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***IUST Convenes BoRS Meeting to Strengthen Research in Humanities & Social Sciences***

**Awantipora, Sep 26:** The Islamic University of Science and Technology (IUST) convened the 6th meeting of its Board of Research Studies (BoRS) for the School of Humanities & Social Sciences today to review academic and research priorities.

Chaired by Vice Chancellor Prof. Shakil A. Romshoo, the meeting brought together internal members and eminent external experts, including Prof. Shahid Rasool (Professor, School of Media Studies & Dean Academic Affairs, Central University of Kashmir), Prof. Rakesh Chandra (Head, Department of Philosophy & Dean Academics, University of Lucknow), Prof. Madhu Khanna (Former Director & Professor, Centre for Comparative Religions and Civilization, Jamia Millia Islamia), Prof. Shad Hussain (Former Professor, Department of Arabic, University of Kashmir), Prof. Abdul Rashid Bhat (Former Professor, Shah-i-Hamdan Institute of Islamic Studies, University of Kashmir), Prof. Rattan Lal Shant (Former Professor, Department of Higher Education), Prof. Rajesh S. Kharat (Dean, Faculty of Humanities, University of Mumbai), and Prof. Nishat Zaidi (Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia). Also present were the Dean of Academic Affairs, the Registrar, dean of the school, directors, heads of departments, senior faculty members, and a scholar representative. The meeting was coordinated by Dr. Aabid Shalla, Dean of Research.

The Board deliberated on research synopses, course curricula, re-registrations, extensions, and other academic matters across departments including Journalism & Mass Communication, International Relations, English, Islamic Studies, Arabic, Philosophy and other interdisciplinary areas. Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Romshoo highlighted the critical role of high-quality research in addressing societal challenges and enriching knowledge traditions, reaffirming IUST's commitment to fostering rigorous scholarship and innovation.

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