Minutes of the Meeting
INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL

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Date:	October 19, 2024
Convenor:	Dr. Lakshmisudha, Principal & IQAC Chairperson
Time:	10:30am –11:15am
Venue:	Seminar Hall & Microsoft Teams Meeting

The following were the agenda points of the 23rd IQAC Meeting.

1. Confirming the minutes and action taken report of 22nd IQAC meeting conducted on June 28, 2024.
2. Discussion on Autonomous status.
3. Status of Admissions for AY 2024-25.
4. Updation on Results & Placement.
5. Discussion on Industry Institute Interaction.
6. Status of Centre of Excellence.
7. Any other point with the permission of the Chair.

Following members were present for the 23rd IQAC offline & online meeting:

1.	Dr. Lakshmisudha	IQAC Chairperson, Principal
2.	Dr. Aparna Bannore	Vice Principal and HOD – Computer Engineering
3.	Dr. Rupendra S. Nehete	HOD – Mechanical Engineering
4.	Dr. Preeti Hemnani	HOD- Electronics & Telecommunication Engineering
5.	Dr. Rizwana Shaikh	I/c HOD- Artificial Intelligence & Data Science
6.	Dr. Varsha Patil	I/c HOD- Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning
7.	Dr. Shubhangi Kharche	I/c HOD – Electronics & Computer Science
8.	Dr. Sulochana Madachane	I/c HOD-Computer Science Engineering (IOT&CS)
9.	Dr. Seema Redekar	I/c HOD – Information Technology
10.	Prof. Pratibha Sharma	I/c HOD – Humanities & Applied Sciences
11.	Prof. K. Venkataramani	Management Representative
12.	Mr. Gaurav Ghelani Academic Relationship Manager – India West & Central, TCS	Industry Representative
13.	Mr. Vignesh Venkatachalam Associate ABAP Developer, SAP Labs India Pvt Ltd	Alumni Representative
14.	Dr. Vidya Chitre Professor, VIT, Mumbai	External Academic Expert
15.	Dr. Hariom K Chavan Professor, KJSIEIT, Sion	External Academic Expert
16.	Prof. Seema Khan	I/c – T&P Cell
17.	Prof. Shubhangi Kadu	I/c – Examination Cell
18.	Dr. Smita S. Kumar	I/c – Students' Council
19.	Mrs. V. Vijayalakshmi	Registrar
20.	Mr. Krishnamurthy Nadar	I/c – Network Administration
21.	Mrs. Arunadevi S Lingam	Librarian
22.	Ms. Aditi Singh	Representative, Student Council
23.	Prof. Leena Ladge	IQAC Coordinator

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IQAC Coordinator, Prof. Leena Ladge, presented a warm welcome to all the IQAC members. She also introduced the newly added members, Dr. Vidya Chtre, Dr. Hariom Chavan and Ms. Aditi Singh. She then continued with the agenda of the meeting:

Discussion and Minutes of the meeting:

1. **Confirming the minutes and action taken report of 22nd IQAC meeting conducted on June 28, 2024.**

   The minutes and the action taken report of 22nd IQAC Meeting conducted on June 28, 2024, were presented by Prof. Leena Ladge, IQAC Coordinator. The minutes and action report were approved by the members.

2. **Discussion on Autonomous status**

   Dr. K. Lakshmisudha, Principal, presented the status of Autonomy. She informed the members that the Institute received the Autonomy status from UGC from AY 2024-25. It was also informed that BoS meetings for all the departments, Academic Council Meeting and Governing Body Meeting, were conducted in the month of September. It has been decided that FE to BE and PG Regular exams will be conducted under Autonomous and KT Exams will be under University of Mumbai (UoM). FE syllabus framed by SIES GST and it has been currently followed for FE students. For SE, TE, BE and PG, the UoM syllabus will be followed. She also informed that the relevant documents are submitted to UoM. To prepare the results of F.E. and B.E. under autonomy, the features in Kushi software are updated. All the necessary actions have been undertaken by the Exam cell. Various committees are formed for AY 2024-25. Prof. Venkataramani suggested keeping hard copies of the necessary documents ready during meetings for the perusal of the members.

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3. Status of Admissions for AY 2024-25

The Principal, informed the members there are 100% admissions in the current AY 2024-25 for the programmes Electronics & Telecommunication Engineering, Computer Engineering, Information Technology, Electronics & Computer Science, Artificial Intelligence & Data Science, Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning and Computer Science & Engineering (IoT & Cyber security including Block Chain tech). Direct Second Year admissions are 89/100, ME(AI&DS) are 09/18 and ME(IS) is 01/18. She also informed that the cut off has been very good across the branches.

4. Updation on Results & Placement

The Principal informed the members the results for AY 2023-24 are improved as compared to AY 2022-23. But the placements are less in AY 23-24. Mr. Gaurav Ghelani, an Industry Expert, gave his viewpoint that hiring in most of the organizations is very competitive and therefore, the quality of the students should be relatively high. This would help students be placed in better company with a better package. He also mentioned that we need to focus on enhancing their talent.

Mr. Vignesh informed the members that there is slow growth in the IT industry for this year and the next year, hoping that placements too would increase. Principal also mentioned the Star Performers of last year placed batch and students qualifying Competitive Exams.

5. Discussion on Industry Institute Interaction.

Principal, Dr. Lakshmisudha, mentioned that total 18 MoUs are made with various industries in last AY, under which total 128 activities were conducted. She also informed about the industry internships and internal internships offered through Value Added Courses.

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6. Status of Centre of Excellence

It was informed to all the members, Centre of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence is established in June 2024. AI for Youth Program faculty development program was conducted under the trainer activity by Dell Technologies in June 2024. A total of 14 faculty members successfully completed the training on the topics such as Computer Vision, Natural Language Processing, Statistical Data Analysis. 100 Hrs training program for students is planned in December 2024. She also informed that institute has received the Consultancy project titled "Greenox Web Development APP using AI" from Greenox of worth Rs 3,00,000/-, in which two faculty members and four students are working.

7. Any other point with the permission of the Chair.

Dr. Vidya Chitre suggested encouraging more students for the internship which can help with their better placements as well as for their higher studies admission. Prof. Venkataramani enquired about the admissions under B. E. for Working Professionals. Ms. Vijaylaxmi, the Registrar, informed that there were only 2-3 enquiries but due to TC issues, they did not take admission. She also informed that as per DTE, a minimum of 10 students out of 30 need to be admitted to start with any course. The Principal informed that T&P cell has approached a few companies including NMMC, but the response was very poor. She informed that awareness about this course would be created from December. Hon. Secretary suggested having proper advertisement of the course, building coordination cell and also connecting with industries.

Principal informed all the members that TCS accreditation visit took place on October 04, 2024.

Dr. Vidya suggested including international experts, industry experts who can take lectures in a hybrid mode or in an online mode, which would benefit students and also help bridge the gap.

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Prof. Leena Ladge, IQAC Coordinator proposed the vote of thanks, and the meeting was concluded.

Prof. Leena V Ladge
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Action Taken Report on the decisions of the IQAC meeting held on October 19, 2024

To implement the decisions of the 23rd meeting of the IQAC, the following actions were taken:

Sr. No.	Decision	Action Taken
1	Autonomous status	• FE academics and examinations are conducted under autonomy. • SE, TE and BE regular examinations are held under autonomy and KT examinations are held under UoM.
2	Enhancing students' skills for better Placements	• Value Added Courses on Programming skills are planned in January 2025. • T&P Cell has planned. • Prof. Sunilkumar Punjabi attended orientation programme on November 16, 2024, organised by National Apprenticeship Training Scheme (NATS) which provides various opportunities for on-job Training.
3	COE in Artificial Intelligence	• Under the consultancy project, internship for two students is completed. • 10 more students across all the departments are selected for training; upon successful completion, they will be provided with internships.
4	TCS accreditation	• The Institute has been accredited by TCS Priority College Status.
5	Industry experts to teach the courses.	• Identified Industry experts for the same.

Prof. Leena V Ladge
IQAC Coordinator

Dr. K. Lakshmisudha
Principal

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