

**VELAGAPUDI RAMAKRISHNA  
SIDDHARTHA ENGINEERING COLLEGE**  
(AUTONOMOUS)  
VIJAYAWADA – 520 007

**MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BODY MEETING HELD ON 27<sup>th</sup> Jan, 2024.**

**Minutes** of the meeting of the **Governing Body** of Velagapudi Ramakrishna Siddhartha Engineering College, Autonomous, Vijayawada (**offline & online**) held at **10.30 A.M on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2024 i.e. Saturday.**

**Dr. C. Nageswara Rao - President**, Siddhartha Academy of General and Technical Education, Chaired the meeting and extended a warm welcome to the Members attended.

**Members & Co-opted members attended:**

<b>Sl.No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Designation</b>
1.	Dr. C. Nageswara Rao, President, SAGTE	Chairman - Management
2.	Sri P. Lakshmana Rao Secretary, SAGTE	Member - Management
3.	Sri. M. Rajayya Vice - President, SAGTE	Member - Management
4.	Sri N. Lalitha Prasad Joint Secretary, SAGTE	Member - Management
5.	Prof. (Dr.) Suresh Kumar Dhameja Dean, Academics & International Affairs National Institute of Technical Teachers Training & Research, Chandigarh	Member -UGC Nominee (online)
6.	Sri. V. Padma Rao, Regional Joint Director, O/o. Commissioner of Technical Education, Govt. of A.P	Member – State Govt. Nominee
7.	Dr G Yesu Ratnam, Director, IIIP & T Professor of Civil Engineering, JNTUK, Kakinada	Member -University Nominee (online)
8.	Sri. P.V.Rao Director, Pennar Industries & Pennar Global, Hyderabad.	Co-opted Member Expert – Industry (online)
9.	Sri. Rajendra Velagapudi MD & CEO, Cyient DLM	Co-opted Member Expert – Industry (online)
10.	Dr. A.V. Ratna Prasad, Principal, VRSEC.	Member Ex. Officio
11.	Dr. M. Suneetha, Prof. & HOD IT	Member – Teacher
12.	Dr. D Venkata Rao, Prof.& HOD ECE.	Member – Teacher

**Members & Co-opted members who did not attend:**

Sl.No.	Name	Designation
1.	Sri. Vellanki Nagabhushana Rao, Vice – President, SAGTE	Member - Management
2.	Sri. Abburi Vidya Sagar Chairman/Managing Director, Avantel Ltd	Member – Industrialist
3.	Sri. Rajiv Pandey Sr. GM & Head of Customer, Connected & Digital at Tata Motors, Mumbai	Co-opted Member Expert – Industry

**The following agenda items were discussed and deliberated upon:**

**Item: 1. To confirm the minutes and report the action taken on the minutes of the previous meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2023.**

***The Governing Body confirmed the following minutes and approved the action taken on the minutes of the last meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2023.***

a. Constitute a committee to showcase the achievements of students, faculty, and the college through social media, electronic media, press, and newsletters to reach the public as suggested by **Sri. M. Rajayya**, Convener, VRSEC and Vice-President, SAGTE.

✓ **Action Taken:** A committee has been constituted to showcase the achievements of students, faculty, and the college through social media, electronic media, press, and newsletters to reach the public. Achievements of the college such as awards, MoUs, and recognitions have been posted on social media.

b. Research publications, research grants, and patents are to be increased in the departments that are **very low compared with other departments**. Sri. M. Rajayya suggested a proper review and action plan is required in this regard.

✓ **Action taken:**

- Regular R&D meetings (Quarterly) were conducted to motivate the faculty members to publish their respective work in quality journals.
- Converting student projects such as EPICS, Mini Project, and Major Project into publications.
- Industry Association (**EEE**): **Peepul Agri Ventures** supports up to **5 lakhs every year** for core projects in the department.
- Divided the faculty into research groups and prepared the project proposals for various sponsored agencies like UGC, SERB, etc.

c. **Sri. Rajendra Velagapudi**, MD & CEO, Cyient DLM, suggested to encourage the students to participate in **Global Hackathon programs** to improve their knowledge and skills.

✓ **Action taken:**

- Students participated in hackathons, J L N K Surya Sri Charan, won the **1<sup>st</sup> prize** at MAKEATHON conducted by **IIT Madras as a part of Shaastra on 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 2024**.

- **Smart India Hackathon 2023** – 2 batches participated.
- d. **Sri. Abburi Vidya Sagar** Chairman/Managing Director, Avantel Ltd, suggested encouraging the students to register for good online courses – MIT, Stanford, etc, in addition to NPTEL, Coursera, etc., provide awareness on Higher studies and offer demand courses.
- ✓ **Action taken:**  
No of students completed certification courses:
- **NPTEL Certification** from July – December 2023: **1607**
  - **Coursera** – **137**
  - **Udemy** - **140**
- ❖ **Awareness on Higher studies:**
- A faculty in-charge is available in the ECE department to motivate and give guidance to students for higher studies.  
**The following awareness programs were conducted**
    - Organized the Guest Lecture on “Unlocking potential advantages of higher education” on 17.08.23 by Mr. P. Solomon, engineer, **Daimler Truck Innovation Centre, Bangalore.**
    - Organized the Guest Lecture on “General interaction on opportunities after graduation” on 15.11.23 by Mrs. K. Indira, **Head of Risk Technology, Wayne State University, US.**
- ❖ **To offer demand courses**  
**The following Honors / Minors courses (UG) are offered:**
- Cyber Security/Cyber Crimes
  - Data Analytics
  - Artificial Intelligence
  - Social Media Mining
- No. of Students registered for Honors: **328**
  - No. of Students registered for Minors: **366**
- **Starting new courses in PG**
- e. Approved to **issue of Provisional Certificates** for the passed-out candidates of B.Tech Regular 2022-23, & M.Tech Regular 2021-22, B.Tech, M.Tech, MBA & MCA candidates who completed their UG & PG degrees in supplementary examinations.  
✓ **Action taken:** *Provisional Certificates issued to the candidates.*
- f. Goals for the year 2023-24 and approve based on the strategic plan 2020-25.  
✓ **Action taken:** *being implemented.*
- g. **Information Presented:**
- *Outgoing batch Results of B.Tech 2019-2023 and M.Tech 2020-2022.*
  - *Semester-end examination results of B.Tech, M.Tech, MBA, and MCA examinations held from August - 2022 to April - 2023.*
  - *Faculty appointments and relieving from 17-12-2022 to 15-07-2023.*
  - *Readmitted candidates 2022-23 (even semesters)*

- National Rankings and Ratings of the college for the year 2023.
- AICTE Extension of Approval for the year 2023-24.
- Academic, R & D, and other activities and events of the college for the A.Y. 2022-2023 from 01-07-2022 to 30-06-2023.
- Student Placements for the academic year 2022-23:

**Item: 2. To present the proposal of applying / closing the courses of UG / PG to AICTE w.e.f 2024-25 along with EOA application.**

Dr. A.V.Ratna Prasad, Principal, presented the information regarding the proposal for an increase in intake in UG – CSE and introducing new courses and closure of courses in PG w.e.f. 2024-25 along with EOA from 2024-25 to 2026-27 **and the Governing Body approved the same.**

**Increase in intake:**

Sl.No	Level	Name of the Course	Intake 2023-24	Proposal for 2024-25
1	UG	COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING	240	300

**New/Closure of Courses:**

Sl.No	Level	Name of the Course	Intake 2023-24	Proposal for 2024-25
1	PG	Cyber Security (New)	NA	12
2	PG	Artificial Intelligence and Data Science (New)	NA	12
3	PG	Computer Science and Engineering	12	Closure of courses
4	PG	Data Science	12	

**Proposed Intake for 2024-25:**

Programme	Course	Intake
UG	B.Tech	1380
PG	M.Tech	66
PG	MBA	60
PG	MCA	60
<b>Total</b>		<b>1566</b>

**Item: 3. To present the academic, R & D, and other activities & events of the college for the A.Y. 2023-2024 from 01-07-2023 to 31-12-2023.**

Dr. A.V.Ratna Prasad, Principal, presented the academic, R & D, and other activities & events of the college for the A.Y. 2023-2024 from **01-07-2023 to 31-12-2023 and the Governing Body approved the same.**

- **R & D Projects :**
  - No. of Sanctioned Projects : **15**
  - Sanctioned amount : **Rs. 99,52,701/-**  
(CE-03, CSE/AI&DS-06, ECE-03, ME-03)
- **Total No. of Patents : 297**
  - Granted : 49
  - Published : 220
  - Filed : 28
- **R & D publications (SCOPUS/SCI Journals): :**
  - Journals : 212
  - Conferences : 507
  - Scopus/ SCI : 719
- **No of continuing education programmes organized by various departments : 75**  
(FDP - 04, Workshops - 17, Seminars - 22, Guest lectures - 32)
- ⇒ **Faculty participation in continuing education programmes:**  
Faculty members participated in 513 continuing education Programmes.

⇒ **NPTEL ONLINE CERTIFICATIONS :**

Course Run Period	Certified	Gold (>=90%)	Silver (75% - 74%)	Elite (60% - 74%)	Successful (40% - 59%)	Toppers	NPTEL Ranking (all India)
JUL-DEC 2023	1607	104	438	654	411	85	AA
Jan- Apr 2023	1476	7	205	743	521	50	AA

- ✓ Coursera – 137
- ✓ Udemy -140

- ⇒ **MOUs : 10**  
(CE- 1,CSE/AI&DS-3, ECE-2, EEE -2,IT-1,English-1)
- ⇒ **Students Achievements : 24**
- ⇒ **Rewards and Recognitions of faculty : 10**
- ⇒ **New Faculty Joined with Ph.D : 09**  
(ECE-03, IT-01, English-02,Chemistry-01, MBA-01, Physics-01)

**. International visits of faculty: 01**

Sl. No.	Name of the faculty with Dept and designation	Details of Visit	Sponsored
1	Dr N Malathi, Asst. Professor, CE	16th World Conference on Transport The research was held on-site at the Palais des congrès in Montreal, Canada, from 17 to 21 July 2023.	Sponsored by Management Amount: Rs 1,19,813/-

**• International Post Doctoral admission: 02**

Sl. No.	Name of the faculty with Dept and designation	Details of Visit
1.	<b>Dr. Satish Jasti,</b> Asst. Professor, ECE Dept.	Post Doctoral admission on <b>study leave</b> (Postdoctoral Researcher, Laboratoire de Chimie Bactérienne (LCB), Aix-Marseille Université, Marseille, <b>France.</b> )
2.	<b>Dr Ch Rama Vara Prasad,</b> Associate Professor, CE Dept.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Went on <b>study leave</b> and Completed Postdoc in April 2023 from UQAC (University du Quebec a Chicoutimi), <b>Canada</b></li> <li>✓ Joined back in CE department.</li> </ul>

**Item: 4. To present the information w.r.t. new laboratories established / up gradation as per Industry requirement in pipe line in the year 2023-24.**

Dr. A.V.Ratna Prasad, Principal, presented the following details w.r.t. new laboratories established in the year 2023-24 for the information of Governing Body.

**New Laboratories Established: 06**

Dept	Name of the Lab	Expected outcome	Supported by
CE	Centre of Excellence in Concrete	UG, PG Projects. Research of Material composition for 3D printable concrete	KCP Limited, Chennai (Rs 28,00,000/-)
ECE	IOT Lab	Research Work	Efftronics Systems Pvt.Ltd (Rs 2,65,000/-)
EEE	Electric Vehicle lab	Students will get hands-on experience on EV Technology	Management (Rs 10,50,320/-)
CSE	AI & ML LAB - I AI & ML LAB-II	Students get the exposure on recent technology i.e. AIML & they can publish papers, patent, journals	Management (Rs.52,92,000/-)
EIE	Real-Time Operating Systems Lab	Students will get hands-on experience on how to use open-source software's	Free open-source software's RTOS, and System View

**Item: 5. To present the student placements of current Academic year 2023-24 as on 31-12-2023.**

Dr. A.V.Ratna Prasad, Principal presented the **student placements of current Academic year 2023-24 as on 31-12-2023** for the information of the members.

No. of Companies visited:	37
Number of eligible students:	1200
Total Job offers	680
Total No of Students Placed	552
• < 4 LPA :	116
• ≥ 4 LPA - <6 LPA :	457
• ≥ 6 LPA - <8 LPA :	52
• ≥ 8 LPA - <10 LPA :	26
• ≥ 10 LPA - <20 LPA:	27
• ≥ 20 LPA :	02

**Item: 6. To present the information regarding revision of B.Tech Curriculum (VR23) w.e.f. 2023-24.**

Dr. A.V. Ratna Prasad, Principal presented the special courses which are going to be introduced in B.Tech 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> semesters for the information of Governing Body members.

**Special Courses Introduced (VR23)**

Sem 2	Sem 3
<b>Design Thinking &amp; innovation</b> Course Content : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to Engineering</li> <li>• Introduction and identifying the need</li> <li>• Problem Formulation &amp; Concept Generation</li> <li>• Prototyping &amp; Evaluation</li> </ul>	<b>Design Thinking &amp; innovation Lab</b> Course Content : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sketching</li> <li>• Basic 3D Modelling</li> <li>• Physical Component Development</li> <li>• Iterative improvement of the product and Report writing</li> </ul>
<b>Sem 4 - EPICS</b>	<b>Sem 6 - Mini/Major Projects</b>

**Item: 7. To consider and approve the issue of Provisional Certificates for the passed out candidates of M.Tech, MBA & MCA Regular and supplementary & B.Tech supplementary examinations held between May 2023 & July 2023.**

Dr. A.V. Ratna Prasad, Principal presented the list of passed out students of M.Tech, MBA & MCA Regular and supplementary & B.Tech supplementary examinations held between May 2023 & July 2023 for whom provisional certificates (Total -144) are to be issued as per the guidelines of the University for approval.

- ✓ ***The Governing Body unanimously approved to issue the provisional certificates for the candidates who passed their UG and PG Degrees in M.Tech, MBA & MCA Regular and supplementary & B.Tech supplementary examinations held between May 2023 & July 2023 as per the details given below.***

**Details of Provisional Certificates to be issued: 144**

BRANCH	MCA (2021-BATCH) (MCA20) REGULAR JUNE-2023 & SUPPLEMENTARY (MCA20) FEBRUARY-2023	MBA (2021-BATCH) REGULAR & SUPPLEMENTARY (MBA19) JULY-2023	B.TECH (VR17) SUPPLEMENTARY JUNE-2023	M.TECH (2021-BATCH) REGULAR & SUPPLEMENTARY (MTECH19) JULY & AUGUST-2023	TOTAL
CE			2		2
CESE				16	16
VLSI				6	6
EEPS				2	2
ITDS				1	1
MECC				1	1
MBA		59			59
MCA	57				57
TOTAL	57	59	2	26	144

***Note: Details are placed in College website and also available in examination cell of the College.***

**Item: 8. To consider and ratify the M.Tech, MBA & MCA outgoing batch (2022-2023) Results.**

Dr.A.V.Ratna Prasad, Principal presented the following results of **M.Tech, MBA & MCA outgoing batch (2022-2023)** and ***the Governing Body ratified the same.***

Details	M.Tech	MBA	MCA
Number of students appeared	21	66	64
Number of students passed out	21	58	56
First class with distinction	18	45	50



First class	03	13	06
Second class	--	--	--
% of pass	<b>100</b>	<b>87.88</b>	<b>87.5</b>

**Item: 9. To consider and ratify the semester-end examination results of B.Tech, M.Tech, MBA, and MCA examinations held between May 2023 & July 2023.**

Dr.A.V.Ratna Prasad, Principal presented the following semester end examination results of B.Tech, M.Tech, MBA, MCA examinations held between May 2023 & July 2023 and ***the Governing Body ratified the same.***

Details	Month and Year	Regulations	Batch	B.Tech
B.Tech II semester	July-2023	VR20	2022-23	80.50%
B.Tech IV Semester	June-2023	VR20	2021-22	81.40%
B.Tech VI semester	May-2023	VR20	2020-21	89.49%
M.Tech IV semester	July -2023	M.Tech 19	2021-22	100%
MBA II semester	July-2023	MBA 19	2022-23	95.38%
MBA IV semester	July-2023	MBA 19	2021-22	95.45%
MCA II semester	July-2023	MCA 20	2022-23	98.46%
MCA IV semester	July-2023	MCA 20	2021-22	100%

**Item: 10. To consider and ratify the Honor and Minor Programme Examination results for B.Tech IV and VI semesters held in August, 2023.**

Dr.A.V.Ratna Prasad, Principal presented the following the Honor and Minor Programme Examination results for B.Tech IV and VI semesters held in August, 2023 and ***the Governing Body ratified the same.***

Details	Month and Year	Regulations	Batch	B.Tech
B.Tech IV Semester – Honors	August-2023	VR20	2021-22	97.75%
B.Tech IV semester – Minors	August-2023	VR20	2021-22	94.62%
B.Tech VI semester – Honors	August -2023	VR20	2020-21	100%
B.Tech VI semester – Minors	August 2023	VR20	2020-21	98.33%

**Item: 11. To present the information regarding faculty appointments and relieving from July 2023 till date.**

Dr.A.V.Ratna Prasad, Principal, presented the information regarding the faculty appointments and relieving from 01-07-2023 till date *and the Governing Body approved the same.*

Faculty Appointments	:	22
Faculty Relieved	:	11

**Item: 12. To present the audited statements of accounts for the year 2022-23.**

Dr.A.V.Ratna Prasad, Principal, presented the audited statements of accounts for the year 2022-23 *and Governing Body approved the same.*

**Item: 13 To present the list of Re-admitted candidates for the year 2023-24 (odd semesters).**

Dr. A.V.Ratna Prasad, Principal presented the list of Re-admitted candidates in the year 2023-24 odd semester *and the Governing Body ratified the same.*

**Re-admitted Candidates : 20**

S.No	ROLL NO	Branch	Class	Name of the Candidate
1	198W1A01C9	CE	4/4 B.Tech	Gandham Narasimha Chowdary
2	198W1A03I6	ME	4/4 B.Tech	Yalamanchili Bobby Yaswanth
3	198W1A0181	CE	4/4 B.Tech	KANDULA SAIBABU
4	208W1A03E6	ME	3/4 B.Tech	MOVVA HEMANTH CHOWDARY
5	208W1A1204	IT	3/4 B.Tech	BANAVATHU NAVYA
6	218W5A0108	CE	3/4 B.Tech	K SAI SASANK
7	208W1A0120	CE	3/4 B.Tech	GUMMADI PRANEETH
8	218W1A0382	ME	2/4 B.Tech	TANGELLAPALLI VENKAT DURGA MAHANTH
9	228W1A0122	CE	1/4 B.Tech	KUMBHA JAGADEESH
10	228W1A0163	CE	1/4 B.Tech	CHORAGUDI ROHITH
11	228W1A0437	ECE	1/4 B.Tech	MOLATHOTI VENKATA RAVITEJA
12	228W1A0326	ME	1/4 B.Tech	NADAKUDURU Y DORA SWAMY RAJU
13	228W1A0363	ME	1/4 B.Tech	GUNJI HARI LAKSHMAN
14	228W1A0194	CE	1/4 B.Tech	P.TARAKA LAKSHMI SRINIVASA RAO
15	228W1A0303	ME	1/4 B.Tech	CHITTIBOMMA LAKSHMI SRI VENKAT
16	228W1A0383	ME	1/4 B.Tech	PEKETI SAI SUBHASH REDDY
17	228W1A0331	ME	1/4 B.Tech	P.SANTHOSH
18	228W1A0266	EEE	1/4 B.Tech	ETTA VENKAT
19	228W1A0275	EEE	1/4 B.Tech	KANAGALA RAJESWARI
20	228W1A02A3	EEE	1/4 B.Tech	UMMADI PARMALA RAJ

**Item: 14. To present the information regarding attendance particulars of the students from July 2023 to December 2023.**

Dr. A.V.Ratna Prasad, Principal presented the information regarding attendance particulars of the students from **July 2023 to December 2023 and the Governing Body approved the same.**

**ATTENDANCE PARTICULARS (July 2023 to December 2023)**

S.NO	SEMESTER	MONTH & YEAR	>75%	65%-75%	<65%	Total
1	B.TECH II SEM	JULY-2023	1122	119	12	1253
2	B.TECH IV SEM	JULY-2023	1192	93	13	1298
3	B.TECH VII SEM	NOV-2023	1223	35	1	1259
4	B.TECH V SEM	DEC-2023	1214	61	5	1280
5	MBA IV SEM	JULY-2023	48	18	0	66
6	MBA II SEM	JULY -2023	51	14	0	65
7	MCA II SEM	JULY-2023	64	1	0	65
8	MCA III SEM	DEC-2023	64	0	0	64
9	M.TECH IV SEM	JULY-2023	27	1	0	28
10	M.TECH II SEM	AUG-2023	16	0	1	17

**Item: 15. To present the malpractice cases of semester end examinations of UG & PG levels from July 2023 to December 2023.**

Dr. A.V.Ratna Prasad, Principal presented the malpractice cases of **semester end examinations of UG & PG levels from July 2023 to December 2023 and the Governing Body approved the same.**

- ⇒ No. of Malpractice Cases from **July 2023 to December 2023**
- ⇒ Regular - 01
- ⇒ Supply - 02

**Item: 16. To consider and ratify the minutes of Academic Council, IQAC, Finance Committee for ratification.**

Dr. A.V.Ratna Prasad, Principal presented the minutes of Academic Council, IQAC, Finance Committee for ratification and **Governing Body ratified the same.**

**❖ Minutes of Academic Council: 02-12-2023**

- Issue of Provisional Certificates for the passed out candidates of M.Tech, MBA & MCA Regular and supplementary & B.Tech supplementary examinations held between May 2023 & July 2023.
- M.Tech, MBA & MCA outgoing batch (2022-2023) Results.
- B.Tech VR 23 academic regulations and first year B.Tech curriculum.
- Extending the time limit for submitting the pass certificate of self - learning courses (NPTEL etc.,) by the students of M.Tech programme.

- Conducting the semester-end supplementary examination with the NPTEL syllabus by the college for the subjects in which candidates appeared and failed in MOOCS (NPTEL) platform.
- Academic Calendars of first year B.Tech, M.Tech, MBA & MCA 2023-2024.

❖ **Minutes of IQAC: 29-09-2023 & 03-01-2024**

- Heads of the departments are directed to seriously monitor each and every step after publication of patents till granting and then commercialization.
- It is decided to implement the Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) in the Institute, as per NEP-2020 guidelines.
- Academic audit should be taken more seriously and departments should identify their weakness and address them by adopting a suitable mechanism to improve the quality in all parameters.
- Driving the students towards active learning and creating awareness in first year itself on innovative activities, which are practiced in subsequent years such as innovative product development, paper presentation, publications, patents, start up activities, hackathons etc.
- Institutionalization of VRSEC-YouTube channel at Institute level.
- Implementation of UTAH (Undertaking Transformative Strategies and Actions in Higher Education) portal.
- This Portal tracks and supports the implementation of the NEP 2020 and its strategic initiatives across the country's Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs).
- This Portal also provides detailed information about UGC's initiatives for qualitative reforms in higher education.

❖ **Minutes of Finance Committee: 14-11-2023.**

- Procurement of the furniture for confidential and examination cells worth of 4,52,960/-
- Income & Expenditure for the year 2023-24
- New Rates of TA and Remuneration for Practical and Project Examinations w.e.f A.Y. 2023-24.

**Item: 17. Any other point with the permission of the Chairman.**

Dr. A.V.Ratna Prasad, Principal requested the members to give their valuable suggestions.

**Suggestions:**

Sri. M.Rajayya, Convener of the College and Vice-President, Siddhartha Academy suggested to increase the placements of the college for the remaining period of the current academic year.

Prof. (Dr.) Suresh Kumar Dhameja, Dean, Academics & International Affairs, National Institute of Technical Teachers Training & Research, Chandigarh, UGC nominee congratulated the Principal for his exhaustive presentation in covering all aspects. He suggested improving the placements in core branches.

Further, he suggested to encourage the faculty to develop MOOCS courses.

Sri. Rajendra Velagapudi, MD & CEO, Cyient DLM, suggested improving the number of followers in social media platform posts & also informed to connect with marketing head for any help.

He also suggested providing only average and medium salary details and do not reveal the highest salary placement details.

Sri. P V Rao, Director, Pennar Industries & Pennar Global, Hyderabad, congratulated the Principal for his nice presentation and improvement of publications, and patents year by year. He suggested to encourage the students to become an entrepreneur.

He also suggested providing a greater number of trainings to students on communication skills and assessment of students after the training is completed.

Dr G Yesu Ratnam, Director, IIIP & T, Professor of Civil Engineering, JNTUK, Kakinada suggested that credits should not increase the total number of credits beyond 160, even after including the Design Thinking & Innovation course and laboratory.

He also suggested to give training for the faculty who are going to teach Design Thinking & Innovation subject and lab.

He also suggested to prepare the complete course structure for VR23 regulations.

Dr. C. Nageswara Rao, President, Siddhartha Academy thanked all the members for their enlightened and insightful suggestions through their active participation.

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