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मानद विश्वविद्यालय (डी-नोवो)  
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## NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF AYURVEDA

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(Ministry of AYUSH, Govt. of India)



No. F.10-61/2025-NIA/CC / 103E-12E

Dated: 17/04/2026

To,

**The Chairman & Members of**  
Finance Committee  
National Institute of Ayurveda  
Deemed to be University, Jaipur

**Subject: Circulation of Revised Minutes of the 17th Meeting of Finance Committee held on 25-03-2026 – Reg.**

Sir/Madam,

Kindly find enclosed herewith the revised Minutes of the 17th Meeting of the Finance Committee of NIA, Jaipur held on 25-03-2026, duly approved by Chairmen FC, for your kind information and perusal.

The earlier circulated Minutes of the said meeting may kindly be ignored.

Comments/observations, if any, may kindly be communicated to the Institute at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,

  
(C. S. Sharma)

Deputy Director (Admn.) & Finance Officer (I/C)

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1. Smt. Vijaylaxmi Bharadwaj, Director, Ministry of Ayush
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3. Research Officer, Ayurveda Section, Ministry of Ayush
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**Minutes of the 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Finance Committee held on 25-03-2026 at 11:30 PM at  
NIA Jaipur (Hybrid mode)**

**Present**

1. Prof. Sanjeev Sharma, Vice-Chancellor	Chairman
2 Shri Hoveda Abbas, ASFA, Ministry of Ayush	Member(On-line)
3 Shri Satyajit Paul, Deputy Director-General, Ministry of Ayush	Member(On-line)
4 . Prof. P. Hemantha Kumar, Pro-Vice Chancellor I/C	Member
5. Dr. Arun Chandan - Regional Director, RCPCRNR-1	Member (On-line)
6. Prof. (Dr.) Mita Kotecha	Member
7. Prof. (Dr.) Vishal Verma	Member(On-line)
8. Prof. Neelu Mehra	Member(On-line)
9. Dr. Sanjay Shukla	Member
10.Shri C. S. Sharma, Deputy Director (Finance Officer I/C)	Member Sect.

**Following Member/s could not attend the meeting due to their prior engagement:**

1 . Shri P.C. Choulda

**Following were also present as special invitees:**

1. Prof Gulab Pamnani - Invited Member (NIA Panchkula Representative)
2. Shri Jasvinder Singh, - Director IFD
3. Prof. Anupan - Invited Member (RSBK HoD)
4. Shri J.P Sharma (J.D. Admin)- Invited Member (Admin Representative)
5. Shri Sanjay Acharya -Accounts Representative

At the outset Member Secretary, Shri Chandra Shekhar Sharma (Finance Officer I/C), welcomed the esteemed Chairman and Members. He then requested Chairperson for his opening remarks.

In his opening remarks, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, Prof. Sanjeev Sharma, warmly welcomed all the esteemed Members to the 17th Meeting of the Finance Committee. He extended his greetings on the auspicious occasion of **Navratri**, wishing health, prosperity, and success to all.

The Chairman expressed his gratitude for the continued support and guidance of the Members and highlighted the steady progress and improvements made by the Institute in academic, clinical, and administrative domains. He also informed the Committee about the

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**successful conduct of the Golden Jubilee Celebrations of NIA Jaipur on 7th and 9th February 2026**, marking a significant milestone in the Institute's journey.

He reiterated the importance of the Finance Committee in guiding the Institute's growth and requested the Member Secretary to present the agenda items for consideration.

Shri Chandra Shekhar Sharma, Deputy Director and Finance Officer I/C NIA (Memb. Secy), then presented the Agenda Items for discussion and consideration:

<b>Agenda Item No. FC. 17.1</b>	<b>To confirm Minutes of the 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Finance Committee held on 22-12-2025.</b>
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The Finance Committee noted that the Minutes of the 16th Finance Committee Meeting held on 22-12-2025 were approved by the Chairman and circulated to all Members vide NIA Letter No. F.10-61/2024-NIA/CC dated 02-01-2026.

The Committee further noted that, pursuant to the observations received from the Ministry of Ayush, Government of India, vide letter No. L-12012/10/2025-AS dated 09-01-2026, the Minutes were revised accordingly. The revised Minutes were circulated to all Members vide NIA Letter No. F.10-61/2024-NIA/CC/1162-70 dated 15-01-2026.

As no comments or objections were received from any Member, the Finance Committee confirmed the revised Minutes as circulated.

<b>Agenda Item No. FC. 17.2</b>	<b>To report Action Taken/Present Position on the Approvals/ Recommendations of the 16<sup>h</sup> Meeting of Finance Committee held on 22-12-2025.</b>
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The Finance Officer (Member Sect.) presented the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the recommendations made in the 16th Finance Committee Meeting held on 22-12-2025. The committee was informed that the institute has taken necessary actions or being taken on all the agenda items recommended by the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee noted the Action Taken Report and reviewed the progress on various agenda items of the previous meeting.

<b>Agenda Item No. FC. 17.3</b>	<b>To note RE &amp; actual expenditure of 2025-26.</b>
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The Finance Committee noted the Revised Estimates (RE) for the year 2025-26 and the actual expenditure incurred up to date, as presented. The Committee also took note of the submission of an additional demand of ₹7.00 crore under GIA-General to the Ministry to meet committed liabilities.

The expenditure figures were noted as provisional, subject to revision up to the close of the financial year

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<b>Agenda Item No. FC. 17.4</b>	<b>Information regarding Presentation before UGC for Verification of Compliance Report of Off-Campus (NIA Panchkula)</b>
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The Finance Committee noted the information regarding the virtual presentation before the University Grants Commission (UGC) for verification of the compliance report of the off-campus at Panchkula. The Committee was informed during the meeting about the presentation made before UGC.

The Committee further noted that there is no financial implication involved in the matter.

<b>Agenda Item No. FC. 17.5</b>	<b>Engagement of Senior Consultant (Pharmaceutics / Phytopharmaceuticals / Natural Products) for DTL and Product Development Activities in the Department of RSBK, NIA, Jaipur</b>
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After detailed deliberation, the Finance Committee recommended the proposal for engagement of one Senior Consultant on contractual basis, with a monthly remuneration of ₹75,000 and an annual financial implication of ₹9.00 lakh, to be met from Grant-in-Aid – General. The Committee also noted that the engagement shall be purely contractual, initially for a period of 11 months, extendable based on requirement and satisfactory performance.

Further, the Finance Committee directed that, considering the long-term requirement of such specialized expertise, a separate proposal for creation of a regular post for the said position may be submitted to the Ministry for consideration and approval.

S. No.	Post	No. of Posts	Qualification	Monthly Remuneration (₹)	Annual Financial Implication (₹)
1	Senior Consultant (Pharmaceutics / Phytopharmaceuticals / Natural Products)	1	<b>Essential Qualification</b>  Master of Pharmacy (M.Pharm) in <b>Phytopharmaceuticals / Natural Products / Pharmaceutics / Pharmaceutical Technology</b> or allied specialization from a recognized university. & Minimum <b>10 years of teaching, research, or industrial experience after post-graduation</b> in pharmaceutical formulation development, phytopharmaceutical research, natural product formulation science, or analytical pharmaceuticals. Experience in <b>drug testing laboratories, product development, or Ayurvedic pharmaceutical research</b> will be desirable.	75,000	9,00,000

*Note : The tenure of engagement will be purely on contractual basis for 11 months, extendable based on requirement and satisfactory performance.*

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<b>Agenda Item No. FC. 17.6</b>	<b>Culinary Diversity of India : Exploring and Capturing the Traditional Food Recipes across the Subcontinent.</b>
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The Committee observed that the project is of national importance, having the potential to preserve traditional knowledge, strengthen Ayurveda-based nutritional science, and contribute to evidence-based documentation of indigenous food practices across the country.

The Committee was informed that, based on further review, rationalization, and optimization of project components through in-house academic inputs and research-based planning, the overall financial outlay of the project has been substantially reduced by approximately Rs.25 Crore from the earlier projected estimates. The Committee noted that the revised financial proposal has not been placed before the Committee for examination.

After detailed deliberation, the Finance Committee accorded in-principle recommendation for the project, subject to the condition that the revised proposal to be placed before the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Institute for approval.

The Committee also emphasized that implementation of the project should be subject to adherence to financial norms, availability of resources, and phased execution as proposed. Proper monitoring, collaboration with national institutions, and periodic review mechanisms should be ensured during the implementation of the project.

**The Meeting ended with the Vote of Thanks to the Chair.**

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