Minutes of the 143rd Executive Committee meeting held on June 10, 2021 at 11.00 am in the Board Room, Second Floor, Wing 1, 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 Rakesh Ranjan Additional Secretary (HE/TE) Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, New Delhi (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Nominee, Secretary, MoE, GOI, New Delhi	
4.	Prof. Uday Kumar, (Chairman, NWRC-AICTE) Director, MNIT, Jaipur, Rajasthan (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member	
5.	Prof V. K. Saraswat, (Chairman AIB-ITE) Director, IET, Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Agra, UP (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member	
6.	Prof. Pramod Yeole, (Chairman, AIB-PE) Vice Chancellor, BAMU, Aurangabad, Maharashtra (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member	
7.	Shri N.C. Sharma, Director (HE) Govt. of Tripura (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Nominee, Secretary (TE/HE) Govt. of Tripura	
8.	Shri Satish Chandra Special Chief Secretary (HE/TE) Govt. of Andhra Pradesh (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member	
9.	Prof. Anil Mathur, Dean (FA), Rajasthan Technical University, Kota, Rajasthan (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member	
10.	Prof Arvind Choubey, Director, IIT Bhagalpur (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member	
11.	Dr. Avichal Kapur Joint Secretary University Grants Commission, New Delhi (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Nominee, Chairman, UGC	
12.	Prof. K. K. Aggarwal Chairman, NBA (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Special Invitee	
13.	Prof. Rajive Kumar, Member Secretary, AICTE	Member Secretary	

Chairman, SWRC-AICTE; Chairman, AIB-TCP; JS & FA, MoE, New Delhi; Secretary (TE/HE), Govt. of Uttar Pradesh; Secretary (TE), Govt. of Uttrakhand; Prof. H.C. Verma, IIT-Kanpur; Dr. G.P. Vadodaria, Principal, Govt. College of Engineering, Bhavnagar; Director General, IAMR; Director General, ICAR could not attend the meeting due to their prior engagements.

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At the outset, Prof. A.D. Sahasrabudhe, Chairman, AICTE welcomed all the members to the 143rd meeting of the Executive Committee. The Chairman briefed the members about the recent activities/achievements of AICTE since last reported in the 142nd Executive Committee meeting held on April 22, 2021, in the form of ppt presentation (Annexed) which included:

- AICTE & Indian Micro Enterprises Development Foundation (IMEDF) successfully conducted 02 Weeks Course on SFURTI for faculty of AICTE approved institutions of North East states during April 26 to May 8 2021;
- Organized various interactive sessions with Skill and Personality Development Centre (SPDC) beneficiaries on May 3, 2021, Scopus beneficiaries under e-Shodh Sindhu Scheme on May 6, 2021 and Grant of Conference (GOC) beneficiaries on May 27,2021;
- Webinars/talks were held on "Empathetic and Techno-Pedagogical approaches for the New-Normal" by Dr Pratima Khandelwal on May 4, 2021. Also a talk on '5G Technology and Deployment Across Globe' By Dr Hargovind Bansal on May 28, 2021 and on 'Stress Management' by Dr Anil Garg, International Motivational Speaker on June 10, 2021;
- Launched App developed by AICTE for its staff "Covid helpline for AICTE Families" on May 9, 2021.
 An online interaction with AICTE officials was also held on May 25, 2021;
- Conducted AICTE Training & Learning (ATAL) Academy orientation program for coordinators in which Dr. Manu Vora from USA graced as Chief Guest on May 11, 2021;
- Launch of AICTE Training & Learning (ATAL) Academy Calendar and inauguration of 15 online FDPs by Hon'ble MoE Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' on May 17, 2021; Inaugural Ceremony of 07 online ATAL FDPs on 31st May 2021 and 43 online ATAL FDPs on June 7, 2021;
- Technical Book Writing & Translation in Regional Languages for 1st year UG and Diploma are in progress. On May 17-18, 2021, two-day workshop on OBE, Blooms Taxonomy, workshop Reforms, Layout & Chapterisation for authors and reviewers was conducted.
- Launch of YUVAK Scheme- A Study Tour of ATAL Tunnel in Himachal Pradesh on May 21, 2021; an
 online meeting on June 2 was also held for AICTE Approved Institutions towards dissemination of
 information about YUVAK scheme;
- A total of 80,000 multiple choice questions have since been received in the AICTE Students Learning Assessment Project (ASLAP) Portal;
- Organized Webinars towards implementation of 360 Degree feedback;
- Various NEAT Awareness Programs organized on 6th, 18th, 20th May and 10th June 2021.;
- Launch of internship Opportunities on May 25, 2021 through AICTE Internship portal by Wileymthree and 20000+ internship opportunities offered by Scientific Jugaadfunda; Meetings were held with 8 Industry/Company for on boarding on Internship Portal;
- CoronaSafe Kochi War Room and Live Interaction with Engineering Fellows was held on May 25, 2021;
- Various activities towards implementation processes of NEP 2020 : Professional Education have been undertaken;

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- Conducted various Faculty Development Programmes(FDPs) on Universal Human Values (UHV) in Technical Education;
- Project Sunshine program highlights A program between AICTE & HCL Software– completion program status;
- AICTE Internship for students of Jammu & Kashmir seats in IITs and IISERs- completion status was informed:
- Various training course under Jammu & Kashmir Employability Enhancement Training Program: (JEET) are being held for the students of J&K/Ladakh;
- Online national convention is proposed for Chhatra Vishwakarma Award 2020 (CVA);
- Ongoing progress for conducting Clean & Smart Campus Award 2020 was informed;
- Opening of Isolation rooms at AICTE Northern Regional Office, Kanpur on June 2,2021
- ऑनलाइन कार्यशाला का आयोजन "संघ की राजभाषा हिन्दी तथा कोविड महामारी में तनाव प्रबंधन " ४ जून २०२१
- Organized various webinars by Indian Knowledge Systems "Vidhishastra: In the Modern Perspective" on 25.4.21, "The Real History of Prosperous India (समृद्ध भारत- वास्तविक इतिहास)" on 27.4.21; Bhautik Shastra: Physics in Vaisheshika Sutras on 16.5.21; "Critical examination: Dating of Ramayana and Mahabharata" on 19.5.21; "Relevance of Ayurveda Shastra in the modern era" on 22.5.21; Webinar on धोलावीरा उत्खनन: एक समृद्ध इतिहास on 9.6.21;
- Progress about Toyacathon 2021 and Drug Discovery Hackathon;
- Online training program on National Innovation and Startup Policy (NISP) Implementation was organized on May 17, 2021; and Yukti 2.0 session on 'Business Plan Aspects' was conducted on 10 May 2021;
- Various online meetings for National Conference on Emerging New Technologies and their Livelihood Opportunity Potential was held on 15th & 24th April 2021, 19th & 29th May 2021.;
- Online Innovation Ambassador Training Program for 30,000 CBSE School Teachers to be conducted;
- Various achievements by Institution's Innovation Council, ARIIA, NISP & MBA IEV;
- · Proposed India Africa Hackathon;
- A booklet prepared by AICTE on its various initiatives and activities during this pandemic 'AICTE DURING COVID 2019-key role in introducing and promoting technologies';

The Executive Committee members appreciated the efforts made by team AICTE and outstanding achievements.

The members were informed about the comments received from IFD, MoE, on the Agenda. The following Agenda Items were taken up for consideration, deliberations and decisions taken as under:

Item No. 143.01.01

To confirm the minutes of the 142nd meeting of the Executive Committee held on April 22, 2021

The Executive Committee confirmed the minutes of the 142nd meeting of the Executive Committee held on April 22, 2021.

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Item No. 143.02.01

: To receive a note on action taken on the decisions taken and recommendations made in the 142^{nd} meeting of the Executive Committee held on April 22, 2021.

The Executive Committee received the action taken on the decisions taken and recommendations made in the 142nd meeting of the Executive Committee held on April 22, 2021.

Under Item No. 142.03.09, the Executive Committee was informed that a separate Agenda is being placed before the EC in this meeting.

Item No. 143.03.01 P&AP Bureau To consider and approve the recommendations of a committee for taking initiatives for enabling differently abled students by providing accessibility to learning and other infrastructure facilities in Institutions and empowering them for taking better education through various other measures.

The Executive Committee was informed that a report of a Committee constituted under the chairmanship of Prof. M. Balakrishnan, former Deputy Director, IIT-Delhi, for taking initiatives for enabling differently abled students by providing accessibility to learning and other infrastructure facilities in institutions and equal opportunities of empowering them for taking better education through various other measures has been submitted. The salient suggestions of the aforesaid committee, in some selected model colleges in different states for Phase-I includes:

- a) Accessibility Standards for Students with Disabilities Studying in Technical Institutions;
- b) Framing Syllabus on Disability, Accessibility and Universal Design;
- c) Introduction of a New Elective Course on Design of Assistive Technologies (for other than Civil Engg. and Architecture Students);
- d) Suggested online SWAYAM course(s) and the list of faculty members who will be able to offer these courses;
- e) Suggested to conduct one seminar for NGOs and Department of Rehabilitation who are already working in this area for sensitizing people and create awareness on this issue;
- Suggested to Design short term certificate diploma course of one-year duration for teachers;
- g) Suggested to AICTE to take initiative for the promotion of proactive engagement of college community (students and staff) with NGOs working for the people with disability in the neighbourhood.

The Executive Committee appreciated that the suggestions of the Committee will enable students not only for providing accessibility to infrastructural resources, but also to other educational facilities for differently abled friendly educational resources.

The Executive committee considered to develop one model college in some selected states, which will be having all provisions as

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mentioned in the recommendations by the committee and approved the tentative proposed budget of Rs.75.00 crore (Rupees Seventy-five Crore only) for 15 states @ Rs.5.00 crore per institute. The detailed proposal for making institute differently abled friendly with learning assistive devices with Rs.5.0 crore expected outlay will be submitted to the Executive committee in the forthcoming meeting. The funds for the proposed budget will be met from the IRG of AICTE.

Item No. 143.03.02 Approval Bureau

To consider and approve grant of Extension of Approval for A/Y 2021-22 to the Institutes applied for EOA only and have no other issue. (Approval Bureau)

The Executive Committee was informed that for the AY 2021-22, AICTE has received a total 9225 Nos. of total applications out of which 8991 nos. are of existing institutions under Chapter-2 of Approval Process Handbook (APH) 2021-22.

The Executive Committee considered and approved 6223 nos. of existing institutions for extension of approval for AY 2021-22, based on the self-disclosure given on portal and after verification of no action/punitive action pending against such institutes.

The Executive Committee also authorized Chairman, AICTE for taking appropriate decision on remaining cases, which have applied, to AICTE under APH 2021-22 (new and existing), which may be placed for ratification in the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee was also informed that if required, AICTE might seek extension of time beyond June 30, 2021 due to prevailing COVID sitiutation, from the Hon'ble Supreme Court, to complete the processing of cases for the AY 2021-22. The same shall be reported to the Executive Committee, accordingly.

Item No. 143.03.03 Approval Bureau

To consider and deliberate on the issue related to those institutes who applied for establishment of a new institute and was granted LOI during 2019-20 and given time for fulfilment of infrastructure as per norms within three years i.e. upto 2021-22.

The Executive Committee was informed that the Societies/Trusts, who applied for establishment of new institutes and were granted LOI during AY 2019-20 were given time for fulfilment of infrastructure and other norms within two years i.e. upto AY 2021-22. It was further informed that due to lockdown situation in the pandemic period, institutions have asked extension of one more year to complete the required infrastructure and facilities.

The Executive Committee considered and approved the extension period of LoI for establishment of a new institute to those societies/trusts that were granted LOI during AY 2019-20, for one more year i.e. till 2022-23. The fee for conducting EVC for the year 2022-23 will be applicable as per provisions contained in APH 2022-23.

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Item No. 143.03.04 Approval Bureau

To consider and deliberate for revision of Academic Calendar for AY 2021-2022 for PGDM/PGCM. (Approval Bureau)

The Executive Committee was informed about the representation received from Confederation of India Industry (CII) requesting to revise the academic calendar due to delay in commencement of $1^{\rm st}$ and $2^{\rm nd}$ year sessions of PGDM/PGCM institutions.

The Executive Committee deliberated on the matter and approved the proposed revised calendar for PGDM/PGCM institutions which is enclosed as <u>Appendix No. 143.03.04</u>. Further, the Executive Committee opined that AICTE may assess the pandemic situation and if necessary, suitable modifications be made further in the academic calendar for PGDM/PGCM institution. The same may be reported to the Executive Committee.

Item No. 143.03.05 Administration Bureau

To consider and approve the proposal for reimbursement of salary of canteen staff amounting to Rs.1,13,902/- excluding GST and waiver of electricity charges of Canteen and Guest House-Kitchen as a special case under COVID-19 situation.

The Executive Committee was informed that M/s. Saraswati Manpower Pvt. Ltd. was awarded the contract of providing Kitchen Catering and Hospitality services for AICTE guest house and canteen at its Headquarter, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi, since 01.02.2021. The Canteen Contractor has placed a written request on 30.04.2021 stating that due to COVID-19 it is difficult to run further business as demand has gone down drastically. Vide their letters it is mentioned that they have deployed 09 manpower in canteen and in such pandemic time they are not able to provide them salary and has requested for financial support. Vide another letter dated 06.05.2021, the Canteen Contractor has placed one more request in continuation to their earlier letter for waiving off the electricity charges till such time the canteen is fully operational.

The EC was also informed that AICTE remained functional all the time during COVID situation and for managing emergency services viz. Students' scholarships, Internship help, Hackathon activities etc. officials were forced to stay in Guest House and food, water supply, electricity requirement was essential. There is no alternative to these necessary services except providing financial assistance to the Canteen contractor which was viable.

The Executive Committee noted that in its 137th meeting held on 30.09.2020 an amount of Rs.95,968/- towards reimbursement of salary of canteen staff and also reimbursement of electricity charges of Rs.30,332/- was accepted as a special case due to Covid-19 lockdown during the year 2020 in a similar situation. The EC also noted the comments of IFD, MoE received on this Agenda item, however contended that incase food was required to be ordered from outside in lockdown period the same would have costed double the amount as proposed for providing salary to cook and support staff.

Accordingly, the Executive Committee considered and approved

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reimbursement of an amount of Rs.113902/- (Rupees one lakh thirteen thousand nine hundred and two only) towards the expense of monthly charges against the salary of 04 canteen personnel and also waive the electricity bills for the months of May, 2021 and June 2021 as a special case.

Item No. 143.03.06 MIC

To consider and approve the proposal for organising and a budget of Rs.1.25 crore for India-Africa Hackathon. (MIC)

The Executive Committee was informed that the concept of organizing the international Hackathon by MIC and AICTE has proven to be highly successful in strengthening the diplomatic and economic ties with the foreign countries like the ASEAN-India Hackathon and Singapore-India Hackathon.

The EC was further informed that with the same vision, India-Africa Hackathon is proposed to be organized wherein the students of the participating countries will collaborate to provide innovative solutions in the areas of Energy, Education, Environment/Climate Change. MIC and AICTE will collaborate with the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), Office of Permanent Representative to India to UNSECO and UNESCO's education section in this regard.

The Executive Committee deliberated and approved the proposed tentative budget of Rs.1.25 crore for organizing India-Africa Hackathon.

Item No. 143.03.07 Approval Bureau To consider and approve the grant of Extension of Approval (EoA) for AY 2021-22 to Government institutions having punitive action i.e. reduction in intake, no admission etc. for AY 2021-22.

The Executive Committee was informed that during AY 2020-21, Extension of Approval was granted to all Govt. institution based on the letter of assurance given by respective Directorate of Technical Education regarding fulfilment of deficiencies related to faculty/infrastructure. Now, the Director General, Technical Education Department, Haryana vide its communication has stated that adequate temporary/contractual faculty have been put in place in all the Govt. technical institutes as per requirement by centralized recruitment process till the appointment of regular faculty. The process for recruitment of regular faculty has been initiated. Sufficient budget has been earmarked to augment the infrastructure facilities in the institutes as per NEP and NBA.

The Executive committee considering the Covid-19 pandemic, situation throughout the country and non-conduct of regular classes in the institutions, approved the grant of Extension of Approval for AY 2021-22 to the Government institutions having punitive action for AY 2021-22 in line with the decision taken during AY 2020-21. The EC resolved that AICTE would obtain a letter from respective Directorate of Technical Education/Principal Secretary-Education of various States/UTs regarding fulfilment of deficiencies related to faculty/infrastructure. However, the punitive action as decided shall continue for the AY 2021-22 for such Government institutions who have not made up the deficiencies.

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Item No. 143.03.08 Approval Bureau

To consider grant of approval for establishment of new Government Polytechnics under Govt. Institutes/Govt. Aided/ PPP institutes at Uttar Pradesh.

The Executive Committee was informed that the Directorate of Technical Education (DTE), Uttar Pradesh (UP) vide their mail has stated that 51 state polytechnic institutions which are under construction of Technical Education (Diploma Sector) Uttar Pradesh, are proposed to be operated by PPP (Public Private Partnership) model. 15 government polytechnics are proposed to be operated under first phase and out of these institutes, tender process of 06 Government Polytechnic Institutes is almost complete. The DTE, UP has sought opinion from AICTE regarding the approval process of such Government polytechnics to be operated under PPP model. Due to COVID pandemic they could not apply online.

The Executive Committee deliberated on the proposal and decided that AICTE may seek more clarifications and details on similar type of establishment of govt. institutions under PPP/ regular model from other States/UTs, since each State/UT shall have a different model where fee charged, funds for salary paid to faculty etc. may vary in each case. The EC further opined that on receipt of inputs from various States/UTs, AICTE may take a decision accordingly and the same may be informed to the Executive Committee.

Further, the Executive Committee approved that looking into the job opportunities any state Govt. proposal to start a new polytechnic be given in only in emerging/vocational areas which are in alignment with the vision of NEP 2020. This facility can be extended to all similar proposals received from different State/UT governments.

Item No. 143.03.09 Approval Bureau

To consider reservation of Seats in Degree Level technical courses for State / UTs lacking in such facilities.

The Executive Committee was informed that Ministry of Education (MoE), vide their letter dated 25th May, 2021 has stated that in MOE there is an ongoing scheme of reservation of seats in Engineering / Technology / Architecture / Pharmacy courses conducted at Degree level technical institutions approved by AICTE and Universities for States and UTs which do not have Engineering Colleges or lack facilities for education in specific fields of technical education, and for certain categories including foreign students.

MoE vide the aforesaid letter has requested to work on the development of a portal to manage allocation of those seats in AICTE affiliated Institution / Colleges allocated through CSAB for effective implementation of the scheme. The beneficiary States / UTs and Agencies under the scheme may be consulted to rectify the issues, if any.

The Executive Committee considered and deliberated on the matter and approved the proposal that supernumerary seats may be allocated under the scheme for the following States / UTs /

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- i. 8 North Eastern State including Sikkim.
- ii. 2 Islands territories of Andaman & Nicobar Island and Lakshadweep.
- iii. Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli
- iv. Central Tibetan Schools Administration (CTSA)
- v. Indian Council for Child Welfare (ICCW) for recipients of children's bravery awards.
- vi. Ministry of External Affairs (Education).
- vii. Ministry of External Affairs (Welfare) forwards of government employees posted in Indian Missions abroad.

The Executive Committee further decided that AICTE shall write a letter to colleges that students selected under Central Seat Allocation Board North Eastern and Union Territories (CSABNEUT) shall be considered under supernumerary seats for the AY 2021-22 and in future and endorse a copy to CSAB-NEUT and APIs for development of a portal to manage allocation of those seats in AICTE affiliated Institution / Colleges allocated through CSAB for effective implementation of the scheme. This decision may be shared with the Chairman, CSAB for further necessary action.

Item No. 143.03.10 Approval Bureau To consider and deliberate on the request of international institute of information technology (IIIT), Hyderabad, a Deemed-to-be-University for grant of approval for introduction of new course M. Tech Programme in Software Product Design as a part of National effort driven and funded by the Ministry of Electronics and IT(MEITY), and variation in intake/closure of courses etc. for A/Y 2021-22.

The Executive Committee was informed that International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT), Hyderabad was established in 1998 under PPP mode with seed support of Govt. of AP for conduction UG, PG, MS Research, Ph.D (CSE) & Ph.D. (CL). The institute was granted Deemed-to-be-University status by UGC. IIIT, Hyderabad, applied for grant of AICTE approval during AY 2005-06 for the various B.Tech. and M.Tech. programmes conducted by the institute and got the approval. The institute was given AICTE approval up to 2007-08 and thereafter intermittently since deemed universities did not require AICTE approval as per CA No. 2056/1999 of Supreme Court judgment. However, from 2018 Supreme Court decision CWP No. CA No. 17869-70/2017, AICTE has started regulating deemed universities and IIIT-Hyderabad has been taking approvals.

The Executive Committee noted that vide its 74th meeting held on 12.04.2012, it granted ex-post-facto approval to the institute for the AY 2008-09 to 2010-11. Thereafter, IIIT-Hyderabad got the approval till AY 2020-21. As per the data of enrolment of students available on the portal, the institute has made excess admission of 40 students in PG-Computer science & Engg. and 05 students in UG-Electronic & Communication Engg. Also, during AY 2019-2020, excess admission of 30 students in PG-Computer Science. & Engg. and 23 students in UG-Electronics & Communication Engg.

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However, total actual admissions in all PG programmes taken together is within the total approved intake in PG programmes. Also, scholarship is granted to only GATE qualified students. In view of this excess admissions done in some of the courses was ratified by the Executive Committee vide item no. 139.03.04 in its 139th meeting held on 25.01.2021.

The EC also noted that the institute is having a grade of 3.05 as per the list provided by NAAC. However, none of courses of the institute is NBA accredited.

No.	B.Tech. Programmes	Intake Approved AY 2020-21 by AICTE	Changed Intake for AY 2021-22	Category	
1	Computer Sci. Engg.	140	150	Agreed increase in intake by rounding up to nearest division size.	
2	ECE	45	60	Agreed increase in intake by rounding up to nearest division size.	
No.	M.Tech Programmes	Intake approved by AICTE AY 2020-21	Changed Intake for AY 2021-22	Category	
1.	Artificial Intelligence	05	00	Closure of Course	
2.	VSLI and Embedded System	30	00	Closure of course	
3.	Bioinformatics	30	00	Closure of course	
4	Computer Sci. Engg	60	90	Increase in intake 90 agreed in lieu of closure of three courses with intake of 65.	
5	Computer Sci. & information Security	30	30	EOA only	
6	Computer Aided Structural Engg.	25	30	Increase in intake agreed by rounding up to nearest division size.	
7	Product Design and Management	MAN TO THE	30	Introduction of New Course. The course is funded by Ministry of Electronic and IT(MEITY)	

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No.	B.TechMS Integrated Programmes	Intake Approved AY 2020-21 by AICTE	Changed Intake for AY 2021-22	Category
1	Integrated Programmes in Computer Sci. Engg.		90	Courses already started in 2004.
2	Integrated Programme in ECE	-	30	

The EC was also informed that as per AICTE norms, an institute is eligible for interchange of intake of a course within same level and total intake and also to round up the number of intake up to the full division or half division sizes. Introduction of new courses is allowed by closing corresponding numbers of courses within total intake, without NBA and/or NAAC, in this case NAAC score 3.05 i.e. category-III.

The Executive Committee considered and deliberated on the matter and decided to approve the closure /increase in intake applied by IIIT, Hyderabad by rounding off of the intake as per the AICTE division size and within the approved intake of AY 2020-21 with slight variation. IIIT, Hyderabad will send a revised intake after rounding off the intake as per AICTE division size.

AICTE has stated that institutes cannot take piecemeal approval but all technical programmes need to be taken approval of. Further, deemed universities were not required to take AICTE approval till 2018.Hence, the Executive Committee decided to approve the additional courses applied as integrated program being conducted by IIIT, Hyderabad, a Deemed-to-be-University since 2004 prior to 2018.

Item No. 143.04.01 Approval Bureau To ratify the decision taken in meeting held on 23rd May 2021 for considering the cases under different categories for processing of applications for AY 2021-22, due Covid-19 pandemic situation.

The Executive Committee ratified the matter.

The Executive Committee deliberated and decided to waive-off the condition of conducting Regional Committee meetings at Regional level for considering the Chapter-I and/or Chapter-II for AY 2021-22 cases and the reports/findings/recommendations of Scrutiny/Re-Scrutiny/EVC etc. be placed directly before the Executive Committee for its approval, due to paucity of time to complete the approval process by 30th June 2021.

The Executive Committee further decided to authorize Chairman, AICTE to take decision on the cases in between the two EC meetings and thereafter, place the decisions in the next EC meeting for its ratification.

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Item No. 143.04.02 IDC : To ratify the amendment in the process for release of grants under GOC Scheme.

The Executive committee ratified the matter.

Item No. 143.05.01 Approval Bureau : To receive the information regarding grant of approval or otherwise to Institutions applied under Chapter-1 for AY 2021-22.

The Executive Committee received the information.

Item No. 143.05.02 Administration Bureau : To receive information regarding selection of Assistant Innovation Director in Innovation Cell of MoE on contract basis of which interview was held on 08.04.2021.

The Executive Committee received the information. The Executive Committee observed the comments of IFD, MoE on this Agenda item and noted that the component of TA and HRA were part of the original approval by the Council, Ministry, advertisement & appointment letter and this additional amount also is permissible.

Item No. 143.05.03 Administration Bureau To receive the information regarding recommendations of the Departmental Promotion Committee in its meeting held on 27.05.2021 for consideration of promotion for Group 'A' Officer of AICTE.

The Executive Committee received the information.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

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

Appendix No. 143.03.04

Academic Calendar 2021-22

SI.	Event for Technical Institutions	Schedule for A/Y 2021-22 30 th June, 2021	
No.	(Not applicable for Standalone PGDM / PGCM Institutions)		
1.	Last Date for Grant of Approval to Technical Institutions		
2.	Last Date for Grant of Affiliation by University / Board	15 th July, 2021	
3.	Last Date for Completion of First Round of Counselling / Admission for Allotment of Seats	31st August, 2021	
4.	Last Date for Commencement of Classes for Existing Students of Technical Courses	1st September, 2021	
5.	Last Date for Completion of Second Round of Counselling / Admission for Allotment of Seats	9 th September, 2021	
6.	Last Date for Cancellation of Seats for Technical Courses with FULL Fee Refund	10 th September, 2021	
7.	Last Date up to which First Year Students can be Admitted Against Vacancies	15 th September, 2021	
8.	Last Date for Commencement of Classes for First Year Students of Technical Courses	15 th September, 2021	
9.	Last Date for Lateral Entry Admission to Second Year Courses for Newly Admitted Students	20 th September, 2021	
	Events for Standalone PGDM / PGCM Institutions		
1.	Last Date for Grant of Approval to Standalone PGDM / PGCM Institutions	30 th June, 2021	
2.	Standalone Technical Institutions conducting PGDM / PGCM Courses shall NOT initiate the admission before	1stApril, 2021	
3.	Commencement of Classes for Existing &New Students in Standalone PGDM / PGCM Institutions	2 nd August, 2021*	
4.	Last Date for Cancellation of Admission for Courses in PGDM / PGCM Institutions including FULL Fee Refund	6th August, 2021*	
5.	Last Date for Admission to courses in PGDM / PGCM Institutions	11th August, 2021*	
	Events for Institutions with ODL / Online Programme(s) / Cour	rse(s)	
1.	Last Date for Grant of Approval to Institutions Offering ODL/Online Course(s)	30 th June, 2021	
2.	Last Date for Admission to Courses in Open and Distance Learning / Online Learning Mode (First Session)	1 st September, 2021	
3.	Last Date for Admission to Courses in Open and Distance Learning / Online Learning Mode (Second Session)	1st February, 2022	

Note:

- All the AICTE Approved Institutions / Universities are requested to follow AICTE / UGC Guidelines on Examinations issued from time to time in view of Pandemic.
- The Classes may be started in Online/Offline (Class Room) or Blended mode (Online as well as Offline) following the prescribed protocols / guidelines related to Pandemic.
- The Academic Calendar may change subject to conditions existing due to Pandemic and guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health/ Ministry of Home/ Ministry of Education from time to time.
- Institutions Admitting students without prior approval shall be subjected to punitive action.
- * In line with IIMs & UG Degree final year exam dates.

 May change depending on dynamic COVID cases and schedule of degree level examinations.

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