MINUTES OF THE FIRST IQAC MEETING (2020-21)

Held on 09.10.2020 at 03.00 pm through Online Mode

Members Present:

- Dr. K Prakasan, Principal In-charge
- Mr. R Ragupathy, Dean - Administration
- Dr. J V Ramasamy, Dean - Academic
- Dr. M Senthilkumar, Head I/C, Production Engg., Coordinator-IQAC
- Mr. C S Ramshankar, CEO, MAXBYTE Technologies, Coimbatore
- Mr. Amol Gadre, Sr. Deputy General Manager, Precision Manufacturing Division, L&T Coimbatore
- Mr. G Srinivasan, Srinivasan & Associates, Coimbatore
- Dr. J Kanakaraj, HoD, Electrical and Electronics Engineering
- Dr. G Thilagavathi, HoD, Textile Technology
- Dr. A Chitra, HoD, Computer Applications
- Dr. M D Kannan, HoD, Physics & NCC Officer
- Dr. M Kumaravel, HoD, Chemistry
- Dr. S C Murugavel, HoD, Applied Science
- Dr. R Gandhinathan, Professor, Production Engineering, TEQIP
- Dr. R Arumuganathan, Professor, Mathematics
- Dr. V Prabhu Raja, Professor, Mechanical Engineering
- Dr. K Elangovan, Warden, PSG Tech Hostels
- Dr. S Saravanan, Associate Dean - Autonomous Functioning
- Dr. J Sekkizhar, Associate Professor, Department of Management Sciences
Members Absent:

- Dr. B Ramamoorthy, Advisor (Academic)
- Dr. R Sujatha, Deputy Quality Control Officer & Assistant Professor, Dept. of Biochemistry, PSG IMS&R
- Dr. Anitha Rajavelu, M/o Krithik Rajavelu (18R223)
- Dr. N Geetha, Professor, AM&CS
- Dr. P Narayanasamy, Dean - N&C

Agenda:

- Activities completed status report for the period 01.07.2020 to 30.09.2020
- Activities planned

Minutes:

- The chairperson welcomed the members and gave an overview of the actions taken by the institution during the prevailing pandemic situation.
- Dr. M. Senthilkumar presented the status of important activities, activities completed and activities to be completed during the reported period of the academic year 2020-21 as mentioned below.

  ▪ **Status of Important Activities**
    ▪ Ranking of Institution
    ▪ Accreditation by National Board of Accreditation (NBA)
  
  ▪ **Details of Activities Completed during July-September 2020**
    ▪ Preparation of Scheme and Regulations for PG Programmes – 2021 Regulations
    ▪ Conduct of Online Classes and Final Semester Examinations
    ▪ Offering of Online Internships
    ▪ Conduct of Research Seminars and Research Proposals submitted
    ▪ Addition of Infrastructure and Learning Resources
    ▪ Conduct of Placement Training
    ▪ Identification of Best Practices
Details of Activities to be Completed

- Preparation of Action Plan for the Current Semester (odd semester 2020-21)
- Improving Digital Tools for Online Classes
- Conduct of Online Internships for Senior Classes
- Preparation of Separate Scheme for BE/BTech Lateral Entry Students
- Introduction of Self-directed Learning in Curriculum
- Launch of Institution Innovation Council
- Further Enhancement of Infrastructure and Learning Resources
- Continuation of Placement Training and Career Counselling

Dr. M Senthilkumar requested the members to express their views on various issues presented.

Mr. C S Ramsankar expressed his contentment on the research initiatives of the institution during the prevailing pandemic situation. He also appreciated the quantum of research proposals submitted by the faculty members to various funding agencies. He pointed out the significance of doing research in association with industries and also informed to display the details related to consultancy on the college website. Dr. K Prakasan informed that the details about research and consultancy were made available in the web portals of departments, PSG Centre for Sponsored Research and consultancy and PSG – STEP.

Mr. Amol Gadre appreciated the progress of the institution during the prevailing pandemic situation. He informed that Digitalization and IoT were the current focus in many of the large-scale industries. He also pointed out that the students should develop a skill set in the above areas. Dr. K Prakasan briefed about Self Directed Learning and the various initiatives to be implemented by the institution through the establishment of the Institution Innovation Council as per MHRD guidelines.

Mr. G Srinivasan praised the alternative methods adopted by the institution during the prevailing pandemic situation. He informed that the industries are returning back to normal conditions and enquired about the details of student placement in reputed industries. Dr. K Prakasan informed that the number of
companies providing high salary packages had increased when compared with the previous academic year and a lot of training programs are provided to students through the PSG Placement office.

- Dr. G Thilagavathi requested that the revenue generated through Consultancy and Research could be presented under Research Innovations and Extension criterion in subsequent IQAC meetings.

- Dr. R Arumuganathan appreciated online classes and insisted on setting up a committee to monitor the quality of online sessions. Dr. K Prakasan informed that the online classes were started on 17 August 2020 as per the AICTE calendar and the details collected about online classes were shared with the departments for further action. He also added that the Heads of the Departments were informed to collect feedback from students and suggested that mentoring junior faculty members by senior faculty members at the department level would result in the effective conduct of online sessions.

- Dr. R Gandhinathan informed about the issues faced by the students related to lack of access to machines/hardware in carrying out final year project works. Dr. K Prakasan suggested that the students could make use of available virtual facilities and adopt new or alternative methods/procedures by exploring existing validated models for solving the identified problems.

- Dr. S C Murugavel raised a query about the introduction of new programmes in the institution. Dr. K Prakasan informed that two programmes, MSc Cyber Security and MBA – Waste management and Social Entrepreneurship were introduced in the current academic year 2020-21.

- Finally, the Chairperson thanked the members for their active participation.

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Dr. M Senthilkumar
IQAC coordinator

To

All IQAC members and day file.

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