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#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

MEETING No.: 5

DATE: 28<sup>th</sup> May 2024, Time: 03:00 pm

The meeting was chaired by Prof. Ankur Gupta, Director MIET and was held in an online mode. At the outset, Prof. Gupta extended a warm welcome to all the new members of the Academic Council. The agenda items, along with their descriptions and relevant annexures, were shared with the members on May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024, through email and were subsequently discussed.

### Members present in the meeting:

1	Prof. Ankur Gupta	Chairmannan
1.	Director, MIET	Chairperson
2.	<b>Prof. Neelu Rohmetra</b> <i>Professor &amp; Dean Research, The Business School, University of Jammu</i>	Member
3.	<b>Prof. Arvind Jasrotia</b> Professor, Department of Law, University of Jammu	Member
4.	<b>Prof. Amit Mittal</b> <i>Pro Vice Chancellor, Chitkara University, Punjab</i>	Member
5.	<b>Prof. Dharminder Kumar</b> Professor, CSE Department, Guru Jambheshwar University Hisar, Haryana	Member
6.	<b>Mr. Manik Batra</b> Director, Batra Group and Chairman, ASSOCHAM J&K Council	Member
7.	Mr. Sheikh Shakeel Ahmed Advocate, J&K High Court	Member
8.	<b>Prof. Devanand Padha</b> Professor, Department of Computer Science & Engineering, MIET	Member
9.	Prof. B.C. Sharma Professor, School of Management, MIET	Member
10.	Mr. Ashwani Padha Controller of Examinations, MIET	Member
11.	<b>Prof. Ajit Virdi</b> <i>Professor, Department of Applied Sciences &amp; Humanities, MIET</i>	Member
12.	<b>Dr. Rajinder Sharma</b> Professor, Department of Applied Sciences & Humanities, MIET	Member
13.	All Heads of the Department MIET, Jammu	Members
14.	<b>Prof. Sahil Sawhney</b> Professor, School of Management, MIET	Member Secretary

*Note: Prof. J.P. Singh Joorel, Department of Statistics, University of Jammu could not attend the meeting as he was out of the country.* 



# AGENDA ITEMS

# 1. To formally welcome all the members of the newly reconstituted Academic Council of MIET.

Prof. Ankur Gupta, Director MIET welcomed the new members of the Academic Council, MIET, constituted for the triennial period 2024-2027.

# 2. To confirm the minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council held on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Resolved that the minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council held on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023 and circulated to all the members on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023, be approved.

# 3. To consider the nomination of two subject experts from outside the college for each Board of Studies, for a triennial period of 2024-2027 as per the UGC Regulations, 2023.

Resolved that the nomination of the following two subject experts from outside the college for each Board of Studies, for a triennial period of 2024-2027 as per the UGC Regulations, 2023 be approved:

S.No.	Board of Studies	Subject Expert
1.	Computer Science & Engineering (including B.Tech CSE, B. Tech CSE – AI & ML, B. Tech CSE – Cyber Security, BCA (Hons.) and MCA)	Dr. Manoj Kumar Gupta Associate Professor & Head of Department, CSE, SMVDU, Katra Dr. Vinit Jakhetiya Assistant Professor, CSE, IIT, Jammu
2.	Electrical Engineering and Electronics & Communication Engineering (including B.Tech EE and B.Tech ECE)	<b>Dr. Ravi Kant Saini</b> Assistant Professor, EE, IIT, Jammu <b>Prof. Kumud Ranjan Jha</b> Professor & I/C Dean Faculty of Engineering, ECE, SMVDU, Katra
3.	Civil Engineering (B.Tech CE)	<b>Dr. Ankit Kathuria</b> Assistant Professor, Civil Engineering, IIT Jammu <b>Dr. Vinay Chembolu</b> Assistant Professor, Civil Engineering, IIT Jammu
4.	School of Management (including MBA, BBA (Hons.), B.Com (Hons.) and BBA BFSI (Hons)	<b>Prof. A.K. Vashisht</b> Professor, The Business School, Panjab University <b>Prof. A.S Sidhu</b> Professor, The Business School, Guru Nanak Dev University
5.	School of Law (including BBA LLB (Hons.) and LLB (Hons.)	Prof. Raghuvinder Singh Professor, Department of Law, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla Prof. Aman Amrit Cheema

	Director & Professor, Punjab University, Regional Center, Ludhiana
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- 4. To consider and approve the syllabi formulated by the various Boards of Studies for the following programs:
  - a) CSE (2020-24 batch and beyond for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> semesters), CSE (AI & ML) (2022-26 batch and beyond for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> semesters) and CSE (CS) (2023-27 batch and beyond for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semesters).
  - b) ECE & EE (2020-24 batch and beyond for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> semesters).
  - c) CE Department (2020-24 batch and beyond for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> semesters).
  - d) BBA LLB (Hons.) (2022-27 batch and beyond for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> semesters).
  - e) LLB (Hons.) (2023-26 batch and beyond for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semesters).
  - f) BCA (Hons.) (2023-27 batch and beyond for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semester).
  - g) School of Management:
    - MBA Program (2022-24 batch for 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> semesters and 2023-25 batch for 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> semester).
    - BBA (Hons.) & B.Com (Hons.) 3-year Degree (2021-24 batch for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> semesters).
    - BBA (Hons.) & B.Com (Hons.) 4-year Degree (2022-26 batch and beyond for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> semesters).
    - BBA BFSI (Hons.) (2023-27 batch and beyond for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semester).

The proposed curriculum and specializations for various programs, as recommended by the respective Board of Studies, were deliberated upon by the Academic Council. After careful consideration, the council approved the adoption of the proposed syllabi/curriculum and appreciated the efforts of the respective Boards of Studies in curriculum formulation keeping in mind national/international trends and NEP guidelines..

# 5. To approve admissions made under different programs during the academic session 2023-2024.

The academic council members approved the admissions made under different programs during the academic session 2023-24. The members appreciated the increase of student enrolment during 2023-24 as compared to previous year.

# 6. To report on the Conduct of examinations and declaration of results for all programs at MIET during the academic year 2023-24.

A detailed report on all the final examinations and result announcements during the last one year was shared with the members of the academic council. It was informed that the average duration for result declaration was around 20 days from the date of the last examination.



# 7. To accord approval to the statutes of the following programs:

- a) **3-Year LLB (Hons.)**
- b) 4-Year BCA (Hons.)

During the meeting, the draft regulations/statutes for the 3-Year LLB (Hons.) program and the 4-year undergraduate program were reviewed. It was noted that the guidelines have been prepared with adherence to the guidelines of the New Education Policy, which emphasizes an interdisciplinary approach to learning. The members accorded approval to the proposed statutes.

# 8. To consider the report on the start of the PhD program at MIET.

The academic council members acknowledged the approval received from the University of Jammu's Academic Council on the start of the PhD program at MIET and expressed appreciation for the institution's efforts in expanding its academic programs.

# 9. To recommend the start of the following programs:

- a. 4-Year AICTE approved Bachelor of Design (B.Des)
- b. 4- Year BA (Hons.) Journalism & Mass Communication as per provision of NEP
- c. 4-Year Bachelor of Hotel Management and Catering Technology (BHMCT)
- d. Four Years Integrated Degree in Computer Applications leading to Master of Computer Application (MCA)
- e. Four Years Integrated Degree in Management leading to Master of Business Administration (MBA).

The academic council members approved the initiation of new courses in Design, Journalism & Mass Communication, Hotel Management & Catering Technology, and Integrated MBA & MCA programs. It was also resolved that the required faculty, infrastructure, and other resources would be provided to ensure the successful launch and implementation of these new courses.

# **10.** To approve the setting up of the Center for AI and Frontier Technologies.

A detailed plan for establishing a Center for AI and Frontier Technologies at MIET was presented to the members. The center's purpose is to conduct advanced research, foster innovation, and provide skills training in artificial intelligence and other emerging technologies. This initiative aims to position the institution as a leader in cutting-edge technological advancements and to encourage collaboration with industry and academic partners. The members appreciated the initiative and granted their approval.



# 11. To ratify the provisions of University Grants Commission (Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through Study Webs of Active Learning for Young Aspiring Minds) Regulations, 2021

The members ratified the provisions of the UGC Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through SWAYAM Regulations, 2021. It was also decided to implement the provisions for online learning in toto at MIET.

# **12.** To report on the following activities/initiatives at MIET:

# I Accreditation/ Awards/Rankings

- Submission of NAAC-AQAR for the academic year 2022-23
- Submission of institutional data on AISHE Portal
- Application for NIRF ranking in the Engineering, Management, Innovation and Overall Category 2023
- Extension of approval application submitted on AICTE and BCI Portal
- Update on NBA accreditation for MBA Program
- Digital Campus Excellence Award 2024
- Special Jury Award for Best Partner Institution at the UiPath Academic Alliance Awards 2024.
- Green Rankings 2024, Dataquest 2024, Outlook B-School Rankings 2023.
- Submission of institutional data for QS I-Gauge ratings.

The members expressed their appreciation for the institution's commitment to compliance with various accreditation and ranking frameworks. The following updates were shared:

- IQAC successfully submitted the NAAC-AQAR for the academic year 2022-23 in addition to the institution data on AISHE Portal.
- The institution has also applied for the NIRF ranking in several categories including Engineering, Management, Innovation, and Overall for 2023
- The institution successfully submitted applications for extension of approval on both the AICTE and BCI Portals.
- The members were informed that the NBA accreditation for the MBA program has not been granted, according to the email communication received from NBA. The institution will appeal the decision as per the established process once the peer team's report is received.

The following institution's achievements were also highlighted to the members of the Academic Council:

• The Economic Times Digital Campus Excellence Award and the Special Jury Award for Best Partner Institution by UiPath.



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- The members commended the institution's performance in various rankings, highlighting its 35th rank nationally in Dataquest (T-Schools), 27th rank in Northern India in Outlook (B-Schools), and its placement in the silver band in the Green Rankings 2024.
- The members also appreciated the institution for undertaking third party audit by volunteering for QS-I Gauge.

# II Research Development and Innovation

- Total number of Research Publications
- Details of Patents Filed/Granted
- Submission of Project Proposal
- Report on the 2nd International Conference on Next Generation Computing and Information Systems (ICNGCIS) 2023

The members were apprised about the updates on research development and innovation at MIET since the last meeting of the Academic Council. The following details were shared:

- A total of 76 research papers were published in international journals, with 74 indexed in Scopus and 56 in Web of Science.
- 15 patents were filed during the period, 10 patents granted (6 patents and 4 design registrations).
- A total of ₹ 2.2 crore worth of research project submissions were made during the period to the Department of Science and Technology (DST), the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) and the Department of Telecommunication, Government of India.
- It was informed that 33 research papers were presented by academicians and research scholars from 25 institutions across the country in the 2nd International conference on Next Generation Computing. It was further informed that all the papers will be published by CRC Press, Taylor and Francis, and will be submitted to Scopus.

The members appreciated the rapid strides made by the institution in strengthening the overall ecosystem of research and development within the institution and region.

### **III Teaching and Learning**

- Best Paper Award at ICTIEE 2024
- ICTIEE 2024 Teaching and Learning Award
- IUCEE Certification Program
- ISTE Best Teacher Award.

The members were apprised about several initiatives undertaken by the institution through the Dr. Arun K. Gupta Teaching and Learning Center at MIET to enhance the quality of teaching and learning. These efforts included:

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- The certification of 23 faculty members by IUCEE to familiarize them with modern teaching pedagogies, publication of papers focusing on teaching and learning, and the creation of detailed teaching plans.
- Recognition of faculty members at the recent ICTIEE 2024 conference in Hubli, where two faculty members were honored with the TLC Leadership Award.
- Additionally, three faculty members were awarded the Best Teacher Award at ICTIEE, 2024, and two faculty members received the ISTE Best Teacher Awards. The members appreciated the efforts of the institution in improving the quality of teaching and learning at MIET.

# IV Students Activities/Initiatives

- I Survive Adventure Camp 2024
- Annual Sports Meet 2024
- Completion of Minor Degree Program with IIT Jammu
- IEEE YESIST12 PRELIMS 2024
- Innovation@MIET 2024
- Progress on implementation of Mental Health Portal
- UDAY Startup Summit
- Placements of students during the academic session 2023-24
- Learning and Development activities
- HR Conclave
- MIET's Annual Alumni Meet CONNEXIONS 2023

The members were apprised about the wide array of student-centric initiatives and activities at MIET that focus on holistic development. The members appreciated the management for undertaking all these efforts.

- Around 1600 students across all the programs attended the I-Survive adventure boot camp held from 15th April to 16th May at Patnitop, J&K. The focus of the camp was to develop life skills among students through adventure sports and activities.
- Members were briefed about the successful completion of the 2nd Annual Sports Meet, which saw participation from about 300 students.
- Completion of Minor Degree Certification of 83 students of Civil Engineering Department, MIET from IIT Jammu. This was the first batch of Civil Engineering students who completed their Minor Degree Certification under the innovative framework of the New Education Policy.
- They were further apprised about the recognition of MIET's IEEE student club, which was chosen to organize the prestigious YESIST'12 Prelims.
- An update was provided on the "Innovation 2024" event that effectively fostered grassroots innovation, encouraging both students and faculty to explore and expand the boundaries of what's possible through creativity and innovation.



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- Additionally, the members were updated on the launch of a mental health support platform that offers round-the-clock assistance. To date, this initiative has facilitated 237 sessions aimed at supporting the well-being of the community.
- The members were further apprised about the Uday Startup Summit, held in collaboration with FICCI FLO and SCHEAM India, which aimed to cultivate entrepreneurial skills among students.
- An annual report by The Training and Placement Cell was shared among members, showcasing successful placement of 150 students and implementation of the learning and development plan. Over 2000 students were trained in various skills through workshops, mock interviews, industry interactions, and career counseling, effectively preparing them for the workforce.
- The update concluded with a review of the 14th Alumni Meet, Connexions 2023, reflecting the strong and supportive alumni network of MIET.

# **V** Students Performance outside institution

- 9th NCEEITET 2024, GCET Jammu outside campus
- Performance of the students in the Inter-College/University Sports Event
- IIT-BHU National Conference 'Shakti Samvad' 2024

The members of the Governing Body were briefed about the students' performance outside the institute in following events and competitions:

- 1st and 2nd positions secured by the students from MIET in the project competitions held during 9th National Conference (NCEEITET) at GCET, Jammu on February 22nd and 23rd, 2024.
- Fifteen students from MIET achieved podium finishes, with thirteen excelling in the inter-college competition and two in the inter-university competition
- A student team from MIET secured the 2nd position at the Poster Presentation Competition during the IIT-BHU National Conference 'Shakti Samvad 2024'.

# VI Action taken report on the feedback gathered from students, faculty and employers.

The members approved the action taken report, which summarized the action taken on the feedback received from students, faculty, and employers on various aspects such as infrastructure, curriculum, teaching, learning, and training and development and appreciated the IQAC team for their interventions.

### VII Infrastructure Updates

- Setting up of Apple Laboratory
- Development of Futsal Court
- Development of Nescafe Kiosk
- Provisioning of lift in Block B
- Installation of 5 Smart Boards
- Upgradation of Civil Engineering Lab-Setting up of Marshall Stability Test Machine

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# **MODEL INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY (AUTONOMOUS)**

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#### • Construction of Pathways towards Nescafe and Canteen

The members received updates on recent infrastructure enhancements at MIET since the last Governing Body meeting. The improvements included:

- The establishment of an Authorised Apple Development Center, equipped with iMacs, iPads, and an Apple TV, recognized as an Authorized Training Center for Education. This lab offers unique benefits, including staff and student training and Swift programming integration into the curriculum.
- A new Futsal Court of 5100 square feet has been constructed to enhance sports infrastructure.
- The Nescafe kiosk from Nestle has been set up to offer high-quality food and beverages.
- The institution has outlined plans to enhance accessibility by arranging for a lift to be installed in Block B, and has also made arrangements to install lifts in Blocks A and C in a phased approach.
- 5 "Senses" smart boards in various labs and seminar halls have been installed to enhance teaching and learning through interactive features.
- The Civil Engineering Lab has been upgraded with a Marshall Stability Test Machine to improve testing capabilities for asphalt road design.
- Two new pathways have been developed towards the canteen area to ensure convenience for students, faculty, and staff.

The members commended the institution for its commitment to provide a conducive learning environment and promoting holistic development for all its stakeholders.

### VIII Other Institutional Activities

- Sammilan 2024
- Report on TEDX 2024
- Launch of Annual Newsletter 2024
- Town Hall Meet 2024
- Mitsubishi ATC Meet 2024
- Signing of MoUs

A comprehensive report was presented before the members of the Academic Council, outlining the institutional activities and recent achievements of MIET.

- The Sammilan 2K24 Fest at MIET, Jammu, achieved success through its diverse array of fascinating performances, engaging competitions, and opportunities for students to showcase their skills and create lasting memories. Sammilan 2K24 demonstrated unity and collaboration, solidifying its status as a remarkable achievement for the MIET community.
- The 4th edition of TEDx at MIET, Jammu, themed "DEFY," featured notable speakers urging attendees to challenge boundaries and embrace resilience.



Distinguished speakers included Lt. Col. Maan Singh Jamwal, Col. Ranveer Singh Jamwal, Major Abhinandan Singh, Mr. Pranav Mahajan, Ms. Ashima Kaul, and Ms. Rigzen Wangmo, sharing inspiring narratives on personal and societal transformation.

- MIET launched its Annual Newsletter 2024, reflecting on achievements, milestones, and contributions made by students, faculty, and staff members during the year.
- Prof. Sahil Sawhney attended the 3rd Mitsubishi Electric India ATC meeting convened at Nirma University, bringing together leadership teams from nine ATCs nationwide to discuss achievements and future strategies.
- The Annual Town Hall Meet 2024, addressed by Prof. Ankur Gupta, provided updates on admission numbers, new courses, and key initiatives.
- Signed two MoUs MIET signed an MOU with the Honeybee Network through GIAN, this collaboration promises student and faculty exchanges, joint projects, and internships, further solidifying MIET's role as an innovation hub in Jammu and Kashmir. MIET joined hands with UltraTech Cement Limited to set up the UltraTech Center of Excellence which will serve as a showcase platform for innovative materials and construction methodologies, fostering knowledge dissemination and industry-academic collaboration.

The members praised the institute for reaching significant milestones and successfully conducting various activities. The members appreciated the efforts made by the institution to promote academic excellence. Some of the inputs received from the members included:

- a. to prepare for internationalization through strategic international linkages
- b. to open international career paths for students
- c. to facilitate student exchange programs with international universities including those in south-east Asia and Europe.
- d. to differentiate new programs by introducing innovative curriculum and specializations.
- e. to promote consultancy and resource-generation activities.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks.

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Prof. Ankur Gupta Chairperson, Academic Council

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