## 6.2.1 The institutional Strategic plan is effectively deployed.

The setting of Project Support Cell (PSC) is one of the Institute's strategic plans. After its establishment, all activities of the research projects are institutionalized. The objectives of PSC are to maintain proper records of research projects that are undertaken for various funding agencies and to manage the funds in one centralized account in order to have proper tracking of all Statement of Expenditure and Utilization Certificate.

The PSC examines and processes all the administrative and finance-related files of the research projects in the Institute awarded through internal and external funds. For the Institute-funded projects, the Academic Council approves them and Accounts Section places the same as an agenda item in the Standing Finance Committee and later on to be placed in the Executive Council meeting for approval.

The PSC also looks after the work of the International Relations Cell (IRC). The main objective of IRC is to facilitate academic exchange/collaboration between IIPS and foreign Universities/research institutions. This Cell also facilitates foreign students to come to IIPS for various courses. PSC also looks after the academic exchange, collaboration and MoUs with the universities/research institutions within India. The PSC is the custodian of all the files approved by the Director.