Proceedings of the 22nd Governing Body Meeting held on 23rd November 2019, Saturday

Proceedings of the 22nd Governing Body meeting held on 23rd November 2019 (Saturday) at 11.00 a.m. in the Board Room of Dr. Ambedkar Institute of Technology, Bengaluru - 56, Karnataka.

Members Present:

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<td>Sri. S. Mariswamy</td>
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<td>Dr. M. Mahadeva</td>
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<td>Sri. S. Shivamallu</td>
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<td>Sri. P. L. Nanjundaswamy</td>
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<td>Sri. A. R. Krishnamurthy</td>
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<td>Dr. B. N. Umesh</td>
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<td>Dr. C. G. Krishnadas Nair</td>
<td>Member, Industrialist</td>
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<td>Dr. N. H. Siddalinga Swamy</td>
<td>Member, AICTE Nominee</td>
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<td>Dr. N. C. Shivaprapaksh</td>
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Members Absent:

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At the outset, Sri. S. Mariswamy, the Chairman of the Governing Body, welcomed the Governing Body members to the 22\textsuperscript{nd} Governing Body Meeting.

The Chairman asked the Principal to proceed with the presentation as per the agenda of the meeting.

The Principal welcomed the members for the meeting and presented the agenda.

1.1 \textit{Confirmation of proceedings of the previous (21\textsuperscript{st}) Governing Body meeting held on 20-07-2019.}

The Principal requested the members for the confirmation of the minutes of the 21\textsuperscript{st} Governing Body meeting held on 20-07-2019.

The Governing Body confirmed the proceedings of the 21\textsuperscript{st} Governing Body meeting held on 20.07.2019.

1.2 \textit{Action taken report on the minutes of the 21\textsuperscript{st} Governing Body meeting held on 20.07.2019.}

The Principal reported the Action taken on the suggestions made by the members during the 21\textsuperscript{st} Governing Body Meeting.

The Committee noted the action taken on the suggestions made by them.

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  \item During the discussion Dr. Ramamurthy Naidu suggested to prepare the Action taken Report (ATR) in the tabular form as mentioned below:
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  Agenda & Suggestions & Action taken \\
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  \item The members expressed the number of students and faculty registered and appeared for the Massive Open Online Courses (MOOC) under SWAYAM platform is low and suggested to encourage more students and faculty to register for the online courses relating to their subject domain. Students and faculty have to be motivated by telling them of the benefits/objectives of online courses and to pursue them. As the institution has academic autonomy and as per the guidelines of AICTE/VTU, 20\% of courses can be offered under MOOC and credits can be transferred. The necessary mechanism has
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to be evolved to identify suitable courses and the assessment procedure before considering credit transfer.

In this connection, Dr. M. Mahadeva mentioned that online courses concept is recently introduced at our institution and in the coming years this culture will be more visible. He thanked Dr. N.C. Shivaprakash for his guidance and for insisting on adopting online courses in our curriculum.

The Principal requested Dr. N. H. Siddalinga Swamy, AICTE nominee, to postpone the last date for registration of courses from July to August, as the admission process would not be completed during the month of July. The AICTE member accepted the request to consider it.

- Dr. M. Girish Chandra informed the Principal to send a letter to his email address and he will forward it to concerned Samsung person to get sponsorship for digital display boards.

- Members suggested to inform faculty members about the Annual Refresher Programme in Teaching (ARPIT) available on SWAYAM Platform which are equivalent to FDP. ARPIT online courses will be helpful to upgrade their domain knowledge and career progression.

- Dr. N. C. Shivaprakash and Dr. Siddalingalinga Swamy have suggested to introduce classroom lectures video recording and the recorded videos can be uploaded in the website for the benefit of students. This arrangement will also benefit the faculty and the institution and will have weightage during NBA, NAAC accreditation and NIRF ranking.

- Sri. S. Shivamallu suggested to conduct R&D meetings periodically and to involve students in them and to give them societal problems to solve as project work.

During the discussion, Dr. N. C. Shivaprakash suggested to create Dr. AIT-RISE (Research Innovation Startup & Entrepreneurship) Cell to create space for research, innovation, patenting, Entrepreneurship and other activities related to R&D at the institute level.
Dr. Girish Chandra added that, strengths of individuals shall be identified and utilised collectively for better progress under this platform. The members were also of the opinion that interdepartmental project work should be introduced for M.Tech students.

- The Principal informed the members that, Dr. AIT has been identified as a mentor institution by AICTE to network with 10 non-accredited institutions to uplift their educational quality and to bring their level up to get NBA accreditation. This was appreciated by the members and they informed the Principal to sustain it and continue in the future.

2. **Agenda for approvals:*** **NIL**

3. **Agenda for Ratification**

3.1 **Appointments**

**Appointments:** The Committee noted the same.

4. **Agenda for Information**

4.1 **Retirements:** The Committee noted the same.

4.2 **Suspensions:** The Committee noted and enquired about the reason for suspension. Dr. M. Mahadeva informed the committee that the reason for suspension of Dr. M. Mahadevaswamy is because of his misbehaviour with a colleague during the NBA team visit.

4.3 **Nomination of Vice-Principal and Deans:** The Committee noted the same.

4.4 **Academic activities:** The Committee noted the same.

4.5 **UGC expert team’s visit for extension of Autonomy status:** The Committee noted the same.

4.6 **NBA visit:** Committee noted the same.
4.7 Career Guidance and Placement Cell Activities:
The agenda was deferred for want of more information comprising of on/off campus placement, self-employment and higher education. Sri. S. Shivamallu informed the Principal to submit three years placement statistics during the next meeting to know the progress of placement activities after introducing training from first year.
In this regard, Dr. Shivaprakash opined that a full time Placement Officer should be appointed to collaborate and promote career & Placement among eligible students.

4.8 Research Publications and Staff development activities:
The Committee noted the same and informed to provide previous three years data.

4.9 TEQIP-III progress: The Committee noted the same.

4.10 UG & PG Admission Statistics of 2019-20
The members noted the admission statistics of UG & PG programs for the academic year 2019-20. After detailed discussion, members suggested to the management to take appropriate decisions to reduce the intake of Mechanical Engineering from 180 to 120. Further, members also suggested to reduce the intake of some of the PG programs considering the last three years admission statistics.

4.11 Inauguration for first year students:
The committee noted the same.

4.12 Celebration of Independence Day: The committee noted the same.

4.13 Sixth Graduation Day Ceremony: The committee noted the same.

4.14 Cultural Activities: The committee noted the same.
4.15 **XII National Cyber Defence Summit-2019:** The committee noted the same.

4.16 **Sports activities:** The committee noted the same.

4.17 **NSS Activities:** The committee noted the same.

5 **Proposals:**

Dean (A) proposed to establish the following new UG programs from the academic year 2020-21.

1. Aeronautical Engineering – 4 years program.
2. Architecture – 5 years program.

After detailed discussion, the members suggested not to start Architecture program, as it requires a separate establishment and approval from Architecture Council of India and AICTE and it would be difficult to meet the requirements of Architecture Council of India. Therefore they suggested to drop the idea of starting Architecture program. However, the members agreed to start engineering program in Aeronautical Engineering from the academic year 2020-21. During the discussion, Dr. Mahadeva asked for a comprehensive report with complete details covering infrastructure and man power requirements along with financial implications.

Dr. Krishnadas Nair suggested to follow VTU curriculum for Aeronautical Engineering which was designed by a group of experts under his leadership. Members also suggested to visit reputed colleges which are offering Aeronautical Engineering and collect the information in respect of space, laboratories and man-power requirements.

The Chairman thanked the members for their suggestions and expressed that the institution is improving by incorporating them.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the chair.

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**Dr. C. Nanjundaswamy**  
Principal/Member Secretary

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**Sri. S. Mariswamy**  
Chairman

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