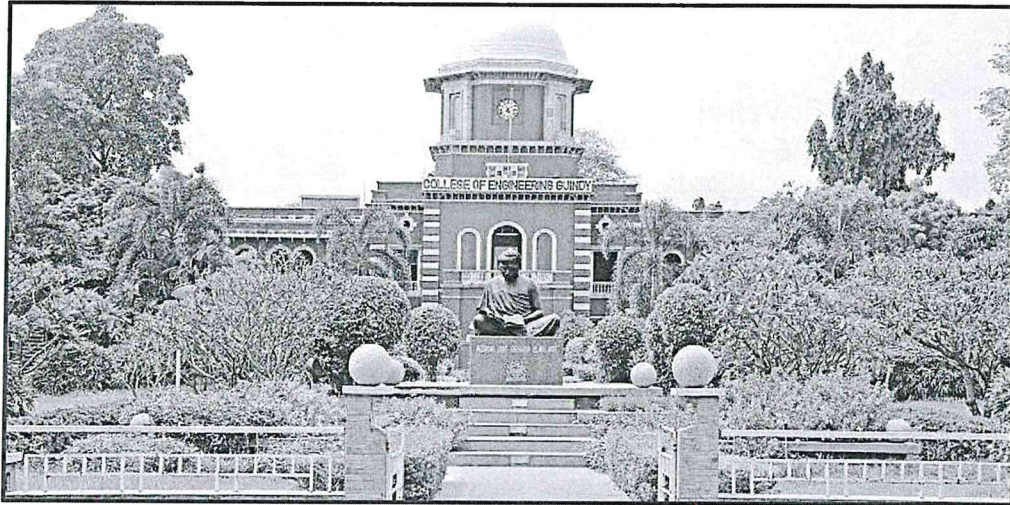
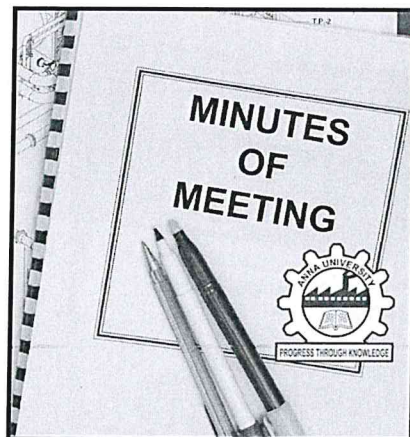


# **ANNA UNIVERSITY**

## **CHENNAI – 25**



### **270<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE**



**DATE : 09.02.2024**

**TIME : 04.00 p.m.**

**VENUE : SYNDICATE HALL  
ANNA UNIVERSITY  
CHENNAI-25**

*M.P. 22/2/24*  
**DIRECTOR  
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*R.V. 23/2/24*  
**VICE-CHANCELLOR  
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# 270<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE

09.02.2024 :: 04.00 PM

## MINUTES

### (I) Members Present

1. **Prof. R. Velraj**  
Vice - Chancellor  
Anna University, Chennai.
2. **Thiru. A. Karthik, I.A.S.**  
Principal Secretary to Govt.  
Dept. of Higher Education,  
Govt. of TN, Chennai.
3. **Thiru. K. Veera Raghava Rao, I.A.S.**  
Commissioner  
Directorate of Technical Education,  
Govt. of Tamil Nadu
4. **Tmt. R. Subha**  
(Deputed by Thiru.S.George Alexander, Secretary – Law Dept. )  
Dy. Secretary to Government  
Department of Law,  
Govt. of TN, Chennai
5. **Thiru. I. Paranthamen**  
Member of Legislative Assembly  
Egmore Constituency, Chennai  
(On-line participation through  MS Teams)
6. **Dr. S. Usa**  
Professor & Chairperson,  
Faculty of Electrical and Electronics Engg,  
CEG Campus, Anna University.
7. **Dr. D. Shoba Rajkumar**  
Professor in Civil Engineering  
Government College of Engineering,  
Salem.

  
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8. **Thiru. Maha Ajay Prasath**  
Managing Director  
Maha Ajay Spinners India Pvt. Ltd., Salem
9. **Thiru. V. Chockalingam**  
Founder and Chief Executive Officer  
M/s.Vee Technologies Pvt. Ltd.,  
Mamangam, Salem 636 302.
10. **Dr. Sudha Mohanram**  
Principal  
Sri Eshwar College of Engineering  
Coimbatore 641 202.
11. **Dr. G. Balakrishnan**  
Principal  
Indra Ganesan College of Engineering  
Tiruchirapalli
12. **Thiru. R. M. Kishore**  
Vice-Chairman  
RMK Engineering College  
Chennai.

**(II) Leave of absence**

13. **Thiru. V. Arun Roy, I.A.S**  
Secretary to Government  
Department of Industries, Govt. of Tamil Nadu
14. **Thiru. Dheeraj Kumar, I.A.S**  
Principal Secretary to Government  
Department of Information Technology,  
Govt. of Tamil Nadu
15. **Tmt. S. Malarvizhi**  
Chairperson & Managing Trustee  
Sri Krishna Institutions  
Coimbatore 641 042.

  
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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING

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

### **I CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

270.1 Confirmation of Minutes of 269<sup>th</sup> Syndicate Meeting held on 03.01.2024

**Confirmed.**

### **II ACTION TAKEN REPORT**

270.2 Action Taken Report on the Minutes of previous Syndicate Meetings

**Noted.**

**Suggested the following:**

- (i) Generalised guidelines to be framed for offering work integrated learning courses to the employees of any particular industry (with respect to Syndicate Resolution # 264.32)*
- (ii) To convene Syndicate Sub-Committee at the earliest regarding Regulations framed for Autonomous Colleges / Institutions (vide Syndicate Resolution # 268.26)*

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- (iv) To constitute a subcommittee exclusively for perusing disciplinary actions initiated against delinquent officers/staff. The committee*
  - is to be chaired by any one of the Syndicate members*
  - shall study in detail the report submitted by Inquiry Officer and*
  - suggest suitable disciplinary action to be taken against the delinquent officers/staff by the Syndicate.*

*This measure shall significantly save the time of Syndicate.*

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**III PERMANENT AGENDA NOTE –  
FURNISHING OF INFORMATION ABOUT ANNA UNIVERSITY**

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

***Noted.***

**IV FINANCE MATTER**

**(a) APPROVAL**

270.4 To consider and approve the Minutes of 145<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee Meeting held on 30.01.2024

***Noted the amendments made in the Finance Committee.***

***Approved.***

## **V ESTABLISHMENT MATTER**

### **(a) APPROVAL**

270.5

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270.6

To consider and approve counting of service rendered as Teaching Research Associate for the purpose of movement under Career Advancement Scheme with reference to the University Advertisement No.001/PR-14/Rect./2002 dated 15.03.2002

*Deferred.*

*As suggested by The Commissioner, DoTE the above agenda shall be presented in the ensuing Syndicate with additional details for discussion and further action.*

### **(b) DELIBERATION**

270.7

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## VI ADMISSION MATTERS

### APPROVAL

270.9 To consider and approve the revision of norms pertaining to admission of students under Consortium of Industries category

- **Approved.**
- *Thiru. V. Chockalingam informed that this mode of admission is not familiar to Industrial Personnel.*
- *Being the Head of Education Panel in CII, Thiru. V. Chockalingam requested Vice-Chancellor to brief about this admission process to the Industry personnel through an online meeting.*
- *Commissioner, DoTE suggested that it will be helpful for both the Industry and Anna University.*
- *Vice-Chancellor had agreed to detail on this admission process to relevant Industry Personnel at an appropriate forum/mode.*

270.10 To consider and approve the revision of norms pertaining to admission of students under NRI, CIWGC, FN, LDC & SIDS category

**Approved.**

270.11 To consider and approve the revision of norms pertaining to admission of students under Other State (OS) category

**To be discussed elaborately in the forthcoming Syndicate.**

270.12 To consider and approve supernumerary admission (5% of the sanctioned strength) in B.Plan programme under NRI, CIWGC, FN, LDC & SIDS AND Col category

**Approved.**

270.13 To consider and approve allocation of 5% of sanctioned seats (supernumerary) for admission to the students sponsored by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), Study in India programme (SII) and Governments of respective Countries

**Approved.**



## **VII RECRUITMENT MATTERS**

### **APPROVAL**

270.14 To consider and approve one time relaxation of minimum qualification of Ph.D. for the recruitment of Assistant Professors in the Department of

- (i) Mining Engineering,
- (ii) Printing & Packaging Technology,
- (iii) Rubber and Plastics Technology and
- (iv) Architecture

***Approved.***

270.15 To consider and approve the minimum qualification and specializations for direct recruitment of Assistant Professors in University Departments & Centres

***Approved.***

***Syndicate suggested to exclude the experience requirement.***

270.16 To consider and approve the minimum qualification and specializations for direct recruitment of Assistant Professors in the interdisciplinary positions of 12 Centres

***Approved.***

***Syndicate also approved to include Coastal Management / Ocean Technology / Ocean Structures / Ocean Engineering or equivalent as one of specialization for direct recruitment of Assistant Professors in the Centre for Water Resources.***

270.17 To consider and approve relaxing of one year post Ph.D. experience requirement for Assistant Professors in Science & Humanities, aligning with the AICTE requirements

***Approved.***

  
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## **VIII MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING DIRECTION/APPROVAL/RENEWAL/RATIFICATION**

270.18 To consider and direct / approve / renew / ratify the draft MoU to be signed / signed between Anna University and certain organizations/institutes

*Directed to Approve / Renew / Ratify the draft MoU to be signed / signed between Anna University and certain organizations/institutes*

Sl. No.	Organization / Institute
1.	Setting up of iTamil Nadu Technology (iTNT) Hub at Anna University Regional campus, Madurai and University College of Engineering, Tiruchirappalli
2.	The Tamil Nadu Dr Ambedkar Law University
3.	University of Northumbria at Newcastle
4.	National Agro Foundation
5.	Institute of Technology, Petronas, Malaysia (Signed on 03.02.2024)
6.	Goethe-Institute / Max Mueller Bhavan (Signed on 04.02.2024)

## **IX ACADEMIC MATTERS**

270.19 To consider and direct on conferment of Autonomous status awarded by UGC to various affiliated engineering colleges / institutes

*Syndicate took note of the*

- (i) *“Anna University statutes on Academic Matters” assented by the Chancellor in 2023 towards grant of autonomy*  
*and*
- (ii) *Resolution in the previous Syndicate towards conferment of Autonomous status awarded by UGC to various affiliated engineering colleges/institutes vide resolution # 269.29.*



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*After detailed deliberations on this Agenda, Syndicate suggested the following:*

***(A) Grant of Autonomy to Colleges : Post adoption of “Anna University statutes on Academic Matters – 2023 ”***

- (i) To grant “conditional autonomy for a period of 2 years with effect from 09/02/2024” to all the colleges for which Anna University had not recommended grant of autonomy but UGC had recommended*
- (ii) To inform these colleges for compliance on the standards stipulated as per the prevailing statutes of Anna University, for retaining the autonomous status beyond 09/02/2026*
- (iii) To depute an inspection team – after 09/02/2026 - to these institutions to check their compliance*
- (iv) Withdraw the autonomy, if colleges have not complied with the said statutes*

***(B) Colleges that were granted Autonomy without the positive recommendation of Anna University - Prior to assent of “Anna University statutes on Academic Matters – 2023 ”***

- (i) The Syndicate directed to communicate about “Anna University statutes on Academic Matters – 2023” to all the colleges that secured autonomous status without the positive recommendation of Anna University and before the implementation of “Anna University statutes on Academic Matters – 2023”*
- (ii) To inform these colleges on the standards stipulated as per the prevailing statutes of Anna University, for retaining the autonomous status*
- (iii) A time period of 2 year shall be provided to these colleges for meeting the compliance standards*
- (iv) To depute an inspection team – after a period of 2 years i.e., after 09/02/2026 - to these institutions to check their compliance*
- (v) Place the compliance details submitted by the inspection team for these colleges in a Syndicate meeting scheduled after 10/02/2026, for further directions.*

- 270.20 To consider and direct on extension of Autonomous status awarded by UGC to various affiliated engineering colleges

***Approved.***

- 270.21 To consider and approve the revised sanctioned intake of the students in the University Departments (CEG, MIT, ACT & SAP Campuses) from the academic year 2024 – 25.

***Deferred. To be placed in the ensuing Syndicate.***

## **X AFFILIATION MATTER APPROVAL/RATIFICATION**

- 270.22 To consider and approve the recommendations of 114<sup>th</sup> standing committee on affiliation meeting held on 29.1.2024.

***Approved.***

***Directions of the Syndicate on the minutes of 114<sup>th</sup> Standing Committee on Affiliation is presented below***

***Item No. 114.7:***

- (i) Not to grant affiliation from the academic year 2024-2025 to those colleges whose admission percentage were less than 5% in 2023 – 2024 and also during the previous three academic years***
- (ii) Issue conditional affiliation to the colleges mentioned in this item for the academic year 2024-25***
- (iii) Communicate above decision of the Syndicate to other colleges mentioned in this item***

***Item No. 114.15:***

***To seek additional details from Mahalakshmi Engineering College on the methodology proposed for changing the site from Trichy to Chennai.***

  
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- 270.23 To consider and direct on the continuation of affiliation for colleges having <25% admissions in all programmes (as identified by the Government) for the academic year 2024-2025

***Syndicate directed the following:***

- (i) ***Not to grant affiliation from the academic year 2024-2025 to those colleges whose admission percentage were less than 5% in 2023 – 2024 (1<sup>st</sup> year admission), as resolved in the Agenda # 270.22***
- (ii) ***Conditional affiliation for the ensuing academic year, to the remaining colleges whose admission percentage in all programmes were less than 25% in 2023 – 2024 (as identified by the Government)***

- 270.24 To consider and direct on granting affiliation for non-engineering courses such as BCA / BBA in affiliated colleges of Anna University for the academic year 2024-25

***Deferred.***

- 270.25 To consider and direct on granting of provisional affiliation for offering professional programs to facilitate employed/working professionals, as approved by AICTE for the academic year 2024-25.

***Approved.***

***Syndicate directed to obtain the guidelines to be adopted for the admission process from the Government of Tamilnadu.***

## **XI OTHER MATTERS**

### **(a) APPROVAL**

- 270.26 To consider and approve the rechristening of Computer Centre at MIT campus as "Dr. Kalam Computing Centre"

***Approved.***

- 270.27 To consider and approve establishment of "Department of Biomedical Engineering" by seceding Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering and to offer related existing UG/PG programmes, thereof

***Approved without any additional financial commitment. Budget already allotted for the Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering is to be shared proportionately with Department of Biomedical Engineering.***



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- 270.29 To consider and approve rechristening "Centre of Excellence" Building as "Prof. M. Anandakrishnan" block

***Approved.***

- 270.30 To consider and approve installation of bust (chest level statue) for
- (i) Prof. G.S. Laddha, Professor and former Director of A.C. Tech at the main building of AC Tech campus
  - (ii) Dr. Verghese Kurien, an illustrious alumni of CEG at the main building of CEG campus

***Approved to place the busts of above personalities within the buildings of these campuses (Similar to the bust of Gandhiji, as installed in the Main Building of CEG campus)***

- 270.31 To consider and approve rechristening the names of regional campuses functioning at Madurai, Coimbatore and Tirunelveli as University College of Engineering.

***Syndicate - after detailed deliberations - opined to have the opinion of Dean's of above campuses.***

***Agenda to be presented in the ensuing Syndicate.***

- 270.32 To seek further directions for the letter received from National Biodiversity Authority

***Deferred.***

  
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**Vice-Chancellor thanked all the members for their active participation!**