

MINUTES OF THE 27th MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Held on: 29th June 2019 (Saturday)

Time : 11 a.m.

Venue: Academic Council Hall

The following members were present.

S.No.	Name of member	Designation
1.	Dr. (Mrs.) Elizebath Verghese	Chancellor
2.	Dr. Anand Jacob Verghese	Pro Chancellor
3.	Prof. K.P. Isaac	Vice Chancellor
4.	Prof. G. Sambandan	Advisor, K.C.G. College of Technology
5.	Mr. Rajesh Renganathan	Head, International Operations, Power Solutions Business, Ashok Leyland
6.	Mr. Ashok Verghese	Director
7.	Dr. Annie Jacob	Director, K.C.G. College of Technology
8.	Prof. G. Ilavazhagan	Director (International Affairs)
9.	Prof. K. Nandakumar	Director (Research)
10.	Prof. A. Udhayakumar	Controller of Examinations
11.	Prof. N. Vasudevan	Dean (Academics)
12.	Prof. Baby Joseph	Dean (Research)
13.	Dr. V.L. Mony	Dean (School of Law)
14.	Brig. (Retd.) Dr. Ravi Varman	Dean (Administration)
15.	Prof. T.P. Somasundaran	Dean (PG Studies)
16.	Prof. G. Sreekumar	Dean (SoM) & (LAS)
17.	Prof. T. Manvel Raj	Dean (Student Affairs)
18.	Prof. Rajeswari Mukesh	HoD, School of Computing Sciences
19.	Prof. Sheeba Chander	HoD (Planning and Monitoring) Dept. of Architecture

S.No.	Name of member	Designation
20.	Dr. R. Asokan	Professor & HoD, Aeronautical Engineering
21.	Prof. Ravikumar Solomon	HoD, Dept. of Mechanical Engineering
22.	Prof. R. Christu Paul	Professor & HoDi/c, Automobile Engineering
23.	Prof. Uppu Ramachandraiah	HoD, Dept. of EEE / EIE
24.	Prof. Aby K Thomas	HoD, Dept. of Electronics & Communication Engg.,
25.	Prof. V. Parthasarathy	HoD, Dept. of Physics
26.	Prof. S. Induja	HoD, Dept. of Chemistry
27.	Prof. S. Velmurugan	HoD, Dept. of Mathematics
28.	Dr.V. Ceronmani Sharmila	Associate Professor & HoDi/c, Dept. of Information
29.	Dr. M. Selvamuthukumaran	Associate Professor & HoDi/c, Dept. of Food Technology
30.	Dr. B. Senthil Kumar	Associate Professor & HoDi/c, School of Management
31.	Prof. K.M. Mehata	Senior Professor - CSE
32.	Prof. M. Veerachamy	Chief Librarian
33.	Mr. Milton Gerard Huggins	Deputy Director (Corporate Affairs & Training)
34.	Mr. Salim Mahmood	Deputy Director (Admissions)
35.	Mr. C. Robin	Legal Consultant
36.	Prof. R. Devanathan	Professor (Emeritus)
37.	Prof. D. Dinakaran	Head, Centre for Automation and Robotics
38.	Dr. Pon Ramalingam	Registrar, Non-Member & Secretary.

<u>Leave of absence has been granted to the following members for their inability to attend the meeting: -</u>

S.No.	Name of member	Designation	
1.	Dr. Dharanipragada Janakiram	Prof. of CSE, IIT-M, Chennai	
2.	Rev. Fr. Dr. S. Xavier Alphonse	Educationist & Former Member, UGC	
3.	Dr. Karthik Krishnamurthy	Director, Mahendra Aerospace, Karnataka	
4.	Mr. M.G. Poduval	Managing Director, MGP Associate P Ltd., Chennai	
5.	Dr. Aby Sam	Director	
6.	Prof. Dilip A. Shah	Dean (Aero)	
7.	Prof. A. Ramesh Babu	HOD, School of Science and Humanities	
8.	Prof. A. Anitha	HOD, Department of Chemical	
9.	Prof. A. Sherine	HOD, Department of Languages & Foreign Languages	

1. OPENING REMARKS BY THE CHANCELLOR

At the outset, the Chancellor accorded warm welcome to all members and informed that, this meeting is convened to seek approval for Academic regulations for Law programmes, amendments in the Ph.D. regulations, curriculum and syllabi for Law, MBA Logistics and Supply Chain Management, B.A. (Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Economics), B.Voc. programmes and so on. We have celebrated 79th Birth Anniversary of our Founder Chairman, Dr. K.C.G. Verghese and have also launched School of Law on 20th June 2019. Dr. V.L. Mony has been appointed as Dean, School of Law. Faculty members for the School of Law have already been recruited. B.B.A.LL.B. (Honours) B.A.LL.B.(Honours) and L.L.B. programmes will be introduced from this academic year. The vacancies of faculty in other departments have almost been filled up. We have conducted 7th Dr. K.C.G. Verghese Endowment Lecture on 24th June 2019 and Dr. M. Rajaram, IAS (Retd.) delivered a lecture on "Governance for Managerial Excellence".

2. ADDRESS BY THE VICE CHANCELLOR

The Vice Chancellor welcomed all the members for the meeting. He introduced the new members, viz., Dr. V.L. Mony, Dean, School of Law and Dr. G. Sreekumar, Dean (SoM and LA & AS) to the Council Meeting. As per the UGC regulations, we have to conduct Academic Council meetings not less than three times during an academic year.

He presented the following: -

- (a) HITS University Day was celebrated on 05th April 2019. Prof. (Dr.) K.K. Aggarwal, Chairman, National Board of Accreditation & Former Vice Chancellor, CGS Indraprastha University, New Delhi, was the Chief Guest and Mr. Robert G. Burgess, U.S. Consul General, Chennai was the Guest of Honour for the function.
- (b) The HITS School of Law was launched on 20th June 2019 by Justice.

 Abraham Mathew, Judge (Retd), Kerala High Court on the Founder's Day.

(c) <u>IET Accreditation</u>

- (i) Applied IET Accreditation for the five UG Programmes viz., Auto,CSE, ECE, EEE and Mech. Engineering.
- (ii) Documents pertaining to these programmes have been uploaded for initial review and IET has scheduled an advisory visit to our campus on 5th & 6th September 2019.
- (iii) This team will assess the readiness of our programmes to be considered for IET Accreditation.

(d) <u>Draft Education Policy - New Institutional Architecture for Higher</u>

<u>Education.</u> He explained about the categorization of Higher Education

Institutions into three types under draft education policy i.e., Type -1

Research Universities, Type-2 Teaching Universities and Type-3 Colleges. The most salient features with regard to the three types of institutions are achieving set goals and providing greater autonomy in functioning of the Institutions. The Institutions can move from one category to another, on the basis of their plans, actions and achievements. He requested the members to look into the draft education policy and invited suggestions from the members on how we can frame our policies and guidelines to transform our institution into a world class University.

(e) **Proposal of Integrated Programmes for approval of Academic Council.**

It has been proposed to introduce integrated programme in Engineering & Technology as well as in Management streams from 2020-21 as per the pattern given below:

- (i) B. Tech + M. Tech 5 years
- (ii) B.Tech + M.B.A. -5 years
- (iii) B.B.A + M.B.A 4 years

The admission to these programmes is proposed to be done from the students when they are in the second year of the UG programme.

3. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF 26th ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 23rd MARCH 2019

The Dean (Academics) presented the Minutes of the 26th Academic Council Meeting held on 23rd March 2019 and the Academic Council confirmed the Minutes of the Meeting.

4. ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE 26th ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 23rd MARCH 2019

The Action Taken Report on the Minutes of 26th Academic Council Meeting held on 23rd March 2019 was confirmed.

5. <u>Items for Approval</u>:

SI. No.	Items	Decision Taken
(a)	Amendments / Addition to the Ph.D. Academic Regulations-2017, to take effect from 1 st July 2019 - By Director (Research).	Approved
(b)	Academic Regulations for (i) Three year LL.B. Programme; (ii) Integrated Five year B.A., LL.B. (Honours) Programme and (iii) Integrated Five year B.B.A., LL.B. (Honours) Programme, effective from the academic year 2019-2020, as per BCI norms, to be replaced in place of the Academic Regulations approved by the 26 th Academic Council – by Dean (School of Law)	Approved. In page 49, Clause 10.1 additional condonation, the word "Additional" should be removed.

6. Results Presentation - By Controller of Examinations

Item	Decision Taken
Results of B.Tech. / B.Arch. / M.B.A.	Decision Taken Noted by members. The Chancellor said that, from next meeting the respective HODs will present their results of their departments and the COE will present the overall result.
Programmes of November-December 2018 by Controller of Examinations	Further suggested that, the results should be calculated on the total number of students admitted, rather than appeared, so that, the student progression will be highlighted in the presentation.

7. Resolutions brought forward by Boards of Studies:

SI. No.	Items	Decision Taken
	Chairperson, Board of Studies for School of Law.	
/i\	Curriculum for (a) Five year Integrated	
(i)	B.A. LL.B. (Honours); and (b) Three year	
	LL.B. Programmes, effective from the	Approved.

	academic year 2019-2020 - by Dean (School of Law)		
	Chairperson, Board of Studies for Schoo	l of Management.	
(ii)	Curriculum and syllabi for Semesters III and IV of M.B.A Logistics Management, effective for the batch of candidates admitted in the first year during the academic year 2018-2019 and entering to Third Semester during the academic year 2019-2020 and thereafter - by HoD, School of Management.	Approved.	
	Chairperson, Board of Studies for Schoo	l of Aeronautical Sciences.	
(iii)	Curriculum and syllabi for B.Voc. Aircraft Maintenance Engineering, effective from the academic year 2019-20 by HoD-Aero.	Deferred	
	Chairperson, Board of Studies for Schoo	l of Mechanical Sciences.	
(iv)	Curriculum and syllabi for B.Voc. Autotronics, effective from the academic year 2019-20– by HoD i/c - Auto.	Deferred	
	Chairperson, Board of Studies for School of Liberal Arts and Applied Sciences.		
	(a) Curriculum and syllabi for B.Voc. Communication Design, effective from the academic year 2019-20 By Dean (School of Liberal Arts and Applied Sciences).	Deferred	
(v)	(b) Curriculum and syllabi for B.Voc. Food Processing Technology, effective from the academic year 2019-20 - by Dean (School of Liberal Arts and Applied Sciences)	Deferred	
	(c) Curriculum and syllabi for B.B.A. (Logistics) in collaboration with Logistics Sector Skill Council, effective from the academic year 2019-2020 – by Dean (School of Liberal Arts and Applied Sciences).	Approved	

(d) Curriculum and syllabi for B.A. Political Science / Psychology / Sociology / Economics, effective from the academic year 2019-2020 - by Dean (School of Liberal Arts and Applied Sciences). The members suggested that the syllabi in the print version supplied has many mistakes and the books suggested are also old editions. Hence, all the four Boards of Studies should meet again and finalize the curriculum and syllabi and the same should be circulated members the for implementation from 2019-2020. The corrected version is to be placed in the next **Academic Council meeting.**

8. <u>Presentations:</u>

SI. No.	Items	Decision Taken
(i)	Staff publications in the last three years - By Director (Research)	Deformed to next meeting
(ii)	Policy Document for 2019-2020 to improve in NIRF Ranking – By Dean (Academics)	Deferred to next meeting

9. Table Agenda

Item	Decision Taken	
Chairperson, Board of Studies for School of Building Sciences		
Revised curriculum and syllabi for "Highway Engineering" Specialization in M.Tech. Civil		
Engineering, effective from the academic year 2019-2020.	Approved	

10. Any other items with the permission of the Chair.

The Dean (Academics) informed that it is proposed to establish a School of Creative Arts to offer courses such as B.A. Fine Arts, B.A. Music, B.A. Performing Arts etc. The members agreed to establish the same.

The Registrar thanked all members for their valuable suggestions and support.

REGISTRAR.

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