

MINUTES OF THE 23rd MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

DATE: 11.1.2021 (Monday)

TIME: 10 a.m.

VENUE: Board Room, 6th Floor, Founder's Block

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| 1. | Dr. Mrs. Elizabeth Verghese, Chancellor | Patron |
| 2. | Dr. Anand Jacob Verghse, Pro Chancellor | Patron |
| 3. | Dr. S.N. Sridhara, Vice Chancellor | Chairperson |
| 4. | Dr. R.W. Alexander Jesudasan, Pro Vice Chancellor | Member |
| 5. | Mr. Ashok Verghese, Director, HITS. | Member |
| 6. | Dr. Aby Sam, Director | Member |
| 7. | Dr. G. Ilavazhagan, Director (International Affairs) | Member |
| 8. | Dr. N. Vasudevan, Dean (Academics) | Member |
| 9. | Dr. K. Nandakumar, Director (Research) | Invitee |
| 10. | Dr. Susan Marthandan, Director, HCAS | Invitee |
| 11. | Dr. Pon. Ramalingam, Registrar, HITS. | Non-Member
Secretary |

Prof. Amitabh Mattoo, Former Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu attended the meeting through ONLINE.

The following members were granted leave of absence:

1. Prof. P.J. Kurien, Former Hon'ble Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha.
 2. Prof. S.N. Hegde, Former Vice Chancellor, University of Mysuru.
 3. Dr. V. Ramakrishnan, UGC-BSR Faculty Fellow, Madurai Kamaraj University
 4. Dr. Annie Jacob, Director, K.C.G. College of Technology.
 5. Dr. Jessy Rooby, HoD, Civil Engineering
 6. Mr. C. Robin, Legal Consultant.
1. Dr. Pon Ramalingam, Registrar welcomed all the members and introduced the Pro Vice Chancellor, Dr. R.W. Alexander Jesudasan to the members.

2. The Pro Vice Chancellor introduced the new Vice Chancellor, Dr. S.N. Sridhara to the members.

3. **Opening remarks by the Chancellor.**

The Chancellor accorded a warm welcome to all the members. She said that the last Board of Management Meeting was held on 19th October 2019. Due to pandemic, the Board of Management was not conducted in the last one year. Since March 2019, many academic activities have been affected but online classes and online assessment continued without disruption. Similarly, Conferences, Workshops, Guest lectures and FDPs have been conducted through online.

In today's Convocation, only Ph.D. scholars, P.G. graduands and Rank holders will be receiving their degree certificates physically. She hoped that in the next year it will be a full-fledged Convocation for all graduands. The Chancellor further said that today's agenda for meeting includes, award of degrees (both offline and online modes) to Ph.D., P.G., and U.G. graduands during 11th Convocation; students' intake for UG and PG Programmes for the academic year 2021-22; approval of the Minutes of the Statutory Body Meetings, etc.

4. **Address by the Vice Chancellor.**

The Vice Chancellor welcomed all members to the meeting. He thanked the Management for appointing him as Vice Chancellor of this prestigious institution and assured to discharge his duties and responsibilities with total commitment and dedication for the growth and progress of the University.

5. **Confirmation of Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of the Board of Management held on 19.10.2020.**

The Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of the Board of Management held on 19.10.2020 was confirmed.

Dean (E & T) requested the Accounts Department to submit Accounts as per NIRF format.

Dean (E & T) suggested Rigorous Academic Audit by IQAC in February 2021.

6. **Action Taken Report on the 22nd Meeting of the Board of Management held on 19.10.2020.**

Action Taken report on the Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of the Board of Management held on 19.10.2020 was approved.

- 7 **Items for Ratification:**

Item	Decision
List of 37 (Thirty-seven) Faculty members appointed during the academic year 2020-21 placed before BOM for ratification (List given in the Annexure- III of the Agenda and Agenda Notes)	<i>Ratified</i>

8. **Items for approval:**

No.	Item	Decision
(a)	Minutes of the 28th Meeting of the Academic Council held on 07.12.2019.	<i>Approved.</i> <i>The Academic Audit could not happen due to pandemic during 2020-21 and it will be carried out as per norms during 2021-22.</i>
(b)	Minutes of the 29th Meeting of the Academic Council held on 03.07.2020 through Online Video Conference	<i>Approved</i>
(c)	Minutes of 15th Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 07.02.2020	<i>Approved.</i> <i>The Dean (E&T) is to discuss with the Auditor with respect to various accounting heads in the financial statement as per NIRF Ranking requirements.</i>

9. Award of degrees of Ph.D., P.G. and U.G. during the 11th Convocation.

The Board of Management approved the award of 1688 U.G. / P.G. / Ph.D. degrees and Diploma as detailed below:

S.No.	Course	Current Students	Arrear Students
1.	U.G. (B.Tech. / B.Arch.)	971	148
2.	U.G. (Arts / Science)	258	015
3.	P.G. (M.Tech. / M.Arch.)	091	-
4.	P.G. (MBA / MCA / M.Sc. / M.A.)	147	
5.	Ph.D.	039	-
6.	Diploma Program	019	
		1525	163
	Total	1688	

10. Students Intake for UG and PG programs for 2021 - 2022.

(i) The following student intake details for the Academic Year 2021-22 was placed before the Board of Management for approval.

Sl. No.	Programme name	Number of seats Sanctioned for 2021-22
1.	B.Tech Aeronautical Engineering	240
2.	B.Tech Aerospace Engineering	120
3.	B.Tech Automobile Engineering	60
4.	B.Tech Biotechnology	30
5.	B.Tech Chemical Engineering	30
6.	B.Tech Civil Engineering	30
7.	B.Tech Computer Science and Engineering	180
8.	B.Tech Computer Science and Engineering(AI&DS)	30
9.	B.Tech Computer Science and Engineering(AI&ML)	30
10.	B.Tech Electrical and Computer Engineering	30
11.	B.Tech Electrical and Electronics Engineering	30
12.	B.Tech Electronics and Communications Engineering	120
13.	B.Tech Information Technology	60
14.	B.Tech Information Technology (Cyber Security)	30

15.	B.Tech Mechanical Engineering	60
16.	B.Tech Mechatronics Engineering	60
17.	B.Des Communication Design	30
18.	B.Des Design (Interior)	20
19.	B.Des Fashion and Apparel Design	30
20.	M.Des User Experience Design	10
21.	M.Tech Aeronautical Engineering	18
22.	M.Tech Automobile Engineering	18
23.	M.Tech Civil Engineering	18
24.	M.Tech Computer Science and Engineering	18
25.	M.Tech Defence Technology	18
26.	M.Tech Electrical and Electronics Engineering	18
27.	M.Tech Electronics and Communications Engineering	18
28.	M.Tech Mechanical Engineering	18
29.	M.Tech Robotics and Mechatronics	18
30.	MBA Gen/Media and Entertainment/Logistics & Supply Chain Management/DTM/Hospital & Management/HHC/FBE/Auto Dealership/Sports Management/Business Analytics-IBM)/Green Business	120
31.	MBA Aviation Management	30
32.	MCA Gen / Big Data Analysis/Cloud Computing	30
33.	M.Des. Fashion Technology	18
34.	M.Plan Planning	20
35.	BA LLB Hons.	120
36.	BBA LLB Hons.	20
37.	LLB LLB	60
38.	BArch Architecture	100
39.	M.Arch Executive	20
40.	M.Arch Housing. Executive	20
41.	BA Economics	10
42.	BA English	10
43.	BA Political Science	40
44.	BA Psychology	20
45.	BA Sociology	10
46.	BA Triple Major Political Science, Economics, Law / Psychology	20

47.	BBA Gen/Banking and FinTech. Aviation. Logistics. Hospital. Sports. Aviation Service and Air Cargo	150
48.	BCA General, Specialization: Database Systems, Multimedia and Animations, Cyber Security	130
49.	B.Com General/Internship Embedded Programme	60
50.	B.Optom Optometry	10
51.	BPT Bachelor of Physiotherapy	10
52.	BSc Fashion Design	20
53.	BSc Food Science, Nutrition and Dietetics	10
54.	BSc Food Technology	40
55.	BSc Aviation Science, Avionics, Aircraft Maintenance Engineering	60
56.	BSc Cardiovascular Technology	10
57.	BSc Perfusion Technology	10
58.	BSc Physical Education	30
59.	BSc Visual Communication	30
60.	LLM Specializations. Constitutional and Administrative Law. Corporate Law	10
61.	MA English	10
62.	MSc Chemistry	10
Total		2660

Approved.

11. Approval of AICTE for ODL Programs:

The AICTE vide their letter F. No. Southern/2020-21/1-7010229243 dated 13th June 2020 conveyed their approval to conduct the following programs through Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode for the academic year 2020-2021:

S. No	Program	Level	Course	Course Duration	Intake approved for 2020-21
1	Management	PG	Business Administration	2 years	1,000
2	Computer Application	PG	M.C.A.	2 years	300

Noted by the Board of Management.

12. Approval of starting of Off-Campus Centre of HITS:

The proposal of starting of Off Campus Centre of HITS at Padappai campus with the following programs along with the proposed intake from the academic year 2022-23:

– **By the Vice Chancellor.**

S. No.	Programme with Specializations	Proposed Intake for 2022-23
1	B.B.A. (Banking and Finance, Aviation Management, Hospital and Healthcare, Automobile Management, Sports Management, Logistics)	150
2	B.Sc. Aviation Science (Avionics, Aircraft Maintenance)	90
3	B.Com. (Fintech, Banking and Finance)	60
4	B.A. Economics	15
5	B.A. Political Science	30
6	B.A. Psychology	20
7	B.A. Sociology	15
8	B.A. Triple Major – Political Science, Psychology and Economics	15
9	B.A. English	15
10	M.A. English	30
11	M.Sc. Chemistry	30
12	M.Sc. Mathematics	30
S. No.	Programme with Specializations	Proposed Intake for 2022-23
13	M.Com.	30
14	Ph.D. (English)	30
15	Ph.D. (Chemistry)	30
16	Ph.D. (Mathematics)	30
17	Ph.D. (Commerce)	30
	TOTAL INTAKE	650

Approved.

13. New programs started from the academic year 2020-21:

The following programs started from the academic year 2020-21 and the same was placed before the Board of Management for approval:

S No.	Programs
1.	B.B.A. Engineering Management (Mech)
2.	B.B.A. Automobile Management
3.	B.Sc. Automobile Maintenance
4.	B.Sc. Optometry
5.	B.Sc. Physician Assistant
6.	B.A. Triple Major: Political Science, Psychology and Economics
7.	B.A. Triple Major: Law, Economics and Political Science
8.	B.M.S. (Aviation Services and Air Cargo)
9.	B.Des. Communication Design
10.	M.Sc. User Experience Design

Approved.

14. New programs proposed from the academic year 2021-22:

The following new programs have been proposed to start from the academic year 2021-22 was placed before the Board of Management for approval:

S No.	Programs
1.	Ph.D. in Law (Full time, Part-time - External and Internal)
2.	LL.M. (Two Year Program)
3.	M.Des. Fashion Technology
4.	B.Com (Internship Embedded Programme)
5.	B.Com., B.C.A. and B.B.A. under OL/ODL Distance Education Programs - UGC approval is awaited
6.	B.Tech. (Electrical and Computer Engineering)
7.	B.Optom. (4 years)

8.	B.Sc. Food Science, Nutrition and Dietetics (3 years)
9.	Bachelor of Physiotherapy (BPT) 4 years
10.	Diploma in Optometry (2 years)
11.	Diploma in Medical Laboratory Technology (2 years)
12.	Diploma in Language and Speech Therapy (1 year)
13.	Diploma in Geriatric Care and Management (1 year)
14.	Diploma in General Duty Assistant (1 year)

Approved.

15. (i) The proposal for reduction in intake of existing Programs as listed below from the academic year 2021-2022, was placed before the Board of Management:

Details of Reduction in Intake in the existing Courses

S. No.	Course Details		Approved Intake during 2020-2021	Reduction in Intake (applied) for 2021-2022
1	Under Graduate	Civil Engineering	60	30
2	Under Graduate	Architecture (Interior Design)	40	20
3	Under Graduate	Architecture (B.Arch.)	120	80
4	Under Graduate	Aerospace Engineering	180	120
5	Under Graduate	Mechanical Engineering	90	60
6	Under Graduate	Automobile Engineering	90	60
7	Under Graduate	Computer Science and Engineering	240	180
8	Under Graduate	Electrical and Electronics Engineering	60	30
9	Under Graduate	Electronics and Communication Engineering	180	120
10	Under Graduate	Information Technology (Cyber Security)	60	30
11	Post Graduate	MBA (Aviation Management)	60	30

Approved.

- (ii) The proposal of **closure of programs (i) B.Tech. IT (Cloud Computing) and (ii) M.Tech. (Nano Science and Technology, from the academic year 2021-22** was placed before the Board of Management.

Approved.

- (iii) The proposal of admitting foreign nationals into valid NBA accredited programs, as well as the programs applied for NBA accreditation (awaiting inspection from March 2020) as listed below offered by this University during the academic year 2021-22, was placed before the Board of Management:

Valid NBA Accredited Programmes / Courses

S. No.	Programme / Course Details	
1	UG	Automobile Engineering
2	UG	Aeronautical Engineering
3	UG	Civil Engineering
4	UG	Computer Science and Engineering
5	UG	Mechanical Engineering

Programs applied for NBA Accreditation

1	UG	Aerospace Engineering
2	UG	Electronics and Communication Engg.
3	UG	Electrical and Electronics Engineering
4	UG	Information Technology
5	UG	Mechatronics Engineering

The above proposal is approved.

- (v) The proposal of admitting NRI candidates into the programs listed below offered by this University during the academic year 2021-22, was placed before the Board for its consideration and approval:

S. No.	Programme / Course Details	
1	Under Graduate	Civil Engineering
2	Under Graduate	Fashion and Apparel Design
3	Under Graduate	Architecture (Interior Design)
4	Under Graduate	Architecture
5	Under Graduate	Aeronautical Engineering
6	Under Graduate	Aerospace Engineering
7	Under Graduate	Mechanical Engineering
8	Under Graduate	Mechatronics

9	Under Graduate	Automobile Engineering
10	Under Graduate	Chemical Engineering
11	Under Graduate	Biotechnology
12	Under Graduate	Computer Science and Engineering
13	Under Graduate	Information Technology
14	Under Graduate	Electrical and Electronics Engineering
15	Under Graduate	Electronics and Communications Engineering
16	Under Graduate	Computer Science and Engineering(Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning)
17	Under Graduate	Information Technology (Cyber Security)
18	Under Graduate	Communication Design
19	Under Graduate	Computer Science and Engineering (Data Science)
20	Under Graduate	Electrical and Computer Engineering
21	Post Graduate	MBA
22	Post Graduate	Aeronautical Engineering
23	Post Graduate	Mechanical Engineering
24	Post Graduate	Automobile Engineering
25	Post Graduate	Civil Engineering
26	Post Graduate	Computer Science and Engineering
27	Post Graduate	Electronics and Communications Engineering
28	Post Graduate	Electrical and Electronics Engineering
29	Post Graduate	Master of Computer Applications
30	Post Graduate	Planning
31	Post Graduate	MBA (Aviation Management)
32	Post Graduate	Robotics and Mechatronics
33	Post Graduate	Fashion Technology

The Board approved the above proposal.

16. Items for approval:

(a). The Vice Chancellor presented before the Board of Management, that the project proposals to be submitted by the faculty members of HITS to the various funding

agencies may be approved by the Board of Management for forwarding the same to the respective Funding Agencies.

Approved by the BOM and the Registrar, HITS is authorized to sign in the required documents.

(b). Faculty recruitment for the Academic Year 2021-22.

The Faculty requirements for the Academic year 2021-22 as given below was placed before the Board of Management (BOM) for approval.

Sanctioned Posts	Academic Year 2021-22			
	Assistant Professor	Associate Professor	Professor	Total
Conventional programmes	468	126	83	677
OL / ODL programmes *	8	4	4	16
			Total	693

* Based on UGC Regulations OL / ODL 2020.

The Faculty requirement was approved by the members.

The Registrar thanked all the members for their valuable suggestions and cooperation.



REGISTRAR.

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