Minutes of the 135th Emergent Executive Committee meeting held on June 15, 2020 at 2.30 pm in the Board Room, Second Floor, at AICTE Headquarters, Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi:

Following Members were present in the meeting:

1.	Prof. A.D. Sahasrabudhe Chairman, AICTE	Chairman
2.	Prof. M.P. Poonia Vice Chairman, AICTE	Member
3.	Shri. B.K. Bhadri, Asstt. Educational Adviser MHRD, Govt. of India, New Delhi	Nominee, Secretary, MHRD, New Delhi
4.	Prof. Uday Kumar, (Chairman, NWRC) Director, MNIT, Jaipur (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
5.	Prof. T.G. Sitharam, (Chairman, SWRC) Director, IIT-Guwahati (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
6.	Prof. V.K. Saraswat, (Chairman, AIB-ITE) Director, IET, Dr.Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Agra, UP (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
7.	Dr. P.S. N. Rao, (Chairman, AIB-TCP) Director, SPA, New Delhi (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
8.	Prof. Pramod Yeole, (Chairman, AIB-PE) Vice Chancellor, BAMU, Aurangabad, Maharashtra (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
9.	Shri. Biswajit Majumdar OSD (Technical) Directorate of Higher Education Govt. of Tripura (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Nominee, Secretary (TE), Govt. of Tripura
10.	Additional Secretary, Technical Education Deptt. Govt. of Uttrakhand (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Nominee, Secretary (TE) Govt. of Uttrakhand
11.	Shri Satish Chandra Special Chief Secretary(HE) Govt. of Andhra Pradesh (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
12.	Prof. Anil Mathur, Dean (FA), Rajasthan Technical University, Kota, Rajasthan (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member

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13.	Prof. G. P. Vadodaria,	Member
	Principal,	
	Govt. College of Engineering, Bhavnagar (Connected through Video Conferencing)	
14.	Prof. Rajive Kumar, Member Secretary, AICTE	Member Secretary

Joint Secretary/ Financial Adviser, MHRD, New Delhi; Secretary, Technical Education, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh; Prof. H.C. Verma, IIT-Kanpur; Prof. Arvind Choubey, Director, IIIT Bhagalpur, Bihar; Chairman, UGC, New Delhi; Director General, IAMR; Director General, ICAR; could not attend the meeting due to their prior engagements.

At the outset, Prof. A.D. Sahasrabudhe, Chairman, AICTE welcomed all the members to the 135th emergent meeting of the Executive Committee. He informed the members about the urgent nature of agenda items being placed in today's meeting, amidst partial lockdown in the country due to COVID-2019 pandemic and the modified calendar of Approval related activities, as accepted by the Hon'ble Supreme Court. Maintaining the norms of physical distancing in this period, majority of the members joined this meeting through Video Conferencing.

The following Agenda Items were taken up for consideration, deliberations and decisions taken are as under:

Item No. 135.01.01 **Approval Bureau**

To consider and approve grant of LoI/LoA/LoR (as applicable) to Institutions based on the recommendations of respective SAC/ EVC and approved by the Competent Authority in respect of applications received, under Chapter-I, for Setting up of New Technical Institution offering a Technical Programme at Diploma/ Post Diploma Certificate/ Under Graduate Degree/ Post Graduate Diploma/ Post Graduate Degree Level in the AY 2020-21.

The Executive Committee was informed that total applications received for new institutions and to offer ODL courses are 296 and 12 respectively.

The EC was also informed that all the applications under Chapter-I as well as applications for ODL were processed by conducting online Scrutiny/Re Scrutiny/RC/EVC, as applicable as per APH 2020-21. However, after the scrutiny or EVC wherever deficiencies are noted the appeals shall be continued. Accordingly, the EC considered and approved final recommendations in respect of applications received under Chapter-I for the AY 2020-21 as follows:

Total Applications	296
LoI	189
LoR	105
Under Process	2
LoI further Proc	essed
LoA	13
Under Process	176

In the 12 applications for ODL, 10 applicants have been given approval while approval for 2 Institutions which had given

undertaking about accreditation status in the Scrutiny may be put on hold till 30th June 2020. If the institutions submit accreditation status, then EoA/LoA shall be issued.

The EC ratified 7 cases under Chapter-I & Chapter-II, where changes in the decision have been effected after verification of all documents with the approval of Chairman, AICTE, which were earlier placed in the EC in its 134th meeting held on 02-06-2020.

To complete the pending appeals, the Council decided that AICTE may seek extension of time from Supreme Court for pending appeals and completion of Approval Process for AY 2020-21 up to June 30, 2020.

As per past practice, it was again resolved that Chairman, AICTE is authorized to take an appropriate decision in the remaining applications/cases of Chapter-I and Chapter-II, which are under process, as per APH 2020-21 and the same may be placed in the next meeting of the Council for its ratification.

Item No. 135.01.02 **Approval Bureau** To consider and approve grant of Extension of Approval for the AY 2020-21 to pending existing technical institutions.

The Executive Committee was informed that the total applications received from the existing Institutions are 9682 (including 10 Institutions offering ODL) and processed as follows:

EXISTING INSTITUTES					
Sl. No.	Particulars	No. of institute	EOA Issued	Pending*	
1	Existing Institutes EOA Only	6124	6030	94	
2	Existing Institutes (Affidavit _2)	884	831	53	
3	Existing Institutes _ Revised Affidavit/Undertaking	439	414	25	
4	Existing Institutes Applied for Changes	1873	1817	56	
5	Existing Institutes (Chapter-1)	184	184	0	
6	Closure of the institute	178	168	10	
	Total	9682	9444	238	

^{*} For discussion under item 61.01.03

A total of 9444 existing institutes have been given approval.

In the Change of Site, the conduct of SAC and EVC are under process for 29 Institutions.

It was also decided that any PGDM institution which has not submitted the enrolment data (partial/ complete) shall not be

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allowed to download the EoA till the submission of the data.

The EC also ratified the decision taken by Chairman, AICTE in respect of applications/cases processed under Chapter-II of APH subsequent to the 134th meeting of EC held on 02-06-2020.

Item No. 135.01.03 **Approval Bureau** To consider the request of Government of Telangana for grant of EOA for the 2020-21 to 238 Institutions.

The Executive Committee was informed that a communication from MHRD has been received by AICTE in the morning, prior to this meeting, wherein it has been mentioned that no-coercive action may be taken as of now, in respect of 238 institutions of Telangana state. Accordingly, the Executive Committee deliberated on the matter and decided to grant EoA for 2020-21 to these 238 institutions of Telangana state.

Item No. 135.01.04 **Administration Bureau**

To consider and approve the recommendation of Selection Committee held on 10.06.2020 for the post of Adviser-II Group "A" post (on deputation basis).

The Executive Committee was informed that a meeting of the Selection Committee was held on 10th June 2020 through video conference. The Selection Committee based on the performance of the candidates in the personal interviews and the credentials submitted online, selected the following candidate for appointment to the post of Adviser-II on deputation basis in AICTE, in the pay scale of Rs.131100-216600 (Level 13A as per 7th CPC), subject to verification of original documents at the time of joining:

Selected candidate:

1. Dr. Ramesh Unnikrishnan

Waiting list candidates:

- 1. Dr. Ravindra Kumar Soni
- 2. Dr. Madhukar Maruti Waware
- 3. Dr. Sandipann Pralhad Narote

The Executive Committee approved the decision of the Selection Committee in its meeting held on 10th June 2020.

It was also resolved that should there be any vacancy generated in the next one year, candidates in the waiting list be offered the appointment in order of merit.

Item No. 135.01.05 **MIC**

To consider and approve the list of HEIs for the Course Approval of MBA/PGDM in IEV (Innovation, Entrepreneurship & Venture development) for the AY 2020-21.

The Executive Committee was informed that evaluation for course approval of MBA/PGDM in IEV (Innovation, Entrepreneurship & Venture development) for the AY 2020-21 was carried out online and HEIs presented their case to Screening-cum-Evaluation Committee (SEC). The SEC team assessed the

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institution's incubation capacity, team competency, and resourcefulness to offer the MBA/PGDM in IEV course.

The Executive Committee considered and approved the recommendations of SEC in respect of 15 HEIs out of proposed 17 HEIs, to run MBA/PGDM in IEV course for the AY 2020-21.

Item No. 135.01.06 **SDC**

: To consider and approve the recommendation for Vocational course of AY 2020-21.

The Executive Committee considered and approved the recommendations of the Expert Committee for Vocational courses for AY 2020-21 as follows:

S.No.	Vocational Courses	No. of Institutes
1	Recommended	24
2	Recommended with Affidavit or request	48
3	Not Recommended	02

The members of the Executive Committee placed on record their appreciation for AICTE for remarkable steps of digital transformation undertaken amidst COVID-2019 period, with online scrutiny process/ online EVC and for completing the Approval Process 2020-21 as per proposed modified schedule to Hon'ble Supreme Court. Dr. Usha Natesan, Adviser (Approval Bureau) and Dr. N.H. S. Swamy, Director (E-Gov Cell) along with their respective teams were applauded for their effective contributions.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Prof. Rajive Kumar) Member Secretary (Prof. A.D. Sahasrabudhe) Chairman