose of the MoU and areas of co-operation was explained to the members. Prof. (Dr.) V Vijaykumar informed to collaborate with the EU institutions to raise funds.

Ms. Prathima D informed the members about the RUSA funded programmes for teaching and non-teaching faculty members of the Government colleges and also about sparing the teachers for such programmes by granting them OODs’ for academic purposes. The member secretary informed that most of the faculty members undergo virtual Training, Capacity Building and Faculty Development Programmes conducted by Law Schools, Law Teachers India and other prestigious institutions.

**Decision: Approved**

**Agenda: 42.6 -To Consider and Approve the Recommendations of Finance Committee Meeting held on 10th November 2025**

The management was advised to consider implementing a scholarship fund using a portion of any future fee increase to support deserving students. Prof. Morabada Mallikarjuna, informed that a proposal will be placed before the management. Prof. K S Suresh explained the same with an example that the efforts made to help the deserving students through the donations was being done by lawyers and interested persons. He explained that, it provided a comprehensive support to the students suffering due to financial hardship.

The member secretary and the Controller of Examinations Prof. P Shivananda Bharathi informed to the members about the marginal increase in the remuneration for examination related work (Question paper setting, invigilation, scrutiny of question papers, valuation and review of answer scripts)

**Decision: Approved**

**Agenda: 42.7 - To Place the details of Budget Estimates of JSSLC & JSSLC Hostel for Women 2026-27**

The meeting discussed budget proposals and infrastructure needs, highlighting a potential savings of 2.5 crores through cost optimizations. Prof. K S Suresh anticipated management approval for essential equipment including a projector costing 2 lakh rupees and digital attendance systems, emphasizing that these investments would be beneficial for the infrastructural development of the college adding to the tools of imparting legal education.

Prof. (Dr.) V Vijaykumar suggested that, the college fees may be increased periodically, and that from the enhanced fees, scholarships may be provided to deserving and meritorious students. He further proposed that, the management may create a dedicated scholarship reserve from the additional fee revenue. Prof. Morabada Mallikarjuna responded to consider the proposal positively after discussing with the management.

**Decision: It was approved**

**Agenda: 42.8 - To Place the details of admission status of Candidates admitted to various programmes for the academic year 2025-26**

Prof. K S Suresh explained the enrollment trends, noting that the female students comprised 58% of the total student body, with 70% of first-year and majority students being female. The strength of the college is 764 out of which girls' strength is 442 and boys' strength is 322.

**Decision: Approved**

**Agenda: 42.9 - To Place the details of Human Resources alteration of JSSLC from 1/7/2025 to 30/11/2025**

The details of the Human Resources alteration were placed before the members by the Member Secretary for information. Prof. Nagendramurthy M P had attained the age of superannuation in August, 2025, and was continuing as a part-time faculty. Ms. Asmathunnisa, Assistant Professor had resigned and Mr Josbin Thomas was appointed as a full - time faculty. Ms Shravya Shekar and Ms Smriti Holla were appointed as part-time faculty members for the academic year 2025-26.

**Decision: For kind Information**

**Agenda: 42.10 - To Place the details of Results of Even Semester Examinations conducted during June, 2025**

The details of the Results of the Even Semester of all programmes were placed before the members for information by the Member Secretary. Prof V Vijaykumar and the other members suggested improving the results by including Open Book Examinations to which Prof. K S Suresh justified about the different cosmopolitan students taking admissions here and would not be feasible to conduct the open book examinations for all programmes.

Prof. K S Suresh explained the variation in the percentage of results in different years/semesters of all programmes was due to the courses on core law being difficult for the students to grasp and

understand and also that some of the faculty members teaching style/methodology which was one other reason for the low percentage of results in few semesters.

Prof. V Vijaykumar suggested to conduct Mid-term examinations instead of calling the assessment as tests (II internal assessment tests) and to conduct the semester-end examinations for 50 marks. Prof. K S Suresh said that the same would be considered after discussion with the Examination section and the Management. Ms. Prathima D opined that there were no internals examinations for KSLU students and they had to appear for 100 marks in their semester-end examinations.

**Decision: It was Approved**

**Agenda: 42.11 - To Place a Brief Report of the 17th Graduation Day held on 16th August, 2025**

The Principal Dr. N Vani Shree placed the details of 17<sup>th</sup> Graduation Day ceremony. A total of 38 students from B.A., LL.B. (Hons.), 45 Students from B.B.A., LL.B. (Hons.), 41 Students from LL.B., and 7 students from LL.M. received graduation and post-graduation certificates from the guests. 16 Toppers on merit were felicitated by the guests. There were more than 500 parents, advocates and public who witnessed this remarkable event.

**Decision: Approved**

**Agenda: 42.12 - To Place the details of National Level Legal Aid Competition 2025-26 in association with CEERA, NLSIU & Ministry of Law & Justice, Government of India (July 2025 – March 2026)**

Dr. Jagadish A T explained the initiative taken by the college in association with CEERA, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru & Ministry of Law & Justice, Government of India to conduct the IV Edition of Prof. V S Mallar Legal Aid Competition (November 2025 – March 2026), which had 59 registrations from Law Schools, Law Universities and Law Colleges all over India. The programme is conducted under the erudite guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Sairam Bhat. He also elaborated the different components of the competition.

**Decision: Approved**

**Agenda: 42.13 - To Place the details of Infrastructural Development of the Institution (Construction of 3rd Floor & Renovation of Silver Jubilee Hall)**

The Chief Executive Prof. K S Suresh informed the members that a Budget of rupees three crore thirty lakhs was sanctioned by the management in the letter dated 14.11.2025 with the formal work order for construction of additional class rooms at 3rd floor and renovation of the existing auditorium of the college.

**Decision: For kind Information and Approved**

**Agenda: 42.14 - Half Yearly Report**

Various activities and initiatives held at the college were placed before the august body, including workshops on e-contracts, substance abuse, and legal awareness programmes. The college had organized orientation sessions, Model Moot Court Society events, and exhibitions on labor welfare

legislations. They also conducted training programmes and Workshop for LL.M. students. The discussion touched on the importance of reading habits among the students and the need for legal literacy programmes, particularly targeting women and children. The college had also organized various community service activities, including road safety campaigns, blood donation camps, rallies, vaccination drive, and distribution of stationery to schools.

Dr. N Vani Shree placed for reviewing various events and achievements organized by the college, including NCC activities, student achievements, and participation in national and international competitions. The discussion highlighted the college's involvement in workshops, seminars, and sports events, as well as the establishment of a parent committee to address grievances. The meeting also covered library committee activities, meetings of statutory bodies, and the procurement of books and journals for the academic year 2025-26. The members discussed the need for a formal approval process and emphasized the importance of experiential learning. Prof. (Dr.) V Vijaykumar suggested using the term 'Virtual' instead of the term online as titles for various programmes.

#### **Decision: For Information**

#### **Agenda: 42.15 - Library Resources procured from July 2025 to November 2025**

Resources procured for Library for the academic year 2025-26 was placed before the members. It was advised to inculcate library culture among the students and faculty members.

#### **Decision: Approved**

#### **Agenda: 42.16 - Any other matter with the permission of the Chair**

With regard to the **shortage of attendance**, Prof. (Dr.) V. Vijaykumar advised that **repeat examinations** may be provided to students in the courses in which they have attendance shortage. He further suggested that, if a student has a **5% to 10% shortage of attendance**, **assignments like (Article review, Case review and other research work) may be given and compensatory classes be conducted.**

Ms. Prathima D informed the members that the students would go to the courts when they are not allowed to take up the examinations due to shortage of attendance. The courts would finally on humanitarian grounds allow them to take up the examinations and this was a regular feature in most of the Government institutions.

Prof. V Vijayakumar suggested charging an extra fee of around rupees five thousand for making compensatory arrangements to the slow-learners as it takes extra time, extra coaching classes of teaching by the teachers, conduct Internal assessment separately for these students and other facilities provided for their improvement. Prof. K S Suresh said that the same would be considered after taking the requisite permission from the management.

**Prof. (Dr.) V. Vijaykumar** suggested the following:

1. To **conduct the orientation classes for competitive examinations**, including **IAS, KAS, and Judiciary exams**. He further advised **establishing research collaborations with EU institutions for PG students especially for resource fund mobilization.**
2. To **limit the total number of subjects to 53 for Honours programme**. The courses on **Specialized Jurisprudence and Digital Forensics and Law** among others were suggested to be introduced.

3. To screen a video on anti-tobacco drugs, available on the UGC website, during the orientation programme.
4. To conduct special talks on Business Communication and de-addiction training programmes for students by providing reference of some of the experts.
5. UG and PG students should conduct Legal Literacy Programmes of 30 hours duration (2 hours per week) for +2 students as an awareness initiative. He further noted that this programme could also encourage these students to consider pursuing law courses.

**Prof. K S Suresh proposed** and informed the members about the need for setting up of a **Forensic Laboratory after the completion of the construction on the third floor.**

**Decision: For kind consideration and approval**

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

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