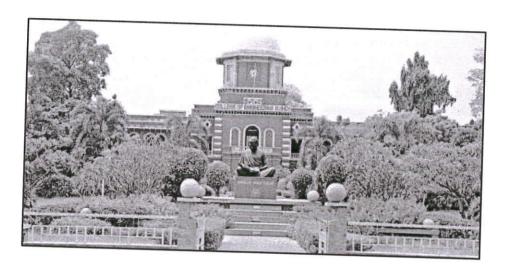
# ANNA UNIVERSITY CHENNAI



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

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

#### 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 263<sup>rd</sup> 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**

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#### IV FINANCE MATTER - APPROVAL

To consider and approve the Minutes of **140**<sup>th</sup> **Finance Committee** Meeting held on 12.01.2022

#### APPROVED BUT FOR ONE ITEM.

RESOLVED NOT TO CONSIDER 72<sup>nd</sup> BC Item No. 72.3 of 140<sup>th</sup> 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.

# V ESTABLISHMENT MATTERS (a) RATIFICATION

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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

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

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

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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**

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

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

APPROVED

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# V ESTABLISHMENT MATTERS (d) DELIBERATION

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.

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#### VI AFFILIATION MATTERS - APPROVAL

To consider and approve the recommendations of 105<sup>th</sup> 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

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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 106<sup>th</sup> 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 27<sup>th</sup> 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
- 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

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

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#### (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

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#### 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 Westminister

#### (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.

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# 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

Sn	Vehicle Registration Number	Make	Model	
1	TN 07 K 4901	Tata Sumo	1999	
2	TN 31 N 0203	Ashok Leyland	1990	
3	TN 32 N 0015	Ashok Leyland	1990	
4	TSI 4174	Mahindra Jeep	1988	
5	TN 22 R 9167	Maruti Omni	2002	
6	TN 09 AD 0006	Honda City	2002	

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7	TN 07 Q 7917	Maruti Omni	2002
8	TN 07 Q 4159	Tata Sumo	2002
9	TN 07 R 4173	Mahindra Bolero	2002
10	TN 07 Q 4043	Maruti Omni	2003
11	TN 07 AC 3193	Qualis	2004
12	TN 09 AG 9999	Honda City	2004
13	TN 07 Q 6144	Maruti Omni	2004
14	TN 07 AE 3243	Maruti Omni	2005
15	TN 04 S 2626	Honda City	2002

#### 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**

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