

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

Minutes of the 63rd Executive Committee meeting held on July 13, 2021 at 12.00 noon 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 (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
3.	Shri Pradeep Kumar Pandey Under Secretary (TE) Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, New Delhi (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Secretary, MoE, GOI, New Delhi
4.	Prof. Sunil Kumar Chairman CRC, AICTE VC, RGPV, Bhopal (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
5.	Prof. Uday Kumar, (Chairman, NWRC-AICTE) Director, MNIT, Jaipur (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
6.	Prof. Appa Rao Podile, (Chairman, SCRC-AICTE) Vice Chancellor, UoH, Hyderabad (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
7.	Prof. Venugopal (Chairman, SWRC, AICTE) VC, Bangalore University (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
8.	Dr. S. P. Bansal (Chairman, AIB - HTM) VC, HPTU (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
9.	Prof. Pushkar Kanvinde (Chairman, AIB - Architecture) Architect, Urban Designer BKPS, School of Planning and Architecture Savitribhai Phule, Pune (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
10.	Prof. V.K. Saraswat, (Chairman, AIB - IT Education) Director, IET, Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Agra, UP (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
11.	Prof. (Dr.) Pramod Yeole, (Chairman, AIB - Pharma. Education) Vice Chancellor, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University Aurangabad, Maharashtra (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member

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12.	Sh Anil Kumar, Director (IFD), Ministry of Education, Govt. of India (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Nominee, Joint Secretary & Financial Adviser (MOE), Govt. of India
13.	Sh. Shakil Alam, Economic Adviser, Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Government of India (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Nominee, Secretary, MSDE, Govt. of India
14.	Sh. Jaideep Mishra Jt. Secretary, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Govt. of India (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Nominee, Secretary, MeitY, Govt. of India
15.	Dr. R. K. Bharti Joint Director, MSME, Govt. of India (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Nominee, Secretary, MSME, Govt. of India
16.	Sh. N. C. Sharma Director (HE/TE) Directorate of Higher Education Govt. of Tripura (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Nominee, Secretary (TE), Govt. of Tripura
17.	Sh. Mukul Singhal, Principal Secretary (TE/HE) Uttar Pradesh (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
18.	Sh. Hari Singh, Director (TE), Government of Uttrakhand, Dehradun (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Nominee, Secretary (TE/HE) Govt. of Uttrakhand
19.	Shri Satish Chandra Special Chief Secretary (HE/TE), Govt. of Andhra Pradesh (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
20.	Dr. Rajesh Pankaj Additional Director FICCI, New Delhi (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Representative of FICCI, New Delhi
21.	Dr. Sandhya Chintala, Vice President, NASSCOM New Delhi (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
22.	Dr. Raj Aggarwal Director- CME All India Management Association (AIMA), N.Delhi (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Representative of All India Management Association (AIMA), New Delhi
23.	Sh. Vijay Vaidya Executive Secretary, Indian Society for Technical Education(ISTE) New Delhi (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member

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24.	Prof. G. Thiruvassagam President, Association of Indian Universities New Delhi (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
25.	Ms. Archana Mudgal Registrar, Pharmacy Council of India (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Representative, PCI, New Delhi
26.	Dr. M. K. Jha President, Indian Institute of Chemical Engineers, Kolkatta (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
27.	Dr. K. Balveera Reddy, Former Vice Chancellor, VTU, Karnataka (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
28.	Dr. Avichal Kapur Joint Secretary, UGC, New Delhi (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Nominee, Chairman, UGC
29.	Dr Ranjana Aggarwal, Director, CSIR-NIScPR New Delhi (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
30.	Prof. Rajive Kumar Member Secretary, AICTE	Member Secretary

Additional Secretary (TE), MHRD, New Delhi; Dr. P.S. N. Rao, Chairman, AIB-TCP; Secretary, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs; Secretary (TE), Govt. of Telangana; Secretary (TE), Govt. of West Bengal; Secretary, Technical Education, Govt. of Andaman & Nicobar Islands; Secretary (TE), Arunachal Pradesh; Smt. Shalini Sharma, Confederation of Indian Industry, New Delhi; Vice President, Council of Architecture, New Delhi; Director General, National Productivity Council, New Delhi; President, Indian Institute of Metals, Kolkatta; President, Institute of Electronics & Communication, New Delhi; Director, IAMR; Director General, ICAR; New Delhi 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 63rd meeting of the Council. The Chairman briefed the members about the recent activities/ achievements of AICTE in the form of ppt presentation. The details are enclosed as Annexure-1.

The Council members appreciated the efforts made by team AICTE and its outstanding achievements. Prof. Thiruvassagam, President, AIU congratulated Chairman, AICTE and its team for the fabulous work and achievements acclaimed in the field of technical education.

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

- Item No. 63.01.01** : To confirm the minutes of the following three meetings of the Council:
- i) 60th meeting held on December 19, 2019;
 - ii) 61st (Emergent) meeting held on June 15, 2020; and
 - iii) 62nd (Emergent) meeting held on June 29, 2020 .

The Council confirmed the minutes of the following Council meetings:

- i) 60th meeting held on December 19, 2019;
- ii) 61st (Emergent) meeting held on June 15, 2020; and
- iii) 62nd (Emergent) meeting held on June 29, 2020

A correction to the inadvertent error in the above minutes regarding the Council Member, Prof. Appa Rao Podile, Chairman, SCRC-AICTE who is a Vice Chancellor, University of Hyderabad (UoH), Hyderabad be made, instead of JNTU Hyderabad.

Item No. 63.02.01 : To receive a note on action taken on the decisions taken and recommendations made in the 60th, 61st, 62nd meeting of the Council held on December 19, 2019, June 15, 2020 and June 29, 2020

The Council received the action taken on the decisions taken and recommendations made in the 60th, 61st, 62nd meeting of the Council held on December 19, 2019, June 15, 2020 and June 29, 2020 respectively.

Item No. 63.03.01 : To consider and approve the Polytechnic institutions awarded for construction of hostel for SC/ ST students retrospectively from 2013-14.
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The Council was informed that AICTE introduced a Scheme for Hostel for SC/ST students in the year 2012 to support the institutions by construction of girls/ boys hostels for providing on campus accommodation for students/researchers belonging to SC/ST category. Under this scheme, only Government/ Government-aided engineering colleges/ University Departments were entitled for the grant.

While inviting the applications for this Scheme during the year 2013-14, Diploma Institutes were also included in eligibility criteria. As per available records, grant-in-aid for construction of hostel for SC/ST Students were released to 19 such institutions till date. In the meantime, the CAG while conducting an Audit inspection for financial year 2018-19 pointed out that AICTE had released the grants to non-entitled institutions i.e. Govt./Govt.-aided Polytechnic institutions, against the eligibility criteria rendering such grants as unauthorized and CAG directed AICTE for initiating action to get this grant back from such institutions.

In this regard, AICTE had written the letter to all such Polytechnic institutions to refund the entire grant along with interest earned on it. In response, these Polytechnic institutions requested Secretary, MoE to intervene in this matter, in which grant was utilized by the Polytechnic institutions. MoE in turn, had requested AICTE to "look into the matter and take necessary action in this regard as deemed fit."

The matter was placed before the Executive Committee in its 137th meeting held on 30.09.2020, in which, the EC approved the inclusion of Government Polytechnics retrospectively and not to seek refund from these 19 Govt. Polytechnics which were issued grants for construction of Hostel for SC/ ST Students from 2012-13 onwards. The Executive Committee also opined that a specific approval in this regard may also be requested from MoE and thereafter CAG be informed accordingly.

The Council was informed that MoE vide its Letter F.No. 1-3/2018-TS.II dated 28th June, 2021 has advised AICTE to place the proposal for extension of the scheme in its Council Meeting for concurrence, retrospectively from 2013-14.

The Council deliberated and in conformity of the decision of the Executive Committee held on 30.09.2020, approved the proposal retrospectively from 2013-14, since polytechnics are also engineering colleges running Diploma programmes. All these institutes are Govt./Govt. aided institutions. Moreover, in the revised scheme guidelines, Polytechnics are covered too.

**Item No. 63.03.02
Approval Bureau**

- : To consider and approve grant of 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 2021-22.

The Council considered and approved the grant of LoA/LoR. Out of 222 nos. of applicant institutions, 163 nos. were granted LoA and 59 nos. were granted LoR, 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 2021-22.

The Council applauded the teams of Approval Bureau and e-Governance Cell of AICTE for the time-bound completion of the approval process despite of pandemic situation in many parts of the country.

**Item No. 63.03.03
Approval Bureau**

- : To consider and approve grant of Extension of Approval (EoA) for the A.Y. 2021-22 to existing technical institutions under Chapter-II.

The Council considered and approved grant of Extension of Approval (EoA) for the A.Y. 2021-22 to existing technical institutions under Chapter-II of APH. Out of 8994 nos. of applicant institutions, 8656 nos. of institutions granted EoA, 42 nos. of institutions are under 'No Admission' category, 222 nos. of institutions are either given Closure of Institute/ Withdrawal

of Approval / LoR issued, and 74 nos. of institutions are under process.

The Council decided that the Chairman, AICTE may take decision on EoA or otherwise in respect of these 74 institutions which are under process and the decision be placed before the Council for ratification in its next meeting.

The Council also approved EoA to 38 universities/institutions/ open universities conducting ODL programs out of 40 nos. of applicant institutions. One university withdrew its application & one case is not recommended.

It was also informed that IISc. is starting three new M.Tech. courses in Data Science & Business Analytics, Artificial Intelligence and Electronics & Communication Engineering which do not require physical lab requirements in Online mode in line with new National Education Policy. IISc is an institution of eminence and NIRF ranked at number one. The Council noted and approved the same.

Item No. 63.03.04
Approval Bureau

- : To consider and clarify the PGDM/PGCM Institutions regarding start of classes for existing second year and first year students.

The Council deliberated and decided that as per the revised Academic Calendar issued by AICTE, all the standalone PGDM/PGCM institutions may start their first and second year classes on or before August 02, 2021.

The Council also clarified that in case any first year student cancels his/her seat upto the date given in the revised academic calendar, the institute will refund the entire fee minus Rs.1000/- and can admit student in lieu of the vacated seat till the last date specified.

In case of further delay in degree exam to be conducted by different Universities in India, further change in the calendar may be made.


Item No. 63.04.01

- : To receive the information on the minutes of the Executive Committee (EC) meetings held since last reported in the Council meeting held on December 19, 2019.

The Council 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 June 10, 2021 to July 12, 2021

- Organized various NEAT awareness programs online on 10th June, 16th June, 24th June and 8th July 2021;
- Online Innovation Ambassador Training: Webinar for Principals & Teachers on various initiatives of CBSE in collaboration with AICTE on June 14, 2021;
- Various institutional development activities: "AICTE -IDEA Lab scheme" results declared on June 14 2021, "Online Awareness Workshop with AICTE approved institutions of North Eastern Region (NER) on June 29 2021;
- Lilavati Award 2021: Online Meeting with Lilavati Evaluator on June 14 2021;
- Status of Chhatra Vishwakarma Award 2020 (CVA) and Clean & Smart Campus Award 2020;
- AICTE Announces Visvesvaraya Best teachers award, Dr Pritam Singh Award (for Management faculty members) and Visvesvaraya Best Teachers Award for person with disability;
- 7th International Yoga Day at AICTE Theme: *Yoga For Wellness* celebrated and a short video" अच्छे स्वास्थ्य का आभास... योगा अभ्यास" was launched on the importance of yoga and exercise on June 21, 2021;
- Successfully conducted Toycathon 2021- DIGITAL EDITION on June 22-24 2021;
- Online AICTE Examination Reforms Workshops in collaboration with KLE Tech University on June 28-30, 2021 and Chitkara University on July 8-10 2021;
- Smt. Mamta Rani Agarwal joined as Adviser-I, AICTE on June 30, 2021 and Prof. R. Hariharan, Adviser-II, AICTE repatriated to his parent office on July 5, 2021;
- Status of AICTE J&K Internship for students of Jammu & Kashmir for IIT/IISER's for next session;
- Status of Jammu & Kashmir Employability Enhancement Training Program: (JEET);
- Meetings and Programs organised for on-boarding Industry/Company on Internship Portal;
- Online workshop on Universal Human Values in June and July 2021 and upcoming schedule of FDP-SI UHV programs;
- SUNSHINE program completed 1st Phase by HCL;
- Online ATAL 27 FDPs inaugural by Hon'ble Director, Motilal Nehru National Institute of Technology Allahabad on 14th June 2021 and 54 online ATAL FDP's inaugural by Prof. N. S. Raghuwanshi, MANIT Bhopal on 21st June 2021
- AICTE and DCRUST signed a MOU for establishing ATAL Academy & IDEA lab on June 18, 2021 in the presence of Hon'ble Chief Minister of Haryana, Shri M.L. Khattar;
- Online 72 ATAL FDPs inaugurated by Prof. Neelesh Kr. Jain, Director, IIT Indore July 5, 2021 and 56 online ATAL FDPs inaugural by Dr. Manoj Gaur, Director, IIT Jammu on July 12, 2021;



- Status report of FDPs by AICTE Training & Learning (ATAL) Academy;
- Status report of Translation of SWAYAM Courses, UG and PG books through AI Translation tool;
- Status report of Technical Book Writing & Translation in Regional Languages;
- Two days' workshop on Utilisation of AICTE Translator tool for all the identified translators was held on 05th & 08th July 2021;
- Progress report of progress of AICTE Student Learning Assessment Project (ASLAP);
- 3 bidders are qualified for RFP for Setting up of Studio on 25th June 2021;
- Status of National Initiative for Technical Teachers Training;
- Total 1512 institutes have registered so far for Implementing 360 Degree Feedback;
- Meeting was held on 23rd June, 2021 at AICTE HQ to deliberate on the scope of NEEM Regulation;
- Webinars
 - Governance, Regulation and Quality - perspectives from current Indian Regulators. A talk delivered by Prof. M.P. Poonia Vice Chairman on NEP hosted by University College London (UCL) on June 29, 2021;
 - AICTE Quality Initiatives to include NITTT, ASLAP, AQIS financially funded schemes and NEAT on July 2, 2021;
 - Talk on NEP 2020 and the Way Ahead by Prof. Shakila Shamsu, Former Officer on Special Duty (NEP) Dept. of HE, MoE on July 8, 2021.
- Indian Knowledge System Webinars –
 - On June 11, 2021 "Concept & Practices of Environmental Conservation in Ancient India: What can we learn from them?" Main speaker: Prof. Michel Danino, Visiting Professor IIT Gandhinagar Chief Guest: Prof. Kapil Kapoor, Chairman Indian Inst of Advanced Study Shimla;
 - On June 14, 2021 Panel Discussion on Relevance of Naturopathy in the Modern Era Panelists: Dr.Rajiv Sharma, IAS, Member, Revenue Board, UP Govt Dr.Vimal Modi, Director, Arogya Mandir, Gorakhpur, UP Dr.Amarjeet Yadav, Faculty, Lucknow University;
 - On June 15, 2021 "KALIYUGA Inscriptional Evidence" Main speaker: Dr.M.L.Raja, M.B.B.S., D.O., M.A. History, D.I.A.E. Chief Guest: Prof. Nomesha Bolia, Dept. of Mechanical Engg., IIT Delhi;
 - On June 17, 2021 "Management in Bhagavad Gita" Main speaker: Prof. B. Mahadevan, IIM Bangalore Chief Guest: Prof. T.G. Sitharam, Director, IIT Guwahati;
 - On June 27, 2021 "Vyākaraṇaśāstra: Its Importance in Modern Age" in association with JSDIVSR Eminent Speaker: Prof.Malhar Kulkarni, Inst. Chair Prof. IIT Bombay Chief Guest: Dr. Shailendra Raj Mehta, President & Director, MICA Ahemdabad;
 - On June 30, 2021 'Mining & Metallurgy of Ancient India' Main Speaker: Dr. A.S. Nene, Board Member, Civil Engg. Dept., JSDIVSR Nagpur Chief Guest: Prof. B.S. Murthy, Director IIT Hyderabad;
 - On July 9, 2021 राखीगढ़ी उत्खनन: समृद्ध इतिहास पर नवीन प्रकाश Main speaker: Prof.Vasant Shinde, Director, Rakhigarhi Archaeological Research Project Chief Guest: Prof.Ramesh C Bharadwaj, Director, Gandhi Bhavan, HoD Dept. Sanskrit, Univ. of Delhi;
 - July 11, 2021 Darshan Shastra: Its Significance in Day-to-Day Life Eminent Speaker: Prof.Madhusudan Penna, Dean, Kavikulaguru Kalidas Sanskrit University Chief Guest: Prof.Ganti S.Murthy, & Founding Head of scientific IKS IIT Indore.



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- A workshop was conducted by tableau to train the faculty and students of AICTE Approved institutes in the field of data science, data intelligence and related field;
- AICTE in collaboration with Bhartiya Shikshan Mandal organized a webinar on "Teacher's Role in NEP Implementation, Awareness, Orientation, Challenges & Responses" on July 6, 2021. Speakers on this Webinar were: Dr Uma Shankar and Prof. Anil D. Sahasrabudhe.
- A meeting was conducted for revising first year UG curriculum on July 3rd, 2021, and proposed workshop on 16th July 2021;
- AICTE & DRDO jointly launched a regular M. Tech. Program in Defence Technology (6 Specialization) on July 8, 2021 and a Interaction session with interested universities and colleges for starting M. Tech. Defence Technology was held on July 12, 2021.
- Meeting with Shri Dharmendra Pradhan ji, Hon'ble Minister of Education and MOS & Officers of MoE on 9th July, 2020.
- Workshop on "Educating Future Mechanical Engineers" by the Mechanical Engg. Dept. at the Indian Institute of Science held under the auspices of AICTE and INAE as part of 75 years of department celebrations on July 10, 2021. Several former Directors of IITs, Deans from India and abroad participated.
- Launch & Orientation of Young Warrior Movement Against COVID-19 on July 12 2021. Speakers of this program were: Mr. Dhuwarakha Sriram, Ms. Ananya Pandey and Lalita Sachdeva along with other members from UNICEF/ YuWaah;
- A online session on National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 on "Contributing to an equitable and vibrant knowledge society, by providing high-quality education to all" held on July 13,2021

