E-GOVERNANCE POLICY

North East Institute of Social Sciences and Research (NEISSR) takes a holistic view of the e-Governance initiatives in an efficient manner.

Objectives:

- 1. To ensure effective implementation of e-governance across all the functions within the college.
- 2. Promote efficient administration, cost reduction and timely execution of plans and actions.
- 3. Facilitating effective communication among various stakeholders of the institution.
- 4. To review, replace, complement and/or supplement the erstwhile physical governance infrastructure with e-Governance facilities for improving the efficiency of various functions of the college.

Scope of the Policy: The scope of this policy covers day-to-day operations of various functions and processes within the college, namely, General Administration, Accounts and Finance management, purchases, establishment of ICT Infrastructures, e-Waste management, Library, Student Administration, Admission, Online classes and Examination, etc. facilitating all the stakeholders in the college viz. the administrative staff, teaching faculty, non-teaching staff and students.

Elements of E-governance Policy: Implementation and up-gradation of Information Technology (ICT) enabled processes in the various realms of e-Governance at NEISSR are enumerated below:

1. Website:

- The ICT department is responsible for the development, administration and maintenance of the website regularly.
- The coordinator handles all information and updates all information and activities of the Institute.

2. Administration:

- All functionaries in administrative offices shall be adequately equipped with ICT-enabled systems with licensed software and internet facilities, wherever required, for necessary connectivity.
- The college administration shall be equipped with a customized user-friendly Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) solution to manage students' attendance, annual fee submission and internal assessment, etc.

- All the classrooms, conference rooms and seminar rooms shall be furnished with ICT-enabled projectors and screens. CCTV cameras are installed and maintained at all strategic locations to ensure proper surveillance.
- The college shall develop and maintain a user-friendly interactive website to disseminate general information as well as updates to its students, teaching and non-teaching staff and to the public, in general. The website shall be periodically reviewed by the ICT enabling unit of the college.
- All official communications and notices shall also be sent via e-mail and other available online platforms.
- o The college shall ensure that all the faculty members and non-teaching staff are imparted special ICT training programs for their continuous growth.
- The college shall also ensure that all the students are sufficiently skilled to enable them to benefit from ICT-enabled systems installed in the college.
- The college shall also subscribe to online platforms to support online teaching learning process, trainings, lectures, webinars and other official interactions etc.

3. Finance and Accounts:

- The accounts section shall operate and manage their entire accounting operations on ERP software including pension and payroll related processing.
- The college shall perform all the financial transactions in line with the existing guidelines by the Government of India.
- o The college shall utilize Government e-Marketing (GeM) portal for procurement of all goods and services available on GeM to enhance transparency and efficiency in public procurement.
- o All financial transactions and tendering processes shall use digital signatures for enhancing efficiency in processing.
- The college shall develop a customized portal to enable students to pay their annual fee, examination fee etc. through online mode.

4. Students' Admission and Support:

- The college shall adopt online mode of admission process as mandated by university from time to time.
- The college shall automate and digitize its Library functions to not only support contactless procurement, accession and issue/return of books from the library but also provide e-resources for remote access of the content from other sources also.

5. Library:

- o The library is automated (koha)
- o Faculty and Students are trained to use e-learning resources on timely basis.
- o E-learning resources like N-LIST & NDLI
- o The Librarian is responsible for maintaining all the e-learning resources

6. Examination:

• The college shall adopt online mode of performing exam related processing e.g., generating of admit card, conducting the examination etc. as mandated by university from time to time.

7. Placement:

- o The placement portal is developed by the Placement Coordinator and facilitates recruitment process within and outside the Institute.
- o It also uploads reports of placements, higher studies and entrepreneurship.
- o The portal is maintained and updated on a regular basis.

8. Alumni:

- o To strengthen alumni interaction, a separate portal is developed to facilitate registration, information of college activities, milestone achievements, feedback and other aspects.
- o Alumni Coordinator is appointed to oversee the overall networking and activities.

9. E-waste

 NEISSR ensures that its usage of technology and generation of e-waste does not impact the environment.

Expected Outcomes:

- The outcomes expected from this policy include the overall improvement in the productivity of the college through simplification and digitization of the various processes across various functions.
- o It will provide speedy response to student centric queries or problems.
- o It will ensure transparency and accountability in all the functioning bodies of the college.