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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 8ᵗʰᵉ GOVERNING COUNCIL

Venue: Board Room
Date: 20.06.2025
Time: 2:30 p.m. to 04:30 p.m.

Members of the Governing Council

- **Prof. V. S. Raja,** Emeritus Fellow, Department of Metallurgical Engineering & Materials Science, Indian Institute of Technology. Bombay, Mumbai, Vice Chancellor's Nominee.
- **Dr. Rakesh Kumar Mahajan**, Professor, Department of Chemistry, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar, Punjab, Vice Chancellor's Nominee.
- **Dr. B. Vidhya,** Chief Operating Officer, Member.
- **Mr. A. Soundararajan,** General Manager, Member.
- **Dr. S. Pradeep Devaneyan**, Principal, Member Secretary.
- **Dr. K. B. Jayarraman,** Vice Principal, Member.
- **Dr. V. Nagaraj**, HoD of Electronics and Communication Engineering, Member.
- **Dr. B. Magimairaj,** HoD of Mechanical Engineering, Member.
- **Dr. N. Balaji,** HoD of Computer Science and Engineering, Member.
- **Mr. R. Venkedesh**, HoD I/C of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Member.
- **Mr. S. Balaji,** HoD I/C of Biomedical Engineering, Member.
- **Mr. V. Ganesan**, HoD I/C of Science & Humanities, Member.
- **Mrs. A. Anitha,** HoD I/C of Management Studies, Member.
- **Dr. G. Amuthavalli,** Research and Development Head, Member.
- **Mr. J. Anandharaj,** Placement officer, Member.

Agenda 1: Welcome Address

The meeting commenced with Dr. S. Pradeep Devaneyan welcoming the Vice Chancellor's Nominees, Prof. V. S. Raja and Dr. Rakesh Kumar Mahajan, as well as all members of the Governing Council.

Following the welcome address, the Principal presented a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation covering Agendas 2 through 10.

Agendas 2 to 10: Institutional Presentation and Discussions

During and after the presentation, the following suggestions and observations were made by the Vice Chancellor's Nominees:

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1. **AICTE IDEA Lab & MSME-HI Achievement:**

   Commended the Institution for securing the AICTE IDEA Lab and MSME-HI recognition, becoming the second institution in Puducherry to achieve this milestone.

2. **Enhancement of Practical Knowledge:**

   While appreciating the college results in the University examination, the committee emphasized the need to improve students' practical skills by inviting industry-experienced alumni and professionals for lectures, training, and interaction.

3. **Faculty Performance Appraisal:**

   Appreciated the regular performance appraisal mechanism and recommended appropriate recognition and promotion of deserving faculty members as per established norms.

4. **Target of 100% Final Year Results:**

   Advised focused efforts to achieve a 100% pass percentage for final-year students to enhance placement opportunities.

5. **Faculty Development:**

   Suggested continuous upgradation of faculty technical knowledge through training at Indian Institutes of Technology (IIT), National Institutes of Technology (NIT), Quality Improvement Programme (QIP), and similar institutions. Preference may be given to recruiting faculty with relevant industry experience. The Principal informed that faculty members have already participated in FDPs at IIT Kanpur, IIT Madras, and PG certification programs through QIP.

6. **Implementation of NEP 2020:**

   Appreciated the Principal's report that National Education Policy (NEP 2020) guidelines have been effectively implemented in the college by the direction of Pondicherry University, across all Departments, for offering Major Degrees and Minor Degrees.

7. **Bridge Courses:**

   Recommended commencing bridge courses for first-year students at the earliest possible stage to better address academic gaps.

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8. **Promotion of Higher Studies:**

Suggested that the Institution proactively increase the number of students pursuing higher studies in national and international institutions.

9. **Alumni Engagement:**

Recommended enhancing alumni involvement in various student clubs, mentorship programs, and campus activities.

10. **Faculty Experience Ratio:**

Emphasized improving the average experience level of faculty members.

11. **ICOE Training:**

Recommended that Industry Centre of Excellence (ICOE) training should focus on imparting in-depth knowledge rather than mere certification. A student feedback mechanism should be introduced to monitor and improve learning outcomes.

12. **Funding Proposals:**

Observed that the submission of research and funding proposals needs significant improvement. Advised regular monitoring of proposal progress both pre- and post-submission.

13. **NAAC Accreditation:**

Congratulated the Institution on obtaining National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) accreditation with A grade (3.11/4).

14. **NBA Accreditation:**

Acknowledged the Principal's update on National Board of Accreditation (NBA) accreditation progress, noting the submission of Self-assessment report (SAR) for the CSE department and plans for ECE, BME, EEE, and Mechanical Engineering departments for the academic year 2025-2026.

15. **Introduction of New Programs:**

Appreciated the introduction of two new undergraduate programs B.Tech - Artificial Intelligence and Data Science and B.Tech CSE (Internet of Things and Cyber Security including Blockchain Technology) from the academic year 2025-2026.

16. **The college needs to persuade the University to complete the examination process early.** Also, have at least two months summer vacation and one month winter vacation. This will help the students to prepare themselves for further studies. The vacation will help the students to find internship in Industries and leading Universities.
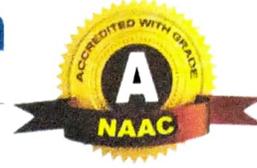
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Agenda 11: General Discussion

No additional topics were raised for discussion.

Agenda 12: Vote of Thanks

The Principal extended his sincere gratitude to all the members for their active participation and valuable inputs. Special thanks were conveyed to the Vice Chancellor's Nominees for their insightful suggestions and guidance towards the continual growth and development of the Institution.

The meeting concluded with a commitment to implement the suggestions provided and to strive for further academic and institutional excellence.

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Vice Chancellor Nominee

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