Minutes of the Second Meeting of the Board of Studies in Geography 2025-26

Minutes of the Second Meeting of the Board of Studies in Geography held on 09/07/2025 at 1.00 p.m. both offline at the Board Room and online mode at Google Meet Platform of Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute).

List of Members:

Sr. No.	Members Present:	Position held		
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1.	Dr. G. S. Ubale	Head & Chairperson		
2.	Dr. Shubhangi S. Kale	Wingkapand College		
3.	Dr. H. P. Patil	Faculty Members, Vivekanand College,		
4.	Dr. Nisha Surve	Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous		
5.	Dr. Siddharth Ghoderao	Institute)		
6.	Dr. Vitthal Patil			
7.	Dr. Vaishali Palkar	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		
8.	Ms. Ashwini Muravane			
9. Dr. Nilesh Susware		Representative of Industry, Chairman,		
		Mantra Geo-solutions		
10.	Dr. Kailas Patil	Faculty Member, Vivekanand College,		
		Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous		
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11.	Prof. Dr. B. S. Jadhav	Special Invitee, Head, Dept. of Geography,		
		Shri. Vijaysinh Yadav College, Pethwadgaon		
12.	Dr. Prashant Patil	Special Invitee, Dept. of Geography, Shivaji		
	·	University, Kolhapur		
13.	Dr. Pradeep Saymote	Special Invitee, Mithibai College of Arts		
		Chauhan Institute of Science and A.J.		
	•	College of Commerce and Economics		
	Members Absent:	51		
14.	Prof. Dr. Vinod R. Veer	VC Nominee, Prof. & Head, Kisan Veer		
		Mahavidyalaya, Wai Dist: Satara		
15.	Dr. Ravindra Jaybhaye	Expert, Outside Parent University, Dept. of		
		Geography, Pune University, Pune		
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17.	Prof. Dr. S. S. Panhalkar	Meritorious Alumna, Head, Dept. of		
		Geography, Shivaji University, Kolhapur		

Minutes of the meeting:

Item No. 1: Confirmation of the minutes of the last meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Members confirmed the syllabus framing and course titles finalized earlier.

Resolved that: The minutes of the last meeting were unanimously confirmed.

Item No. 2: To discuss and incorporate the stakeholders' feedback on the curriculum in the syllabus.

Feedback from students, alumni, and industry representatives was reviewed. Dr. Nilesh Susware suggested integrating employability-focused modules. It was agreed that more practical components, case studies, and industry-oriented examples should be included.

Resolved that: Stakeholder feedback will be incorporated into the revised syllabi of B.A., M.A., M.Sc. and PGD Geoinformatics programmes.

Proposed by: Dr. Nilesh Susware, Dr. G. S. Ubale **Seconded by:** Dr. Shubhangi Kale, Dr. Vitthal Patil

Item No. 3: To finalise the syllabus of Geography B.A. Part III, to be implemented from the Academic Year 2025–26.

The draft syllabus was presented. Prof. Dr. B. S. Jadhav made valuable contributions in syllabus restructuring and alignment with NEP 2020. Members appreciated the focus on fieldwork and advanced tools.

Resolved that: The syllabus of B.A. Part III Geography, Semester V & VI, under NEP 2020, is finalised with modifications suggested.

Proposed by: Prof. Dr. B. S. Jadhav, Dr. Prashant Patil **Seconded by:** Dr. Nilesh Susware, Dr. Kailas Patil

Item No. 4: To finalise the syllabus of the Minor Geography Subject for B.A. II, to be implemented from the Academic Year 2025–26, as per NEP.

The draft syllabus was discussed. Suggestions by Dr. Susware were considered to include applied geography topics and small project components.

Resolved that: The syllabus for Minor Geography Subject for B.A. II is finalised as per NEP with the inclusion of project-based components.

Proposed by: Dr. G. S. Ubale, Dr. Shubhangi Kale **Seconded by:** Dr. Nisha Survey, Dr. Siddharth Ghoderao

Item No. 5: To finalise the syllabus of M.A. Geography Part II, Sem III and Sem IV, to be implemented from the Academic Year 2025–26.

Prof. Dr. B. S. Jadhav and Dr. Prashant Patil contributed significantly to restract M.A. syllabus. Members discussed alignment with Shivaji University and the inclusion tools.

Resolved that: The M.A. Part II syllabus (Sem III & IV) is finalised with

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elective options and practical training in GIS & Remote Sensing.

Proposed by: Dr. B. S. Jadhav, Dr Prashant Patil

Seconded by: Dr. Shubhangi Kale, Dr. G. S. Ubale, Ms. Ashwini Muravane

Item No. 6: To finalise the syllabus of M.Sc. Geoinformatics Part I, Sem I and Sem II, to be implemented from the Academic Year 2025–26.

Dr. Prashant Patil and Dr. Pradeep Saymote contributed greatly in framing and designing the syllabus. Members emphasized inclusion of programming (Python, R), digital cartography, and advanced RS-GIS applications.

Resolved that: The syllabus of M.Sc. Geoinformatics Part I, Sem I & II is finalised with the additions of coding modules, case studies, and practical exercises.

Proposed by: Dr. Prashant Patil, Dr. Pradeep Saymote Seconded by: Dr. Nilesh Susware, Dr. Vaishali Palkar

Item No. 7: To finalise the syllabus of the PG Diploma in Geoinformatics, Sem I and Sem II, to be implemented from the Academic Year 2025–26.

The draft syllabus was presented. Members suggested industry internship components.

Resolved that: The syllabus of PG Diploma in Geoinformatics (Sem I & II) is finalised with the inclusion of internship/industry exposure modules.

Proposed by: Dr. Kailas Patil, Dr. G. S. Ubale **Seconded by:** Dr. Prashant Patil, Dr. Pradip Saymote

Item No. 8: Any other matter with the permission of the chair.

- 1. Organising workshops/seminars for skill enhancement was suggested.
- 2. E-resources to be developed for students.
- 3. Short-term certificate courses in GIS and RS were recommended.

Resolved that: The department shall organise workshops and certificate courses in the upcoming year, and develop e-content for students.

Proposed by: Dr. Nilesh Susware, Dr. G. S. Ubale

Seconded by: Dr. Siddharth Ghoderao, Dr. Shubhangi Kale

Resolution of the Meeting

The Board of Studies in Geography unanimously approved the syllabi of B.A. Part III, Minor Geography (B.A. II), M.A. Part II, M.Sc. Geoinformatics Part I, and PG Diploma in Geoinformatics will be implemented from the Academic Year 2025–26.

Vote of Thanks

Dr. Shubhangi S. Kale proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairperson at BOS numbers, and invitees for their valuable contributions.

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Attendance:

Sr.	Name of the Member	Name of the Institute	Representation Category	Online Attendance
1.	Dr. G. S. Ubale	Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute)	Head & Chairperson	Present
2.	Dr. H. P. Patil	Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute)	Faculty Member	Present
3.	Dr. Shubhangi S. Kale	Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute)	Faculty Member	Present
4.	Dr. Nisha Surve	Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute)	Faculty Member	Present
5.	Dr. Siddharth Ghoderao	Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute)	Faculty Member	Present
6.	Dr. Vitthal Patil	Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute)	Faculty Member	Present
7.	Dr. Vaishali Palkar	Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute)	Faculty Member	Present
8.	Ms. Ashwini Muravane	Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (An Empowered Autonomous Institute)	Faculty Member	Present
9.	Prof. Dr. Vinod R. Veer	Prof. & Head, Kisan Veer Mahavidyalaya, Wai Dist: Satara 9422051976	VC Nominee	Absent
10.	Dr. Ravindra Jaybhaye	Dept. of Geography, Pune University, Pune	Expert, Outside Parent University	Absent
11.	Prof. F. M. Nadaf	Principal, Government College Borda Margao, Goa (Autonomous)	Expert, Outside Parent University	Absent
12.	Prof. Dr. S. S. Panhalkar	Head, Dept. of Geography, Shivaji University, Kolhapur	Meritorious Alumna	Absent
13.	Dr. Nilesh Susware	Chairman, Mantra Geo-solutions	Representative of Industry	Present
14.	Dr. Kailas Patil	Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (Autonomous)	Faculty Member	Present COLLEGE, NOLLY
15.	Prof. Dr. B. S. Jadhav	Head, Dept. of Geography, Shri. Vijaysinh Yadav College, Pethwadgaon	Special Invitee	Present OCOLLEGE, NOTH DOME JUNE 1964

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16.	Dr. Prashant Patil	Dept. of Geography, Shivaji University, Kolhapur	Special Invitee	Present
17.	Dr. Pradeep Saymote	Mithibai College of Arts, Chauhan Institute of Science, and A.J. College of Commerce and Economics	Special Invitee	Present

Chairperson Dr. G. S. Ubale

CHAIRMAN **BOS GEOGRAPHY** VIVEKANAND COLLEGE, KOLHAPUR (EMPOWERED AUTONOMOUS)



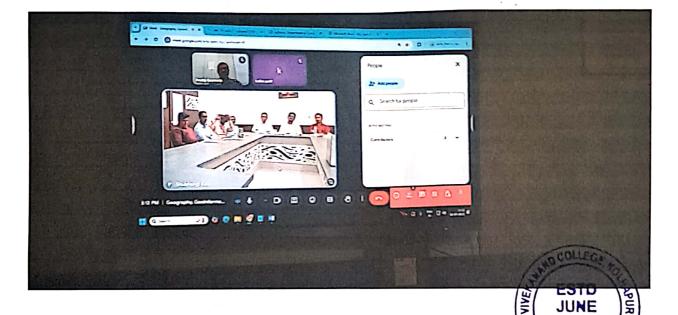
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