

ALL INDIA COUNCIL FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION
7th Floor, Chanderlok Building, Janpath, New Delhi 110 001

**Minutes of the Emergent meeting of the Council held on
January 6, 2010 at 11.00 a.m. in the Conference Room(1st Floor),
Ministry of Human Resource Development, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi. 110 001**

The following members attended the meeting :

1. Prof. S.S. Mantha in Chair
2. Shri Ashok Thakur, Additional Secretary, MHRD(*represented Secretary(E), MHRD*)
3. Sh. S.K. Ray, Joint Secretary & Financial Adviser, MHRD
4. Dr. S.K. Thorat, Chairman, University Grants Commission
5. Prof. S.C. Saxena, Chairman, Northern Regional Committee, AICTE
6. Dr. B.B. Ahuja, Chairman, All India Board of Vocational Education, AICTE
7. Dr. A.A. Ghatol, Chairman, All India Board of Technician Education, AICTE
8. Dr. N. Sambandam, Chairman, All India Board of Management Studies, AICTE
9. Dr. J.K. Pathan, Scientist 'D' (*represented Secretary, Dept. of Science & Technology*)
10. Dr. Sandhya Chintala, Director. (*represented President, NASSCOM*)
11. Sh. Vinay Rai, Chairman(Education Committee)(*represented President, ASSOCHAM*)
12. Sh. Ajay Bhattacharya, Director(*represented President, CII*)
13. Prof. Beena Shah, Secretary General(*represented President, Association of Indian Universities*)
14. Dr Gautam Barua, Director, Indian Institute of Technology-Guwahati
15. Ms. Archana Mudgal, Registrar-cum-Secretary(*represented President, Pharmacy Council of India*)
16. Mrs. Rekha Sethi, Director General(*represented President, All India Management Association*)
17. Wg. Cdr.(Retd.) Dr. M.L Bala, Chairman-Academic Committee(*represented President, The Institution of Electronics & Telecommunication Engineers(IETE)*)
18. Dr. S.K. Mehrotra, Director, Institute of Applied Manpower Research
19. Dr. R.K. Mittal, Assistant Director General (EQR) (*represented Director General, ICAR*)
20. Dr. D.K. Paliwal Member Secretary(I/C)

The following members could not attend the meeting :

21. Joint Secretary(T) , Ministry of Human Resource Development
22. Dr. S.D. Awale, Chairman, Western Regional Committee, AICTE
23. Prof. Shekhar Chaudhuri, Chairman, Eastern Regional Committee, AICTE
24. Prof. V.N., Gupchup, Chairman, All India Board of Post Graduate Research in Engg. & Tech., AICTE
25. Prof. B.S. Sonde, All India Board of Undergraduate Studies in Engineering & Technology, AICTE
26. Secretary, Dept. Of Agriculture & Cooperation
27. Secretary, Dept. of Chemicals & Petro Chemicals
28. Secretary, Ministry of Civil Aviation
29. Secretary, Ministry of Coal.
30. Secretary, Technical Education, Dadra & Nagar Haveli
31. Secretary, Department of Education, Daman & Diu Admn.
32. Secretary, Govt. of NCT of Delhi)
33. Secretary, Department of Education, Goa
34. Commissioner & Secretary, Department of Education, Gujarat
35. Secretary(Technical Education), Haryana

36. Secretary, Technical Education, Himachal Pradesh
37. Secretary, Department of Technical Education, Jammu & Kashmir
38. President, FICCI
39. Sh. Vinod Raina, Chairman, Arena Council of Fellows, Bhopal (representative CAFE)
40. Secretary, Indian Society for Technical Education
41. Vice President, Council of Architecture
42. Director General, National Productivity Council
43. Chairman, Indian Banks Association
44. Director, National Council for Hotel Management and Catering Technology
45. Shri Vishvajit Patang Rao Kadam, Secretary, Bharati Vidyapeeth
46. Director General, Council for Scientific Industrial Research

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed the members of the Council and apprised them about important developments in the AICTE, since the last meeting of the Council. The agenda items were deliberated upon and the following decisions were taken:

**Section -1
(For Discussion and Confirmation)**

Item No. 1.1: To consider and approve the draft regulations on “All India Council for Technical Education (Grant of Approvals for Technical Institutions) Regulation, 2010”.

The draft regulations on “All India Council for Technical Education (Grant of Approvals for Technical Institutions) Regulation, 2010” were considered and debated by the Council.

During discussions on this agenda item, the representative of NASSCOM suggested that the decision on the extension of approval to the existing institutions should also take into consideration the status of on-campus placements in the Institute during last 3-5 years. However, after detailed deliberations and holding that the placement scenario is an issue related more to accreditation process than to approvals, the suggestion was not agreed upon. However, the representative from NASSCOM wanted that her opinion to be recorded as a dissenting view.

Member Secretary expressed his apprehensions that the draft of these Regulations especially later part of Clause 4.18 providing for amendment of time schedule for approval process by the Council from time to time through a notification may not stand the legal scrutiny, since it appears to be arbitrary.

After detailed deliberations and holding that the new approval process may be allowed a trial run for one year, it was decided to approve the draft Regulations subject to followings:

- (i) Clause 3.1(c) providing for a Company incorporated under section 25 of the Companies Act, 1956 to be eligible to establish a technical institution should be deleted;

- (ii) Incorporation of provision for appeal and punitive measures; and
- (iii) Vetting by a legal person.

Item No. 1.2:

To consider and approve the draft Regulations on “All India Council for Technical Education [seeking Information from Technical Institutions, Departments of the Universities and Department of Institutions declared as Deemed to be Universities under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission (UGC) Act, 1956] Regulations, 2010.”

The draft Regulations on “All India Council for Technical Education [seeking Information from Technical Institutions, Departments of the Universities and Department of Institutions declared as Deemed to be Universities under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission (UGC) Act, 1956] Regulations, 2010.” Were approved with following amendments:

- a) The word “Technical” may be incorporated before the word “Departments of the Universities and Department of Institutions declared as Deemed to be Universities under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission”. The Regulations will consequently be titled as “All India Council for Technical Education [seeking Information from Technical Institutions, Technical Departments of the Universities and Department of Institutions declared as Deemed to be Universities under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission (UGC) Act, 1956] Regulations, 2010.”
- b) Last portion of clause 3.3 “universities and deemed universities” may be deleted. A line “the council shall also report its finding in respect of the technical institutions and universities to the Central and/or State Government concerned and the University Grants Commission for necessary action as deemed necessary” should be added at the end of this clause. Clause 3.3. will consequently be read as follows:

“The technical institutions, technical departments of universities and Deemed Universities, who shall not submit the information to the Council by the date prescribed by the Council, shall not be entitled for any financial or any other kind of assistance from the Council. Council may take any such action as it may deem fit against defaulting technical institutions. The Council shall also report its finding in respect of the technical institutions and universities to the Central and/or State Government concerned and the University Grants Commission for necessary action as deemed necessary.”

Section - 2

(For Information of the Members)

Item No. 2.1: To receive a note on the notice inviting proposals to provide bandwidth connectivity related to e-Governance project of AICTE.

The Council received the information.

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

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(Dr. D.K. Paliwal)
Member Secretary(I/C)

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(Prof. S.S. Mantha)
Chairman