



# MANAKULA VINAYAGAR INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY



An Autonomous Institution

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Kalitheerthalkuppam, Puducherry- 605 107.

Minutes of the Second Academic council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2026, Saturday at 11.00AM in the Board Room Conference Hall, under the Chairmanship of Dr.S. Malarkkan, Principal.

The following members were present.

1.	Dr.S.Sivasathya	Dean, School of Engineering &Technology, Pondicherry University
2.	Dr. C. Sivasankar	Professor and Head, Dept. of Chemistry, Pondicherry University
3.	Dr.A.Dinakararao	Professor, Dept. of Bioinformatics Pondicherry University
4.	Dr.R.Baskaran	Director, Center for Academic Courses, Anna University, Chennai
5.	Ms.R.Rajalakshmi	Sr. Manager, TCS – Head – ILP, AIP & Agile-IoT DE, Chennai
6.	Dr.R.Valli	Professor/ECE and Dean (R&D), MVIT
7.	Dr.A.Thenmozhi	Professor/ECE and Dean (Academic), MVIT
8.	Dr. B. Radjaram	Professor & Head, Dept. of Mech, CoE/MVIT
9.	Dr. C.Shanmugasundaram	Professor & Head, Dept. of EEE/MVIT
10.	Dr.S.Arunmozhi	Professor & Head, Dept. of ECE/MVIT
11.	Dr.S.Pariselvam	Professor & Head, Dept. of CSE/MVIT
12.	Dr.P.Sivakumar	Professor & Head, Dept. of IT/MVIT
13.	Dr.V.Govindan	Associate Professor &Head (i/c)/, Dept. of RA/MVIT
14.	Dr.D.Tiroutchelvame	Associate Professor & Head (i/c, Dept. of FT/MVIT
15.	Mr.R.RajBharath	Associate Professor& Head (i/c), Dept. of AIML/MVIT
16.	Dr.N. Palanivel	Professor& Head, Dept. of CSE (ICB)/MVIT
17.	Dr.P.Baskaran	Professor & Head, Dept. of Management Studies/MVIT
18.	Dr.A.Meiyappane	Professor and Head (i/c), Dept. of Computer Applications/MVIT
19.	Ms.M. Sumithra	Associate Professor, First Year Coordinator/MVIT
20.	Ms.R.Priya	Asst.Professor(Sr. Grade), Dept. of EEE/MVIT.
21.	Mr.R.Sathishkumar	Asst.Professor, Dept . of CSE/MVIT

The following members could not attend the meeting, due to their prior commitments.

Dr. R. Sarathi	Professor, Dept. of EE, IIT Madras, Chennai
Dr.G.S.Ayyappan	Sr.Principal Scientist, CSIR–Chennai

The Chairman of Academic council extended a warm welcome to all the members. The items of the agenda were deliberated and the following resolutions were passed in the meeting.

## AC 2026.2.1

To confirm the minutes of the first Academic Council meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2025.

Deliberation(s)	The minutes of the first Academic Council meeting with action taken report on the suggestions given by the members were presented and discussed.
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Suggestion(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The members suggested to have separate projects for Phase I and Phase II in the final year project, as the evaluation methodology would be clear without any ambiguity. If the Institution follows Phase I and Phase II as a single project, the evaluation process should be defined very clearly in the academic guidelines.</li> <li>Foreign Language Training may be offered to all the students as a value-added course with 1 Credit but it need not be considered for CGPA calculation. Different languages like Japanese, French, Korean can also be offered and all the students must be insisted to complete atleast one foreign language training during their period of study in the Institution.</li> </ul>
Resolution	Noted and accepted the suggestions given by the members.

### AC 2026.2.2

To apprise the Academic Council about the revised **Statutory and Non-Statutory Committees for approval.**

Deliberation(s)	The chairman of the academic council presented the details of Statutory and Non-Statutory Committees. The coordinator of the SC/ST cell has left the Institution and informed the members that the revised proceedings will be issued at the earliest.
Resolution	Noted.

### AC 2026.2.3

To approve the **Minutes of 2<sup>nd</sup> BoS Meetings** of UG, PG and Ph.D programmes in Engineering, MBA, MCA and BCA Programmes.

Deliberation(s)	The Minutes of 2 <sup>nd</sup> BoS Meetings of UG, PG and Ph.D programmes in Engineering, MBA, MCA and BCA Programmes were presented and suggestions, recommendations by the BoS members were discussed.
Clarifications & Suggestion(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Members suggested that, content of the syllabus should also be increased to advanced level, if the course credit is increased. Tutorials can also be added for the credit increase.</li> <li>The members clarified, if only the name of the subject is changed or the subject content is changed while renaming the subject.</li> <li>Members suggested for floating the elective courses rather than grouping it. It was also suggested to have no dependency between the subjects in the baskets.</li> <li>The open elective courses should be mentioned in the department which is offering it.</li> <li>Internship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For a minimum of 4 weeks internship, 1 credit can be given.</li> <li>Intern can be at other educational institutions also (Institutes of Higher</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>Learning).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Industry collaborated courses can be offered and can be considered as intern (courses by TCS, WIPRO, etc.,)</li> </ul> <p><b>Honors/Minors Degree courses credits:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For minor degree courses, the courses (Basic level courses) may be offered <b>with 3 Credits only.</b></li> <li>• <b>For Honors, Advanced level course with 4 credits</b> (5 subject with 4 credits in each – total 20 credits)</li> </ul>
Response(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Course name change – accepted by all the members.</li> <li>• For both Honors and Minor Degree, the number of credits for the courses may be considered as 3 or 4 based on the volume of the contents in the course. As the additional courses are being offered from 3<sup>rd</sup> sem to 7<sup>th</sup> sem, the number of additional courses for honors and minor degree happens to be only 5. So, the additional credits (18-20 credits) to be earned for Honors /Minor Degree can be met only with a mix of 3 and 4 credit courses.</li> </ul>
Resolution	Noted and accepted the suggestions given by the members.

#### AC 2026.2.4

To recommend the following by the Academic Council to the Governing Body for approval.

- I. **Introduction of proposed New Programmes in Engineering**, from the A.Y 2026 - 27
- II. **Increase / decrease in intake** in the existing Engineering Programmes from the A.Y 2026 - 27.
- III. **Nomenclature Change** of the Existing B.Tech, M.Tech Programmes from the A.Y 2026 - 27
- IV. Introduction of **Certification Courses / Diploma Courses** from the A.Y 2026 – 27

Deliberation(s)	The Chairman of Academic Council presented <b>the proposed New Programmes in Engineering</b> , B.Tech – Electrical and Computer Engineering, B.Tech – Electrical and Electronics Engineering (EV Technology/Renewable Energy), <b>Increase in intake</b> in B.Tech (ICB) from 60 to 120 and Introduction of <b>Certification Courses / Diploma Courses</b> from the A.Y 2026 – 27.
Suggestion(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Introduction of proposed New Programmes in Engineering</b>, from the A.Y 2026 – 27</li> </ul> <p>To Members suggested that the B.Tech – Electrical and Computer Engineering will attract students, but students will face issues while applying for EB/ Govt jobs</p> <p>B.Tech – Electrical and Electronics Engineering (EV Technology/Renewable Energy) will become a more specialized course and hence, the placement opportunities of the students will be narrowed down.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Increase in intake</b> in B.Tech (ICB) was accepted and the members enquired about facilities and faculty available for handling this increase.</li> <li>• The members suggested that, all the departments can explore the possibilities of offering various Short term Certificate Courses. They also suggested to offer</li> </ul>

	Diploma Courses with the permission of AICTE.
Response(s)	Infrastructure required for new courses and increase in intake are being upgraded and the facilities will be made available soon.
Resolution	Noted and accepted the suggestions given by the members.

#### AC 2026.2.5

To **approve the list of students admitted** into various programmes in the A.Y 2025 - 26.

i. UG, PG & Ph.D., in Engineering, MBA, MCA and BCA programmes.

Deliberation(s)	The list of students admitted to various programmes for the Academic Year 2025–26 were placed before the Academic Council for approval.
Suggestion(s)	Members got clarification for the low admission in BCA and nil admission in BBA and suggested to work on strategies to improve it in future.
Response(s)	The chairman of Academic council responded that the approval from the Affiliating University was received only after the admission was started and hence we could not fill up the seats. This year more efforts will be taken to fill up the seats in BCA and BBA programmes.
Resolution	Noted.

#### AC 2026.2.6

To ratify the **Academic Calendar** for the even semester of the A.Y 2025 - 26.

Deliberation(s)	The Chairman of the Academic council presented the academic calendar for the academic year 2025-26 (Even Sem) which outlines a comprehensive schedule of academic activities, including the commencement and End of semesters, internal assessment and end-semester examination schedules.
Suggestion(s)	As the model examination before the end semester examination is also an assessment, it can be renamed as CAT III in all the reports.
Resolution	Noted and accepted the suggestions given by the members.

#### AC 2026.2.7

To approve the **minor changes/modifications in the Autonomous Regulations (R-2025)**.

Deliberation(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The minor changes and modifications proposed in the Autonomous Regulations (R-2025) were submitted for the consideration and approval of the Academic Council.</li> <li>• The modifications recommended in the BoS in respect of             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Minimum marks required in the continuous assessment, end semester exam and overall marks for passing</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
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	2. The assessment methods and distribution of marks for 6 different categories of integrated courses (Theory and Practical Component) were discussed in detail.
Suggestion(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was suggested that, as the condition for securing minimum marks in continuous assessment (40%) for passing will improve the overall performance of the students and also it facilitates the students to be under full control of the faculty, this clause may be retained.</li> <li>• Members also suggested that for Type 6 of Integrated course, more weightage is given for theory; hence the continuous assessment marks can be 15 % for theory and 35 % for practical. In End semester Examination theory may be given full weightage of 50%.</li> </ul>
Response(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Though the condition for securing minimum marks in continuous assessment for passing will make the students to prepare for the course regularly, failing due to less CAT marks will not necessitate the student to write the end semester examinations.</li> <li>• Moreover, in Pondicherry University latest regulation also, this condition of securing minimum 40%in CAT have been removed.</li> <li>• However, this condition will be followed in the near future.</li> <li>• The guidelines for improving the continuous assessment marks will be finalized and included in the regulation.</li> </ul> <p>For integrated courses of different categories, the suggestions given by the members will be implemented while revising the regulations in the forthcoming academic year.</p>
Resolution	Accepted and resolved to follow the recommendations by BoS members. The suggestions given by the academic council members will be implemented from the next academic year.

#### AC 2026.2.8

To apprise the Academic Council about the End Semester Examination conducted and the **Publication of results for UG and PG programmes** in Engineering, BCA, MCA and MBA programmes for the odd semester of the A.Y 2025-26 and **list of Examiners involved, transparency maintained and action taken for the malpractices.**

Deliberation(s)	The conduct of End Semester Examinations of the A.Y 2025 – 26 (Odd Semester) for various programmes of the Institution, publication of results, Question paper setting etc., were presented.
Clarification(s) & Suggestion(s)	The members got clarification on the reasons for 144 failures in Mathematics subject alone. They suggested for arranging remedial classes for the failures.
Response(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The reasons identified for more failures in Mathematics are, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Admission got delayed in this academic year with more students sliding in each round of counseling in Pondicherry and hence many of the students joined late in the first semester.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Usually for the subjects like Mathematics, before the end semester examination minimum 2 to 3 days of rigorous revision will be done. This time, it couldn't be possible as the examination was scheduled immediately after Pongal holidays.</li> <li>• As per the academic guidelines of the institution, remedial classes for the failed students will be arranged before the arrear examinations.</li> </ul>
Resolution	Noted and accepted the suggestion given by the members.

#### AC 2026.2.9

To apprise the Academic Council about various <b>Memorandum of Understanding</b> executed with Industrial Sectors / Academic Institutions till A.Y 2025 - 26.	
Deliberation(s)	The details of the MoU signed with various Industries and International Universities and the activities conducted under MoUs were presented.
Resolution	Members appreciated and ratified.

#### AC 2026.2.10

To apprise the Academic Council about the <b>placement achievements for the A.Y 2025 - 26 till date.</b>	
Deliberation(s)	The placement statistics for the A.Y 2025 - 26 till date was presented.
Suggestion(s)	Members suggested to increase the number of offers in Tier I companies.
Resolution	Noted.

#### AC 2026.2.11

To apprise the Academic Council about the <b>Institutional Rankings/Awards/Achievements</b> of our Institution for the A.Y 2025 - 26.	
Deliberation(s)	The Institutional Rankings/Awards/Achievements of our Institution for the A.Y 2025 - 26 was presented.
Resolution	Appreciated

**AC 2026.2.12**

To apprise the Academic Council about the **major events scheduled** in the A.Y 2025 – 26 (Even Sem).

Deliberation(s)	The major events such as ICSCAN, FRUITION, ELAN, SCIMIT, etc., were presented.
Suggestion(s)	Visits by School children can be arranged during SCIMIT, so that it will serve as a source of encouragement for them to work on STEM projects.
Resolution	Accepted the suggestion given by the members.

**AC 2026.2.13**

To apprise the Academic Council about the **Value-added courses and other Skill development programs** given to Students in the A.Y 2025 – 26 (Odd Sem).

Deliberation(s)	The list of Value added courses and other Skill development programs offered to the students during the A.Y 2025 – 26 (Odd sem) was presented.
Clarification(s) & Suggestion(s)	The members got clarification on the resource persons offering the courses and the duration of conduction.
Response(s)	The duration of course, resource persons involved, title of the course and the number of students enrolled were given.
Resolution	Appreciated and Approved.

**AC 2026.2.14**

To apprise the Academic council about the

- i. **FDP/PDP conducted** by our Institution in the A.Y 2025 - 26 (Odd Sem)
- ii. **FDP attended/online certifications** completed by our faculty in the A.Y 2025 - 26 (Odd Sem)

Deliberation(s)	Total of 15 Professional development programs conducted for the Teaching and Non – Teaching staff members in the A.Y 2025-26 was presented. The FDPs/online certifications completed by our faculty in the A.Y 2025 - 26 (Odd Sem) was also presented.
Resolution	Appreciated and Approved.

**AC 2026.2.15**

To apprise the Academic Council about the **R&D activities, SEED Grant Scheme, Patents and Publications**, etc., in our Institution

Deliberation(s)	The chairman of the academic council presented the details of the PDPs on research tools, publications, patents and SEED grant
Suggestion(s)	The members Appreciated the patents received and suggested to include the details of impact factor of the papers published by the faculty members in the presentation.
Resolution	Noted. Accepted the suggestion given by the members.

**AC 2026.2.16**

To apprise about the funds received from various agencies such as **AICTE, DST etc.**, in the Academic year 2025 - 26.

Deliberation(s)	The details of funding received from AICTE under VAANI scheme and ATAL FDP were presented. The funding received from AICTE Kapila scheme for 45 patents was also presented.
Suggestion(s)	The members suggested for applying proposals under various schemes to research agencies.
Resolution	Noted.

**AC 2026.2.17**

To discuss and approve the **Ph. D Regulations, R-2025**.

Deliberation(s)	The Ph.D. Regulations – R2025 for the Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE) [University Regulation] was placed before the Academic Council for discussion and approval.
Resolution	Accepted

**AC 2026.2.18**

To consider and ratify the minutes of the **22<sup>nd</sup> IQAC meeting**.

Deliberation(s)	The minutes of the 22 <sup>nd</sup> Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) Meeting, conducted on 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2026 at 10.30 a.m. with external members were placed before the Academic
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	Council for consideration and ratification.
Resolution	The minutes of the IQAC meeting was ratified.

**AC 2026.2.19**

Any other item with the permission of the Chairperson.

Deliberation(s)	<p>The chairman of IQAC presented the following items,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating <b>additional infrastructure with smart class rooms and advanced computing facilities</b></li> <li>• Planning to conduct <b>diploma courses / certificate courses</b> especially for industry peoples</li> <li>• Working out strategy for improving <b>R&amp;D Eco-system</b></li> <li>• Offering periodic training on <b>AI Tools</b> through IQAC Cell to make our faculty and students use it <b>effectively</b>.</li> </ul>
Suggestion(s)	The members suggested for strengthening the R&D Eco-system as it is the need of the hour.
Resolution	Noted.

  
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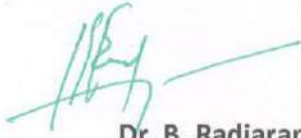
  
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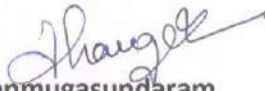
  
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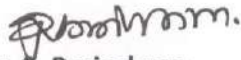
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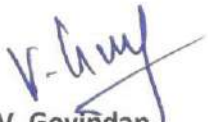
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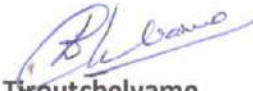
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