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Minutes of the 13th meeting of the Academic Council
held at 11.30 a.m. on 06.08.2020 (Thursday) in "Online" mode

Members present:

1.	Dr. S.V. Ramana, Principal, VCE	:	Chairman
2.	Dr. Rajeev Wankar, Professor Dept. of Computer Science & Information Sciences, University of Hyderabad	:	Member
3.	Dr. M. Kumar, Principal, Dept. of Civil Engineering, UCE, OU, Hyd.	:	University Nominee & Member
4.	Dr. Shobhan Babu, Asso. Prof., IIT-Hyd	:	Member
5.	Dr. D.M. Vinod Kumar, Professor (HAG), Dept. of EEE, NIT-W	:	Member
6.	Dr. K. Shyamala, Professor, Dept. of CSE, O.U, Hyd.	:	Member
7.	Dr. B. Rajendra Naik, Professor, Dept. of ECE, UCE, O.U.	:	Member
8.	Dr. V. Sudhakar, Professor, Department of Education, EFLU, Hyderabad.	:	Member
9.	Dr. B. Sridhar, HoD-Civil Engg., VCE	:	Member
10.	Dr. T. Adi Lakshmi, HoD-CSE, VCE	:	Member
11.	Dr. E. Sreenivasa Rao, HoD-ECE, VCE	:	Member
12.	Dr. M. Chakravarthy, HoD-EEE, VCE	:	Member
13.	Dr. K. Ram Mohan Rao, HoD-IT, VCE	:	Member
14.	Dr.T. Ram Mohan Rao, HoD-Mech,VCE	:	Member
15.	Dr. A.S. Sai Prasad, HoD-Physics, VCE	:	Member
16.	Dr. P. Venu Gopal, HoD-Chemistry, VCE	:	Member
17.	Ms.K. Jhansi Rani, HoD-H&SS, VCE	:	Member
18.	Dr. P. Hemagiri Rao, HoD-CA and Controller of Examinations	:	Member
19.	Dr. Nagaratna P. Hegde, Professor, Dept. of CSE, VCE	:	Member
20.	Dr. K. Veera Swamy, Professor, Dept. of ECE, VCE	:	Member
21.	Mr. M. Bhasker, Asso. Prof., Dept. of Civil Engg., VCE	:	Member
22.	Dr. K. Kishore, Director-Training & Placements, VCE	:	Member
23.	Dr. Ch. V.S.S. Sailaja, Asso. Prof., Dept. of EEE, VCE	:	Member

The following members of the Academic Council could not attend the meeting:

1.	Dr. A. Venu Gopal, Professor, Dept. of Mech. Engg., NIT-Warangal
2.	Prof. (Dr.) Y.F. Jaya Kumar, Principal , Pendekanti Law College, Hyd.
3.	Mr. M. Ranganath, Sr. Manager, Deloitte, Hyd.
4.	Dr. T. Sudhakar Rao, HoD- Department of Mathematics, VCE

Prof. S.V. Ramana, Principal & Chairman, Academic Council, presided over the meeting.

The following items on the agenda were taken up for consideration:

1. **Confirmation of the minutes of the 12th meeting of the Academic Council held on 29.02.2020:**
   The minutes of the 12th meeting of the Academic Council held on 29.02.2020 were read and confirmed.

2. **Review and approve the revised Almanac for the Academic year 2019-2020 for the following Programmes:**
   a) **B.E – II Semester**
   b) **B.E – IV Semester**
   c) **B.E – VI Semester**
   d) **B.E – VIII Semester**
   e) **MCA – VI Semester**
   f) **M.E/M.Tech – II Semester**
   g) **M.E/M.Tech – IV Semester**

The Chairman has informed the Council that the College has been under lockdown from 16th March, 2020 due to COVID-19 pandemic and accordingly the Classes, Quizzes, Assignments and Internal Tests were conducted through "Online" mode. He further informed that the Almanac for the academic year 2019-20 was therefore revised.

The Academic Council has reviewed the revised Almanac and resolved to approve the Programme-wise and Semester-wise revised Almanac for the academic year 2019-20.

3. **Approve the modalities for the conduct of II-Internal Test for all B.E. Programmes:**
The Chairman informed the members that, the II-Internal Test for all B.E. Programmes was conducted through "Online" mode. The modalities followed for conducting the said examination were presented by the Director (A & E).

The Chairman also informed that all the students have appeared for the II-Internal Test.

The Academic Council has reviewed the modalities followed by the College for the conduct of II-Internal test for all B.E. Programmes and resolved to approve the same.

4. **Approve the modalities for the conduct of I & II-Internal Tests for all M.E/M.Tech Programmes:**
The Chairman informed the members that the I & II-Internal Tests for all M.E/M.Tech Programmes were conducted through "Online" mode. The modalities followed for conducting the said examinations were presented by the Director (A & E).

The Academic Council has reviewed the modalities followed by the College for the conduct of I & II-Internal tests for all M.E/M.Tech Programmes and resolved to approve the same.

5. **Review and approve the revised Regulations in respect of attendance & CIE for all B.E. Programmes and in respect of attendance for all M.E/M.Tech Programmes:**

The Chairman has informed the following to the members:

CIE for all B.E. Programme:

In view of the present COVID-19 pandemic, it is proposed to exempt the condition of securing a minimum of 40% aggregate marks in CIE to become eligible for Semester-End Examinations for all students pursuing B.E – EVEN Semester for the academic year 2019-2020 only.

Attendance for all B.E & M.E/M.Tech Programmes:

The condition of securing a minimum of 75% aggregate attendance (with 65% medical Condonation) for all B.E. students and securing a minimum of 75% attendance in each course (with 65% medical condonation) for all M.E/M.Tech students during the EVEN-Semester is proposed to be exempted only for the academic year 2019-2020 due to COVID-19 pandemic.

After review, the Academic Council has resolved to approve the revision in the CIE and Attendance Regulations only for EVEN semester of 2019-20 academic year for all B.E. and M.E./M.Tech. Programmes considering the situation caused by COVID-19 pandemic.

6. **Approve the mode of conduct of final project Viva-Voce for B.E, MCA and M.E/M.Tech Programmes:**

The Director (A & E) informed the members that the final project Viva-Voce for B.E & MCA Programmes and pre-submission Viva-Voce for all M.E/M.Tech Programmes were conducted in "Online" mode due to COVID-19 pandemic and presented the guidelines that were followed.

Members suggested to revise the limit of plagiarism in M.E/M.Tech thesis reports to 10% as per the revised UGC regulations.

The Academic Council has resolved to approve the mode of conduct of final project Viva-Voce for B.E, MCA and M.E/M.Tech Programmes by considering the situation caused by COVID-19 pandemic.

7. **Review and approve the revised question paper pattern for the conduct of SEE for B.E:**

The Chairman informed the members that in view of the prevailing situation due to COVID-19 pandemic, the following amendments are proposed for conduct of SEE (Semester End Examinations) for II, IV, VI & VIII-Semesters of BE and II Semester of ME/M.Tech (Main) and I, III & V-Semesters of B.E. (Supplementary) Programme pertaining to the academic year 2019-2020, subject to the approval of the Osmania University and Government of Telangana:

i) **(SEE Theory for 60 Marks) – Duration of time : 2 Hours:**

PART-A:

Total number of questions are 12 and 9 questions are to be answered, carrying a total of 18 Marks (9Q x 2M).

(2 Questions each shall be set from each unit and 11th question from unit – I and 12th question from unit – II

PART-B:

Total number of questions remains same as SEVEN and only THREE questions are to be answered carrying a total of 42 marks (3Q x 14M).

Syllabus:
All Units prescribed in the course as per Syllabus book circulated

ii) **(SEE Theory for 70 Marks) – for BE VIII (Main) & V, VI & VII Semesters Supplementary – Duration of time : 2 Hours**

PART-A:
Total number of questions remains same as 10 of which 8 questions are to be answered, carrying a total of 16 Marks (8Q x 2M).
(2 Questions each shall be set from each unit)

PART-B:
Total number of questions remains same as SEVEN and only THREE questions are to be answered carrying a total of 54 marks (3Q x 18M).

Syllabus:
All Units prescribed in the course as per Syllabus book circulated.

Duration of exam is reduced and choice is increased.

The Academic Council, after its review, has resolved to approve the above amendments/revisions proposed by the College in respect of conduct of SEE for EVEN Semester of 2019-20 academic year, subject to the approval of the Osmania University and Government of Telangana.

8. **Review and approve the exemption of mandatory CBCS requirements to certain students of 2016-17 admitted batch in view of COVID-19:**

The Chairman has informed the members that the following mandatory requirements are to be completed by the students admitted in 2016-17 under CBCS Regulations besides securing 162-Credits from I to VIII-Semesters to become eligible for award of B.E. Degree:

3 CCA (Co-curricular Activities).

2 ECA (Extra Curricular Activities).

1 Theme based project.

1 Online Certification Course (NPTEL) of 8-Weeks duration.

The Chairman also informed the members that certain students who were admitted in 2016-2017 in B.E. Programmes could not complete some of the mentioned mandatory requirements due to COVID-19 and hence it is proposed to condone the deficiency of the above mentioned mandatory requirements as a special case for such students pursuing B.E-VIII Semester for the academic year 2019-20 only.

After review, the Academic Council has resolved to approve the revision in the mandatory CBCS requirements to certain students of 2016-17 admitted batch in view of COVID-19.

9. **Review and approve the Scheme of Instruction & Regulation and Syllabi for the following Programmes for the academic year 2020-21:**

   a) *Proposed Regulations for B.E (Honours) Programmes to be offered in the Departments of ECE, I.T and Mechanical Engineering for the students to be admitted w.e.f. the academic year 2020-21.*

   The Chairman presented the draft Regulations for the proposed B.E (Honours) Programme to be offered by the Departments of ECE, I.T and Mechanical Engineering from the academic year 2020-21. After review, the members suggested the following:

   i) The condition of *"Publishing a Journal paper in a reputed journal" as part of B.E (Honours) academic requirements* should be removed.

ii)   The condition of *"Completing all the courses from V to VIII-Semesters in first attempt"* should also be removed.

Then, the respective HoDs have presented the Scheme of Instruction & Regulations and Syllabi of their Programmes as per the following order:

b)   *Scheme of Instruction & Regulation for I to VIII-Semesters and Syllabi of I and II-Semesters for the proposed B.E - CSE (Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning Programme).*

c)   *Scheme of Instruction & Regulation and Syllabi for I and II-Semesters for all B.E. Programmes.*

d)   *Scheme of Instruction & Regulation and Syllabi for III and IV-Semesters for all B.E. Programmes.*

e)   *Scheme of Instruction & Regulation and Syllabi for V and VI-Semesters for all B.E. Programmes.*

f)   *Scheme of Instruction & Regulation and Syllabi for VII and VIII-Semesters for all B.E. Programmes.*

g)   *Scheme of Instruction & Regulation and Syllabi for offering B.E (Hons.) Programme in the Departments of Electronics & Communication Engineering, Information Technology and Mechanical Engineering.*

With respect to the Scheme of Instruction in the B.E.-VIII Semester for all Programmes, the members recommended conducting of Online Classes for the Professional Elective Courses being offered, to enable the students to do internships outside of Hyderabad.

After review, the Academic Council has approved the Regulations of the proposed B.E (Honours) Programme with the above suggested changes and also the Schemes & Regulations and Syllabi for all B.E. Programmes for the academic year 2020-21.

10. Review and approve the Scheme of Instruction & Regulations and Syllabi for I to IV-Semesters for all M.E./M.Tech Programmes:

The respective HoDs presented the Scheme of Instruction & Regulations and Syllabi for I to IV-Semesters for all M.E./M.Tech Programmes.

With respect to M.Tech (CSE), the members did not approve the proposed "Elective Laboratory".

The Academic Council has approved the Scheme of Instruction & Regulations and Syllabi for I to IV-Semesters for all M.E./M.Tech Programmes for the academic year 2020-21 except the proposal for offering "Elective Laboratory" in respect of M.Tech (CSE) Programme.

11. To review the possible date for the commencement of classwork for the Academic Year 2020-21:

The Chairman submitted that it is proposed to commence the classwork for III, V & VII-Semesters of B.E. and III- Semester of M.E/M.Tech Programmes for the academic year 2020-2021 with effect from 17th August, 2020 as per the calendar issued by the AICTE, New Delhi. This however was subject to the approval of Osmania University and the Government of Telangana.

It is submitted that the conduct of classwork will be through "Online" till normal situation is restored for conducting regular class room teaching.

The Academic Council has resolved to approve the proposal subjected to the further approvals from the Osmania University and Government of Telangana.

12. Any other item with the permission of the Chair:

12.1 *Transfer of students:*

The Director (A & E) has informed the members that transfer of candidates into B.E. III-Semester for the academic year 2020-2021 has been permitted by the Commissioner of Technical Education, Telangana, Hyderabad, subject to fulfilment of the below given conditions:

i) The candidates must be promoted into II-Year B.E. level

ii) The candidates must fulfil the academic regulations as stipulated by Vasavi College of Engineering, Ibrahimbagh, Hyderabad (O.U. Affiliated Autonomous College).

By taking into consideration the Scheme and Syllabi of Vasavi College of Engineering (Autonomous), Hyderabad and Methodist College of Engineering & Technology and Stanley College of Engineering, Hyderabad, from where the students have been transferred, the following recommendations have been proposed by the Chairperson/Chairman, BoS, CSE & I.T.:

Sl. No.	Name of the Candidate	Branch	Transfer from	List of the uncovered/non equivalent courses prescribed additionally as well as exempted courses by respective Chairman/Chair person, BOS	
1.	Mr. M. Sai Anirudh Reddy	CSE	Methodist College of Engineering & Technology, Hyderabad	Uncovered Courses	Exempted Courses
				1. Introduction to Electronics Engineering (I-Sem) 2. Introduction to Electronics Engineering Lab (I-Sem) 3. English Language and Communication-I (I-Sem) 4. English Language and Communication Skills Lab -I (I-Sem)	Environmental Science (IV-Sem)
				1. Basic Engineering Mechanics (II-Sem) 2. Discrete Structures (II-Sem)	
2.	Mr. G. Rajeev Reddy	CSE	Methodist College of Engineering & Technology, Hyderabad	1. Introduction to Electronics Engineering (I-Sem) 2. Introduction to Electronics Engineering Lab (I-Sem) 3. English Language and Communication-I (I-Sem) 4. English Language and Communication Skills Lab -I (I-Sem)	Environmental Science (IV-Sem)
				1. Basic Engineering Mechanics (II-Sem) 2. Discrete Structures (II-Sem)	

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3.	Ms. Keethana Reddy	I.T	Stanley College of Engineering, Hyderabad	1. English Language and Communication-I (I-Sem) 2. English Language and Communication Skills Lab-I (I-Sem) 1. Basic Engineering Mechanics (II-Sem) 2. Basic Electronics (II-Sem) 3. Introduction to Python Programming (II-Sem) Basic Electronics Lab (II-Sem)	Environmental Science (III-Sem)

Academic council has approved the transfer of the above students.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Dr. Ch. V.S.S. Sailaja)
Member-Secretary

(Dr. S.V. Ramana)
Principal

To

The Members of Academic Council
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