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DEPARTMENT OF ROBOTICS AND AUTOMATION

Minutes of Ist Board of Studies Meeting

The First Board of studies meeting of Department of Robotics and Automation was held on 19th

July 2025 at 10:00 am through online mode at Manakula Vinayagar Institute of Technology with the Head of the Department in the Chair.

The following members were present for the BoS meeting

s.NO	Name of the Member with Designation and official Address	Members as per UGC Norms
1.	Dr. V. Govindan Associate Professor HOD I/C	Chairman
2.	Dr. R. Prasanth, Professor Centre for Green Energy Technology Pondicherry Technological University	University Nominee
3.	Dr. Vinod B Professor and Head Department of Robotics and Automation Engineering PSG College of Technology, Coimbatore	Subject Expert
4	Dr. C. Karthik Associate Professor Department of Biomedical Engineering Mepco Schlenk Engineering, Sivakasi, Tamil Nadu	Subject Expert
5.	Mr. R. Samivel, Assistant Manager – Design L&T Rubber Processing Machinery Kanchipuram.	Industry Expert
6.	Dr. S. Saravana Perumaal, Associate Professor, National Institute of Technical Teachers Tranning and Research (NITTTR) Taramani, Chennai.	Special Expert
7.	Dr. P. Baskara Sethupathi, Assistant Professor (Sr.G), SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Kattankulathur Chennai.	Special Expert

7.	Ms. Nithya Sre N, Algorithm Engineer, Renault Nissan Technology and Business Centre India. Chennai.	Alumni Member	
8.	Mr. A. Baskaran, AP/RA		
	Ms. Kiruba Sandou, AP/RA		
	Ms. J.V. Pesha, AP/RA	I-4136	
	Mrs. D. Dharani, AP/RA	Internal Members	
	Mrs. T. Sudha, AP/RA		
	Mrs. S. Ramya, AP/RA		

Agenda of the Meeting

- 1. Introduction about the Institution and Department
- 2. To discuss the proposed regulation 2025 and University regulation R2023 & R 2019
- To Discuss B.Tech Curriculum of I to VIII semester and Syllabi for I & II Semester under Autonomous regulation 2025, for the students admitted in the academic year 2025-2026.
- Review and Discussion of Pondicherry University Curriculum 2023 for Second-Year B.Tech Students.
- 5. To Discuss Uniqueness of the Curriculum (R2025)
- 6. To Discuss and Approve Evaluation System
- To Discuss about Innovative teaching / Practices Methodology adopted to handle the Emerging /Advanced Technological Concept Courses.
- 8. Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

Minutes of the Meeting

Dr. V. Govindan, Chairperson, Board of Studies (BoS), formally declared the meeting open and extended a warm welcome to all external, internal, and co-opted members. He expressed sincere appreciation for their acceptance of the invitation and their valued presence as members of the Board. Following the welcome address, the approved agenda items were briefly introduced and deliberations commenced accordingly.

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The B.Tech Degree Regulation 2022, R2023 Curriculum and Syllabus has been approved and recommended to Academic Council

Item No: RA/1.2

The B.Tech Degree Regulation 2025 Curriculum and Syllabus has been approved and recommended to Academic Council with following corrections

- In the curriculum, it was observed that using the letter 'I' to denote
 Integrated Courses may lead to confusion with the numeral 'I'. To
 enhance clarity and avoid ambiguity, it has been proposed to use the letter
 'J' to represent Joint Courses as a suitable alternative.
- Regarding student promotion criteria, it was clarified that students failing
 all subjects may progress to the next semester, whereas those absent for
 an entire semester must complete it before advancing. A suggestion was
 made to review this regulation to allow greater flexibility and enhanced
 student support.
- Regarding attendance eligibility, it was noted that students with a shortage of attendance in a single subject are generally permitted to appear for examinations in the remaining subjects.
- Regarding the possibility of pursuing both Honours and Minor degrees
 concurrently, it was clarified that students may opt for either Honours or
 Minor, but not both, as pursuing both would constitute a dual degree,
 which is not permitted under the current academic regulations.
- The BoS members proposed reallocating the 5 marks currently assigned to attendance in Continuous Assessment towards internships, in-plant training (IPT), or extracurricular activities, emphasizing that active student engagement provides a more meaningful measure of student performance than mere physical presence.
- It was proposed that the Robotics Laboratory be elevated to the status of a Centre of Excellence, with the aim of advancing practical learning, fostering interdisciplinary research, and promoting innovation in robotics and automation.
- External BoS members recommended replacing core subjects in the eighth semester with elective courses to enhance flexibility and support students' interests and career goals.

- It was recommended to include mini projects in each semester to build practical skills, enhance technical competency, and foster innovative thinking.
- The BoS members suggested revising the title of the Semester 3 course under Employability Enhancement Course from "Basic Software for Robotics" to "Modeling and Simulation for Robotics", to better reflect the course content and align with current industry trends.
- The BoS members recommended removing the word "Introduction" from the title of the Semester 4 course "Introduction to Entrepreneurial Skills and Concepts", suggesting it be renamed to "Entrepreneurial Skills and Concepts" for better clarity and precision.
- In Semester 1, the BoS members suggested removing "AutoCAD" from
 the course title "Engineering Drawing and AutoCAD", as it is softwarespecific. They recommended renaming the course to "Engineering
 Graphics" to provide a broader and more inclusive title suitable for
 various drafting tools and platforms.
- The BoS members suggested renaming the subject "Mathematics II" to make the title more meaningful and reflective of its content. They recommended the new title as "Differential Equations and Transforms".
- The BoS members observed a lack of uniformity in the Course Outcomes
 (COs) across subjects. They recommended taking necessary action to
 align the COs with Bloom's Taxonomy and appropriate specification
 levels for clarity and consistency.
- Redundancy in topics, particularly physics-related content within the Sensors and Actuators course, was pointed out. The incorporation of microsensors and microactuators was recommended to eliminate overlap and update the curriculum in line with modern advancements.

Item No: AIML/1.3

The Examination and Evaluation systems in Regulation 2023 and 2025 were discussed and recommended to Academic Council

Item No: AIML/1.4

The Board of Studies has approved the swapping of subjects across Semesters III, IV, and V for students under the 2023–24 Regulation, currently in their third semester. This adjustment aims to optimize the academic flow and scheduling without modifying the syllabus content.

Subject	Existing Semester	Proposed Semester	Reason for Change Advanced subject shifted to higher semester for better understanding after foundational courses.		
Power Electronics and Drives	III	V			
Analog Electronics and Circuits	Ш	IV	Since Electronic Devices is studied in Semester III, Analog Electronics and Circuits is shifted to Semester IV for better sequential learning.		
Hydraulics and Pneumatics (Theory & Lab)	IV	Ш	Basic automation subject introduced earlier to strengthen foundation concepts.		
Signals and Systems	V	Ш	Analytical foundation introduced earlier to support control systems and robotics courses.		

Item No:
AIML/1.5

Item No:
AIML/1.6

The proposed Evaluation System was discussed in detail. After thorough deliberation and consideration of its structure, relevance, and alignment with academic standards, the system was approved by the committee.

Item No:
AIML/1.7

Discussed about the Innovative Teaching/Practice Methodology adopted to handle the Emerging /Advanced Technological Concept Courses.

The meeting was concluded at 1:45 PM with vote of thanks by **Dr. V. Govindan**, Chairman, Board of Studies, Department of Robotics and Automation

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