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Minutes of the 115th Executive Committee meeting held on April 05, 2018 at 11.00 am in the Visvesvaraya Meeting Room, Ground Floor, Wing 4, at AICTE Headquarters, Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi:

## Following Members were present in the meeting:

1.	Prof. A.D. Sahasrabudhe Chairman, AICTE	Chairman
2.	Prof. M.P. Poonia Vice Chairman, AICTE	Member
3.	Ms. V. Malathi Deputy Secretary, MHRD	Nominee, Secretary MHRD
4.	Prof. B.B. Ahuja Chairman, AIB-VE	Member
5.	Prof. A.K. Ray Director, HEST, Kolkata	Member
6.	Prof. S.K. Kak Former Vice Chancellor, Jaypee University, Solan	Member
7.	Prof. A.P. Mittal Member Secretary, AICTE	Member Secretary

Dr. Rajeev Tripathi, Chairman, NRC-AICTE; Vice Chancellor, Anna University, Chairman, SRC-AICTE; Prof. Janat Shah, Chairman, AIB-MS, AICTE; AICTE; Prof. Sandeep Kulshreshtha, Chairman, AIB-HTM, AICTE; financial Adviser, IFD, MHRD; Secretary, Technical Education, Mizoram; Secretary, Technical Education, Rajasthan; Secretary, Technical Education, Odisha; Secretary, Technical Education, Puducherry; Prof. Avinash Chander, Former, Director General, DRDO, and Scientific Adviser; Prof. N.S. Vyas, Former Vice Chancellor, RTU- Kota; Chairman, UGC; Director General, IAMR, New Delhi and Director General, ICAR could not attend the meeting due to their prior engagements.

Prof. Sahasrabudhe, Chairman-AICTE welcomed all the members in the 115th Executive Committee meeting. He apprised all the members about the recent events of AICTE which included successful completion of Smart India Hackathon- 2018 held during 30th March to 31st March 2018. The efforts of members, participants, institutions, jury members were appreciated for making this event a grand success. It was an overwhelming response from the entire team of AICTE and colleges who have participated. AICTE is thankful to MHRD and other government Ministries/departments/ State Governments who had joined hands in making this endeavor a memorable event. AICTE also places on record its appreciation to Prof. Dilip N. Malkhede, Adviser, RIFD-AICTE & his team and Dr. Abhay Jere & his Persistent team. Collaborative working of MHRD, AICTE, Persistent Systems, i4c Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini, MyGov, NIC, DD, AIR was a pleasure and EC appreciated the same. It was also informed that Smart India Hackathon has become a global showcasing model and representatives from South Korea, Canada and Australian High Commission have shown keen interest in organizing Hackathon in their countries as well. The members applauded the tremendous efforts of entire AICTE team for the success of this event.

The Agenda Items were taken up for consideration:

Item No. 115.01.01

: To confirm the minutes of the 113<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Executive Committee held on March 06, 2018.

The Executive Committee confirmed the minutes of the 113th meeting of the Executive Committee held on March 06, 2018.

Item No. 115.01.02

To confirm the minutes of the 114th (Emergent) meeting of the Executive Committee held on March 20, 2018.

The Executive Committee confirmed the minutes of the 114th emergent meeting held on March 20, 2018. Further, as per decision of the EC in 114th emergent meeting, the annexure of agenda items 114.01.04, 114.01.05 and 114.01.06 were circulated via e-mail to the EC members for consideration and approval. Since no comments have been received on these annexure, the EC approved and confirmed the following items and respective annexures:

- i) the recommendations of Standing Hearing Committee/Standing Appellate Committee in the cases of Institutes where Show Cause Notices were issued/EVC conducted, due to various reasons. (114.01.04)
- ii) the recommendations of Standing Appellate Committee -Review in the cases of Institutes where Surprise Visits were conducted. (114.01.05)
- iii) recommendations of SHC/SAC on grant of Extension of Approval or otherwise for the A.Y 2018-19 for the Institutions established under "Sub-Mission Scheme" where Expert Committee Visit was conducted. (114.01.06).

Item No. 115.02.01

To receive a note on action taken on the decisions taken and recommendations made in the 113th meeting of the Executive Committee held on March 06, 2018.

The Executive Committee received the note on action taken on the decisions taken in the 113th meeting of the Executive Committee held on March 06, 2018.

As under Item 113.03.02, EC suggested Wheebox be invited to make a presentation. Wheebox made a presentation in this meeting about the mechanism of survey methodology, tools being used to measure employability of students by them. The EC suggested suitable revision in the proposed MoU to utilize the data to forecast the future employability and generate statistics that will help AICTE to meet upcoming challenges in the technical education in the country.

Item No. 115.02.02

To receive a note on action taken on the decisions taken and recommendations made in the 114th emergent meeting of the Executive Committee held on March 20, 2018.

The Executive Committee received the note on action taken on the decisions taken in the 114th emergent meeting of the Executive Committee held on March 20, 2018.

Item No. 115.03.01

To consider and approve the modified name and composition of the newly constituted All India Board of Studies for Applied Arts, Crafts and Design in place of All India Board of Studies for Applied Arts & Crafts.

The Executive Committee approved the modified name of the Board as "All India Board of Applied Arts, Craft and Design".

Further, the revised composition of the Board was approved with a modification under S.No. 8 as "Four Experts in the field of Design" to be nominated by Chairman AICTE.

Item No. 115.03.02

To consider and deliberate on the regulation in force, regarding qualifications of a Director/ Principal of technical institutions approved by AICTE.

The Eexecutive Committee deliberated on the proposal for having any interdisciplinary qualification during appointments. The EC suggested that Director/Principal being appointed in any AICTE approved institution should have at least undergone a short term programme on Institutional Leadership and Ph.D. should not be an essential qualification for Principals appointed in Polytechnics. However, the EC further decided that a Committee may be constituted by the Chairman AICTE to give its recommendations on suitable modifications in the already prescribed qualifications of a Director/Principal, of technical institutions approved by AICTE. The recommendations of the Committee may be placed again before the EC.

Item No. 115.03.03

To consider and approve participation in National Association of Foreign Students Adviser (NAFSA) during May 27 to June 1, 2018 at Philadelphia, USA.

The Executive Committee deliberated on the Government of India's initiative "Study in India" and an invite to Prof. A.D. Sahasrabudhe, Chairman-AICTE to lead Indian delegation in STUDY-IN-INDIA PAVILION at NAFSA 2018 to be held at Philadelphia, USA scheduled during May 27 to June 1, 2018. The EC was also informed about an e-mail received from the Secretary of Education Promotion Society of India (EPSI), dated 04-04-2018, wherein cost of travel, boarding, lodging etc. in respect of Prof. A.D. Sahasrabudhe, Chairman, AICTE will be borne by EPSI.

The EC approved the proposal of Prof. Sahasrabudhe to lead Indian delegation in STUDY-IN-INDIA PAVILION at NAFSA 2018 with expenses to be borne by EPSI as mentioned above and AICTE may also inform MHRD in this regard. Further, AICTE may issue a circular / letter via e-mail to its approved institutions for participation in NAFSA 2018 as proposed by EPSI.

Item No. 115.03.04

To authorise Chairman of the Council to approve recommendation of respective Regional Committees for running vocational courses under NSQF for the AY 2018-19.

The Executive Committee deliberated on the proposal and authorized Chairman, AICTE to approve recommendations of respective Regional Committees for running vocational courses

under NSQF for the AY 2018-19. These approved recommendations should be placed in the next meeting of the Executive committee for ratification.

Item No. 115.03.05

To consider and approve the recommendations of Document Verification Committee held on 16.03.2018 and Selection Committees held on 26-27 March 2018 for various Group "A", "B" & "C" posts on deputation basis.

The Executive Committee considered and approved the recommendations of Document Verification Committee held on 16.03.2018 and Selection Committees held on 26-27 March 2018 for various Group "A", "B" & "C" posts on deputation basis. The EC advised that documents related to NoC, if pending, be mentioned clearly in the appointment letter.

Item No. 115.03.06

To consider and approve the proposal incurring additional expenditure of Rs.21,04,913/- plus applicable taxes for procurement of Desktop PCs, All-in-One PCs, Laptops & Multi-Function Printers (Black & White, Color & Heavy Duty) for AICTE HQrs. & Regional Offices.

The Executive Committee noted the typographical error. The EC considered and therefore approved the proposal for incurring additional expenditure of Rs.21,04,913/- plus applicable taxes for procurement of Desktop PCs, All-in-One PCs, Laptops & Multi-Function Printers (Black & White, Color & Heavy Duty) for AICTE HQrs. & Regional Offices. Thereby approving a total expenditure of Rs.1,98,47,898.00 (One Crore Ninety-Eight Lakh Forty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Eight only) plus applicable taxes for these procurements.

Item No. 115.03.07

To consider and approve the proposal for renewal / extension of contract with M/s. Newgen Software Technologies Ltd. w.e.f. 17th January 2015 till the DMS is installed & implemented and scanning of 1 (One) Crore pages of documents is completed on the same Terms & Conditions of the Work Order F. No. 2 (134) / Admin. III/ / 2012-13 dated 03rd Jun 2013.

The Executive Committee noted that scanning of documents are underway. The EC deliberated and suggested that a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for DMS should be in place and software being developed by M/s. Newgen Software Technologies Ltd. should be more 'User friendly' having proper internal connectivity of AICTE headquarters & all Regional Offices. Further, the EC approved the renewal/extension of contract issued to M/s. Newgen Software Technologies Ltd. the firm may complete the task by 31st December 2018.

Item No. 115.03.08

To consider and approve the recommendations of Expert Visit Committees (EVCs) for Extension of Approval to the Skill Knowledge Providers (SKPs) under NSQF.

The Executive Committee deliberated and approved the recommendations of Expert Visit Committees (EVCs) for Extension of Approval to the eleven Skill Knowledge Providers (SKPs) under NSQF for 2018-19, as mentioned in the agenda.

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Item No. 115.03.09

- To consider the recommendations of the Standing Appellate Committee on grant of approval or otherwise in respect of applications received for A.Y 2018-19 under Chapter I of APH 2018-19 for:
- Setting up of New Technical Institutions offering Technical Programmes at Diploma/Post Diploma/Under Graduate Degree/Post Graduate Degree and Post Graduate Diploma Levels
- Change of Site/ Location
- Closure of Institute
- Conversion of Women's Institution into Co-Ed Institution and Viceversa
- Conversion of Diploma Level into Degree Level and Vice-versa

The Executive Committee was informed about a typographical error regarding the recommendations mentioned in the agenda are of "Regional Committees" instead of "Standing Appellate Committee".

The EC deliberated and approved the recommendations of the Regional Committees on grant of approval or otherwise in respect of applications received for A.Y 2018-19 under Chapter-I of APH 2018-19. The EC also authorized Chairman, AICTE to approve recommendations of respective Regional Committees for remaining ongoing cases and on approval, the same may be placed before the EC for ratification.

The EC approved the decision on two applications who had wrongly applied under Chapter II, however, both these case were of establishment of new institutions. The EC was informed that both these cases were processed under Chapter-I of APH 2018-19 and accordingly issued LoR.

Further, as per `Sub-Mission Scheme' of MHRD, AICTE will consider only those applications for establishment of polytechnics under this scheme in the districts which do not have any other existing Government /Government aided polytechnic. The decision of the EC about Sub-Mission scheme shall be intimated to all concerned State/UT Governments.

As discussed in the 114<sup>th</sup> Emergent EC meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2018, the EC was informed about the approval of the cases falling under RUSA scheme of MHRD.

The EC was apprised and shown video clipping of an institution viz. Malla Reddy College of Engineering for Women in the state of Telangana. It was evident from the video clip that lot of construction activities and highway expansion work was underway. Electric poles erected at brim of the temporary / unpaved road side were making it totally unsafe for students, faculty and other public visiting the institution. The EC decided not to grant approval (LoA) to this institution at the unsafe location. However, as proposed by the management of the institute, AICTE may permit the institute to function on a temporary site for two years by only ascertaining the availability of infrastructure and facilities at this temporary site by conducting an EVC.

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To consider the grant of approval through single application form for the following for the A.Y 2018-19 under Chapter II of APH:

- a) Continuation of approval after a Break in the preceding Academic Year(s)/Restoration
- b) Extended EOA
- c) Increase in Intake/Additional Courses
- d) To start Diploma in Degree in Pharmacy institution and vice versa
- e) Conversion of Management Institutions running PGDM course into MBA course
- Conversion of Second shift courses into first shift courses
- g) Addition of Integrated Degree in Engineering & Technology
- h) Addition of integrated/Dual Degree in Management
- Addition of Integrated Degree in MCA
- Addition of Integrated Degree in Management & Catering Technology
- k) Introduction of Fellowship Program in Management Program
- l) Introduction of Supernumerary Seats Foreign National, Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) /Person of Indian Origin (PIO)/Children of Indian workers in gulf country
- m) Introduction of non-resident seats
- n) Change in name of the course/Reduction in intake/Closure of Programs and/or courses
- o) Change in name of the Institution or Affiliating University/ Board
- p) Change in name of the Trust/Society/Company

Executive Committee deliberated and approved the The recommendations of the Scrutiny Committees and Standing Hearing Committee (SHC) in respect of institutions who applied under various categories under Chapter II of APH 2018-19. The EC also authorized Chairman, AICTE to approve recommendations of respective Scrutiny Committees and SHC on the remaining ongoing cases and on approval, the same may be placed before the EC for ratification.

In case of institutions without deficiency based on self-disclosure, EoA letter should clearly mention that it is based on self-disclosure. However, institutions having deficiencies based on their selfdisclosure should be issued EoA, enumerating their deficiencies and asking compliance of the same to be ensured within a period of six months from the date of issue of EoA. The EC approved the format of a draft letter of EoA with deficiencies, to be issued to institutes.

Under the MHRD's 'Sub-Mission Scheme' the institution is allowed to function in temporary site for two years and has to shift to its new location. However, in many states, institutions are not shifted even after 3-4 years creating problems to new as well as old institutes with pressure on all services. Hence after due deliberations, it was decided that in case the institution does not shift to its new location in stipulated time, the AICTE will issue a warning to this defaulter institution. Subsequently, even after the third year the institution does not shift, a reduction of 50% intake Further, in case the during extension of approval be given. institute fails to shift to the new permanent location even after fourth year, the institute should be placed under "No admission" in subsequent years, till the institute shifts to new site fulfilling requisite norms of AICTE.

The decision of the EC about Sub-Mission scheme shall be intimated to all concerned State/UT Governments.

The EC noted that many institutions have not applied to AICTE for Extension of Approval (EoA) and therefore suggested that AICTE should write to all State/UT Governments with a list of such institutions in their respective State/UTs. A status report on the same may be provided to the EC in the next meeting.

Item No. 115.03.11

To consider the recommendations of Regional Committees/Standing Appellate Committees on grant of approval or otherwise for the A.Y 2018-19 to Private/Deemed to be Universities.

The Executive Committee deliberated and approved the recommendations of Regional Committees/Standing Appellate Committees (SAC) on grant of approval or otherwise for the A.Y 2018-19 to Private/Deemed to be Universities. The EC also authorized Chairman, AICTE to approve recommendations of respective Regional Committees / SAC on the remaining ongoing cases and on approval, the same may be placed before the EC for ratification.

Item No. 115.03.12

To consider revoking of LOR issued inadvertently to the New Institute-Rajdhani Institute of Hotel Management and Catering Technology, South Western Region for the AY 2018-19 vide Application No 1-3681061526.

The Executive Committee considered and approved revoking of LOR issued inadvertently to the New Institute-Rajdhani Institute of Hotel Management and Catering Technology, South Western Region for the AY 2018-19 vide Application No 1-3681061526.

Item No. 115.03.13

To consider the recommendations of the Regional Committee relating to grant of EOA under Chapter II for the AY 2018-19 to 238 Institutions in South Central region wherein Show-Cause notices were issued on receipt of complaint from Aurora's Group of Institutions, SCR.

The Executive Committee deliberated at length on the matter and noted that scrutiny of land related documents of 238 Institutions in South Central region are ongoing after Show-Cause notices were issued on receipt of complaint from Aurora's Group of Institutions, SCR.

The EC is awaiting the reports of Scrutiny which will be placed before a Special three-member Committee headed by a retired High Court Judge and authorized the Chairman, AICTE to take a decision based on the recommendations of this Committee. This may be reported to the EC later.

Item No. 115.03.14

To consider the request of Universal Business School, Karjat, Raigad, MS, PID: 1-405752831, Western Region for conversion of PGCM with 120 seats to PGDM (International Management).

The Executive Committee considered and approved the request of Universal Business School, Karjat, Raigad, MS, PID: 1-405752831, Western Region for conversion of PGCM with 120 seats to PGDM (International Management), 120 seats.

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Item No. 115.03.15

To consider and approve conducting of technical programs/courses conducted by Indian Institute of Science (IISC), Bangalore.

The Executive Committee noted the letter dated 02-04-2018 of MHRD and an e-mail from Indian Institute of Science (IISc.) The Executive Committee deliberated on the matter of IISc. Bangalore, a Deemed-to-be-University, an institution with consistent No.1 rank in NIRF for all three years. IISc. is also of global repute and high stature and therefore may be allowed as a very special case to conduct technical programmes under the purview of AICTE for the academic year 2018-19 without EVC.

Further, IISc. Bangalore may be informed to upload all requisite data on AICTE web-portal by April 30, 2018.

Item No. 115.03.16

To consider the recommendations of the Prof. Dhande Committee in respect of EVC conducted in standalone institutions conducting ODL programmes.

The Executive Committee considered and approved the recommendations of the Prof. Dhande Committee in respect of EVC conducted in standalone institutions conducting ODL programmes with the approval of UGC till 2017-18. Further, the EC suggested that the respective deficiencies of these Standalone institutions be informed to them while issuing approval for the next two academic years i.e. 2018-19 and 2019-20 and to overcome those deficiencies within six months. The approval letter should contain the intake of the courses conducted under ODL mode based on the maximum intake capacity of the respective institution from the data captured for the last three years of that institute. These institutions should be informed that they will have to satisfy ODL regulations for standalone institutions (which are under preparation) after 2019-2020 for continuation of approval.

Item No. 115.03.17

To consider the application for increase in intake/additional courses received from Govt. Colleges wherein overall deficiencies.

The Executive Committee noted the proposal of Government of Andhra Pradesh (AP) dated 13-03-2018 enclosing a list of Govt. institutions. The EC deliberated and decided not to consider the request of AP Government, as per APH, for grant of increase in intake / additional courses, as these institutions are already having deficiencies.

Item No. 115.03.18

To consider the application (s) received for increase in intake in the state of Telangana in view of the perspective plan submitted by the Government of Telangana.

The Executive Committee deliberated on the perspective plan of Government of Telangana. The EC decided that no increase in intake beyond specified limit in perspective plan will be allowed in case of the institutions who have applied for the same during 2018-19, whereas the institutes who have already been issued higher intake earlier, shall continue with the existing intake.

## Item for ratification:

Item No. 115.04.01

To ratify the release of payments by SWAYAM Cell towards development of SWAYAM Platform for hosting the MOOCs.

The Executive Committee ratified the matter.

Item No. 115.04.02

To ratify issue of (i) Corrigendum to LOA 2017-18 to Dhanalakshmi Srinivasan College of Pharmacy, Tamil Nadu, increasing the intake from 50 to 60 in B. Pharma Course and (ii) Ex – Post Facto Approval for AY 2015-16 to Suthanthira Polytechnic College, Chennai, in compliance to respective Orders passed by Hon'ble High Court of Madras.

The Executive Committee ratified the matter.

## Items for Information:

Item No. 115.05.01

To receive a note on Prime Minister's Special Scholarship Scheme (PMSSS) for J&K students.

The Executive Committee received the information.

Item No. 115.05.02

To receive information for Leasing of a Vehicle on Maruti Suzuki Leasing (N2N) with fleet Management from M/s Maruti Sazuki India Ltd. to meet out the requirement of additional vehicle for use for AICTE.

The Executive Committee received the information.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair

(Prof. A.P. Mittal) Member Secretary (Prof. A.D. Sahasrabudhe) Chairman