ANNA UNIVERSITY
CHENNAI

265th MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE

MINUTES

DATE : 20.09.2022
TIME : 11.30 AM
VENUE : SYNDICATE HALL
ANNA UNIVERSITY
CHENNAI-25

DIRECTOR
SYNDICATE AFFAIRS
ANNA UNIVERSITY
CHENNAI-600 025.

VICE-CHANCELLOR
ANNA UNIVERSITY
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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
   Commissioner
   Directorate of Technical Education
   Govt. of TN, Chennai.

5. Prof. Ranjani Parthasarathi
   Chairperson
   Facultyof Information & Communication Engineering
   Anna University, Chennai

6. Dr. D. Shoba Rajkumar
   Professor in Civil Engineering
   Government College of Engineering, Salem.

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

8. Dr. G. Ranganath  
   Principal  
   Adhiyaman College of Engineering  
   Hosur.

9. Dr. R. Vijayan  
   Principal  
   Government College of Engineering  
   Sengipatti, Thanjavur.

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

11. ThiruR.M.Kishore  
    Vice-Chairman  
    RMK Engineering College  
    Chennai.

II  Leave of absence

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. ThiruUdhayanithi 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

265.1 Confirmation of Minutes of 264th Syndicate Meeting held on 28.02.2022

Resolved to Confirm.

II ACTION TAKEN REPORT

265.2 Action Taken Report on the Minutes of previous Syndicate Meetings

Noted.

III INFORMATION ON CIRCULATED AGENDA ITEMS

265.3 Agenda pertains to an Individual/Sub Judice

265.4 To consider and approve the grant of autonomous status (fresh/extension) to certain Colleges affiliated to Anna University

Noted.

265.5 To consider and approve the recommendations of committee for the post of Assistant Registrar (selection by promotion)

Noted.
IV PERMANENT AGENDA NOTE – FURNISHING OF INFORMATION ABOUT ANNA UNIVERSITY

265.6 Presenting detailed information about University, as mandated by the Government vide D.O. Lr. No.8166/K2/2022-3 dated 13.06.2022

Noted.

Principal Secretary to Govt., Dept. of Higher Education informed that additional information like fellowship, projects handled is also required. Preparation of a new format - encompassing all requirements - is under progress and once completed, data is to be furnished in revised format.

Prof. Ranjani Parthasarthy mentioned that under Sl.No. 3, information on University Departments is to be included.

V FINANCE MATTER – APPROVAL

265.7 To consider and approve the Minutes of 141st Finance Committee Meeting held on 07.09.2022

- Vice Chancellor and Chairman of Syndicate presented important agendas of 141st finance committee.

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265th Syndicate Meeting - Minutes

Anna University
To consider and approve distribution of Overheads @ 10% to University & 5% to AU-NLCIL Innovation Hub for Energy, Environment & Sustainability (ANIHEES) and transfer of refunded tax deducted at source (TDS & GST on TDS) to ANIHEES.

Approved.
VI ESTABLISHMENT MATTERS

(a) G.O. ADOPTION – APPROVAL

265.10 To consider and adopt the G.O.Ms.No.36 Human Resources Management (FR-III) Department dated 11.04.2022 regarding suspension of periodical surrender of Earned Leave and payment of Leave Salary until further orders
Approved for Adoption.

265.11 To consider and adopt the G.O.MsNo.374, dated: 19.10.2020 and G.O.Ms.No.103 dated 11.04.2022, Department of Finance (Salaries) towards revising financial norms for low value procurement and advertisement in the publications of Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) in Newspapers
Approved for Adoption.

265.12 To consider and approve the adoption of Government Order No.53 Human Resources Management (FR-II) Department, dated 08.06.2022 regarding revision of weightage with reference to age for all the Government servants other than the Government servants in the Tamil Nadu Basic Service
Approved for Adoption.

265.13 To consider and approve the adoption of Government Order No.44, Social Welfare & Women Empowerment Department [SW-5(1)] dated 29.07.2022 regarding grant of baby care leave for 270 days to women Government Servants and Teachers having babies through surrogate arrangement
Approved for Adoption.
(b) RATIFICATION

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265.22 To consider and approve the formation of Advisory Committee for
(a) Administrative Planning
    and
(b) Financial Planning
Prof. Ranjani Parthasarthy suggested appointment of reputed financial experts for financial planning for which Vice Chancellor informed that the proposed committee comprises renowned financial experts and additional members can also be invited as per the said agenda vide Sl.No.9
Syndicate Approved the Agenda.

265.23 To consider and approve inclusion of additional auditors towards auditing the accounts related to various services rendered by autonomous Centres / Departments / Special Centres
Approved.
Remuneration for additional auditors is to be paid as per existing norms.

(d) DELIBERATION

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VII ADMISSION MATTERS

(a) RATIFICATION

265.26 To consider and ratify - the Lateral Entry intake for admissions in university departments viz., College of Engineering Guindy, Madras Institute of Technology and Alagappa College of Technology Campuses of Anna University for the academic year 2022-23 - surrendered to Commissioner of Technical Education

- **Principal Secretary to Govt., Dept. of Higher Education** suggested to conduct Bridge Courses to lateral entry students facilitating smooth transition.

- **Vice Chancellor** brought to the notice of the Syndicate that as per G.O., seats allotted for admissions under lateral entry mode in CEG, MIT and AC Tech campuses of Anna University comprises
  (i) Lapsed Seats and
  (ii) 10% of sanctioned intake

Vice Chancellor suggested for admission of lateral entry students under lapsed seats only.

- **Principal Secretary to Govt., Dept. of Higher Education** took note and assured suitable action in forthcoming admissions

- **Syndicate Ratified the Agenda**

(b) APPROVAL

265.27 To consider and approve sponsored candidates from State / Central Government / Organizations for admission to Post Graduate degree programmes in the University Departments of Anna University.
Approved.
VIIICoE MATTERS – APPROVAL

265.28 To consider and approve the procedure evolved by the Expert Committee for the change of photograph in the Certificates
Approved.

IX ACADEMIC RESEARCH

(a) INFORMATION

265.29 To inform about the conduct of Oral Examination Board in respect of 688 Research Scholars and subsequent award of Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in the 42nd Annual Convocation of Anna University held on 29.07.2022
Noted.

(b) APPROVAL

265.30 To consider and approve the conduct of Oral Examination Board - in respect of 58 Research Scholars - for awarding Doctor of Philosophy in respective faculty
Approved.

X ACADEMIC MATTER – APPROVAL

265.31 To consider and approve the Minutes of Twenty Eighth Meeting of the Academic Council of Anna University held on 12.08.2022

- Principal Secretary to Govt., Dept. of Higher Education appreciated
  Vice Chancellor and his team towards
  (i) Revamping the complete curriculum towards enhancing employability of graduating students and
  (ii) Introduction of skill based courses

- Syndicate approved the minutes of 28th Meeting of the Academic Council of Anna University held on 12.08.2022
XI AFFILIATION MATTERS – APPROVAL

265.32 To consider and

(i) approve the recommendations of 107th, 108th, 109th and 110th Standing Committee on Affiliation held on 30.06.2022, 06.08.2022, 18.08.2022 and 25.08.2022 respectively and

(ii) ratify the action taken based on the recommendations made

Syndicate

- Approved the recommendations of 107th, 108th, 109th and 110th Standing Committee on Affiliation held on 30.06.2022, 06.08.2022, 18.08.2022 and 25.08.2022 respectively and
- Ratified the action taken based on the recommendations made

XII MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

(a) RATIFICATION

265.33 To consider and ratify the draft Memorandum of Understanding signed between Anna University and Tamil Nadu E-Governance Agency for setting up of iTNT Foundation in Anna University based on Syndicate Resolution No.264.22

Syndicate Ratified the MoU.

Resolved to collect

(i) Metered Water Charges

(ii) Lift maintenance charges on sq. ft. pro rata basis

(b) RENEWAL

265.34 To consider and ratify the renewal of Memorandum of Understanding signed between Anna University and Tamilnadu Minerals Limited (TAMIN)

Ratified.

(c) APPROVAL

265.35 To consider and approve the draft Memorandum of Understanding to be signed between Anna University and certain Organizations / Institutes

Approved.
XIII ESTATE OFFICE MATTERS – APPROVAL

265.36 To consider and approve the allocation of land in Anna University campus to Department of Environment & Climate Change, Govt. of Tamilnadu, Chennai.
   - The agenda was deliberated in detail.
   - Based on the letter received from the Department of Environment & Climate Change, Govt. of Tamilnadu, vide Lr.No.P1/1926/2021 dated 14/07/2022, it is inferred that allotted land in Anna University campus will be used for "construction of office building with multi storied facilities" and is not meant for research activities.
   - Hence the syndicate decided that is NOT FEASIBLE of COMPLIANCE.

265.37 To consider and approve the allocation of land in Anna University campus to National Biodiversity Authority (An Autonomous Statutory body of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India), Chennai.
   - Approved.
   - On a similar note pertaining to the above agenda, Prof. Ranganath brought notice to the Syndicate about the possession of land allotted to ISTE and illegal occupancy of the building.
   - Principal Secretary to Govt., Dept. of Higher Education informed The Registrar, Anna University to take possession of building immediately and send the action taken report in 2 weeks’ time.

265.38 To consider and approve outsourcing of 70 nos. of manpower in the category of AC Mechanics, Gardeners, Plumbers, Pump Operators and Electricians for Main and MIT Campuses through appropriate agency
   Approved.

XIV OTHER MATTERS – APPROVAL

265.39 To consider and approve the draft 41st Annual Report of Anna University for the year 2019-20
   Approved.
265.40 To consider and approve the establishment of an Endowment in the name of late Professor R.Sivaramakrishnan (Prof.SRK), Department of Production Technology, MIT campus.
Approved.

265.41 To consider and approve the proposal of rechristening following Departments/Centres

(i) Department of Printing Technology as
Department of Printing and Packaging Technology

(ii) Center for Faculty Development as
Centre for Faculty and Professional Development

(iii) Centre for Technology Development and Transfer as
Centre for Sponsored Research and Consultancy

Approved.

265.42 To consider and ratify/approve the draft Memorandum of Understanding to be signed between Anna University and certain Organizations / Institutes
Ratified/Approved.

265.43 To consider and approve the engagement of standing counsels for Anna University, Legal Fee Structure, Terms And Conditions Of Engagement
Approved.

265.44 Agenda pertains to an Individual/Sub Judice
To consider and revise the honorarium payable to Senior Retired Faculty Members not below the rank of Professor for handling the first year B.E. / B.Tech classes.

*Syndicate Resolved* to pay an honorarium of ₹2000/lecture to retired Professors who will be engaged to handle exclusively for the first year students, *subject to a maximum of Rs. 50,000/- per month.*

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