



VARDHAMAN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING (AUTONOMOUS)

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15th Academic Council Meeting | 16-12-2023 | Minutes

Minutes of 15th Academic Council Meeting held on 16-12-2023, at 11.30 AM in Board Room, Block # 1, VCE, Hyderabad

Members of Academic Council

#	Name	Affiliation	Category
Chairman			
1	Dr. JVR Ravindra	Principal, VCE	Chairman
Nominees of University - Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Hyderabad			
2	Dr. G. Venkata Narasimha Reddy	Professor of CE & Vice-Principal, JNTUH, Hyderabad	Member
3	Dr. V. Hima Bindu	Professor of Env. Sci., JNTUH, Hyderabad	Member
4	Dr. K. Anitha Sheela	Professor of ECE, JNTUH, Hyderabad	Member
Experts/Academicians from outside the College nominated by Governing Body			
5	Dr. G. K. Viswanadh	Senior Professor of CE, Director, UGC-HRDC & Director, IQAC, JNTUH, Hyderabad	Member
6	Prof. Debabrata Das	Director, IIT-Bangalore, Chairman, IEEE India Council	Member
7	Dr. Pratosh Bansal	Professor, Department of IT, IET, UTD of Devi Ahilya University, Indore (DAVV)	Member
8	Mr. Ramesh Paturi	Managing Director, Cloud and Digital Strategy, PwC	Member
9	Mr. Adusumalli Ravi Kumar	Senior Manager, AMS-OSRAM	Member
Members - Head of the Departments & BoS Chairpersons			
10	Dr. Ramesh Karnati	Head, CSE, VCE	Member
11	Dr. G. Suryanarayana	Head, INF, VCE	Member
12	Dr. M. A. Jabbar	Head, CSE (AI&ML), VCE	Member
13	Dr. G. Sreenivasulu	Head, CSE (Data Science), VCE	Member
14	Dr. G. Krishna Kumari	Head, AI&DS, VCE	Member
15	Dr. Gagandeep Arora	Head, AI&ML, VCE	Member
16	Dr. P. Nageswara Rao	Head, ECE, VCE	Member

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#	Name	Affiliation	Category
17	Dr. N. Karuppiah	Head, EEE, VCE	Member
18	Dr. P. Venkateshwar Reddy	Head, ME, VCE	Member
19	Dr. P. Venkata Koteswara Rao	Head, CE, VCE	Member
20	Dr. V. Lakshminarayana	Head, Mathematics, VCE	Member
21	Dr. Dadamiah PMD Shaik	Head, Physics, VCE	Member
22	Dr. V. Parvathi	Head, English, VCE	Member
23	Dr. Marupati Siddhartha	Head, Chemistry, VCE	Member
24	Dr. Sukanya Metta	Head, Management Studies, VCE	Member
Senior Faculty of the College nominated by Principal			
25	Dr. H. Venkateswara Reddy	Professor, CSE & Dean (Examinations & Evaluation), VCE	Member
26	Dr. Y. Vijayalata	Professor, CSE & Dean (Computer Science), VCE	Member
27	Dr. E. R. Aruna	Associate Professor, CSE & Dean (Quality Assurance), VCE	Member
28	Prof. Manish K Srivastava	Professor, Management Studies & Dean (Placements & Corporate Relations)	Member
Member Secretary			
29	Dr. S. Rajendar	Dean (Academic Affairs), VCE	Member Secretary

The Member Secretary informed that the Academic Council is re-constituted with new members. The Member Secretary placed on record Council's appreciation for the academic contributions made by all its previous Academic Council members namely;

1. Dr. N. Yadaiah, Professor of EEE, JNTUH, Hyderabad
2. Dr. A. Chennakesava Reddy, Professor of ME, JNTUH, Hyderabad
3. Dr. Shakeel Ahmed, Joint Secretary, UGC, New Delhi
4. Dr. Anand Bhalerao, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Rajasthan
5. Sri. Praveen Mokkaapati, Deputy Director, NASSCOM
6. Dr. V. Munisekhar, Dean (Career Development), VCE, Ex-Head, IT
7. Dr. S. Venu Gopal, Controller of Examinations, VCE; Ex-Head, AID
8. Dr. G. A. E. Satish Kumar, Dean (Student Mentoring), VCE; Ex-Head, ECE
9. Dr. Md. Asif, Dean (Student Affairs), VCE; Ex-Head, EEE
10. Dr. P. Srinivasa Rao, Ex. Head, VCE
11. Dr. G. Mallikarjuna Rao, Associate Professor, CE, VCE; Ex-Head, CE
12. Dr. S. V. Vasantha, Associate Professor, CSE, VCE

He welcomed all the new members of the Academic Council and emphasized that he looks forward to their co-operation and valuable contribution to the deliberation in the meetings of the Academic Council. All the new members were introduced to the Council. The new members are:

1. Dr. G. Suryanarayana, Head, INF, VCE
2. Dr. G. Sreenivasulu, Head, CSE (DS), VCE
3. Dr. P. Nageswara Rao, Head, ECE, VCE
4. Dr. N. Karuppiah, Head, EEE, VCE
5. Dr. P. Venkateshwar Reddy, Head, MEC, VCE
6. Dr. P. Venkata Koteswara Rao, Head, CE, VCE
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12. Dr. Y. Vijayalata Professor, CSE & Dean (Computer Science), VCE
13. Dr. E. R. Aruna Associate Professor, CSE & Dean (Quality Assurance), VCE

The Member Secretary took up the agenda items for discussion and approval.

1. Items for Confirmation

1.1 Confirmation of minutes of 14th, 14a, and 14b Academic Council Meetings held on 5th November 2022, 30th November 2022, and 7th November 2023 respectively which were circulated through mail to all the members.

The minutes of the 14th, 14a, and 14b academic council meetings held on 5th November 2022, 30th November 2022, and 7th November 2023 respectively were confirmed by the academic council.

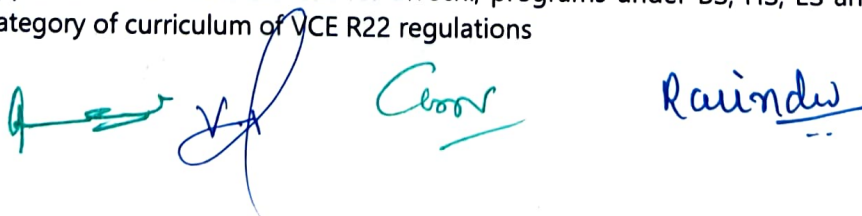
1.2 Action taken report on 14th, 14a, and 14b Academic Council Meeting resolutions.

The action taken report on the decisions of the 14th, 14a, and 14b academic council meetings were confirmed by the council for the following approved and ratified items:

Meeting # 14:

Approved Items:

- Approval of academic regulations of B.Tech. program with effect from 2022-2023
- Approval of academic regulations of M.Tech. program with effect from 2022-2023
- Approval of academic regulations of MBA program with effect from 2022-2023
- Approval of syllabus of III and IV years (for the approved regulations of VCE C21) for B.Tech. programs.
- Approval of common courses for B.Tech., programs under BS, HS, ES and Project Work Category of curriculum of VCE R22 regulations



- Approval of four-year curriculum structure and syllabus of I and II years for B.Tech. programs under VCE R22 regulations
- Approval of two-year curriculum structure and syllabus of M.Tech. programs under VCE R22 regulations
- Approval of two-year curriculum structure and syllabus of MBA programs under VCE R22 regulations
- Approval of new courses introduced in various B.Tech., M.Tech., and MBA programs during the revision of syllabus in the AY 2022-2023
- Approval for the conduction of missing examinations for continuous internal evaluation
- Approval for conduction of open book examination for mandatory courses
- Approval for considering the certifications through MOOCs/NPTEL courses for the award of credits for Professional Elective Courses.
- Approval of the list of students detained and condoned due to shortage of attendance during IV B. Tech. I Semester AY 2022-2023
- Approval of the list of students detained due to shortage of credits during AY 2022-2023
- Approval of the list of students involved in malpractice and action taken during examinations conducted between May and September 2022.
- Approval of question paper formats for CIE and SEE of UG and PG programs.

Ratified Items

- Ratification of UG and PG academic calendars for the AY 2022-2023

Meeting # 14a:

Approved Items

- Adding grace marks of 0.5% of total marks for any number of theory courses/subjects as per JNTUH orders/proceedings
- Conduction of special supplementary examination for the AY 2021-2022 outgoing supplementary students only during December 2022 as per JNTUH orders/proceedings.
- Offering Ph.D. course work for external Ph.D. scholars of JNTUH from the academic year 2022-2023 as per academic regulations.

Meeting # 14b:

Approved Items:

- Conduction of special supplementary examinations (One-Time-Chance) including improvement of internal marks for UG and PG students who could not obtain their degree in double the duration of the program.
- Conduction of special supplementary examination for the AY 2022-2023 outgoing batch of supplementary students only as per JNTUH orders/proceedings.
- Exemption of credit requirement for promotion from III Year B.Tech. to IV Year B.Tech.
- List of I & II-year B.Tech. students detained due to want of credits for promotion to next year.

The action taken report is enclosed in Annexure A1.2.





2. Items for Information

2.1 Conduction of examinations and result analysis for UG and PG programs during AY 2022-2023

The member secretary presented the result analysis of B.Tech. I, II, III, IV-years, M.Tech. I, II-years, and MBA I, II-years of Odd and Even semester end examinations held during academic year 2022-2023. The council noted the result analysis.

The details of result analysis are enclosed in Annexure - A2.1

2.2 Student placements for the academic year 2022-2023 and 2023-2024

The member secretary presented the statistics of placements during 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 as on 10-12-2023. The Council noted and appreciated the efforts of the Principal, the Dean, Career Development, and the Dean, Placements and Corporate Relations.

Dr. G. K. Viswanadh enquired about the availability of analysis of successful completion of a degree by students who got placed. As the analysis was not available, Dr. G. K. Viswanadh told the member secretary to prepare the report to understand and follow up to increase the placement ratio against pass percentage.

The details of placements for the AY 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 as on date is enclosed in Annexure - A2.2

2.3 Details of BOS meetings held from December 2022 to date (Since last Academic Council Meeting)

The BOS Meetings were held during December 2023 for finalizing syllabus of III- and IV-year B.Tech. programs under the B.Tech. VCE-R22 academic regulations.

Table: Details of BOS meetings held from December 2022 to date

S.No.	Department	Date(s) of BOS Meeting
1	Civil Engineering	07-12-2023
2	Electrical and Electronic Engineering	08-12-2023
3	Mechanical Engineering	07-12-2023
4	Electronics and Communication Engineering	08-12-2023
5	Computer Science Engineering	08-12-2023
6	Information Technology	08-12-2023
7	CSE (Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning)	08-12-2023
8	CSE (Data Science)	08-09-2023
9	Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning	08-12-2023
10	Artificial Intelligence & Data Science	08-12-2023

The deliberations of department BOS meetings are enclosed as Minutes of Meetings in Annexure - A2.3.

2.4 Feedback on curriculum from various stakeholders and action taken report.

The feedback on curriculum from various stakeholders, its analysis and action taken report are presented to the members of the academic council. The suggestions made by the stakeholders were placed in BOS meetings for discussion and feasible inclusions in the curriculum while revisions were made. The details are enclosed in Annexure - A2.4.

The Council noted and appreciated the process.

2.5 Report on 21st Graduation Day 2023 conducted on 10th June 2023.

The member secretary presented the details of students who graduated during 2022-2023 i.e., students of 2019-2023 B.Tech. batch, 2021-2023 M.Tech. and MBA batches who have successfully completed and obtained their degree with and without backlogs within the stipulated period. Graduation day 2023 was conducted on 10th June 2023 and the degrees were awarded to all those students who successfully completed their B.Tech., M.Tech., and MBA degrees.

The council noted the details and appreciated it.

The details of students completed their degree during AY 2022-2023 are enclosed in Annexure - A2.5

3. Items for Approval

3.1 BOS members of the departments of Computer Science and Engineering (Data Science) & Electronics and Communication Engineering.

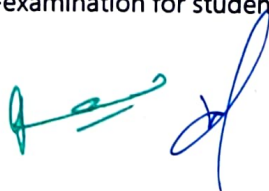
The member secretary presented the composition of Board of Studies of the departments of Computer Science and Engineering (Data Science) and Electronics and Communication Engineering.

The council noted and approved the members of the Board of Studies. The names of members are listed in Annexure A3.1

3.2 Amendments to B.Tech. VCE-R22 academic regulations as per JNTUH regulations w.r.t re-registration of the courses.

The member secretary proposed an amendment to the existing B.Tech. VCE-R22 academic regulations with respect to re-registration of courses.

Dr. Pratosh Bansal asked for clarity on the re-registration process and suggested to conduct classes. Dr. G. K. Viswanadh supported this plan. Further, Dr. Hima Bindu suggested conducting re-examination for students who were absent. Dr. Bansal made a suggestion to choose NPTEL



courses instead of re-registration of the course. The members also suggested conducting remedial classes.

The member secretary replied that the re-registration of courses will include conduction of continuous internal evaluation (CIE) and semester end examinations (SEE) without conducting the classwork, but remedial classes may be planned to conduct beyond satisfactory requirement of contact hours of regular courses or beyond working hours. Apart from this, the students may learn through MOOCs courses to appear for CIE and SEE.

Existing Regulation:

As per section 8.11 in B.Tech. VCE-R22 academic regulations,

"A student shall be given a one-time chance to re-register for a maximum of two courses in a semester, if the internal marks secured by a student in the Continuous Internal Evaluation for 40 marks (average of two mid-term examinations consisting of objective and descriptive parts, average of two assignments and Course Viva-voce/ PPT/Poster Presentation/Case Study or any other on a topic in the concerned course) are less than 35% and failed in those courses. A student must re-register for the failed course(s) for 40 marks within four weeks of commencement of the classwork in the next academic year. In the event of the student taking this chance, his Continuous Internal Evaluation marks of 40 and Semester End Examination marks of 60 obtained in the previous attempt stand cancelled."

Amendment:

As per the proposed amendment, the clause is revised as follows:

"A student can re-register for courses in a semester, if the internal marks secured by the student in the Continuous Internal Evaluation for 40 marks (average of two mid-term examinations consisting of objective and descriptive parts, average of two assignments and Course Viva-voce/ PPT/Poster Presentation/Case Study or any other on a topic in the concerned course) are less than 35% and failed in those courses.

They may seek re-registration for all those courses registered in that semester in which the student has failed. The student has to reappear for CIE and SEE as and when offered.

A student must re-register for the failed course(s) for 40 marks within four weeks of commencement of the classwork in the next academic year. His/her Continuous Internal Evaluation marks of 40 obtained in the previous attempt stand cancelled. The student has to obtain fresh set of marks for 40 allotted for CIE (Sum of average of two mid-term examinations consisting of Objective & descriptive parts, Average of two Assignments & Course Viva-voce/PPT/ Poster presentation/ Case Study on a topic in the concerned course).

The Council noted and approved the amendment to the B.Tech. VCE-R22 academic regulations.



3.3 The curriculum and syllabus of III and IV years (for the approved regulations of B. Tech VCE-R22) for all UG programs, as approved by their respective BOS.

The Council approved the syllabus of III and IV years of B.Tech. programs as approved/ recommended by the concerned Board of Studies under VCE R22 academic regulations. The structure and detailed syllabus will be made available on the college website, accessible to all the stakeholders.

3.4 The list of new courses introduced in UG and PG programs during the revision of syllabus in the AY 2022-2023 and 2023-2024.

Dr. Bansal remarked that the new course must include novel content and not merely a new title for the course. The member secretary assured of complying with the same in all the new courses being proposed.

The list of new courses introduced in B.Tech., M.Tech., and MBA programs during the revision of syllabus in the AY 2022-2023 and AY 2023-2024, as approved by the respective BoS of the departments was presented to the members of academic council.

The Council noted and approved the list of new courses as enclosed in Annexure A3.4.

3.5 The list of value-added courses and their syllabi offered during AY 2023-2024, as approved by the respective BoS of departments.

The list of value-added courses and their syllabi offered during AY 2023-2024, as approved by the respective BoS of the departments is presented to the members of academic council.

Dr. G. K. Viswanadh enquired about the number of students enrolling for the value-added courses and the total number of these courses per semester. He also asked about the list of faculty who teach these courses.

In response, Dr. Muni Sekhar explained in detail the list of courses and classes conducted under the aegis of career development cell. He also explained about the use of coding platforms in these courses.

The Council noted and approved the list of value-added courses as enclosed in Annexure A3.5.

3.6 The list of students registered for minor degree programs offered during AY 2023-2024.

The Member Secretary presented the list of students registered for the Minor degree programs during the academic year 2023-2024. The students have registered for a Minor degree program in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, Cyber Security apart from AICTE-LITE Minor degree program in Advanced Web Development. The detailed of student registrations are enclosed in Annexure A3.6.

The Council noted and approved the list of students registered for minor degree programs during the academic year 2023-2024.



3.7 The list of student condonations due to shortage of attendance during IV B. Tech I Semester 2023-2024.

The member secretary presented the list of students detained and condoned due to shortage of attendance during IV B.Tech. I Semester AY 2023-2024. The council approved the list and the approved list is enclosed in Annexure - A3.7

Dr. G. K. Viswanadh insisted on adhering to 65% attendance criterion and suggested not to entertain any plea of students who fall in the range of 62-65%.

The member secretary submitted that there are no students in the range of 62-65% and the students who are getting detained are the ones who discontinue their studies and their attendance being very low.

The member secretary presented that the internal academic committee is constituted with all internal academic council members for meeting and finalizing the list of students detained and condoned due to shortage of attendance and the same may be submitted to the academic council for approval/ratification in its immediate meeting.

The Council noted and approved the proposal and the constitution of the internal academic committee.

3.8 The clause for pursuing professional elective courses of B.Tech. through MOOCs (NPTEL/SWAYAM) for credit transfer under B.Tech. VCE-R22 academic regulations w.e.f AY 2024-2025.

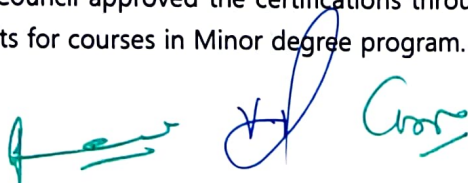
The Council approved the certifications through NPTEL/Swayam MOOCs for the award of credits for Professional Elective Courses. Further, the Council approved the list of such NPTEL Courses identified as equivalent to those courses offered through professional electives, as approved by the BoS of the departments. The list of NPTEL courses identified are enclosed in Annexure A3.7. Any changes in the courses will be subject to the approval of the Board of Studies of the concerned department.

The council further approved the guidelines for the credit transfer of professional elective courses through NPTEL Swayam MOOCs as enclosed in Annexure A3.8.

3.9 The clause for pursuing B.Tech. Minor and Honour degree courses through MOOCs (NPTEL/SWAYM) for credit transfer under B.Tech. VCE-R22 Minor and Honour degree academic regulations w.e.f AY 2024-2025.

Dr. Viswanadh suggested comparing the content of NPTEL courses with that of Minors. Members also suggested that the credits for minors should not exceed 40% of the semester. They also asked for statistics of student placements opting for minors.

The Council approved the certifications through NPTEL/ Swayam MOOCs for the award of credits for courses in Minor degree program. Further, the Council approved the list of such

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NPTEL Courses identified as equivalent to those courses offered in Minor degree program, as approved by the BoS of the departments. The list of NPTEL courses identified is enclosed in Annexure A3.9a. Any changes in the courses will be subject to the approval of the Board of Studies of the concerned department.

The council further approved the guidelines for the credit transfer of Minor degree courses offered through NPTEL Swayam MOOCs as enclosed in Annexure A3.9b

3.10 The list of examination malpractice cases and action taken as per malpractice rules for the examinations conducted during AY 2022-2023.

The list of students involved in malpractice and the action taken was presented to the members of the council. The council approved the list and suggested following the malpractice rules proposed by JNTUH for imposing punishment. The type of malpractice and the punishment imposed for those involved in malpractice has to be informed to all the students to bring awareness and reduce such act in future without disclosing the names of the students. The list of students involved in malpractice is enclosed in Annexure - A3.10.

3.11 Minutes of 6th and 7th equivalence committee meetings held on 12-09-2023 and 20-09-2023.

The member secretary presented the minutes of the 6th and 7th equivalence committee meetings and discussed the proceedings related to readmission of students and the decisions made with respect to the substitute subjects/courses and the applicable academic regulations for the re-admitted students.

The composition of the equivalence committee and the list of students re-admitted are listed below along with their transition in academic regulations.

Table: Composition of Equivalence Committee:

#	Name of the Member	Position
1.	Dr. JVR Ravindra, Principal	Chairman
2.	Dr. S. Rajendar, Dean (Academic Affairs)	Convener
3.	Dr. H. Venkateswara Reddy, Dean (Examinations & Evaluation)	Member
4.	HOD, Concerned Department	Member
5.	BOE, Concerned Department	Member

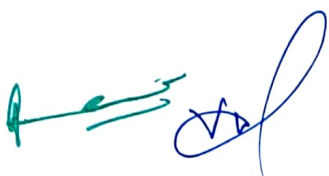


Table: List of students readmitted during AY 2023-2024

#	Branch	Roll #	Name of the Student	Readmitted Year and Sem.	Transition in Regulations
1	UG-CSE	20881A0585	JAPA NIKHILESHWAR REDDY	III B.Tech. I Sem	R20 to R21
2	UG-INF	20881A1245	R NISHANTH REDDY	III B.Tech. I Sem	R20 to R21
3	UG-CSM	20881A6630	KOLLAPUDI KAMAL NADH	III B.Tech. I Sem	R20 to R21
4	PG-MBA	21881E0058	SYED ZUBAIR ALI	II MBA I Sem	R18 to R22

Dr. Viswanadh suggested maintaining a single regulation for at least 3 to 4 batches. The Principal acknowledged that there will not be revision of regulations in the near future but there will be revision in curriculum by including the new courses as per the suggestions received from stakeholders through surveys.

The Council noted the proposal. The minutes of the 6th and 7th equivalence committee meetings are enclosed in Annexures A3.11a and A3.11b.

3.12 Minutes of results committee meetings held during AY 2022-2023 for the declaration of regular/supplementary examination results of ODD and EVEN semesters.

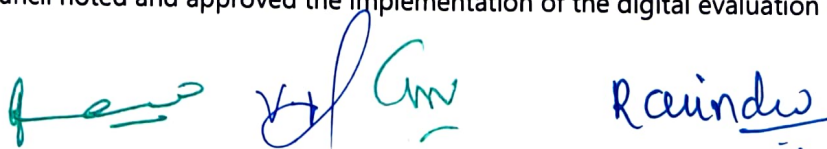
The member secretary presented the minutes of results committee meetings held during academic year 2022-2023 for the declaration of regular/supplementary examination results of ODD and EVEN semesters. Dr. G. K. Viswanadh enquired about the average pass percentage and the member secretary responded with the data showing the statistics of pass percentage of all UG and PG programs. Dr. Bansal appreciated for not misusing the autonomy and maintaining standards in conducting examinations and evaluation process.

The Council approved the minutes of results committee meetings.

3.13 The implementation of digital evaluation system from AY 2023-2024.

The member secretary presented that the digital evaluation systems is being implemented from the academic year 2023-2024. Dr. G. K. Viswanadh enquired about challenges in digital evaluation. The Principal presented that the new ERP is procured, and it provides the feature of digital evaluation system, the challenges will be resolved with the help of the internal technical team along with the service providers. He also emphasized that the time taken to declare the results will reduce immensely.

The Council noted and approved the implementation of the digital evaluation system.



3.14 The proposal to conduct Vardhaman Scholarship Test (VST 2023) for providing scholarships to the students admitted to B.Tech. during AY 2023-2024.

The member secretary presented that Vardhaman Scholarship Test 2023 (VST-2023) is scheduled on 23-12-2023 (Saturday) targeting the first year B.Tech. students. The students will be assessed on the core concepts of the selected courses (Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and English) and the four top performing students will be identified and awarded scholarships.

Dr. G. K. Viswanadh suggested inclusion of arithmetic and reasoning in addition to Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and English in the Vardhaman scholarship test. The Principal informed the members about the statistics of the number of students who attempted the test and were benefited in the previous academic years.

The Council noted and approved the proposal. The detailed circular and the scholarship details are mentioned in Annexure A3.14.

3.15 Student internship details during AY 2022-2023 and the list of industries identified for pursuing internship and industrial training for the AY 2023-2024.

The member secretary presented the details of student internships during AY 2022-2023 and the list of industries identified and approved by the respective BoS for pursuing internships and industrial training for the academic year 2023-2024.

Dr. Pratosh Bansal enquired about evaluation of student performance who take up job internships. The member secretary discussed this matter and informed that the council has identified industries that would offer internships to students. It received appreciation from the members. Dr. Bansal suggested that the students be sent for internships after being placed by the industry. Further, Dr. Viswanadh suggested offering NPTEL courses to those who attend internships.

The Council noted and approved the list of industries identified for internships as enclosed in Annexure A3.15.

3.16 The list of students applicable for the clause of relaxation of promotion rules for B.Tech. students for promotion from III-year II semester (2022-2023) to IV-year B.Tech. I semester (2023-2024).

As per the proceedings of JNTUH, with reference to letter, *Procds. No. JNTUH EB/ Relaxation of Promotion rules/2023, dated 07-11-2023*, for promotion from III-year B.Tech. II Semester to IV-year B.Tech. I semester, it is proposed to permit promotion of students without any credit requirement condition for the Academic Year 2023-24 only (i.e., for promotion from the academic year 2022-2023 to 2023-2024). The list of students exempted from the credit requirement and permitted to be promoted is enclosed in Annexure A3.16.

From the academic year 2024-2025 (i.e., for promotion from academic year 2023-2024 to the academic year 2024-2025), the minimum number of credits required for the promotion to the next academic year of study is as per the promotion rules published in the academic regulations.

The Council noted and approved the list of students exempted from credit requirement for promotion from III year to IV year as per the instructions of the JNTUH University.

3.17 The list of I and II-year B.Tech. students detained due to want of credits for promotion to next year.

The detention of students due to shortage of credits was approved by the Council in reference to the following letter.

– Procds. No. JNTUH EB/ Relaxation of Promotion Rules/2/2023 dated 13-12-2023.

The University relaxed the promotion rules for promotion of students from I-year B.Tech. to II-year B.Tech. and II-year B.Tech. to III-year B.Tech. by securing 25% of total credits for the academic year 2023-2024 only. The required number of credits for promotion is mentioned in the table below.

Table: Promotion Rules

Promotion from	Required Number of Credits	
	Regular	Lateral entry
I Year to II Year	10 credits out of 40 credits	Not Applicable
II Year to III Year	21 credits out of 82 credits	11 credits out of 44 credits

The above relaxations shall be applicable for the academic year 2023-2024 only.

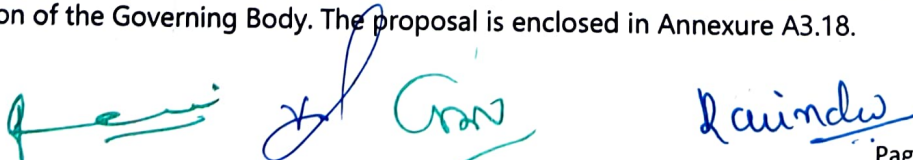
The Council approved the list of students detained due to shortage of credits required for promotion (vertical progression) and the approved list is enclosed in Annexure A3.17.

3.18 The proposal for the change in intake and introduction of new programs in the existing institution from the AY 2024-2025 – recommendation to the Governing Body.

The member secretary presented the change in intake and introduction of new programs in the existing institution from the academic year 2024-2025 as per the new UGC guidelines published in Approval Process Handbook 2024-2027.

Dr. G. K. Viswanadh suggested reducing the intake of M. Tech programs to 12 each from 18. It was also advised to counsel the B. Tech students with no placement offers to pursue masters in the same institution.

The Council noted the recommendations with respect to intake and the decision is left to the discretion of the Governing Body. The proposal is enclosed in Annexure A3.18.



3.19 The proposal for the introduction of Off-Campus as per the new guidelines in Approval Process Handbook 2024-2027 - recommendation to the Governing Body.

The member secretary presented the proposal for the introduction of Off-Campus as per the new guidelines of UGC APH 2024-2027. The proposal is to start an Off-Campus with a maximum intake of 360 with programmes in core and emerging areas.

Dr. G. K. Viswanadh enquired about the details of the location identified for the introduction of Off-Campus. Dr. Hima Bindu asked about the advantages of establishing off-campus. The Principal acknowledged the details and informed the members that the location is yet to be finalized and the proposal needs to be thoroughly reviewed as per the norms mentioned in APH 2024-2027.

The Council noted and approved the proposal for submission to the Governing Body.

3.20 Seek approval for the revision of curriculum for M.Tech. and MBA programmes from the AY 2024-2025.

The member secretary appealed to the council to permit the revision of curriculum for M.Tech. and MBA programmes from the AY 2024-2025 without changing the academic regulations of VCE-R22 applicable for M.Tech. and MBA programmes.

The council approved the proposal and suggested sustaining the academic regulations. It further suggested introducing new courses and revising the syllabus as per the needs of the industry without changing the academic regulations.

3.21 Adding grace marks of 0.5% of total marks for any number of theory courses/subjects as per JNTUH orders/proceedings.

As per the university orders/proceedings with Procds No. JNTUH/EB/Grace Marks/1/2022 Date: 19-11-2022, it is proposed to add grace marks of 0.5% of total marks for any number of theory courses/subjects for B.Tech. R18 A.Y 2021-22 outgoing students to get degree. This addition of grace marks shall be applicable to only for B.Tech. (R18 Regulations) 2018 regular, 2019 lateral entry admitted batch students and for the students admitted in previous regulations and completed fourth year in 2021-2022, without subject exemption, who are eligible to get degree in the academic year 2021-22 only. For all other batch students as well as other regulation students, the above addition of grace marks will not be applicable, and they have to satisfy their applicable rules and norms as per their academic regulations for getting the degree. The branch wise total marks and grace marks are indicated in table below for the award of degree.

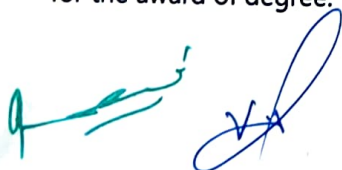


Table: Branch wise total marks and grace marks

Degree and Branch	Total Marks		Grace Marks (0.5% of Total Marks)		Grace Marks (Rounded)	
	Regular	Lateral Entry	Regular	Lateral Entry	Regular	Lateral Entry
B.Tech. – Civil Engineering	5800	4200	29	21	29	21
B.Tech. – Electrical and Electronics Engineering	5700	4100	28.5	20.5	29	21
B.Tech. – Mechanical Engineering	5800	4200	29	21	29	21
B.Tech. – Electronics and Communication Engineering	5700	4100	28.5	20.5	29	21
B.Tech. – Computer Science and Engineering	5900	4300	29.5	21.5	30	22
B.Tech. – Information Technology	6000	4400	30	22	30	22

The students getting awarded with the B.Tech. degree due to addition of grace marks and outgoing during AY 2021-2022 are listed in Annexure A3.21a.

As per the university orders/proceedings with Proc. No. JNTUH/EB/Grace Marks/2/2023 Date: 14-12-2023, it is proposed to add grace marks of 0.5% of total marks for any number of theory courses/subjects for B.Tech. R19 A.Y 2022-23 outgoing students to obtain degree. This addition of grace marks shall be applicable to B.Tech. (R19 Regulations) 2019 regular, 2020 lateral entry admitted batch of students and for the students admitted in previous regulations and completed fourth year in 2022-2023, without subject exemption, who are eligible to get degree in the academic year 2022-23 only.

For all other batch students as well as other regulation students, the above addition of grace marks will not be applicable, and they will have to satisfy their applicable rules and norms as per their academic regulations for getting the degree. The branch wise total marks and grace marks are indicated in the table below for the award of degree.

Table: Branch wise total marks and grace marks

Degree and Branch	Total Marks		Grace Marks (0.5% of Total Marks)		Grace Marks (Rounded)	
	Regular	Lateral Entry	Regular	Lateral Entry	Regular	Lateral Entry
B.Tech. – Civil Engineering	5500	4300	27.5	21.5	28	22
B.Tech. – Electrical and Electronics Engineering	5300	4100	26.5	20.5	27	21

Degree and Branch	Total Marks		Grace Marks (0.5% of Total Marks)		Grace Marks (Rounded)	
	Regular	Lateral Entry	Regular	Lateral Entry	Regular	Lateral Entry
B.Tech. – Mechanical Engineering	5500	4300	27.5	21.5	28	22
B.Tech. – Electronics and Communication Engineering	5300	4100	26.5	20.5	27	21
B.Tech. – Computer Science and Engineering	5800	4600	29	23	29	23
B.Tech. – Information Technology	5600	4400	28	22	28	22

The students getting awarded the B.Tech. degree due to addition of grace marks and graduating during AY 2022-2023 are listed in Annexure A.3.21b.

4. Items for Ratification

4.1. UG and PG Academic Calendars for the AY 2023-2024

The following UG and PG academic calendars for the academic year 2023-2024 were placed in the Council for ratification.

1. B.Tech. I, II, III- and IV-Year Academic Calendars 2023-2024
2. M.Tech I and II Year Academic Calendars 2023-2024
3. MBA I and II Year Academic Calendars 2023-2024
4. List of Holidays 2023 and 2024 as per Telangana GOs

In all the academic calendars, each semester shall be 21 weeks' duration (inclusive of examinations), with a minimum of 90 instructional days. The academic calendars are enclosed in the Annexure – A4.1

Dr. G.K. Viswanadh suggested not to compress the academic calendar to ensure the specified number of years to complete the degree (4 years for UG and 2 years for PG). The Council ratified the academic calendars for the AY 2023-2024.

4.2 The panel of examiners for conduction of laboratory and project work semester end examinations of UG and PG programs for the academic year 2023-2024, as approved by the respective BoS of departments.

The member secretary presented the panel of examiners for conduction of laboratory and project work semester end examinations of UG and PG programs for the academic year 2023-2024, as approved by the respective BoS of departments. He emphasized that the panel of examiners includes industry experts apart from academicians.

The Council noted and ratified the panel of examiners as listed in Annexure A4.2.

4.3 Conduction of special supplementary examinations (One-Time-Chance) conducted for UG and PG students for not obtaining their degree in double the duration of the program as per JNTUH orders/proceedings.

As per the instructions received from JNTUH, vide Letter with subject - *CBT for Internal marks improvement followed by One-time chance exam for students of all courses dated 09-09-2023*, it is proposed to conduct internal improvement examinations for all eligible candidates. Further it is also proposed to conduct one-time-chance semester-end examinations, for the candidates of all courses who completed their course work and completed the stipulated number of attempts to clear their backlog subjects. These internal improvement exams and one-time-chance exams shall be scheduled along with the Odd-Semester regular examinations during December-2023. The letter issued by the University and the list of students eligible to take the One-Time Chance exam is enclosed in Annexure A4.3.

The Council noted and ratified the conduction of special supplementary examinations (One-Time-Chance) for UG and PG students as per JNTUH orders/proceedings.

The meeting concluded with thanks to the Chair.

Dr. S. Rajendar
Dean (Academic Affairs) &
Member Secretary (Academic Council)

Dean (Academics)
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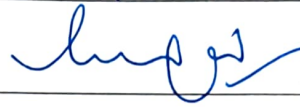




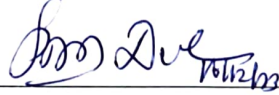

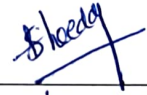
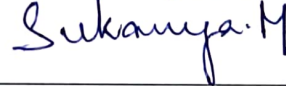

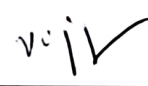

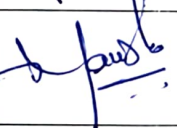

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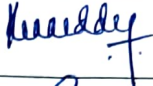









15th Academic Council Meeting held on 16-12-2023 at 11:30 AM

ATTENDANCE SHEET (In-Person & Virtual)

Members of Academic Council & Invitees

#	Name	Affiliation	Signature
Chairman			
1	Dr. JVR Ravindra	Principal, VCE	
Nominees of University - Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Hyderabad			
2	Dr. G. Venkata Narasimha Reddy	Professor of CE & Vice-Principal, JNTUH, Hyderabad	
3	Dr. V. Hima Bindu	Professor of Env. Sci., JNTUH, Hyderabad	
4	Dr. K. Anitha Sheela	Professor of ECE, JNTUH, Hyderabad	
Experts/Academicians from outside the College nominated by Governing Body			
5	Dr. G. K. Viswanadh	Senior Professor of CE, Director, UGC-HRDC & Director, IQAC, JNTUH, Hyderabad	
6	Prof. Debabrata Das	Director, IIT-Bangalore, Chairman, IEEE India Council	
7	Dr. Pratosh Bansal	Professor, Department of IT, IET, UTD of Devi Ahilya University, Indore (DAVV)	
8	Mr. Ramesh Paturi	Managing Director, Cloud and Digital Strategy, PwC	
9	Mr. Adusumalli Ravi Kumar	Senior Manager, AMS- OSRAM	
Members - Head of the Departments & BoS Chairpersons			
10	Dr. Ramesh Karnati	Head, CSE, VCE	
11	Dr. G. Suryanarayana	Head, INF, VCE	
12	Dr. M. A. Jabbar	Head, CSE (AI&ML), VCE	

#	Name	Affiliation	Signature
13	Dr. G. Sreenivasulu	Head, CSE (Data Science), VCE	
14	Dr. G. Krishna Kumari	Head, AI&DS, VCE	
15	Dr. Gagandeep Arora	Head, AI&ML, VCE	
16	Dr. P. Nageswara Rao	Head, ECE, VCE	
17	Dr. N. Karupiah	Head, EEE, VCE	
18	Dr. P. Venkateshwar Reddy	Head, ME, VCE	
19	Dr. P. Venkata Koteswara Rao	Head, CE, VCE	
20	Dr. V. Lakshminarayana	Head, Mathematics, VCE	
21	Dr. Dadamiah PMD Shaik	Head, Physics, VCE	
22	Dr. V. Parvathi	Head, English, VCE	
23	Dr. Marupati Siddhartha	Head, Chemistry, VCE	
24	Dr. Sukanya Metta	Head, Management Studies, VCE	
Senior Faculty of the College nominated by Principal			
25	Dr. H. Venkateswara Reddy	Professor, CSE & Dean (Examinations & Evaluation), VCE	
26	Dr. Y. Vijayalata	Professor, CSE & Dean (Computer Science), VCE	
27	Dr. E. R. Aruna	Associate Professor, CSE & Dean (Quality Assurance), VCE	
28	Prof. Manish K Srivastava	Professor, Management Studies & Dean (Placements & Corporate Relations)	
Member Secretary			
29	Dr. S. Rajendar	Dean (Academic Affairs), VCE	

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Invitees			
30	Dr. S. Venu Gopal	Controller of Examinations & Head, ERP, VCE	
31	Mr. K. L. Raghavender Reddy	Additional Controller of Examinations, VCE	
32	Dr. V. Munisekhar	Dean (Career Development), VCE	
33	Dr. Md. Asif	Dean (Student Affairs), VCE	
34	Prof. Vivek Kulkarni	Dean (Faculty Affairs), VCE	
35	Dr. G. A. E. Satish Kumar	Dean (Student Mentoring), VCE	
36	Dr. J. Krishna Chaitanya	Dean (R&D), VCE	
37	Dr. Gouse Baig Mohammad	Dean (Outreach), VCE	
38	Dr. C. Padmini	Head, Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship	
39	Mr. B. Raja Gopal Reddy	Associate Dean (Academics)	
40	Mr. M. Nagarjuna	Associate Dean (Accreditations)	
41	Dr. Praveen Oggu	Assistant Professor, CE & Academic Coordinator, VCE	