Minutes of the 57th meeting of the Council held on April 08th, 2019 at 11.00 am onwards in the Bhaskara Meeting Room, First floor, Wing 4, at AICTE Headquarters, Nelson Mandela Road, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi:

Members present:

1.	Prof. A.D. Sahasrabudhe Chairman, AICTE	Chairman
2.	Dr. M. P. Poonia Vice Chairman, AICTE	Member
3.	Shri Prashant Agarwal, Director (TE), MHRD, Govt. of India, New Delhi	Member
4.	Prof. Sunil Kumar (Chairman, CRC, AICTE) Vice Chancellor, RGPV, Bhopal	Member
5.	Prof. A. Venu Gopal Reddy, (Chairman, SCRC-AICTE) Vice Chancellor, JNTU, Hyderabad	Member
6.	Prof. T. G. Sitharam (Chairman, SWRC, AICTE) IISc. Bangalore	Member
7.	Prof. Pushplata, (Chairman, AIB – Architecture) IIT, Roorkee	Member
8.	Prof. Satish Chand, (Chairman, AIB – IT Education) JNU, New Delhi	Member
9.	Dr. N. R. Sheth, (Chairman, AIB – Pharma. Education) Vice Chancellor, Gujarat Technological University Ahmedabad	Member
10.	Shri S.D Lahiri Deputy Director General, DGT, Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship	Nominee of Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship
11.	Dr. Jaideep Mishra Joint Secretary Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, New Delhi	Nominee of Secretary, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, New Delhi
12.	Shri Saju Vaheed A., Director (HE), Govt of Tripura	Nominee, Secretary (TE/HE) Govt. of Tripura
13.	Dr. B. Janardhan Reddy Secretary (HE), Govt. of Telangana	Member

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14.	Director, IRDT Deptt. of Technical Education,	Nominee, Secretary (TE/HE) Govt. of Uttar Pradesh
15.	Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow, UP Shri Saibal Mukhopadhyay Director-in-charge Technical Education and Training Govt. of West Bengal	Nominee, Secretary (TE) Govt. of West Bengal
16.	Ms. K. Damayanti Principal Secretary Department of Technical Education, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh	Member
17.	Dr. Madhu R. Teotia Secretary(Education) Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh	Member
18.	Dr. Raj Agarwal, Director, CME All India Management Association (AIMA) New Delhi	Nominee of Sh. T. Mohandas Pai, former-President, All India Management Association (AIMA), New Delhi
19.	Dr. P. K. Desai President, Indian Society for Technical Education(ISTE) New Delhi	Representative, ISTE, New Delhi
20.	Prof. Sandeep Sancheti President, Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi	Member
21.		Representative , CoA, New Delhi
22.	Shri N.K. Chanji Director & EO to Director General, NPC	Nominee of Director General, National Productivity Council
23.	Shri Kushal Saha Secretary General, Indian Institute of Metals	Nominee, President Indian Institute of Metals Kolkata
24.	Prof. (Dr.) K.T.V. Reddy President, Institute of Electronics and Communication, New Delhi	Member
25.	Prof. S.V. Satyanarayana President, Indian Institute of Chemical Engineers, Kolkatta	Member
26.	Dr. K. Balveera Reddy, Former Vice Chancellor, VTU, Karnataka	Member
27.	Prof. A.P. Mittal Member Secretary, AICTE	Member Secretary

Additional Secretary (TE), MHRD, New Delhi; Prof. Uday Kumar, Chairman, NWRC-AICTE; Prof.(Dr.) Sandeep Kulshreshta, Chairman, AIB – HTM; Prof. Chetan Vaidya, Chairman, AIB–TCP; Joint Secretary & Financial Adviser, MHRD; Secretary, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Secretary, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs; Secretary, Technical Education, Govt. of Uttrakhand; Secretary, Technical Education, Govt. of Andaman & Nicobar Islands ; Smt. Shalini Sharma, Confederation of

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Indian Industry; Smt. Shobha Mishra Ghosh, Assistant Secretary General, FICCI ; Dr. Sandhya Chintala, Vice President, NASSCOM; President, PCI, New Delhi; Chairman, UGC; Director, IAMR; Director, ICAR; Director, CSIR, New Delhi could not attend the meeting due to their prior engagements.

At the outset, Prof. A.D. Sahasrabudhe, Chairman, AICTE welcomed all the members to the 57th meeting of the Council.

The formal Agenda Items were taken up and the following matters were considered, deliberated upon and decisions taken are as under:

Item No. 57.01.01

To confirm the minutes of the 56th meeting of the Council held on December 27, 2018.

The Council confirmed the minutes of the 56th meeting of the Council held on December 27, 2018.

Item No. 57.02.01

To receive a note on action taken on the decisions taken and recommendations made in the 56th meeting of the Council held on December 27, 2018.

The Council received the note on action taken on the decisions taken at the 56th meeting of the Council held on December 27, 2018.

Item No. 57.03.01

To receive the information on the minutes of the Executive Committee (EC) meetings held since last reported in the Council meeting held on December 27, 2018.

The Council received the information.

Item No. 57.04.01

To consider and approve the recommendations of Scrutiny Committee/ Standing Appellate Committee (SAC) for grant of approval through single application form for the following for the A.Y 2019-20 under Chapter II of APH 2019-20.

- a. Extension of Approval to the existing Institutions/ Continuation of approval after a break in the preceding Academic Year(s)/ Restoration of Intake.
- b. Extended EoA
- c. Increase in Intake/ Additional Course(s)
- d. Introduction of Integrated/ Dual Degree Course
- e. To start Diploma in Degree Pharmacy Institutions and viceversa
- f. Merger of Institutions under the same Trust/ Society/ Company operating in the same Campus
- g. Closure of the Institution
- h. Conversion of Management Institutions running PGDM Course into MBA Course

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- i. Conversion of Second Shift Course(s) into First Shift Course(s)
- j. Closing of MBA Programme and Introduction of MCA Programme and vice-versa
- k. Introduction/ Continuation of Fellowship Programme in Management
- Introduction/ Continuation of supernumerary seats for Foreign Nationals/ Overseas Citizen of India (OCI)/ Persons of Indian Origin (PIO)/ Children of Indian Workers in Gulf Countries
- m. Introduction of Non-Resident Indian(s) seats
- n. Change in the Name of the Course(s)/ Merger of the Courses/ Reduction in Intake/ Closure of Programme(s)/ Course(s)/ Merger of Lateral Entry Separate Division in Second Year Engineering and Technology/ MCA to First Year Regular Courses
- o. Change in the Name of the Institution or affiliating University/Board
- p. Change in the Name of the Bank
- q. Change in the Name of the Trust/Society/Company

(Approval Bureau) The Council considered the recommendations of the SHC relating to grant of approval of applications under Chapter-II of APH 2019-20. The Council approved granting Extension of Approval (EoA) to 1031 nos. of existing institutions based on self-disclosure. The Council noted that during 123rd EC meeting held on March 27, 2019, 3284 nos of institutions have already been granted EoA, thus totaling to 4315 nos. of EoAs granted to existing institutions.

The Council opined that processing of the remaining cases of Chapter II, as per APH 2019-20 should be completed at the earliest and be placed before the ensuing Council meeting.

: To consider and approve the proposal of AICTE in the cases of Government Institutions.

The Council was informed that appx. 595 nos. of Government institutions are deficient in faculty apart from other deficiencies such as infrastructure, land etc. The Council was also informed about the issues related to recruitment of faculty in the absence of clarity on implementation of reservation quota. UGC has now given directions after an ordinance was issued by the Central Government. However, due to code of conduct, there would be some delay in actual recruitment.

The Council noted that as per 123rd EC decision, state governments have been written for the compliance of deficiencies.

The Council deliberated on the proposal of granting Extension of Approval (EoA) to 1321 nos. of government institutions who

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Item No. 57.04.02

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otherwise have deficiencies. After deliberations, the Council decided that based on the commitments received from respective State Governments for compliance of deficiencies, a committee of three academicians be constituted and severity of deficiencies be assessed. If deficiencies are severe in nature, appropriate action, ranging from reduction of intake between 10 to 20% be imposed.

Item No. 57.04.03

To consider and approve the proposal of AICTE to form EVC through offline mode for physical verification of New Institutes of AY 2019-20 who have been granted LOI.

(Approval Bureau)

The Council was informed that large number of applications for establishment of new institutions have been received, more than 800 EVCs are to be conducted and majority of them are from Pharmacy discipline. Experts as senior faculty from Government Institutions/ NITs/ IITs/ Universities are deputed in the EVC teams, however, this year there is scarcity of experts from Government institutions due to election duties and their commitment as experts in Scrutiny/ EVC/ SHC/ SAC, resulting in difficulty in formation of online EVC.

Further, the Council was also informed that AICTE has to comply with the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India to complete the approval process by 30th April of each year.

The Council deliberated on the matter and approved the proposal of AICTE to form EVC from the list of experts available on the portal, with the approval of the competent authority, through offline mode too for physical verification of new institutes of AY 2019-20 who have been granted LOI. The Council also suggested that experts may be engaged from reputed private institutions, if the need arise. The Council further suggested that AICTE may seek a list of senior faculty of repute from NITs/ IITs/ Universities & their affiliated institutions, for utilizing during formation of EVC.

As per past practice, during composition of EVC for a pharmacy institute, two subject experts (Pharmacy) and one architect were being deputed. In present circumstances, where large number of requirement for EVC at Pharmacy institutes is there, the Council decided that only one subject expert (Pharmacy), other expert from any other technical background and one architect may be included to form an EVC.

Item No. 57.05.01

To ratify the decision of the Competent Authority in granting relaxation from APH 2019-20 to Institutions in case of approved land/building related documents from the State Government.

The Council ratified the matter in view of delays due to ongoing election process in which most officers are on duty and in some cases code of conduct does not allow decisions.

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Item No. 57.05.02

To ratify the grant of LOI/LOR/LOA (as applicable) to institutions based on the recommendations of the Standing Appellate Committees and approved by the Competent Authority in respect of applications received in A.Y 2019-20 under Chapter-I for:

- a. Setting up a new Technical Institution offering a Technical Programme in Engineering and Technology, Pharmacy, Architecture and Planning, Applied Arts, Crafts and Design, Hotel Management and Catering Technology, MCA and Management at Diploma/ Post Diploma Certificate/ Under Graduate Degree/ Post Graduate Diploma/ Post Graduate Degree Level.
- b. Change of Site/ Location of the Institution
- c. Conversion of Women's Institution into Co-ed Institution and vice-versa
- d. Conversion of Diploma Level into Degree Level and vice-versa
- e. To Start new Programme (s)/ Level(s) in the existing Institution.

The Council ratified the matter.

Item No. 57.05.03

To ratify the decision of the Competent Authority in granting relaxation/exemption from APH 2019-20 to Institutions to ease the process of approval due to time constraint.

The Council ratified the matter in view of delays due to ongoing election process in which most officers are on duty and in some cases code of conduct does not allow decisions.

Any other Item with the permission of the Chair:

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Item No. 57.04.04

(All Bureaus/Cells)

The Council observed that AICTE has to follow a time-line as per directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court for issuing grant of approval or otherwise to the applicants as per APH prevalent for that particular year.

Also, it was noted that possibly there could be any other matter of AICTE which cannot be kept on hold for seeking approval of the Council till scheduling of its next meeting.

Accordingly, the Council deliberated and decided that in all such matters the Chairman, AICTE is empowered to take decision and thereafter place the matter in the subsequent meeting of the Council for its ratification.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Prof. A.P. Mittal) Member Secretary

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(Prof. A.D. Sahasrabudhe) Chairman

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