

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

Minutes of the **36th Meeting of the Academic Council** held at **10.30 A.M**
on **18th December 2025, Thursday.**

Dr. A.V. Ratna Prasad, Principal of the College & Chairman, Academic Council chaired the meeting and extended a warm welcome to the members of the Committee and presented the proceedings.

Members Attended:

Sl.No.	Name & Designation	Position
1.	Dr. A.V. Ratna Prasad Principal, VRSEC	Chairman
2.	Dr. G. Padmaja Rani Director of Evaluation, JNTUK, Kakinada.	University Nominee (online)
3.	Dr. M.H.M. Krishna Prasad Director, Academics JNTUK, Kakinada	University Nominee (online)
4.	Dr.V. Mallikarjuna Professor & HOD - CE	Member
5.	Dr.D.Rajeswara Rao Professor & HOD - CSE	Member
6.	Dr. D. Venkata Rao Professor & HOD - ECE	Member
7.	Dr. P.V.R.L. Narasimham, Professor & HOD - EEE	Member
8.	Dr.G.N.Swamy Professor & HOD - EIE	Member
9.	Dr.M. Suneetha Professor & HOD - IT	Member
10.	Dr. N. Ravi Kumar Professor & I/c HOD – ME	Member
11.	Dr. S. Srinivasa Rao Assoc. Prof. & HOD - Chemistry	Member
12.	Dr. M. Ravichand Prof. & HOD – English	Member
13.	Dr. B. Neelambaram Asst. HOD - English	Member
14.	Dr. Ch. Baby Rani Professor & HOD Mathematics	Member
15.	Dr. K. Narendra, Assoc. Professor & HOD Physics	Member
16.	Dr. A. Sree Ram Professor & HOD MBA	Member
17.	Dr. K. Purna Chandra Rao Professor & HOD MCA	Member
18.	Dr. T.S.R. Chowdary Professor of CE	Teacher Member
19.	Dr. K. Srinivas Professor of CSE	Teacher Member
20.	Dr. T. Anuradha Professor of IT	Teacher Member

Sl.No.	Name & Designation	Position
21.	Dr. B. V. Rao Associate Professor of EEE	Teacher Member
22.	Sri. D. Ramakrishna M.D, Efftronics Systems Pvt. Ltd. Vijayawada	Expert – Industry
23.	Dr. G.L. Madhumathi, Professor of ECE	Member Secretary

Members Not Attended:

Sl.No.	Name & Designation	Position
1.	Sri. J.S.R.K.Prasad MD., Better Castings, Vijayawada	Expert – Industry
2.	Sri. K.R. K. Raju, Chief Project Manager, RVNL, Vijayawada.	Expert – Industry
3.	Sri. Ch. Sripathi Rao, Advocate Vijayawada	Expert – Law

The following agenda items were discussed and deliberated upon

Item-1. To confirm the minutes and the action taken report on the minutes of the previous Academic Council meeting held on 26-06-2025.

Academic Council confirmed the following minutes and action taken report on the minutes of the previous meeting.

❖ **Approved and Action Taken Report:**

- Issue of Provisional Certificates for the passed out candidates of B.Tech Regular, supplementary & Special Supplementary, Honor/ Minor, M.Tech, MBA & MCA examinations held between September 2024 and May 2025.

✓ **Action taken: Provisional Certificates issued to the UG & PG candidates.**

- B.Tech 3rd & 4th Years Academic Calendar for the year 2025-26.

✓ **Action taken: B.Tech 3rd & 4th Years Academic Calendars Implemented.**

❖ **Approved:**

- The exemption of additional credits for Ms. Bukka Siva Naga Kranthi (218W1A05J8, A Transitory student) who transferred from SRKR Engineering College, Bhimavaram to VRSEC in the 5th Semester for the award of the B. Tech degree.
- The B.Tech 5th and 6th semesters scheme of instructions and syllabus of 5th semester to be implemented w.e.f. 2025-26. (VR23).

❖ **Ratified:**

- Semester end examination results of B.Tech, M.Tech, MBA & MCA examinations held between November 2024 and May 2025.

➤ Honors and Minor Programme Examination Results for B.Tech held between August 2024 and March 2025.

➤ Minutes of the BOS meetings held in May 2025.

❖ **Information Presented:**

➤ Introduction of Honours Program in CSE and allied branches with a specialization in Cloud Engineering, in collaboration with Google w.e.f the academic year 2025–26.

➤ Student Placements for the academic year 2024-25.

Item-2. To present the academic and significant activities from July 2025 to date.

Dr. A.V. Ratna Prasad, Principal presented the following Academic and significant activities from July 2025 to date.

➤ Statue of Dr. Velagapudi Lakshman Dutt was Unveiled by Dr. Indira Dutt on 17th July 2025.

➤ The institute has been ranked in the 151–200 band by NIRF 2025 and the only private institution in Andhra Pradesh to be ranked below 200 in NIRF for the last eight years.

➤ Five UG programs in B.Tech i.e. CE, CSE, ECE, EIE, and ME—have been accredited by NBA with validity from 1st July 2025 to 31st December 2025 and from 1st January 2026 to 31st December 2028.

➤ Self - Assessment Report (SAR) submitted to NBA for B. Tech, EEE program and awaiting the NBA visit.

➤ Total No. of Patents:	: 448
Filed	: 49
Published	: 331
Granted	: 68

➤ R & D publications	: 708
Journals	: 310
Conferences	: 398
H- Index	:57 (2025 till date)

Student Achievements:

- Mr. B. Avinash, an alumnus of the EEE department and CEO of Chitti Motors Pvt. Ltd.—a startup incubated at the V. R. Siddhartha TBI Foundation—exhibited his product at the Ratan Tata Innovation Hub (RTIH), Mangalagiri, where it was appreciated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, Sri Nara Chandrababu Naidu, and Tata Sons Chairman Sri N. Chandrasekaran on 20-08-2025, and was selected as one of the top five innovations by RTIH.
- Mr. P. Haneesh, a IV Year B.Tech (Information Technology) student, secured First Place in the HackWithInfy Hackathon conducted by Infosys at Pune from 22nd to 25th August 2025, winning a cash prize of ₹3,00,000 and an Infosys job offer with a package of 9.5 LPA.

Rewards & Recognition of the faculty:

❖ **Best Engineering College Principal Award** from the ISTE AP Section:

- Awarded to Dr. A. V. Ratna Prasad at MIT, Madanapalli, on 14th August 2025, in the presence of the President, ISTE – New Delhi, and the Vice - Chancellor, JNTUA.

❖ **Institution Awards:**

Received 5 awards on the occasion of JNTUK formation day on 06-09-2025.

- Highest number of R & D Projects – 8 No.s (> 20 lakhs)
- Maximum number of faculty with Doctorates – (204 i.e. 61.4 %)

❖ **Individual Awards:**

- Highest citations in Scopus (H-index > 20) :
Dr. A.V. Ratna Prasad, Pro- Vice Chancellor.
- Listed among the top 2% scientists by Stanford (2024) :
Dr. Ch. Rupa, Professor of CSE
- Placement with an yearly package of Rs. 40 lakhs or more:
Ms. Nihitha Vemulapalli, B.Tech – CSE.

❖ **Placements:**

- Number of students placed – 434
- Above 5 LPA - 108

Item-3. To Consider and approve the B.Tech 6th Semester syllabus to be implemented w.e.f. 2025-26 (VR 23).

Dr. A.V. Ratna Prasad, Principal presented the B.Tech 6th Semester syllabus to be implemented w.e.f. 2025-26 (VR 23).

- The B.Tech curriculum is structured for a total of 160 credits, following AICTE and JNTUK, Kakinada guidelines, with the VI Semester Schemes

of Instruction [VR23] defined for all branches, CSE- (AI & DS) CSE (AI & ML), CSE IT, CE, ECE, EIE, EEE and ME.

✓ ***After discussions it is resolved to approve B.Tech 6th semester syllabus to be implemented w.e.f. 2025-26 (VR 23 Regulations).***

Item-4. To Consider and transitory subjects for students who are transferred from VR20 to VR23 regulations due to detention or lack of required credits.

- Dr. A. V. Ratna Prasad, Principal, informed that the transitory subjects for students who were transferred from VR20 to VR23 regulations due to detention for shortage of the minimum required attendance or continuous evaluation marks, and who lacked the minimum number of credits required for promotion to the next semester, had already been approved in the concerned BOS meetings. The item was placed before the Academic Council, and the ***Academic Council approved the same.***

Item-5. To consider and ratify the Semester End Examination results of B.Tech VI Semester (VR20) and IV Semester (VR23) regular examinations held between May 2025 and September 2025.

Dr. A.V. Ratna Prasad, Principal presented the Semester End Examination results of B.Tech VI Semester (VR20) and IV Semester (VR23) regular examinations held between May 2025 and September 2025 for ratification and ***academic council ratified the same.***

B.Tech VI Semester

Details	Regulations	Batch	Month & Year of Examination	B.Tech
CSE AI & DS	VR 20	2023-24	May - 2025	94.93
CE	VR 20	2023-24	May - 2025	55.56
CSE	VR 20		May - 2025	98.95
CSE AI & ML	VR 20	2023-24	May - 2025	94.37
ECE	VR 20	2023-24	May - 2025	77.70
EEE	VR 20	2023-24	May - 2025	83.21
EIE	VR 20	2023-24	May - 2025	67.88
IT	VR 20	2023-24	May - 2025	90.23
ME	VR 20	2023-24	May - 2025	49.62
Overall				80.95

B.Tech IV Semester

Details	Regulations	Batch	Month & Year of Examination	B.Tech
CSE AI & DS	VR 20	2022-23	May - 2025	91.67
CE	VR 20	2022-23	May - 2025	68.99
CSE	VR 20	2022-23	May - 2025	98.14
CSE AI & ML	VR 20	2022-23	May - 2025	95.83
ECE	VR 20	2022-23	May - 2025	93.45

Details	Regulations	Batch	Month & Year of Examination	B.Tech
EEE	VR 20	2022-23	May - 2025	90.08
EIE	VR 20	2022-23	May - 2025	95.12
IT	VR 20	2022-23	May - 2025	93.30
ME	VR 20	2023-24	May - 2025	70.54
Overall				89.63

Item-6. To consider and ratify the Honors and Minor Programme examination results of B.Tech VI Semester (VR20 Regulation) held between May 2025 and September 2025.

Dr. A.V. Ratna Prasad, Principal presented the Honors and Minor Programme examination results of B.Tech VI Semester (VR20 Regulation) held between May 2025 and September 2025 for ratification, and *academic council ratified the same.*

B.TECH. VI –SEMESTER (2022 BATCH) (VR20) AUGUST -2025

Details	Appeared	Passed	% of Pass
Honors	163	161	98.77
Minor	180	180	100
Total	343	341	99.41

Item-7. To present and ratify the minutes of the BOS meetings held in December 2025.

Dr. A. V. Ratna Prasad, Principal, presented the minutes of the meetings that were approved in the BOS meetings held in December 2025 for ratification, and the *Academic Council ratified the same.*

- Syllabus for B.Tech VI Semester under VR23 regulations.
- Transitory regulations & Subjects for students transferred from VR20 to VR23 regulations.
- NPTEL courses offered for Honors and Minor programs.
- Self-Learning and Value-Added courses for B.Tech under VR23 regulations.

Item-8. Any other point with the permission of the Chair.

- (a) To consider and approve the students who studied MBA, MCA, and M.Tech under JNTUK affiliation up to the academic year 2025–26 and who are appearing for supplementary examinations and clearing their backlogs for passing the course after 2025–26 (within the maximum period allowed), the degree to be awarded by JNTUK.

- Dr. A. V. Ratna Prasad, Principal, presented the above item before the Academic Council. After detailed discussions with the JNTUK nominees and other members of the Academic Council, it is resolved that the degrees for such students shall be awarded by JNTUK.
- (b) Dr. A.V. Ratna Prasad, Principal, requested to suggestions from the members for the development of the academics of the Institution.
- Dr. M.H.M. Krishna Prasad, Director of Academics, JNTUK, Kakinada, congratulated Dr. A.V. Ratna Prasad, Principal, for receiving the Best Engineering College Principal Award from the ISTE AP Section, and for securing five awards for V.R. Siddhartha Engineering College on the occasion of JNTUK Formation Day. He further appreciated that VRSEC has been consistently receiving NIRF rankings for the past eight years and advised taking steps to improve the ranking further by addressing areas such as expenditure per student, quality publications by faculty and students, R & D, and PG accreditation. He also advised encouraging faculty to publish papers in high-quality journals.
 - Dr. G. Padmaja Rani, Director of Evaluation, JNTUK, Kakinada, informed that JNTUK has recently introduced new procedures in the examination process and advised that these should be followed, starting from the declaration of the even semester results.
 - Dr. D. Ramakrishna, MD, Efftronics, suggested introducing more practical-oriented courses in the B.Tech and M.Tech programs. In response, Dr. A.V. Ratna Prasad, Principal, and Dr. M. Suneetha, HOD – IT, informed that several practical-oriented courses have already been introduced in the curriculum and added that his suggestion would be implemented more effectively in the future.

Dr. A.V. Ratna Prasad, Principal, thanked all the members for their active participation and constructive suggestions.


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