

ALL INDIA COUNCIL FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION
Nelson Mandela Road, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi 110 070

Minutes of the 145th Executive Committee meeting held on September 13, 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 V. K. Saraswat, (Chairman AIB-ITE) Director, IET, Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Agra, UP (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
5.	Dr. P.S. N. Rao (Chairman, AIB-TCP) Director, School of Planning & Architecture, New Delhi (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
6.	Prof. Pramod Yeole, (Chairman, AIB-PE) Vice Chancellor, BAMU, Aurangabad, Maharashtra (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
7.	Sh. Kripa Shankar Singh, Special Secretary, Higher Education Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, UP. (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
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. K. K. Aggarwal Chairman, NBA (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Special Invitee
11.	Prof. Rajive Kumar, Member Secretary, AICTE	Member Secretary

Chairman, NWRC-AICTE; Chairman, SWRC-AICTE; JS & FA, MoE, New Delhi; Secretary (TE/HE) Govt. of Tripura; Secretary (TE), Govt. of Uttarakhand; Prof. H.C. Verma, IIT-Kanpur; Prof Arvind Choubey, Director, IIT Bhagalpur; Prof. G.P. Vadodaria, Principal, Govt. Engg. College, Bhavnagar; Chairman, UGC; Director General, NILERD (former 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 145th meeting of the Executive Committee. The Chairman briefed the members about the recent activities/achievements of AICTE since last reported in the 144th Executive Committee meeting held on July 13, 2021, in the form of ppt presentation. The details are enclosed as **Annexure-1**.

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

The members were informed about the comments received from IFD, MoE, on the Agenda and accordingly decisions were arrived at while taking these comments into cognizance. The following Agenda Items were taken up for consideration, deliberations and decisions taken as under:

Item No. 145.01.01 : To confirm the minutes of the 144th meeting of the Executive Committee held on July 13, 2021.

The Executive Committee confirmed the minutes of the 144th meeting of the Executive Committee held on July 13, 2021.

Item No. 145.02.01 : To receive a note on action taken on the decisions taken and recommendations made in the 144th meeting of the Executive Committee held on July 13, 2021.

The Executive Committee received the action taken on the decisions taken and recommendations made in the 144th meeting of the Executive Committee held on July 13, 2021.

Item No. 145.03.01 : To consider and approve relaxation in eligibility conditions for grant of StDC Saksham Scholarship Scheme.

This item was withdrawn.

Item No. 145.03.02 : To consider and approve provisioning of AICTE supported PG StDC scholarship for GATE and CEED qualified students admitted in M. Design course in AICTE approved Institutions.

The Executive Committee was informed that AICTE on the basis of a request received from the Secretary, UGC, discussed the matter in the first meeting of the All India Board of Applied Arts, Crafts and Design (AIB-AACD) to consider the proposal of IIT Bombay for equivalence of CEED and GATE. The AIB-AACD recommended and the same was conveyed to the Secretary, UGC. During deliberations the EC was informed that IITs are also providing scholarship to CEED qualified students to pursue M. Design in line with GATE scholarship.

Accordingly, the Executive Committee considered the proposal and approved inclusion of students admitted in M. Design course in AICTE approved institutes with valid GATE/CEED score card as eligibility for PG scholarship from the year 2021-22 onwards.

Item No. 145.03.03 : To consider and approve writing-off the un-serviceable, un-repairable/condemned items by online - auction process through e-Administration Wizard Portal of MoE at AICTE Hqr. New Delhi.

The Executive Committee considered and approved writing-off the un-serviceable, un-repairable/condemned items by online auction process through e-Wizard Portal of MoE at AICTE Hqr. New Delhi.

Item No. 145.03.04
IDC

: To consider and approve the proposal to include new variant namely AICTE - CAFES (RAIL).

The Executive Committee deliberated on the proposal to fund construction of hostel catering to the institutions located in Remote/ Aspirational/ Islands Locations and operate it as AICTE-CAFES (RAIL). This variant will be applicable to institutions located in Remote areas (covering J&K, Ladakh), Islands (Andaman & Nicobar, Lakshadweep), and the aspirational districts identified in AICTE Approval Process Handbook, which are at present 112 numbers.

The Executive Committee was of the view that the proposal may be revisited. AICTE should obtain the scheduled rates of CPWD related to construction activities in the North-Eastern states/areas and also for the states of Rajasthan, MP, Bihar etc., to draw a comparison of the construction rates in such cities/states/areas and then prepare a proposal for funding CAFES (RAIL). Accordingly, a revised agenda may be placed before the Executive Committee for its consideration.

Item No. 145.03.05
MIC

: To consider and approve an additional budget requirement of Rs.12,50,000.00 for the Mentor-Mentee Program for IIC institutions.

The Executive Committee was informed that in its 137th meeting under item No. 137.03.16 approved a budget of Rs.1.00 crore towards the implementation of the Mentor-Mentee program for HEIs with the Institution's Innovation Councils (IICs). Also, the Executive Committee in its 141st meeting approved the detailed scheme document with budget breakup to provide financial support upto Rs.2.00 lakh per mentor institute to 50 IIC institutions to mentor 250 mentee IIC institutions in a ratio of 1:5.

The Executive Committee was further informed the evaluation committee in its meeting held on 22nd August 2021, recommended that there will be involvement of interstate or long-distance travels for the participants from mentee institutions to attend the 2-day exposure training program at the mentor institute, as this is one of the prescribed activities for mentor institutes. Therefore, to encourage quality participation from mentee institutions an additional budget of Rs.12,50,000/- (Rs.25,000/- per mentor institute for taking care of 5 mentee institutes @ Rs.5,000/mentee institute) towards the reimbursement of travel costs for participants of mentee institutions will be required.

The Executive Committee considered and approved the additional budget of Rs.12,50,000/- (Rupees Twelve lakh fifty thousand only) for the Mentor-Mentee Program for IIC institutions. The funds for the same will be met from the IRG of AICTE.

Item No. 145.03.06
MIC

: To consider and approve additional budget requirement of Rs.41,23,930/- for implementation of ARIIA 2021.

The Executive Committee was informed that in its 137th meeting, a part budget of Rs.22,06,070/- was approved to initiate the implementation of ARIIA 2021, out of the MIC's total proposed



budget Rs. 63,30,000/- for ARIIA 2021.

The Executive Committee was further informed that the validation exercise is in progress by engaging external experts, and INFLIBNET, Gandhinagar, providing technical service support who has raised a demand for its services.

The Executive Committee discussed the proposal and decided that since ARIIA 2021 ranking exercise will complete in October 2021, approved the release of the balance budget amounting to Rs.41,23,930/- (Rupees Forty-one lakh twenty-three thousand nine hundred and thirty only) towards successful implementation of ARIIA 2021.

Item No. 145.03.07
P&AP Bureau

: To consider and approve the report of National Fee Committee on revision of fee structure and guidelines for fixing minimum and maximum tuition and other fee.

The Executive Committee deliberated at length on the report of the National Fee Committee submitted by the committee constituted under the Chairmanship of retired Supreme Court Justice Shri B.N. Srikrishna.

The Executive Committee opined that the minimum and the maximum fee recommended by the committee needs to be relooked especially in the areas of applied art and design education and post-graduation education. Accordingly, the EC decided that the report may be shared in a confidential manner with State/UT Secretaries and the State Fee regulatory committees, for their views /comments to arrive at a balanced and judicious outlook. The report may accordingly be re-visited and any modification thereof may be placed before the Executive Committee for its consideration

Item No. 145.04.01
IDC

: To ratify the amendment in budget heads under AICTE- IDEA Lab scheme.

The Executive Committee ratified the matter.

Item No. 145.04.02
FDC

: To ratify the awarding of work "Setting up of studio at AICTE headquarters on Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning basis (SITC)".

The Executive Committee ratified the matter.

Item No. 145.04.03
Swayam Cell

: To ratify the appointment of Dr. Adish C. Aggarwala, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India as Arbitrator in the Arbitral matter of M/s. CtrlS Datacenters Ltd., Hyderabad from AICTE side in place of Late Shri Neeraj Aarora, AOR, Supreme Court of India, consequent upon his untimely sad demise due to COVID-19 at a Professional Fee and other charges already approved by the Executive Committee of AICTE in its 137th Meeting held on 30th September, 2020 in terms of Schedule 4 of the Arbitration & Conciliation (Amendment) Act, 2015.

The Executive Committee ratified the matter.

Item No. 145.05.01 : To receive the information on selection of photocopy machine operator
Administration (Group 'C') for persons with disabilities and staff car driver (UR)
category on direct recruitment basis in AICTE.

The Executive Committee received the information.

Item No. 145.05.02 : To receive information for hiring of In design/ Pagemaker professionals
FDC for conversion and formatting Original works in Regional Languages.

The Executive Committee received the information.

Item No. 145.05.03 : To receive information for provisionally Extension of NEEM Scheme for
SDC three months (upto 30th November, 2021) – reg.

The Executive Committee received the information.

Item No. 145.05.04 : To receive information for closure of SKP & refund of security deposit to
SDC M/s Fashionista School of Vocational Studies, New Delhi.

The Executive Committee received the information.

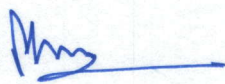
Item No. 145.05.05 : To receive a note on organizing MANTHAN 2021.
MIC

The Executive Committee received the information.

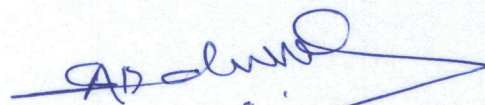
Item No. 145.05.06 : To receive a note on the provision of telephone facilities and
Admin. Bureau reimbursement of telephone charges to the entitled officers in AICTE.

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

Activities and Achievements of AICTE from July 13, 2021 to September 12, 2021

- A workshop on Curriculum Development was held on 16th July 2021;
- Two awareness programs on Industry Connect were organized on: a) Opportunities for Institutes to Collaborate with Industries; b) Promoting Internship Opportunities on 22nd July and 9th August 2021;
- Online Plagiarism Committee meeting was held for preparing AICTE Guidelines/regulations on 24th July 2021;
- One Week Workshop for Content Development for Faculty Volunteers was held during 25th July - 31st July 2021;
- A decision was taken that 'The Rishi Raj Gaur Excellence Award' will be conferred on 2nd October Mahatma Gandhiji's birthday or Global Ethics day, October 20, 2021 to three deserving Institutions which have made excellent contribution towards UHV;
- FDPs were held on AICTE- IDEA (Idea Development, Evaluation & Application) Lab in 3 institutions:
 - College of Engineering Pune, Maharashtra during 26 - 30 July 2021;
 - Netaji Subhas University of Technology, Delhi during 09 - 13 August 2021;
 - Ajay Kumar Garg Engineering College, Ghaziabad during 23 - 27 August 2021.
- Online meetings of the National Fee Committee were held on 26th July 2021 & 12th August 2021 for finalization of report;
- Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi ji's address on Completion of 1 year of Transformative Reforms under National Education Policy 2020 July 29, 2021 was attended by officers in AICTE;
- AICTE in collaboration with National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) Internship opportunities were launched on July 30, 2021;
- Interaction meeting was held with the selected students under AICTE Pragati & Saksham Schemes from the State of Tripura on July 30, 2021;
- Launch of a Training Programme on Menstrual Health & Hygiene was held on August 2, 2021;
- AICTE Doctoral Fellowship (ADF) Nodal Officers Meeting for 2021-22 was held on August 2, 2021;
- AICTE - Quality Initiative Webinars were held:
 - A talk by Dr Kamna Raj Aggarwala Critical need for Academia Industry Interface was held on 5th August 2021;
 - A talk by Dr. Harlal Singh Mali on New Product Development Startups was held on 12th August 2021;
 - A talk by Dr. Rajendra S Dhaka on Materials Science for Present & Future Technology was held on 9th September 2021;
- The 10th meeting of the Model Curriculum, for revision of UG & PG program was conducted on 7th August 2021;
- Online Meeting with National Scholarship Portal (NSP) Officials about streamlining AICTE schemes on boarded on NSP was held on 10th August, 2021;
- Online Interaction with selected students under AICTE Saksham Scholarship Scheme was conducted on August 10, 2021;
- Independence Day was celebrated at AICTE HQs on 15th August, 2021. The Indian Wrestler Sh. Yogeshwar Dutt, Olympian medallist, was the Chief guest at various events that were organised: Marching, Army band display, awards to staff of AICTE for excellent services, inauguration of Table Tennis area & badminton court, and launch of various portals;

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- A portal on 'AICTE Activity Point Rural Intention' was launched on 15th August, 2021. This requires institutions to upload the rural innovations, social work or other rural engagement activities, performed by their students as part of Internship Policy. Also, 2nd Phase of the Project Sunshine will be launched in September 2021 was informed. The portal launched for Internship for students of Jammu & Kashmir on 15th August, 2021 and is now open for registration;
- AICTE FIT India Portal & a Brochure on 'AICTE Fit India Challenge' were launched on August 15th 2021. A short tutorial video of Prof. M.P. Poonia, VCM on cardio workout was also unveiled;
- An interactive session regarding the AICTE Pragati & Saksham schemes was held with Hon'ble LG of J&K with the selected students from Jammu & Kashmir on August 18, 2021;
- Two workshops on Examination Reforms were organized:
 - collaboration with NITTTR Chandigarh for the State of Gujarat 23 – 25 August 2021;
 - collaboration with Chitkara University for the State of Rajasthan 08 – 10 September 2021.
- A meeting on IRM Publication release was held on 24th August, 2021;
- During AICTE Internship Day Celebration on August 25, 2021, 6.1 Lakh Internship Opportunities were launched;
- A meeting was held with 5 Sector Skill Councils for on boarded the more industries on AICTE Internship Portal:
 - Management & Entrepreneurship and Professional Skills Council (MEPSC)- 17th Aug., 2021
 - Leather Sector Skill Council – 18th Aug., 2021
 - Furniture & Fittings Skill Council – 19th Aug., 2021
 - Automotive Skills Development Council – 19th Aug., 2021
 - Indian Plumbing Skills Council – 24th Aug., 2021.
- Inaugural ceremony of AICTE Training And Learning(ATAL) Academy with ARM India FDP on Embedded Systems- an application driven approach was held on 25th August, 2021;
- 421 FDPs of ATAL Academy were conducted during the period and 63571 Faculty was trained in these FDPs;
- Online 11 workshops on Universal Human Values(UHV) were conducted;
- NEEM Scheme in its current format has been granted extension for a period of three months beyond 31st August, 2021;
- To review the SKP guidelines, meetings of Expert Committees were conducted on 12.01.2021, 03.02.2021 and recently on 30.07.2021. A meeting with stakeholders was also conducted on 19.07.2021 to review the work-done by the SKPs;
- The Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D) and AICTE, MIC have launched 'MANTHAN 2021' on 26th August, 2021;
- A meeting of AICTE and CII officers was held virtually on 3rd September 2021 for AICTE-CII Industry Linked Survey Award;
- A letter for participating in Wheebox National Employability Test(WNET) was issued on 6th September 2021 to all AICTE approved institutions regarding India Skill Report 2022;



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- The MoU was extended with IIT Guwahati for two years on 27th August 2021 for supporting institutes located in NER for Solving Water, Electricity & Internet Connection problems under the implementation of GAINER Scheme;
- Online Interaction with the beneficiaries of AICTE – SFURTI scheme from Arunachal Pradesh and Odisha on 3rd September 2021;
- Chhatra Vishwakarma Award 2020 (CVA) was organized with the theme “India’s Economic Recovery Post COVID; Reverse Migration and Rehabilitation Plan to support “Atmanirbhar Bharat” for AICTE approved institutions on 5th September, 2021;
- Clean and Smart Campus Award ceremony was held and Hon’ble Minister of Education, Shri, Dharmendra Pradhan ji felicitated 12 winning institutes with ‘Clean and Smart Campus’ awards 2020 on 5th September, 2021;
- AICTE’s Visvesvaraya Best Teacher Award and Dr. Pritam Singh Award ceremony was organized on 5th September, 2021. Hon’ble Minister of Education, Shri, Dharmendra Pradhan ji felicitated 17 Faculty in Engg. & Tech. and Dr Pritam Singh Award was conferred to 3 Faculty members in Management education;
- The Technical Book Writing & Translation in 05 regional languages were thoroughly scrutinised and final corrections were done in a workshop held at AICTE during 6 – 10 Sept. 2021.
- Vice President Sh. M Venkaiah Naidu witnessed a presentation on AI Translation tool at Upa-Rashtrapati Nivas on August 2, 2021 in the presence of Chairman, AICTE and CCO-NEAT;
- Under National Initiative for Technical Teachers Training (NITTTT), 12 Modules for senior teachers will be ready by 15th October, 2021 was informed;
- Webinars towards Implementation of 360 Degree Feedback were conducted;
- Under ASLAP Portal, total of 1,47,000 MCQs have since been received with 1,03,108 MCQs accepted post detailed scrutiny;
- For Setting up of a Studio M/s Visual Technologies India Pvt Ltd has successfully met the required parameters and additional RFP under preparation for hiring of skilled technical manpower for handling the operations of the studio;
- The Integration & Multiplier Effect of NISP - IIC – ARIIA was informed;
- An online Orientation cum Training session was conducted on 29th July 2021 and an online review session on ‘Policy Implementation’ was organized on 7th September 2021 for National Innovation and Startup Policy (NISP) Implementation;
- Various activities of Institution Innovation Council were informed;
- Total 21 HEIs received approval in MBA/PGDM Innovation Entrepreneurship and Venture Development (IEV) Academic Year 2021-22;
- Drug Discovery Mentorship and training program of 6-months duration has been initiated from September 1st, 2021 for the Drug Discovery Hackathon;
- The Toycathon 2021 was organized from 22-24th June 2021 through a specially designed digital collaborative platform;
- AICTE has proposed to organize the SIH 2022 next year physically at various nodal centers;



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- Indian Knowledge System Webinars were held :
 - On July 11, 2021 "Darshan Shastra: Its Significance in Day-to-Day Life" In association with Jagatguru Shri Devanath Institute of Vedic Science and Research, Nagpur Main speaker was Prof. Madhusudan Penna, Dean Kavikulaguru Kalidas Sanskrit University, Ramtek and Chief Guest was Prof.Ganti S.Murthy, IIT Indore;
 - On July 17, 2021 "A Dialogue between Indian Linguistic Theories and Language Technology." Main speaker was Prof. Amba Kulkarni, Former HOD, Dept. of Sanskrit Studies, Univ.of Hyderabad and Chief Guest was Prof. Anil D Sahasrabudhe, Chairman;
 - On August 5, 2021 "National webinar on 'Indian Knowledge System, Languages, Art & Culture' Hon'ble MoE Sh. Dharmendra Pradhan ji was Chief Guest and Hon'ble MP Sh. Tejasvi Surya ji was Guest of Honor;
 - August 9, 2021 on the importance of Traditional Techniques in Agricultural Science Main speaker was Dr. S.L.Choudhary, Ex-Chairman & Trustee Asian Agri-History Foundation and Chief Guest was Prof.M.P. Poonia, Vice Chairman, AICTE;
 - On August 25,2021 a Special talk राष्ट्रियशिक्षानीतौ संस्कृतम् Sanskrit week celebration was organized Eminent Speaker was Prof.V.N. Jha, Former Director, Centre of Adv. Study in Sanskrit, University of Pune and Chief Guest: Prof.M.P. Poonia, Vice Chairman, AICTE;
 - On September 6, 2021 on 'Vedic Microbiology' Main Speaker was Prof. Ramesh Chandra Dubey, Dean Research, Gurukul Kangri and Chief Guest was Prof. Neeraj Gupta, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Rajasthan;
- A MoU was signed between AICTE & TERRE for the purpose is to work closely to effectively design and run the 'Clean and Smart Campus Award' program, with an aim to promote and synergies efforts of all the stake holders;
- AICTE allowed logo support at India's first 'New Normal' event "ArdorComm- Education Leadership Summit & Awards 2021" on 30th September at Gurugram;
- A Webinar on AICTE - Mitacs Canada Globalink Research Internship (GRI) 2022 was conducted with Guest speaker: Darren Lum, Senior International Partnership Officer;
- E-Release India Rankings 2021 was instituted by the (NIRF) National Institutional Ranking Framework on 9th September,2021
- A farewell program of Sh. Anand Sharma (Director), Sh. Manoj Tiwari (Assistant Director) were Organized at AICTE HQ On 3rd August 2021;
- Heartiest Congratulatory moments were shared:
 - Prof. Anil D. Sahasrabudhe, Chairman AICTE awarded prestigious *Ravi J Mathai Award by AIMS*;
 - Prof. M.P. Poonia has assumed the additional charge as Chairman, Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology (CSTT) w.e.f. 10.9.21;
 - Prof. Dileep Malkhede has been appointed as Vice-Chancellor of Amravati University, Maharashtra.

