Minutes of the 153<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Executive Committee held on October 03, 2022 at 10.00 am in the Board Room, Second floor at AICTE Hqs, Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi:

# Following Members were present in the meeting:

1.	Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar Chairman, AICTE	Chairman
2.	Prof. M.P. Poonia Vice Chairman, AICTE (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
3.	Shri Rakesh Ranjan Additional Secretary (HE) Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, New Delhi (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Nominee, Secretary, MoE, GOI, New Delhi
4.	Prof. N.P. Padhy, Chairman, Northern Western Regional Committee, (NWRC), AICTE (Director, MNIT, Jaipur) (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
5.	Dr. Manoj Tiwari, Chairman, AIB -UGET (Director, National Institute of Industrial Engineering [NITIE], Mumbai, Maharashtra) (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
6.	Prof ShreePad Karmalkar, Chairman AIB-PGERT AICTE (Director, IIT-Bhubaneswar) (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
7.	Dr. Usha Natesan Director, NITTTR, Chennai (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
8.	Dr Venkappayya Desai, Director and Prof. Civil Engg. IIT, Dharwad	Member
9.	Prof Praveen Nahar, Director, NID, Ahmedabad (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
10.	Prof. Lalit Kumar Awasthi, Director, NIT, Uttrakhand (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Member
11.	Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava Vice Chairman, UGC (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Special Invitee
12.	Shri P. K. Thakur Financial Adviser, UGC (Connected through Video Conferencing)	Representing the Secretary, UGC (Special invitee)
13.	Prof. Rajive Kumar, Member Secretary, AICTE	Member Secretary

Chairman, ERC, AICTE; Chairman, AIB – Management Studies; JS & FA, MoE, New Delhi; Secretary (TE/HE) Govt. of Assam; Secretary (TE/HE) Govt. of NCT Delhi; Secretary (TE/HE) Govt. of Gujarat; Secretary (TE/HE) Govt. of Karnataka; Chairman, UGC; Director General, NILERD (former IAMR); Director General, ICAR could not attend the meeting due to their prior engagements.

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At the outset, Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar, Chairman, AICTE welcomed all the members to the 153<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Executive Committee. He informed the members about his assuming charge as Chairman-AICTE w.e.f. September 1, 2022.

Prof. Rajive Kumar, Member Secretary, before taking up the agenda items recalled the contribution of Prof. A.D. Sahasrabudhe in AICTE and wished him a healthy time ahead.

The following Agenda Items were taken up for consideration, deliberations and decisions taken as under:

Item No. 153.01.01

: To confirm the minutes of the 152<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Executive Committee held on July 27,2022.

The Executive Committee confirmed the minutes of its 152nd meeting of the Executive Committee held on July 27, 2022.

Item No. 153.02.01

To receive a note on action taken on the decisions taken and recommendations made in the  $152^{\rm nd}$  meeting of the Executive Committee held on July 27,2022.

The Executive Committee received the action taken on the decisions taken and recommendations made in the 152<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Executive Committee held on July 27, 2022.

Item No. 153.03.01 Admin. Bureau To consider and approve the reimbursement of medical claim in-respect of Dr. R. Shaktivel, ex-RO/ Assistant Director.

The Executive Committee considered and approved the following proposal regarding the reimbursement of medical claim in-respect of Dr. R. Shaktivel, ex-RO/ Assistant Director:

- 1. Full claim amount of Rs.3,57,597/- of first admission (29.11.2021 to 06.12.2021); and
- 2. Restricting the second admission (24.12.2021 to 03.01.2022) claim amount of Rs.3,62,066/- as per CGHS rules and rates.

Item No. 153.03.02 Admin. Bureau To consider and approve the proposal of shifting of all Regional and Camp offices of AICTE to AICTE Hqs, New Delhi.

The Executive Committee deliberated and approved the proposal to shift all Regional and Camp offices of AICTE to AICTE Hqs. New Delhi. The EC further authorized the Chairman to constitute a committee to make recommendations for smooth shifting of all Regional and Camp offices.

Item No. 153.03.03 Admin. Bureau To consider and approve the absorption in the post of Upper Division Clerk in AICTE as per recommendations of the Selection Committee meeting held on 20.09.2022.

The Executive Committee considered and approved the proposal of

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absorption of following three personnel to the post of Upper Division Clerk in AICTE as per recommendations of the Selection Committee meeting held on 20.09.2022:

- 1. Shri Pankaj;
- 2. Shri Bhupender Kumar; and
- 3. Shri Ankit Mishra.

Item No. 153.03.04 Approval Bureau To consider deliberate and approve issuance of NOC for a period of 5 years to Institutes Deemed to be University in line with UGC regulations.

The Executive Committee considered and approved the proposal that AICTE may issue NOC/ recommendations to the Deemed-to-be-Universities for five years (by receiving requisite TER charges from the Deemed-to-be-Universities), in line with the UGC Regulations 2020. Thereafter, UGC may give approval to all Deemed-to-be-Universities as per their regulations. However, AICTE will continue to grant approval or otherwise to Standalone institutions conducting ODL/OL courses, in line with UGC regulations.

Necessary guidelines and regulations will be issued by AICTE in this regard.

Item No. 153.03.05 STDC

To consider and approve regarding signing of MoU with Mitacs-Globalink Research Internships (GRI).

The Executive Committee deliberated and decided that Mitacs, Canada may be informed to provide the complete funding of Globalink Research Internships. AICTE may provide support in handholding of the students aspiring for internship by helping Mitacs, Canada in the selection process.

Item No. 153.03.06 MIC

To consider and approve the budget requirement of Rs. 27.40 lakhs for organising one pilot Bootcamp for SIH and YUKTI finalists.

The Executive Committee deliberated on the proposal and approved 50% of the proposed funding of Rs.27.40 lakh for organising one pilot Bootcamp for SIH and YUKTI finalists.

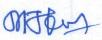
The Executive Committee further opined that the MoE's Innovation Cell may acquire the remaining funding from sponsorship and collaboration with the industry. It was also suggested that Innovation Cell may involve industry in its activities and raise sponsorship from them also.

Item No. 153.03.07 E-Gov. Cell To consider and approve implementation of the eOFFICE at AICTE, New Delhi.

The Executive Committee considered and approved the proposal of implementation of the eOFFICE at AICTE, New Delhi.

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Item No. 153.04.01 Approval Bureau

To ratify the decision for the pending cases for the A.Y. 2022-23 to the existing technical institutions beyond July 27, 2022.

The Executive Committee ratified the decision.

Item No. 153.04.02 Approval Bureau

To ratify the approval (LoA) granted to four new institutions for the A.Y. 2022-23, pending beyond July 27, 2022.

The Executive Committee ratified the decision.

Item No. 153.05.01 ATAL Cell

To receive information on conferment of National Technical Teachers Award (NTTA) 2022.

The Executive Committee received the information.

Item No. 153.05.02 P&AP Bureau

To receive information on the honorarium to be paid to Officers/Officials of P&AP Bureau, other Bureaus/Cells/ Secretariats and Regional/Camp offices staff who have worked to facilitate NTA examinations from the Grant-in-aid received from NTA.

The Executive Committee received the information.

Item No.153.05.03 **Induction Program Cell**  To receive information on the Impact Study of Student Induction Program (SIP) & Universal Human Values (UHV) Programs

The Executive Committee received the information.

Item No.153.03.08 Agenda by email circulation on September 20, 2022 To consider and approve the recruitment of manpower for Technology Solution Group (TSG) and NETF Cell.

The Executive Committee was informed that MoE vide its Order no. 8-2/2022-TEL dated 30.08.2022 has appointed Prof. Anil D. Sahasrabudhe as Chairman, NETF Cell, on completion of his tenure as Chairman, AICTE. Prof. Sahasrabudhe has assumed the charge of Chairman, NETF w.e.f. 02-09-2022.

The Executive Committee considered the proposal and approved the following -

- a) Hire/engage aforesaid manpower for TSG initiatives as per NICSI rates in accordance with decision of PAB meeting dated 11.03.2022 and for NETF Cell as per ministry OM;
- b) Remuneration to all above manpower including the Chairperson, NETF cell shall be released out of an annual budget of Rs.10 Crore allocated to manage all 4 components of NMEICT; and
- c) Nominate Chairman, NETF Cell to coordinate the three projects of TSG namely; (a) Artificial Intelligence Language Translation Tool (b) National Internship Portal and (c) National Education Alliance for Technology.

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#### Any other item with the permission of the chair:

Item No.153.05.04 MIC

To consider and approve hiring of an event management agency for UNESCO-India Africa Hackathon (UIA) scheduled in November 2022.

The Executive Committee was informed about the scheduling of UNESCO-India Africa Hackathon (UIA) scheduled in November 2022. The Executive Committee approved the proposal of hiring of an Event Management agency for UNESCO-India Africa Hackathon (UIA) by AICTE from the already approved budget for the event.

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Items raised by the : Dr. Usha Natesan, Director, NITTTR-Chennai raised following issues:

- i) mismatch of Swayam courses and the courses through NPTEL;
- ii) mismatch in the training mentioned under 7th CPC under AICTE notification and UGC notification.

The Chairman informed that a joint AICTE-UGC committee will be constituted to look into these matters.

Prof. V. R. Desai, Director, IIT-Dharwad raised a point regarding ranking of Polytechnics also in the similar manner as done for other degree institutions.

The Executive Committee opined that AICTE may suggest the MoE to include Polytechnics in NIRF ranking also.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Prof. Rajive Kumar) **Member Secretary** 

(Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar) Chairman