

Vision & Mission of Institution Innovation Council (IIC)

The Ministry of Education (MoE), Govt. of India established **MoE's Innovation Cell (MIC)** to systematically nurture the Innovation culture among all Higher Education Institutions (HEIs). The prime mandate of MIC is to inspire, stimulate and nurture young students by providing them support to work with novel ideas and convert them into valuable products starting from the initial years. MIC has projected the creation of 'Institution's Innovation Council (IICs)' across the HEIs. A network of these IICs has been established to promote innovation in the Institutions through multitudinous modes leading to an innovation and entrepreneurship (I&E) promotion eco-system in the campuses. It's our proud privilege to announce that **MANAV RACHNA UNIVERSITY (MRU), FARIDABAD** was selected as a member of IIC with a core team of three members Dr. Susmita Ray, Ms. Yogita Khanna and Mr. Gianender Kajal way back in November, 2018.

MoE's Innovation Cell

- The Ministry of Education has established 'MoE's Innovation Cell' (MIC) with the mandate to work closely with our Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) to encourage the creative energy of our student population to work on new ideas and innovation and promote them to create start-ups and entrepreneurial ventures.
- MIC will focus on creating a complete ecosystem which will foster the culture of Innovation across all educational institutions from idea generation to pre-incubation, incubation and graduating from the incubator as successful start-ups. MIC will also work on designing a ranking system to identify institutions in the forefront of innovation.
- MIC will actively engage various central and state agencies to ensure that a dedicated budget is allocated for innovation related activities.

Functions of Institution Innovation Council

- Students and Faculty members connected with IICs have the opportunity to join in numerous Innovation events and competitions organized by MoE.
- Winners will be felicitated with Prizes/Certificates.
- Interact with renowned Business Leaders and Academicians.
- Opportunity to prototype and develop new ideas.
- Mentoring sessions by Industry Professionals.

Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for Institution Innovation Council (IIC)

Purpose

Purpose of this Standard Operating Procedure Document is to ensure that the activities of Institution Innovation Council (IIC) of Manav Rachna University (MRU) (established in 2018), are executed in accordance with the guidelines specified by Ministry of Education (MoE) Innovation Cell (IC) of

Government of India, so as to attain the desired outcome of fostering the innovation and entrepreneurship (I&E) culture and building an I&E ecosystem in the University campus.

Scope

Pre-incubation/Incubation units, Centres of Excellence, IPR (Intellectual Property Rights) Cell, Research Clusters, Industry Collaborations, Startups established in the University campus.

Responsibility

It is the responsibility of IIC President, IIC Convenor and IIC Council Faculty Members to ensure that all the process steps are followed diligently.

Procedure

- Constitute IIC Council at the beginning of every academic year with due approval from competent authorities of MRU as per the guidelines laid by Ministry of Education's (MoE's) Innovation Cell (MIC)
- Assign IIC Council Members' (Faculty members and students) roles and responsibilities on MIC IIC portal
- Conduct quarterly meetings of the IIC Council and draw up plans of IIC activities. Upload Minutes of meeting, resolution of meeting, meeting photograph and quarterly plan on IIC portal
- Prepare IIC quarterly plans judiciously to have events in the categories of innovation, entrepreneurship, startups, investments/funding for startups, product/prototype design & development, IPR in accordance with MoE IC guidelines grouped under IIC Driven activities, self-driven activities, celebration activity, MIC Driven activities
- Identify the guest speaker, panelists for panel discussion, industry experts as jury members for evaluation of projects of Hackathons/Competitions in consultation with IIC President and Dean Research
- Organize IIC event as per plan in alignment with vision and mission of IIC after obtaining approval on event expenses from competent authorities
- After the conduct of event, upload following artefacts on MoE IC portal: event report, photographs, video recording and event brochure
- Submit event report and photographs to IIC Social Media Coordinator for publishing on MRU IIC portal on MRU website and MRU Facebook.
- Organize internal Hackathons and idea competitions from time to time to evaluate and shortlist project teams of MRU for national level competitions organized by MIC e.g. Smart India Hackathon, National Innovation Contest, Toycathon etc.
- At the end of the academic year, IIC President needs to prepare and submit an Annual Report of IIC Activities to MoE IC as per the prescribed template.