

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

Minutes of the 134th Emergent Executive Committee meeting held on June 02, 2020 at 11.30 am 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.	Dr. P.S. N. Rao, (Chairman, AIB-TCP) Director, SPA, New Delhi (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
7.	Prof. Pramod Yeole, (Chairman, AIB-PE) Vice Chancellor, BAMU, Aurangabad, Maharashtra (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
8.	Shri. Biswajit Majumdar OSD (Technical) Directorate of Higher Education Govt. of Tripura (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Nominee, Secretary (TE), Govt. of Tripura
9.	Shri Satish Chandra Special Chief Secretary(HE) Govt. of Andhra Pradesh (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
10.	Prof. Arvind Choubey, Director, IIIT Bhagalpur, Bihar (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
11.	Prof. Anil Mathur, Dean (FA), Rajasthan Technical University, Kota, Rajasthan (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
12.	Prof. G. P. Vadodaria, Principal, Govt. College of Engineering, Bhavnagar (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
13.	Prof. Rajive Kumar, Member Secretary, AICTE	Member Secretary

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Prof. V.K. Saraswat, Chairman, AIB-TE; Joint Secretary/ Financial Adviser, MHRD, New Delhi;; Secretary, Technical Education Govt. of Uttrakhand; Secretary, Technical Education, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh; Prof. H.C. Verma, IIT-Kanpur;; 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 134th emergent meeting of the Executive Committee. He informed the members about the urgent nature of agendas being placed in today's meeting, amidst partial lockdown in the country due to COVID-2019 pandemic. Maintaining the norms of physical distancing in this period, majority of the members joined this meeting through Video Conferencing. The Chairman, briefed the members about the recent activities / achievements of AICTE since last reported in the 133rd meeting of the Executive Committee held on 27-04-2020 and shared the same with the members joined online through Video conferencing in the form of ppt presentation (Annexed) which included announcements of AICTE-USVA-2020 award; UKIERI-2020-21 Leadership program; Online sessions on NEAT; online FDPs on UHV in technical education; FDPs under ATAL in emerging areas; Digital Approval Process; Credit transfer and translation of SWAYAM courses; various webinars and inspiring sessions by Chairman, AICTE (turning crisis into opportunities); enriching webinar sessions by Vice Chairman & Member Secretary, AICTE; Leadership talk series by CIO-MIC; Proposed Hackathons - 'Drug Discovery Hackathon'; Scilab Toolbox Hackathon; Innovation activities by Institution Innovation Councils; enhancing online education (report submitted to GOI committee).

The Executive Committee members appreciated the efforts made by team AICTE under the leadership of Prof. A.D. Sahasrabudhe, Chairman, AICTE for the outstanding achievements during the continued lockdown period due to COVID-2019.

Chairman on behalf of AICTE applauded and acknowledged the contribution of the Frontline Corona warriors for fight against COVID-2019.

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

- Item No. 134.01.01 : To consider and approve grant of LoI/LoR (as applicable) to
Approval Bureau Institutions based on the recommendations of the respective Regional Committees 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 processing of applications is being done online this year as per the decision of EC in its 133rd emergent meeting held on April 27, 2020 and Order dated 22-05-2020 of Hon'ble Supreme Court in IA 48682/2020.

The Executive Committee considered and approved grant of LoI to 72 institutions (including 4 pending for getting a letter from the Applicant that the Buildings are constructed by PWD) and LoR to 226 institutions applied under Chapter-I of APH 2020-21, based on the recommendations of the respective Regional Committees, for setting up of new technical institution proposed to offer a technical program at Diploma/ Post Diploma



Certificate/ Under Graduate Degree/ Post Graduate Diploma/
Post Graduate Degree Level in the AY 2020-21.

Further, the Executive Committee considered and approved the processing of new applications for ODL through the Scrutiny/ Re-Scrutiny and RC (wherever conducted). 8 institutes cleared the Scrutiny while deficiencies are noted in case of 3 institutes.

Item No. 134.01.02
Approval Bureau

: To consider and approve granting Extension of Approval for the AY 2020-21 to existing technical institutions.

The Executive Committee considered and approved Extension of Approval (EoA) to the existing technical institutions as following:

- a) 1491 institutions based on self-disclosure for AY 2020-21;
- b) 167 institutions as per Scrutiny held with same composition as that for Scrutiny of Chapter-I; 89 Institutions have cleared the Scrutiny and deficiencies are noted in 78 Institutions;

Further, the existing 10 Standalone Institutions running ODL Courses as per Scrutiny of Chapter-I (3 institutions cleared the Scrutiny and deficiencies are noted in 7 institutions);

- c) 1336 institutions under Chapter-II processed by conducting the Scrutiny as approved in the 133rd Executive Committee Meeting, which were received from the Regional Offices;

Item No. 134.01.03
Approval Bureau

: To consider and approve the proposal to restore approved intake in the MCA program for the AY 2020-21, based on the 2nd year admission instead of 1st year admission.

The Executive Committee was informed that representations from the institutions about the admission status of 3 years MCA degree program had been very low in the first year. Whereas, the second-year admission (lateral entry) in MCA in the institutions has been continuously quite high (> 30%) for the past several years. The EC was also informed that AICTE, in line with UGC, has changed the duration of the MCA Program/Course from three-years to two-years from the current AY 2020-21.

Accordingly, MCA conducting institutions have requested AICTE to restore/decide the approved intake for the current year i.e. 2020-21, by considering the first and second-year admissions together in the past five years instead of admissions in first year of the 3-year duration program.

The Executive Committee deliberated and approved the proposal to restore approved intake for the AY 2020-21 based on the first and second year admission to all such MCA Institutions.



Item No. 134.01.04
Approval Bureau

: To consider the request of Government of Telangana for grant of EOA for the 2020-21 to 238 Institutions.

The Executive Committee noted that the request of Government of Telangana for grant of EoA to 238 institutions for AY 2020-21 was discussed at length in the last EC meeting held on April 27, 2020 and reply from MHRD is awaited.

The Executive Committee therefore, decided that the Chairman, AICTE is hereby authorized to take a suitable decision subsequent to the reply received from MHRD and may be placed for ratification in the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

Item No. 134.01.05
Approval Bureau

: To consider and approve the decision of AICTE in the cases of Government Institutions.

The Executive Committee was informed that 16 State Governments/UTs have submitted an undertaking to comply with the deficiencies existing in the Government institutions. The documentary proof of compliance is proposed to be submitted on or before September 2020. Accordingly, the Executive Committee decided that Extension of Approval (EoA) for AY 2020-21 to such government institutions may be granted.

The EC further decided that a reminder may be sent to the remaining State Governments/UTs to forward the requisite undertaking for deciding issuance of EoA with restoration of intake. In case, an undertaking is not received within the stipulated time, penal action already imposed shall continue on such government institutions.

Item No. 134.01.06
P&AP Bureau

: To consider and approve setting up of 'National Fee Committee' under the Chairmanship of Justice Srikrishna, for revision of the fee structure.

The Executive Committee considered and approved the setting up of 'National Fee Committee' under the Chairmanship of Justice Srikrishna, along with its composition and terms of reference as proposed, for revision of the fee structure.

Item No. 134.01.07
Administration Bureau

: To consider and approve the creation and functioning of a new Cell in AICTE as 'Indian Knowledge Systems Cell' (IKSC) and recruitment / posting of officials for IKSC.

The Executive Committee noted that a meeting was held at MHRD on 18th March'20 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble HRM to discuss and understand who all are working in the area of 'Research in Indian Traditional Knowledge System'. The EC was informed that a dedicated division in MHRD for dealing with the subject will be steered by Dr. Vijay Raghavan PSA to PM, Dr. Anil Joshi and Prof. Anil Sahasrabudhe, Chairman,

AICTE. This initiative will work on identifying scholars, writing of authentic books, development of portal etc. as referred in the proposal. The EC appreciated AICTE for taking up this endeavor and contribute towards spreading this rich heritage of our country and traditional knowledge systems.

The Executive Committee considered and approved the proposal of creation of a new Cell in MHRD as 'Indian Knowledge Systems Cell' (IKSC). The Executive Committee also approved recruitment / posting of following manpower purely on contract basis for IKSC, initially for a period of two-years and extendable further for a maximum one year:

1. One Chief Coordinating Officer-IKS (Retired - Govt./PSU officer/Bureaucrat/Professor/Educationist/Scientist etc.) - Fixed remuneration of Rs.1.25 lakh per month on contract basis (inclusive of all allowances);
2. Two Coordinating Officers (IKS) - Fixed remuneration of Rs.1.00 lakh per month on contract basis (inclusive of all allowances), preferably below 50 years age;
3. Two Senior Research Fellows (IKS) - Fixed remuneration of Rs.40,000/- per month on contract basis (inclusive of all allowances).

The Qualifications & experience will be decided in consultation with MHRD and reported to EC.

The EC further approved that in addition to the above remuneration, other expenditures on travel, meetings, portal development will also be taken care by AICTE. The initial budgetary requirements would be Rs.100 lakhs per year for three years.'

Item No. 134.01.08 : To consider and approve proposal for issuing a notification on Faculty Development Cell "Introducing mandatory Training for Technical Teachers Regulations 2020 for Inductee Teachers".

The Executive Committee was informed that AICTE has prepared modalities for implementation of 'Training Policy for Technical Teachers' including scheme for starting a mandatory certificate course for teachers at the entry level. Accordingly, a draft regulation has been prepared which will be applicable to all teachers working in technical institutions and universities including deemed-to-be-universities through courses/ programs approved by AICTE.

The Executive Committee deliberated and approved issuing of proposed notification on "National Initiative for Training of Technical Teachers (for Inductee Teachers)", Regulations 2020.



Item No. 134.01.09 : To consider and approve a proposal for revision of remuneration of
Approval Bureau Consultant, MHRD initiative engaged through M/s. BECIL as per recommendations of a Committee.

The Executive Committee considered and approved the recommendations/minutes of the Committee on the proposed revision of remuneration of Consultant, MHRD initiative, engaged through M/s. BECIL.

Item No. 134.02.01 : To ratify the decisions taken with regard to SWAYAM courses as
SWAYAM Cell suggested in the Review Meeting chaired by the Hon'ble Minister for HRD on 20th April, 2020 at Shastri Bhawan, Ministry of HRD, New Delhi.

The Executive Committee ratified the matter.

Item No. 134.03.01 : To receive information on the constitution of an Advisory committee
MIC for the DTH channel allocated by MHRD to MIC/ AICTE.

The Executive Committee received the information. The EC was apprised that Mr. Ronnie Screwvala is also a member of the Advisory committee for the DTH channel allocated by MHRD to MIC/AICTE.

Item No. 134.03.02 : To receive information on the Supreme Court Order with regard to
Approval Bureau Extension of last date for granting/rejection of approval to New as well as Existing Institutions.

The Executive Committee received the information.

Item No. 134.03.03 : To receive information on grant of EOA 2020-21 to Murugappa
Approval Bureau Polytechnic College (PID 1-420973431).

The Executive Committee received the information.

Item No. 134.03.04 : To receive information on the proposal for engagement of Part-time
E-Gov. Cell Interns in the area of Programming, UI Design, Communication and Digital Marketing

The Executive Committee received the information for engagement of 20 Interns on part-time basis on a stipend of Rs. 5,000/- per month. It was also resolved that Chairman be empowered to engage interns as and when found necessary at a stipend of Rs. 10,000/- per month for full time and Rs. 5,000/- per month for part-time.

Item No. 134.03.05 : To receive information on the permission given to six Institutions of
Approval Bureau Western Region for submission of online application for the EOA 2020-21 upto 5th June 2020, based on Court Order.

The Executive Committee received the information.

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Item No. 134.03.06 : To receive information on re-engagement of Consultants working in
Administration Bureau AICTE beyond attaining the age of 70 years.

The Executive Committee received the information.

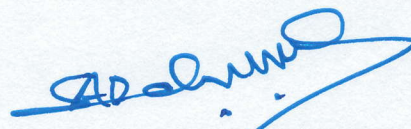
Item No. 134.03.07 : To receive the information regarding visit of Prof. M.P. Poonia, Vice
Administration Bureau Chairman, AICTE to Canada due to stressing personal grounds.

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