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Munshi Nagar, Andheri, Mumbai-400058

Minutes of the 9th Academic Council Meeting

Meeting Name:	9th Academic Council Meeting (Online)		
Date of Meeting	27/07/2023	Time:	03:00 PM
Place:	Online		
Chairman	Dr. B. N. Chaudhari		
Member Secretary	Dr. Y S Rao		
Special Invitees and University Nominees	Dr. Hema Date (NITIE Mumbai) Dr. Faruk Kazi (VJTI, Mumbai) Dr. B. Satyanarayana (TIFR) Dr. Nutan Limaye (IIT, Bombay) Dr. A.G. Keskar (VNIT, Nagpur) Dr. M.S. Sutavane (COEP) Dr. Rajesh R. Pande (RKNEC, Nagpur) Mr. Anand Chitre (Barclays) Mr. Aniruddha Ainapure (JPMC) Mr. Sudhakar Paulzagade (Druva)		
Student Representatives	Eeshaan Asodekar (ETRX) Sara Sheth (EXTC) Aditya Motwani (COMP) Shreya Shetty (IT) Vishal Padme (MCA)		
Head of the Departments	Dr. Reena S. Sonkusare Dr. Prasenjit Bhavathantkar Dr. D. R. Kalbande		
Controller of Examinations	Dr. Sukannya Kulkarni		
T.P.O.	Mr. Vinod Sikka		
Registrar	Ms. Pallavi More		
Faculty Representatives	Dr R. G. Sutar Dr. Pooja Raundale Dr. K. K. Devadkar Dr. Aarti Karande		

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Professors and Associate Professors	Dr. Rita Das Dr. D. C. Karia Dr. S. N. Dhage Prof. K. T. Talele Dr. N. A. Bhagat Dr. R. R. Sawant Dr. Sujata Kulkarni Prof. M. M. Parmar Prof. D. D. Ambawade Dr. Surekha Dholay Prof. A A Godbole
Minutes Prepared By:	Dr. Deepak Nair
<p>The Academic Council meeting was called via online mode on 27th July 2023 at 03.00 p.m. to discuss various issues related to SP-IT academics. Prof. Y.S. Rao, Dean-Academics, welcomed all the committee members and experts from across the country and presented the agenda of the meeting.</p> <p>Further, Prof. B. N. Chaudhari, Principal, gave the opening note for the meeting.</p>	

Agenda 1: Confirmation of minutes of the 8th AC meeting held on 3rd February 2023

Matters Discussed:

- 1) Prof. Y.S. Rao, Dean- Academics briefed on the previous minutes.

Resolution:

- 1) All members unanimously confirmed the minutes of the previous meeting

Agenda 2: Approval (Ratification) for a few amendments in the academic structure (2020-24 batch)

Matters Discussed:

- 1) Prof. Y.S. Rao, Dean- Academics presented the amendments needs to be made in the academic structure for 2020-2024 batch.
- 2) Prof. B.N. Chaudhari informed the committee about the intention of implementing NEP based curriculum at SPIT and stressed on the advantages of the same to the students and the institution.
- 3) He further informed the committee about the new elective basket implemented for FY students wherein they can opt for any three courses of their choice.
- 4) Prof. B.N. Chaudhary seconded this implementation by articulating that this move shall give the choice-based system more aptness.
- 5) Prof. Y.S. Rao also informed the committee that the Seva-Satva courses are now renamed as Life Literature Courses.
- 6) Prof. Y.S. Rao also stated about the introduction of mathematics at higher semesters and how it will enable the students to have more detailed knowledge about the engineering mathematics which in turn help them to implement their engineering core subjects studies in a better manner.

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- 7) He also suggested to have engineers with sound knowledge of mathematics as faculties to teach at higher semesters.
- 8) Dr. M.S. Sutavane enquired about the rational of having different maths for CE and CSE.
- 9) Prof. B.N. Chaudhary responded to his query by explaining the already existing scheme and how it can benefit the students.
- 10) Dr. B. Satyanarayana enquired about the reason for having engineering professional to teach maths as suggested by Prof. Y.S. Rao.
- 11) He suggested to have the course be taught jointly by engineering professionals and mathematics teachers.
- 12) Dr. Faruk Kazi also recommended co-teaching of maths by both engineering professionals and maths teachers which will be more beneficial for students.
- 13) Mr. Anand Chitre asked whether any course is being removed since the introduction of new courses and some courses have now been moved to optional/elective courses.
- 14) Prof. Y.S. Rao responded that no course has been removed but some have been made optional.
- 15) Prof. Y.S. Rao also informed the committee about the internship options offered by the college.
- 16) Committee member Dr Avinash Keskar suggested not to introduce all options of degree together as it will be difficult to administer them properly.

Resolution:

- 1) As suggested by Dr Avinash and other members of the committee, both, the Principal and Dean-Academics accepted the observation and confirmed to implement one or two courses this year and gradually introduce different options of degree.
- 2) Mathematics will be taught by both mathematics teachers and engineering professionals.
- 3) The committee unanimously accepted the amendments with few suggestions.

Agenda 3: Approval for SPIT NEP Curriculum Structure:

Matters Discussed:

- 1) Prof. Y.S. Rao presented the proposed NEP curriculum for approval of the committee.
- 2) Prof. B.N. Chaudhary further stressed on the advantages of having NEP curriculum structure for the institution.
- 3) Dr. M.S. Sutavane suggested to have LO based courses than CO based as desired by the NEP.
- 4) He also suggested to develop academic rule/ordinance based on NEP model of education.

Resolution:

The committee unanimously approved the SPIT NEP Curriculum Structure.

Agenda 4: Any other point of discussion with the permission of the chairman.

- 1) The chairman thanked the members for attending and providing their valuable insights and suggestions; and promised that all the suggestions and recommendations will be implemented in the best of spirits.