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NOTIFICATION

[NEP Guidelines for Fourth Year (Semesters VII and VIII) of the Four Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUGP), Cotton University 2026-27]

NEP Guidelines for Fourth Year (Semesters VII and VIII) of the Four Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUGP), Cotton University 2026-27 is attached herewith as a ready reference.

These guidelines are *re-compiled* (with the support from NEP Cell, Cotton University) in concurrence with FYUGP under NEP-2020 as approved by the Academic Council, Cotton University, 6th March, 2023.

The same may be considered as an 'Advanced Intimation' and may invite review taking into consideration of observation if any (as to be experienced with) as regard the technical alignment with designated web-portal is concerned.

All stakeholders concerned (as applicable) are requested to comply with implementation of the aforesaid guidelines as enclosed herewith.

This Notification has been issued with approval of Honorable Vice Chancellor, Cotton University and pertains to FYUGPs-CU (2023 Batch) presently run by the University.


Academic Registrar

Encl :

1. NEP Guidelines-CU

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2. PS to Registrar.
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4. All Heads of Departments.
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8. Convener- NEP Cell, CU
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Draft Guidelines for Fourth Year (Semesters VII and VIII) of the Four Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUGP) at Cotton University 2026-27

The FYUGP at Cotton University under NEP 2020 enters the final year comprising Semesters VII and VIII. Completion of the third year of the FYUGP would have the following implications-

1. A section of students of the university may quit (a) obtaining a 3 year undergraduate degree, (b) could opt for a two-year master's degree in institutions (as per availability); or join fourth year of the FYUGP at Cotton University for (a) an Honours with Research Degree or (b) an Honours Degree.
2. The Office of the CoE shall keep records on the mode of exit of the students (*at the end of third year*) after fulfilling prescribed requirements and successful completion of examination formalities. Exit details pertaining to the students concerned should be shared with the respective departments accordingly.
3. The students who do not exit officially would be automatically admitted to the fourth year of the UG Programme. The students with a CGPA of 7.5 or above shall have an option to pursue either an Honours with Research Degree, or only Honours Degree (if opted for). On the other hand, students with less than a CGPA of 7.5 shall, however, have only Honours Degree option in Semesters VII and VIII.
4. The structure of courses in fourth year of the FYUGP shall be as follows -
(i)

Structure I (Honours with Research Degree)	Core	Minor	Research
VII	Three Core Courses 3x4=12 Credits	One Minor Course = 4 Credits	Research work for 4 Credits #
VIII	Two Core Courses 2x4=08 Credits	One Minor Course = 4 Credits	Research work for 8 Credits #

The work on the Dissertation/Project shall spread over VII and VIII Semesters. The modalities of evaluation of Dissertations/Projects are at the prerogative of the departments maintaining the prescribed standard.



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(ii)

Structure II (Honours Degree)	Core	Minor
VII	Four Core Courses 4x4=16 Credits	One Minor Course – 4 Credits
VIII	Four Core Courses 4x4=16 Credits	One Minor Course – 4 Credits

The students in the aforesaid two structures of the Fourth Year need to be allotted by the respective departments (*based on the criterion as mentioned in point-3 above*) and share the list with office of the Academic Registrar for onward references.

5. These guidelines are re-compiled in concurrence with FYUGP under NEP-2020, Cotton University approved by the Academic Council, Cotton University, 6th March, 2023 and technical alignment of the same with designated web-portal may invite a *revisit* in due course of the time.