ANNA UNIVERSITY
CHENNAI

264th MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE

MINUTES

DATE : 28.02.2022
TIME : 11.00 h
VENUE : SYNDICATE HALL
ANNA UNIVERSITY
CHENNAI-25

DIRECTOR
SYNDICATE AFFAIRS
ANNA UNIVERSITY
CHENNAI-600 025.

VICE-CHANCELLOR
ANNA UNIVERSITY,
CHENNAI - 600 025.
264th MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE
28.02.2022 :: 11.00 h
MINUTES

I Members Present

1. Prof. R. Velraj
   Vice - Chancellor
   Anna University, Chennai.

2. Dr. D. Karthikeyan, I.A.S.
   Principal Secretary to Govt.
   Dept. of Higher Education,
   Govt. of TN, Chennai.

3. Dr. Neeraj Mittal, I.A.S.
   Principal Secretary to Govt.
   Dept. of Information Technology,
   Govt. of TN, Chennai.

4. Tmt. G. Laxmi Priya, I.A.S
   Director of Technical Education
   Directorate of Technical Education
   Govt. of TN, Chennai.

5. Dr. V. Rajkumar
   Professor in Civil Engineering
   Government College of Engineering, Salem.

6. Prof. Ranjani Parthasarathi
   Chairperson
   Faculty of Information & Communication Engineering
   Anna University, Chennai

7. Dr. G. Ranganath
   Principal
   Adhiyaman College of Engineering
   Hosur.
8. **Dr. R. Vijayan**  
   Principal  
   Government College of Engineering  
   Sengipatti, Thanjavur.

9. **Dr. P. Chinnadurai**  
   Secretary & Correspondent  
   Panimalar Group of Institutions  
   Chennai.

10. **Thiru R. M. Kishore**  
    Vice-Chairman  
    RMK Engineering College  
    Chennai.

**II Leave of absence**

11. **Tmt. S. Malarvizhi**  
    Managing Director  
    Sri Krishna I Tech & Management Solutions (P) Ltd.  
    Coimbatore.

12. **Thiru. S. Krishnan, I.A.S.**  
    Addl. Chief Secretary to Govt.  
    Dept. of Industries, Govt. of TN, Chennai

13. **Thiru. B. Karthikeyan**  
    Secretary to Govt.  
    Dept. of Law, Govt. of TN, Chennai

14. **Thiru Udhayanithi Stalin**  
    Member of Legislative Assembly (Chepauk-Triplicane)  
    Alwarpet, Chennai.

[Signature]

DIRECTOR  
SYNDICATE AFFAIRS  
ANNA UNIVERSITY  
CHENNAI-600 025.
MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The Vice-Chancellor and Chairman of the Syndicate welcomed the members present and initiated the meeting.

I CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

264.1 Confirmation of Minutes of 263rd Syndicate Meeting held on 28.09.2021

RESOLVED TO CONFIRM

II ACTION TAKEN REPORT

264.2 Action Taken Report on the Minutes of previous Syndicate Meetings

NOTED

III INFORMATION ON CIRCULATED AGENDA ITEM

264.3 Agenda pertains to an Individual / Sub Judice

IV FINANCE MATTER – APPROVAL

264.4 To consider and approve the Minutes of 140th Finance Committee Meeting held on 12.01.2022

APPROVED BUT FOR ONE ITEM.

RESOLVED NOT TO CONSIDER 72nd BC Item No. 72.3 of 140th Finance Committee Agenda Item No. 140.28 “Proposed construction of Vice Chancellor’s Bungalow along with accommodation for attendant staff in CEG campus, Anna University, Chennai – 600025”

Further, with regard to Finance Committee Agenda # 140.12, Syndicate SUGGESTED framing of suitable norms for selection of academicians of high acclaim worked in highly reputed institutes (India/Abroad) for appointment as “Professor of Eminence” in University.
264.5

Agenda pertains to an Individual / Sub Judice

264.6

Agenda pertains to an Individual / Sub Judice

264.7

Agenda pertains to an Individual / Sub Judice

264.8

To consider and ratify extension of services of surplus teaching staff of Annamalai University - in the cadre of Assistant Professor, in various disciplines - deployed to Anna University for a further period of one year, as per the G.O.(D).No.25 HE (H1) Department dated 01.02.2022

RATIFIED
V ESTABLISHMENT MATTERS

(b) G.O. ADOPTION

264.9 To consider and approve adoption of Government Order regarding observance of Public Holidays for the year 2022

APPROVED adoption of G.O. Ms.No.935, Public (Miscellaneous) Department, dated 02.11.2021 specifying the list of Public Holidays to all State Government Undertakings / Corporations / Boards etc., for the year 2022.

264.10 To consider and approve adoption of Government Order regarding Special Casual Leave for six days in a calendar year granted to Government Servants having children with special needs

APPROVED adoption of G.O. Ms. No.39 Personnel and Administrative Reforms (FR-III) Department dated 23.03.2020

264.11 To consider and approve implementation of Government Order regarding avoidance of suspension on the last date of retirement

APPROVED adoption of G.O. Ms. No.111 Human Resources Management (N) Department dated 11.10.2021

264.12 To consider and approve adoption of G.O. (MS) No.66 of Public Works (Y1) Department dated 07.03.2018 for maintenance of official residence of the Vice Chancellor

APPROVED adoption of G.O. (MS) No.66 of Public Works (Y1) Department dated 07.03.2018.

However prior approval to be obtained from Finance Committee before initiation of any work/purchase, exceeding a value of ₹50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only)

264.13 To consider and approve adoption of AICTE Regulations 2018 dated 03.08.2018 for faculty promotion under Career Advancement Scheme

APPROVED
V ESTABLISHMENT MATTERS

(c) APPROVAL

264.14 To consider and approve the nomination of one Syndicate Member of our University to serve in the Selection Committee for appointment of Assistant Registrar to our

Agenda pertains to an Individual / Sub Judice

264.15 To consider and nominate an expert member for the committee constituted for selection of Professor of Appadurai Chair for Power Systems

Agenda pertains to an Individual / Sub Judice

264.16 To consider and approve the recommendations suggested by a committee for implementation of sabbatical leave in Anna University

APPROVED

264.17 To consider and approve the proposal for rechristening

(i) AU-KBC Research Centre as

"AU-KBC Research Centre for Emerging Technologies"

(ii) Knowledge Data Centre (KDC) as

"Centre for e-Governance"

(iii) Centre for Alumni Affairs as

"Centre for Alumni Relations and Corporate Affairs"

APPROVED

264.18 To consider and approve a draft policy titled "Anna University Start-Up Policy for Faculty and Students" recommended by 'Policy Review Committee for Anna University Start-Ups' based on the guidelines of GoTN and MHRD

APPROVED

To replace the word "Institute" in the policy document with "University" wherever applicable

[Signature]
264.19 To consider and approve engagement of Standing Counsels for Anna University, Legal Fee Structure and Terms & Conditions of engagement
APPROVED

264.20 Agenda pertains to an Individual / Sub Judice

264.21 Agenda pertains to an Individual / Sub Judice

V  ESTABLISHMENT MATTERS
(d) DELIBERATION

264.22 To consider and direct to provide 25,000 Sq.ft of rent free space for a period of 5 years at Sir C.V. Raman Science Block, Anna University for the iTNT Hub, as proposed by the Dept. of Information Technology, Government of Tamil Nadu
APPROVED.

Principal Secretary, Dept. of Information Technology, Govt. of TN informed that the proposed iTNT Hub will be registered as a Section 8 Company under Companies Act, 2013.

Considering the advantages for the staff and students of Anna University in the proposed facility, the Syndicate further RESOLVED that representations shall be provided for Higher Education Department/Anna University in the Governing Board of the Company.

264.23 Agenda pertains to an Individual / Sub Judice
VI AFFILIATION MATTERS – APPROVAL

264.26 To consider and approve the recommendations of 105th Standing Committee on Affiliation held on 23.11.2021 and to ratify the action taken based on the recommendations made

APPROVED AND RATIFIED THE ACTION TAKEN BASED ON THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS.

SYNDICATE MEMBERS of Management of Affiliated Colleges SUGGESTED for

(i) Inspection of colleges for granting affiliation to new programme during the month of July and

(ii) Random Inspection rather than 100% inspection
Post deliberations, SYNDICATE FURTHER RESOLVED TO APPROVE the following:

(i) Inspection of colleges for granting affiliation to new programme during the month of August, with provision to amend the data pertaining to faculty members one month prior to inspection
(ii) as inspection activities were hampered in the previous two years - owing to COVID - it was suggested to adopt 100% inspection this year
(iii) Random inspection may be adopted as an additional measure. If random inspection policy is adopted – in future – erring colleges shall be awarded with maximum punishment

264.27 To consider and approve the recommendations of 106th Standing Committee on Affiliation held on 24.01.2022 and to ratify the action taken based on the recommendations made

APPROVED AND RATIFIED THE ACTION TAKEN BASED ON THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS

264.28 To consider and approve the grant of extension of autonomous status for a college affiliated with Anna University

APPROVED to extend the autonomous status to Coimbatore Institute of Technology, Coimbatore - 641 014 for a period of five years w.e.f. 2021 - 2022 to 2025 - 2026, including ex-post-facto approval for the period 2020 - 2021.

VII ACADEMIC RESEARCH – APPROVAL

264.29 To consider and approve the report of Oral Examination Board - in respect of 913 Research Scholars - for awarding Doctor of Philosophy in respective faculty

APPROVED
VIII ACADEMIC MATTERS – APPROVAL

264.30 To consider and approve the Minutes of the 27th meeting of the Academic Council of Anna University held on 12.10.2021
APPROVED
Principal Secretary, Dept. of Higher Education, Govt. of TN suggested admitting Diploma students under lateral entry mode to the lapsed seats at the University Departments and constituent colleges.
RESOLVED TO REFER ADMISSION UNDER LATERAL ENTRY TO ACADEMIC COUNCIL AND PLACE IN THE FORTHCOMING SYNDICATE MEETING.

264.31 To consider and approve the proposal for offering online certification courses in emerging areas by partnering with various Edutech companies
APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE to offer online certification courses.
However SUGGESTED to place the following information in the forthcoming syndicate
(i) Guidelines for selection of Edutech companies
(ii) Identification of suitable Edutech companies by "Expression of Interest" mode
(iii) Proposed revenue sharing model

264.32 To consider and approve the proposal for offering degree program in Engineering/Technology under "Work-Integrated Learning (WIL)" mode for industrial personnel
APPROVED

264.33 To consider and approve the recommendations of committee constituted for fixing the fee structure (both Indian/International Learners) for Online MBA Programmes offered by Online Cell, Centre for Distance Education, Anna University.
APPROVED

IX CoE MATTERS

(a) INFORMATION

264.34 To inform about the methodology followed in the conduct of November / December 2021 examinations adopting the directions of Higher Education Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
NOTE
(b) RATIFICATION

264.35 To consider and ratify the purchase of deluxe cloth lined covers at a purchase cost exceeding the tender value

RATIFIED

(c) APPROVAL

264.36 To consider and approve the procedures (suggested by a committee and a legal expert) for making corrections in the student's name on Degree Certificate, post completion of course

APPROVED

264.37 To consider and approve the award of punishment recommended by an Apex enquiry Committee upon

(i) Students who studied UG/PG programmes under Full Time mode and simultaneously working in various Institutions thereby violating the Rules and Regulations of the University and

(ii) Award of punishment to the respective colleges for encouraging the activity

Agenda pertains to an Individual / Sub Judice

SYNDICATE ALSO SUGGESTED TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF INTRODUCING DAY TIME - PART TIME MODE PG COURSES IN AFFILIATED COLLEGES TO CURTAIL RECURRENCE OF SUCH KIND OF INCIDENTS IN FUTURE
X MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING

(a) RENEWAL

264.38 To consider and approve the renewal of 10 MoUs to be signed between Anna University & certain organizations / institutes

APPROVED the renewal of MoUs signed between following 10 organizations/ institutes with Anna University
(i) Swinburne University of Technology
(ii) Osaka City University
(iii) Ecole Centrale De Nantes
(iv) National Tsing Hua University (NTHU)
(v) Universidad Autonoma Del Estado De Morelos
(vi) The University of Zululand
(vii) Shizuoka University
(viii) Politecnico Di Milano
(ix) Yokohama National University
(x) University of Westminster

(b) RATIFICATION

264.39 To consider and ratify the extension of Memorandum of Understanding signed by Center for Survey Training and Research (CSTAR), Anna University and Revenue Department, Government of Tamil Nadu

RATIFIED the extension of MoU between CSTAR, Anna University and Revenue Department, Government of Tamil Nadu

(c) APPROVAL

264.40 To consider and approve the draft Memorandum of Understanding to be signed between Anna University and certain organizations / institutes

APPROVED
(i) M/s Autodesk India Private Limited
(ii) National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology (NIELIT)
(iii) Puducherry Technological University
(iv) National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research (NITTTR)
(v) M/s ELEKTA Medical Systems India Private Limited
(vi) Tamil Nadu Urban Habitat Development Board

SYNDICATE ALSO SUGGESTED TO REVIEW THE OUTCOME OF ALL MoUs SIGNED - ON A PERIODICAL BASIS - AND REVERT.

264th Syndicate Meeting - Minutes
Anna University
XI ESTATE OFFICE MATTERS

(a) RATIFICATION

264.41 To consider and ratify towards amending staff quarters rule for permitting the family of a deceased staff to stay in quarters for 6 months - with normal rate of rent (instead of 3 months) - if the staff member demises while in service

RATIFIED.

Resolved further to extend this humanitarian gesture to the family of staff members who expires, while-in-service, with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor

264.42 To ratify the fixation of rent (in line with the procedure adopted by IITM) for Central Amenities located within the University

RATIFIED

(b) DELIBERATION

264.43 To consider and direct on the norms proposed for retention of quarters and payment of rent with electricity charges for Vice Chancellor, post demitting office

APPROVED

XII OTHER MATTERS

(a) INFORMATION

264.44 To consider and peruse the Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR 2019-20) prepared by Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Anna University

PERUSED

(b) APPROVAL

264.45 To consider and approve condemnation of 15 unserviceable vehicles lying at Logistics Centre, Anna university adopting GoTN norms

APPROVED the following vehicles for condemnation

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sn</th>
<th>Vehicle Registration Number</th>
<th>Make</th>
<th>Model</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>TN 07 K 4901</td>
<td>Tata Sumo</td>
<td>1999</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>TN 31 N 0203</td>
<td>Ashok Leyland</td>
<td>1990</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>TN 32 N 0015</td>
<td>Ashok Leyland</td>
<td>1990</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>TSI 4174</td>
<td>Mahindra Jeep</td>
<td>1988</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>TN 22 R 9167</td>
<td>Maruti Omni</td>
<td>2002</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>TN 09 AD 0006</td>
<td>Honda City</td>
<td>2002</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sn</td>
<td>Vehicle Registration Number</td>
<td>Make</td>
<td>Model</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>----</td>
<td>----------------------------</td>
<td>------------</td>
<td>-------</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>TN 07 Q 7917</td>
<td>Maruti Omni</td>
<td>2002</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>TN 07 Q 4159</td>
<td>Tata Sumo</td>
<td>2002</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>TN 07 R 4173</td>
<td>Mahindra Bolero</td>
<td>2002</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>TN 07 Q 4043</td>
<td>Maruti Omni</td>
<td>2003</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11</td>
<td>TN 07 AC 3193</td>
<td>Qualis</td>
<td>2004</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12</td>
<td>TN 09 AG 9999</td>
<td>Honda City</td>
<td>2004</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13</td>
<td>TN 07 Q 6144</td>
<td>Maruti Omni</td>
<td>2004</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14</td>
<td>TN 07 AE 3243</td>
<td>Maruti Omni</td>
<td>2005</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15</td>
<td>TN 04 S 2626</td>
<td>Honda City</td>
<td>2002</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

XIII TABLE AGENDA

264.46 To consider and approve hiring of manpower for all categories temporarily in various University Departments / Centres / Offices / Sections of Anna University through a reputed manpower agency identified by adopting standard Anna University norms

APPROVED

264.47 To inform about the proposal of introducing an experiential learning course (3 credit course) as an elective in B.E. / B.Tech and M.C.A. programme under a project initiated by DoIT, Government of Tamil Nadu.

NOTED AND DIRECTED TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTION