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IUST Holds 6th University Library Committee Meeting

Awantipora, Sept 26: The Islamic University of Science and Technology (IUST) convened the 6th meeting of its University Library Committee. The meeting chaired by Prof. Shakil A Romshoo, Vice Chancellor, was attended by Prof. A. H. Moon (Dean Academic Affairs), Prof. Sumeer Gul (Head, Dept. of Library & Information Sciences, KU), Dr. Fayaz Ahmad Lone (Librarian, KU), Dr. Sheikh Mohammad Imran (Librarian, IUST), Finance Officer Mr. Sameer Wazir, Deans, Heads of Departments, and officers/officials of the Rumi Library.

The deliberations focused on evolving the Rumi Library into a modern and sophisticated learning and research centre aligned with the needs of a changing educational landscape. Members discussed strategies to transform the library from a traditional repository into a dynamic hub for collaboration, innovation, and digital literacy. The committee approved a significant investment in expanding the library's print and digital resources, including academic databases, e-journals, and e-books, aimed at providing seamless 24/7 access to information for students and faculty. Plans were also discussed to integrate emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence (AI) tools, virtual reality (VR) labs, and enhanced tech-lending services. These initiatives are intended to equip the university community with advanced digital skills and new avenues for creative research and learning.

Prof. Shakil Ahmad Romshoo, underlined that the library is the intellectual heart of IUST and reaffirmed the university's strong commitment to strengthening it as a vital resource for students, researchers, and faculty. He noted that the forward-looking plan reflects IUST's resolve to transform the library into a dynamic space that not only supports learning but also inspires innovation, discovery, and intellectual growth for generations to come. The library's role in enhancing information literacy was also highlighted during the meeting with a commitment to introduce more training programs that will enable students and faculty to critically navigate and evaluate complex information landscapes.

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