

शैक्षणिक परिषद की 02/2025-26 बैठक का कार्यवृत्त

MINUTES OF THE 02/2025-26 MEETING OF THE  
ACADEMIC COUNCIL

20<sup>th</sup> November, 2025



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**02/2025-26 MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL  
11:00 HRS, THURSDAY, 20<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

<b>Item. No.</b>	<b>Particulars</b>
1.	Opening remarks by the Vice-Chancellor and Chairman, Academic Council
2.	<b>Reporting Items-</b>  a. Advertisement for Post-doctoral Fellowship.2026.  b. Extension of the last date of receipt of PhD applications to 05th December 2025.  c. Appointment of Adjunct & Visiting Professors.  d. Award of NSP scholarship to M.Tech. & M.Sc. students.  e. Proposal of NBA Accreditation –  Electronics Engineering, Applied Mathematics, Aerospace Engineering & Autonomous Systems and Computer Science Engineering.  f. List of customised courses conducted from Sept 2025 to date.
	<b>AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION</b>
3.	Approval of Syllabus for M.Tech in Mechanical Engineering.
4.	Any other point with the permission of the Chair



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DIAT/F/REG/ACAD/AC/02/2025-26

Dated 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2025 (Thursday) at 1100 Hrs,  
4<sup>th</sup> floor conference room, DIAT, Pune

The Following Members were present: -

Sl.No	NAME	Description
1.	Prof. B.H.V.S. Narayana Murthy	Chairman
2.	Dr. S K Singh, DHRD	Member
3.	Prof. K. Sudhakar	Member
4.	Dr. Jagannath Nayak	Member
5.	Prof. Gnanamoorthy R.	Member
6.	Prof. Avinash Mahajan	Member
7.	Prof. P.K. Khanna,	Member
8.	Prof K Balasubramanian	Member
9.	Prof Sangeeta Kale	Member
10.	Prof Suwarna Datar	Member
11.	Prof. G. Raghavan,	Member
12.	Prof. Prashant Kulkarni / CoE	Member / Permanent Invitee
13.	Prof. Shaibal Banerjee	Member
14.	Prof. A. Kumaraswamy	Member
15.	Prof. Somanchi Krishna Murthy	Member
16.	Prof. A. A. Bazil Raj	Member
17.	Prof. Odelu Ojjela	Member
18.	Prof. Tejashree Bhave	Member
19.	Dr. Pooja Agarwal	Member
20.	Prof. Sunil Chandel	Member
21.	Prof. H. S. Panda	Member
22.	Dr. Arun Mishra	Member
23.	Dr. Vijay Hiwarkar	Member
24.	Dr. Devnath Dhirhe	Member & JR (Acad)
25.	Shri Kamal Kumar Bajre	Secretary, A.C.

**Leave of absence was granted to the following:**

1. Dr. Subramanian Neelakantan, Executive Director, SETS
2. Dr. Rajesh K. Singh, Dy. Registrar, Academic Section

## **1. Welcome remarks by Vice Chancellor & Chairman, Academic Council:**

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all members of the Academic Council and provided a briefing on recent events and key developments since the last meeting as follows.

- He informed that DIAT recently held its General Body meeting, chaired by the Hon'ble RM, in his office. He further informed that the meeting went very well, and the Hon'ble RM was very happy with progress of DIAT. On approval of the minutes the details will be presented at the next A.C. meeting.
- He also informed that, on the directions of the RM, DIAT has prepared a roadmap for the next 10 years, outlining how to grow both academically and research-wise. The Secretary, DD R&D, has approved a committee chaired by Dr V. K. Saraswat, with members from academia, R&D, and industry to consider the proposal for final recommendation.
- He further informed that a committee had been constituted, with Prof. Sudhakar K. as Chairman, to review the faculty recruitment rules and regulations.
- He informed the A.C. that the M.Tech in Industrial Systems Engineering, designed for working professionals, is going well. He also informed that Radar Technologies for working professionals will probably start shortly.
- He informed the A.C. that INMAS-DRDO is introducing a six-month CBRN certification course, as per the DIAT norms, and will award certificates.
- DIAT will come up with a policy on collaboration with INMAS-DRDO for the PhD programme in nuclear medicine.
- He stated that an MoU was signed with BEML for customised courses and an exchange program, under which DIAT students will undertake internships/placements.
- He again stated that another MoU has been signed with CWPRS to address dam safety and structural issues and to work out a workable solution.
- He informed that DIAT will sign an MoU with DG-AFMS at Delhi HQs for mutual collaboration.

## **2. The following reporting items were noted:**

The Registrar informed A.C. that this is a special meeting, and other procedural items, are therefore not there. He thanked the A.C. members for attending the meeting on a short notice. He briefed the reporting items, as follows:

- **ADVERTISEMENT FOR POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP 2026**

The advertisement for "Post-Doctoral Fellowship-2026 is in process and will be published soon. Accordingly, applications will be called for. An OM on "Policy Post-Doctoral Research Fellowship" was issued vide No. DIAT/F/ACAD/OM/2021, dated 06th July 2021.

- **Extension of the last date of receiving PhD applications- 05th December 2025**

An advertisement for PhD admissions for the session January 2026 was issued on 04th October 2025. The last date of receipt of applications will be extended till 05<sup>th</sup> December 2025.

- **Appointment of Adjunct & Visiting Professors**

Offer of appointment has been made as follows:

- ✓ Dr. S. C. Bhattacharya, Adjunct Faculty- Dept of Applied Chemistry, Energy & Environment.
- ✓ Dr. S.B. Taneja, Adjunct Faculty-Dept. of Applied Mathematics.
- ✓ Dr. Manu Korulla, Sc 'H'(Retd) DRDO, Distinguished Visiting Professor, Dept of Aerospace Engineering & Autonomous Systems.

- **Award of NSP Scholarship for M.Tech & M.Sc. Students**

S.No.	Name of the student	Program	Department
1.	Vacchani Kunj Achyutbhai	M.Sc. Applied Physics	Dept. of Applied Physics
2.	Priyaja M P	M.Sc. Applied Physics	
3.	Neha	M.Sc. Materials Science	Dept. of Metallurgical & Materials Engineering
4.	Bhavana V P	M.Sc. Materials Science	
5.	Sakshi Anil Parkhe	M.Tech in CSE	Dept. of Computer Science and Engineering
6.	Prajakta Shrikant Kavitate	M.Sc. Applied Chemistry	Dept. of Applied Chemistry Energy & Environment.

- **Proposal for NBA Accreditation:**

- ✓ The following departments are in the process of the NBA pre-qualifier.
- ✓ Electronics Engineering- Electronics and Communication Engineering.
- ✓ Applied Mathematics- Modelling & Simulation and Data Science.
- ✓ Aerospace Engineering and Autonomous Systems – Aerospace Engineering.
- ✓ Computer Science and Engineering – Artificial Intelligence.

• LIST OF CUSTOMISED COURSES CONDUCTED FROM SEP 2025 TO DATE

Sl.No	Course Name	Participants	Duration of the course	Department
1	Advanced Anti Drone Technologies	BEL, 13-16 Oct, 2025	04 Days	EE
2	Antenna Engineering and Radome Design	BEL, 27-30 Oct 2025	04 Days	EE
3	Advanced EW Systems and Its challenges	BEL, 3-6 Nov, 2025	04 Days	EE
4	Sensor Data Acquisition Systems	BEL, 11-13 Nov, 2025	03 Days	EE
5	EW Systems	HAL, 27-31 Sep & 6-9 Oct	08 Days	EE
6	Stealth Technology	HAL 13-17 Oct 2025	05 Days	AP
7	Seminar AICTE VAANI Sponsored	Space & Defence Technology (in Marathi) on 8th to 9th Oct 2025.	2 days Seminar	ME

**Agenda items for discussion:**

**3. Amendment of DRC rules on Ph.D. Admissions**

Prof. Odelu Ojjela, Chairman DRC, presented the agenda item. He informed the Academic Council of plans to amend the DRC rules for Introduction of a new rule as per UGC guidelines 2022, which offers PhD admission without GATE/NET. The admission process will be the same as that for regular students.


The A.C. advised that instead of Non-Gate/Non-NET category students, they be titled "Institute Fellow". Regular GATE/NET, etc., scholars will continued to be titled as **Junior Research Fellow (JRF)** and **Senior Research Fellow (SRF)** after 2 years for JRFship.

The Chairman, DRC further informed A.C. that there will be no compromise in the quality of admissions and rigorous procedures will be followed in the admission process. "Institute Fellow" will compete on par with regular PhD students. He informed that, in the initial phase to gear up for future admissions, a fellowship of Rs. 25,000/- per month will be provided to the selected candidates. Later, as the students' progress and is found to be up to benchmark, the fellowship may made on par with **JRF/SRF**. After detailed discussion, the A.C. resolved to approve amendment in the DRC rules. The finalised document is annexed.

**Action: Chairman DRC**

**4. Concluding remarks by Chairman:**

With no further matters left for discussion, the Chairman expressed gratitude to all members for their valuable insights and contributions. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chairman and all members for their active participation.

  
 (Shri Kamal Kumar Bajre)  
 Registrar & Secretary, Academic Council

## Annexure

1. The admission criteria will be the same for all categories, like Regular Institute Fellowship & Institute Fellowship with Non GATE/NET etc., (i.e., written test followed by interview).
2. The fellowship for selected "Institute Fellowship with "Non-GATE/NET" applicants will be as per the following:
  - a) Rs 25000/- per month (Consolidated) for the First 2 years.
  - b) After completion of 2 years with satisfactory progress and on recommendation of DRMC and DRC, the Competent authority may enhance the financial assistance equivalent to regular JRF (i.e., Rs. 37,000 /- as of now, it may be changed time to time whenever the government enhances JRF amount) up to 5 years or submission of PhD thesis, whichever is earlier.
  - c) The other rules and regulations such as Contingency, maximum / minimum duration of submission of thesis, foreign visit to attend the conference etc., are the same with regular DIAT fellowship PhD students.
3. A Non-GATE/Non-NET/JRf/Project staff if qualifies for any National Exam, He/she may be eligible for the DIAT regular institute fellowship at par with GATE/NET qualified.
4. IRF/Project staff of DIAT/DRDO who have been registered for the PhD Programme as Part-Time students and are availing a fellowship under projects and are not availing any fellowship after the project is over, may be considered as Full-Time with "Institute Fellowship with Non-GATE/Non-NET", these rules will be applicable for the present ongoing students also.
5. Institute Fellowship Non-GATE/Non-NET candidates will be considered against the vacant seats after filling the seats from GATE/NET/etc. qualified applicants only.

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