Minutes of 40th Meeting of the Academic Council
Date: 22/2/2025 (Saturday) at 10.00 AM.

Venue: Chancellor's Board Room, VFSTR

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MINUTES OF THE 40th MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON
22nd February, 2025. (Hybrid mode)

The members of Academic Council met on 22nd February, 2025 at 10:00 AM in the Chancellor's Board Room, A-Block. Prof. P. Naga Bhushan, Vice-Chancellor of VFSTR chaired the meeting. The following members were present:

1.	Col.Prof. P. Nagabhushan, Vice-Chancellor	:	Chairman
2.	Er.Dr. D. Rama Krishna, MD, Effectronics		
	(virtual participation)	:	External Member
3.	Prof. Sreenivasa Kumar (virtual participation) Professor, Dept. of CSE, IIT Madras	:	External Member
4.	Dr. Subbarangaiah. K (virtual Participation) Director and Professor at Veda IIT VLSI Physical Design, Hyd	:	External Member
5.	Dr. Debi Prasad Mishra (virtual participation) Director, NITTTR, Kolkata	:	External Member
6.	Dr. Shanti Swaroop Director of Engineering, MathWorks, Hyderabad	:	External Member
7.	Dr. Bala Subramanian Raman (virtual participation) Professor, dept. of CSE IIT, Roorkee	:	External Member
8.	Dr. P.M.V. Rao Dean, AAA	:	Permanent Invitee
6.	Dr. D. Vijayaramu Dean, PCF	:	Member
7.	Dr. M. Ramakrishna Dean – IQAC	:	Member
8.	Dr. K.V. Krishna Kishore Dean, SCI, Dean – Admissions and Recruitment HoD, Dept. of CSE	:	Member
9.	Dr. Kaki Venkat Rao, Dean, R&D	:	Member
10.	Dr. G. Srinivasa Rao, Liaison Officer, R&D	:	Member
11.	Prof. D. Venkatesulu, Addl. Dean ACSE	:	Member
12.	Dr. Sk. Jakeer Hussain Dean, Infrastructure, Planning and Monitoring	:	Member
13.	Mr. D. Vijay Krishna, Dean – T&P Dean School of Law and Management	:	Member
14.	Dr. M.S.S. Rukmini, Dean – Student Affairs Alumni Linkages, Gender Sensitization and Discipline	:	Member
15.	Dr. Y. Ravi Shekhar, Dean, Technology and Development	:	Member
16.	Prof. N. Usha Rani, Dean, SEE&CE	:	Member
17.	Dr. T. Ramesh Babu, Dean, SAFT and Director AHS	:	Member
18.	Prof. A. Sharada, Dean, IS	:	Member
19.	Prof. M. Ramesh Naidu, HoD, Dept. of Chem. Engg.	:	Member
20.	Dr. P. Sambaiah, HoD, Dept. of ECE	:	Member
21.	Dr. T.C. Vekateswarlu, HoD, Biotechnology	:	Member
22.	Dr. Sitaramanjeneya Reddy, HoD, BME	:	Member

23.	Dr. T.Ch. Anil Kumar, HoD, Dept. of Mech. Engg.	:	Member
24.	Dr. N. Srinivasu, Dean, SASH	:	Member
25.	Dr. S.V. Phani Kumar, HoD, CSE	:	Member
26.	Dr. D. Radha Rani, HoD, ACSE	:	Member
27.	Dr. Ch. Jitendra, HoD, Dept. of Pharmacy	:	Member
28.	Dr. M. Kartikeyan, HoD, Civil Engineering	:	Member
29.	Dr. PVS Shoban, HoD, EEE	:	Member
30.	Dr. K. Sujatha, HoD, IT	:	Member
31.	Prof. Sarita Sathpathy, HoD, MBA	:	Member
32.	Dr. K. Santhi Sri, HoD, Dept. of CA	:	Member
33.	Dr. N. Veeranjaneyulu, Prof., HoD, Dept. of IT, Director, CDOE	:	Member
34.	Prof. N. Seshagiri Rao, HoD, Mathematics and Statistics	:	Member
35.	Prof. Koya Prabhakar Rao, HoD, Chemistry	:	Member
36.	Dr. K.V.Madhuri, HoD, Physics	:	Member
37.	D. KVB Ravindra Babu (reptng HoD EoFL)	:	Member
38.	Dr. Adam Stephen, HoD, Social Sciences and Humanities	:	Member
39.	Dr. J. Nitchal Kiran, Prof of Physics	:	Member
40.	Dr. P. Ashok Kumar, Prof of Chemical Engg.	:	Member
41.	Dr. Shaik Anwar, Officiating Prof of Chemistry	:	Member
42.	Dr. B. Nageswara Rao, Prof of Mech. Engg	:	Member
43.	Dr. M. Sarada, Prof of ECE	:	Member
44.	Prof. B. Srinivasa Rao, Professor, MBA	:	Member
45.	Prof. D. John Babu, Professor, BT	:	Member
46.	Prof. M. Sreenivsulu, Prof. Dept. of Physics	:	Member
47.	Prof. A. Siva Sankar, Prof, EST	:	Member
48.	Dr. A. Goswami, Assoc Prof of Chemistry	:	Member
49.	Dr. P. Shiva Prasad, Assoc.Prof of CSE	:	Member
50.	Dr. p. Subba Rao, Prof. of IT	:	Member
51.	Prof. N. Satyasree, Dept. of Chemistry	:	Member
52.	Dr. N. Ananda Rao, Officiating Assoc. Prof, Dept of ECE	:	Member
53.	Dr. G. Nageswarara Rao, Asst. Prof of English	:	Member
54.	Dr. P. Joshua Reginald, Officiating Assoc. Prof of ECE	:	Member
55.	Dr. K. Maria Das, Asst. Professor of Chemistry	:	Member
56.	Dr. B. Jyostna Devi, Officiating Assoc. Prof, Dept. of ACSE	:	Special Invitee
57.	Dr. N.S. Sampath Kumar, Joint Dean, AAA	:	Special Invitee
58.	Mr. Prasad Panda, Director, Industry Relations	:	Special Invitee
59.	Dr. N.S. Sampath Kumar, Joint Dean AAA	:	Special Invitee
60.	Dr. Siva Sankar Mandal Baidya	:	Special Invitee
61.	Cmde. Dr. MS Raghunanthan, Registrar, VFSTR	:	EX-Officio Member Secretary

Leave of Absence: The following members have taken the leave of absence

62.	Prof. G. Mohanacharyulu, HoD of EoFL	:	Member
63.	Prof. K. Kalpana, Dean, SL&M	:	Member
64.	Dr. K. Mercy Rosalina, Prof, Dept. of EEE	:	Member
65.	Shri. M. Malakondiah, Former DGP, AP	:	Special Invitee

66. Mr. S. Deva Kumar, Officiating Assoc Prof. of CSE : Member
67. Dr. Ch. Siva Koteswara Rao, Asst. Prof of IT : Member

Minutes of the 40th Meeting of the Academic Council
Date: 22/2/2025 [Saturday] at 10:00 AM

Item	
	Welcoming the members of Academic Council by the Chair.
	The meeting commenced with the welcome remarks of the Chair, Col. Prof. P. Nagabhushan who greeted the members of the 40th Academic Council meeting. The Chair stated that VFSTR was experiencing academic diversity and excellence. He complimented the university for a courageous move of preparing eight departments for NBA accreditation.
	The Chair stated that VFSTR is a way ahead in implementing NEP and in this regard, faculty, students and Dean AAA deserved high praise. In this respect, the new regulations R25 will be more beneficial to students. VFSTR is marching ahead to diversify with multiple streams like engineering, sciences and liberal arts viz., B.A., B.A. (Hons), M.A. and Integrated B.A. coupled with B.Ed. and thereby realising the very spirit of MERU (Multi-disciplinary Education and Research University). He thanked the members of the council, particularly, Dr. Shanthi Swaroop for his participation in the meeting in person. The Chair then handed over the meeting to the Member Secretary for further proceedings.
	The Registrar formally welcomed the members of the meeting and directed the Dean PCF to present the profile of the CEO of VFSTR, Dr. V. Meghana M.S. The members welcomed Dr. Meghana the new CEO of the University.
I	**Confirmation of the Minutes of 39th Academic Council meeting held on 30th November, 2024. Minutes of Meeting enclosed.**
	The minutes of the 39th Academic Council Meeting held on 30th November, 2024 were placed before the council for approval. After deliberation, the council approved the minutes of the 39th Academic Council meeting.
II	**Action taken on the decisions of 39th AC meeting held on 30-11-24. The Registrar read out the action points while the members responded to the same.**
	1. Developing a training program on mathematical concepts for the next academic year. - presented by Prof. D. Venkatesulu, Addl. Dean ACSC The Addl. Dean, ACSE presented this action taken report under the following heads: 1. Objectives of the training program 2. Actions to be initiated 3. Outcomes of the training program 4. Experts to deliver faculty orientation 5. Tentative schedule for FoP (7th May 2025 to 9th May 2025) **2. A pre-semester course for 45 days duration for students along with faculty orientation on engineering applications for the next six months – presented by Dean AAA** The Dean AAA stated that a pre-semester course was designed which would be the part of academic schedule. He stated that the details of the same would be discussed in detail in the forthcoming agenda point related to discussion and approval of R25. **3. A reform to enhance the syllabus of mathematics leading to implementation of new curriculum C25 and R25. – presented by HoD, Mathematics** The HoD, Mathematics stated that a reform to enhance the syllabus of mathematics and align the same with C25 and R25 initiative, the entire syllabus of Mathematics and

Statistics has been overhauled with a minimum of 20 percent changes to the existing syllabus. The following information was furnished by the HoD under this point:

1. Coordinators meeting have been held with the HoD and BoA of the respective departments.
2. Collected hard copies of the mathematics and statistics for core, elective and minor courses currently offered in C24.
3. Identified requirements for the three-credit department specific mathematics courses.
4. Preparing revised syllabi for all mathematics and statistics courses incorporating the required modifications.
5. All relevant documents for refinement of syllabus at department level will be furnished prior to BoS meeting.

The HoD presented the details of all faculty detailed into seven designated teams and their assignment into departments. He further stated that algebra and calculus would be common to all branches while there would be department specific courses from II year.

4. Identification of lacunae in problem solving- more sessions in problems solving – initiation of remedies – presented by HoD, Mathematics

The HoD, Mathematics stated that as per the suggestions of Prof. Debi Prasad Mishra, increased practice sessions for hands-on experience in problem solving would commence for first batch of I B.Tech. students from the academic year 2025-26. The modus of this would be as follows:

1. It shall be ensured that each topic has corresponding hands-on experience using real world scenario and case studies to create mathematical models.
2. Collect feed-back through assessments and interaction with students and gaps in the teaching learning process to be identified.
3. Sessions will be conducted for both faculty and students to improvise the quality of the sessions for future batches.

5. Operational guidelines for the Departments of English, Mathematics and Training: Pre-semester program

Dr. KVB Ravindra Babu presented the point under the following points:

1. Classification of students into four groups based on their proficiency in a diagnostic test.
2. Standards of CEFR: Levels of proficiency
3. Pre-test results (2023)
4. Pre-test results on CEFR scale
5. Cambridge PET result

Dr. Santi Swaroop sought clarification on the cause of fluctuation between A1 and B1 levels for which Prof. A. Sharada responded that 50% of students at the entry level have lower proficiency levels in language who would graduate with their progress in the course. Dr. Shanthi Swaroop responded positively and Prof. Sreenivas Kumar enquired on the language labs to improve the proficiency of the students.

6. Research concerning quality, area, funded projects and solving the problems of industry.

Dean R&D presented under the heads like quality, area, funded project and addressing industry challenges.

III	**Agenda Items for Discussion and Approval**
	1. Major revision of UG and PG programs – R25 and C25 – presented by Dean AAA

Dean AAA commenced the presentation with a brief overview of the existing academic regulations (R22). He stated that the main theme of the new regulations (R25) is to enhance opportunities for the students towards knowledge acquisition and dissemination and enrich their critical thinking capabilities. The academic quality in the new regulations were designed to be more inclusive and stimulates a deeper learning. The Dean presented the agenda point under the following heads:

1. Pre-semester – between orientation program and first semester

R22(activities)	Weeks	Duration	R25(activities)	Weeks	Duration
Orientation Program	02	02	Orientation Program	02	02
Semester I	18	16	Pre-semester	03	06
Summative Assessment	22	04	Semester I	24	16
Semester break	24	02	Summative Assessment	27	03
Semester II	40	16	Semester break	29	02
Summative Assessment	44	04	Semester II	45	16
Summer Break	52	08	Summative Assessment	48	03
			Summer break	52	04

2. Point I. Pre-semester – between Orientation program and first semester

Courses and credits:

Course title	Credits	Category
Mathematics	1	Basic Sciences
English communication	1	Humanities
Aptitude and Logical Reasoning	1	Humanities
IT Tools	1	Basic Engineering
	1	Binary graded
	1	Binary graded
Total	6	

4. Point II. Credit requirement 160 + 10
5. Point III. Credit requirement 160+10 (Compulsory Binary graded courses – 1 credit each
   a. Thirty credits towards Basic sciences
   b. II year: Brach specific Maths (3 credits)/ Physics//Chemistry/Domain specific (3 credits)
   c. Six credits towards self-learning (NPTEL)
   d. Design Thinking Course
   e. 10 Binary graded courses
6. Point IV. Work in lieu of course – creative, holistic and deep exploration
   a. Substituting Department Electives (04 credits)
   b. Credits award for notable academic and professional achievement – research paper publication / book chapters / patents / presentations / global certifications / special internships

7. Point V. Honours / Minor degree – Optional

8. Credit requirement 160 +10
9. Assessment pattern:
   a. Formative Assessment (60%) [Module 1 – 20% / Module 2 – 40%]
   b. Summative Assessment (40%) [Module 1 and 2 – 40%]
   c. Course structure and assessment pattern

Parameters	R25 and C25	
	Module 1	Module 22
No. of units	2	2
Nature	Basics	Advanced
Duration	6 weeks	9 weeks
Assessment pattern	Pre T1, T1 and T5	Pre T1, T, T2, T3, T4 and T5
Assessment weightage	20%	40%

10. Assessment pattern – Qualifying criteria
   a. Award of R Grade if attendance is below 75% or within condonable range.
   b. Formative Assessment: Award of 'R Grade' if without 35% or 21 marks out of 60.
   c. Summative Assessment: Award of 'I Grade if without 35% or 14 marks out of 40.
   d. Should secure minimum of 4.0 in the scale of 10 after relative grading lest choice between 'R' or 'I' grade on counselling.
11. Credit and weekly hour per semester.
12. B.Tech. with year-long internship or project.
13. Award of class
14. UG and PG programs R25 and C25
15. Assessment pattern – Formative Assessment

After the presentation, Dr. Shanthi Swaroop and Prof. Mishra lauded the academic plan as impressive and a good initiative. Prof. Mishra expressed his concern for a very limited mid-semester break and summer break. The Chair intervened in the discussion and stated that though mid-semester break is limited, the students do not have much exertion for the orientation program and the pre-semester course would be totally stress-free and the learning happens in a relaxed manner. The summer break of 4 weeks may be extended to six weeks based on the flexibility of academic calendars. Chair has also clarified that these limited breaks are only for Ist year academic program only. Where as the break for 2nd , 3rd and 4th years are of more duration to the extent of two and half months.

Prof. Mishra sought rationale on planning the orientation program for two-weeks and the Chair responded that this plan was inspired by the successful orientation model of IIT Gandhinagar and the duration is meant for the benefit of students for rural areas who would be at a disadvantage in terms of language and other aspects.

Prof. Mishra opined that modules on Indian Philosophy, Yoga and Indian Knowledge Systems can be delivered to students as a binary credit course.

The Chair clarified that, students would register with faculty who would act as student mentors in this plan and under their guidance, the former would furnish an experience report.

Prof. Mishra advised to reduce the marks for co-author for which the Chair responded that a passive author can be made to involve by assigning him or her the task of perusing an advanced research paper which would be followed by a presentation on the same.

Responding to the point, Dr. Shanthi Swaroop stated that this system beats the monotony but was apprehensive about students publishing a paper. He suggested that students should be associated with other departments and mentors from other department and their findings should be published. However, Prof. Sreenivas Kumar opined differently and advised to retain and guide the students in their parent departments. Prof. Mishra advised to focus on basics.

Prof. Sreenivas Kumar and Prof. Mishra questioned the feature of one-year long internship, apprehending the loss of some course work for the students. Dr Shanti Swaroop said the internship with good technical companies will compensate the loss of course work. The chair ensured that the one-year long internship will be allowed only in good companies.

After the Chair's emphasis on mastery of students in fundamentals, Hon'ble Chancellor stated that the academic regulations should invariably have students' advantage as their core element and become the cause for improving the placement profile of the university. He asked how the regulations are related to SDGs. The chair has replied SDG will be addressed as part of the detailed curriculum.

Hon'ble Chancellor's thanked and commended the external members for their contribution.

The agenda item was approved by the Academic Council.

2. Assessment results: Academic year 2024-25, I semester – presented by Dean AAA

The Dean AAA presented the assessment results of the academic year 2024-25 I semester in comparison with the same of academic years 2022-23 and 2023-24 in following tabular form:

B.Tech.

Program	Year/semester	Academic year	Pass percentage
B.Tech.	II year, I sem	2022-23	82.04
B.Tech.	II year, I sem	2023-24	89.82
B.Tech.	II year, I sem	2024-25	85.14

Program	Year/semester	Academic year	Pass percentage
B.Tech.	III year, I sem	2022-23	93.27
B.Tech.	III year I sem	2023-24	922.22
B.Tech.	III year I sem	2024-25	93.19

Program	Year/semester	Academic year	Pass percentage
B.Tech.	IV year, I sem	2022-23	96.65
B.Tech.	IV year, I sem	2023-24	95.63
B.Tech.	IV year, I sem	2024-25	95.27

Assessment Results: Other regular programs

Program	Year	Previous year 2022-23 (in %)	Previous year 2023-24 (in %)	Previous year 2024-25 (in %)
BBA	I	77.08	61.34	60.14
	II	73.02	77.01	71.79

Program	Year			
	III	81.40	78.05	96.25
BCA	I	79.17	65.52	86.05
	II	81.54	07.01	84.48
	III	90.62	85.48	95.45
B.Sc.,	I	92.31	92.86	95.24
	II	72.92	100	90.48
	III	97.14	0.83	100

Program	Year	Previous year 2022-23 (in %)	Previous year 2023-24 (in %)	Previous year 2024-25 (in %)
B.Sc. (Hons.)	II	74.07	84.11	80.67
	III	-	95.00	95.14
B.Pharma	II	80.00	87.27	76.56
	III	85.37	90.00	7.15
	IV	95.83	92.68	90.00
MBA	I	90.00	82.39	85.62
MCA	I	77.27	96.83	98.58
	II	96.83	98.44	90.48
M.Sc.	II	95.24	87.50	88.46
M.Tech.	I	100	100	97.92

Program	Year	Previous year 2022-23 (in %)	Previous year 2023-24 (in %)	Previous year 2024-25 (in %)
M.A.	I	0.00	90.00	83.33
	II	100	-	100
Diploma	I	80.56	60.78	90.91
	II	-	40.00	87.50
	III	-	-	94.29
B.A. LLB (Hons.)	I	87.50	92.86	100
	II	88.89	85.71	84.62
	III	100	83.33	84.62
	IV	-	100	100
	V	-	-	100
BBA. LLB (Hons)	I	100	93.33	100
	II	92.86	100	100
	III	100	100	100
	IV	-	100	100
	V	-	-	100

Dr. Santhi Swaroop sought the reason behind the surge in the pass percentage in the final year of the courses which does not feature in the previous years of some courses. The Dean stated that he would present the same in the next AC meeting. The Chair stated that, the degree of flippancy in the initial stage of the course would gradually wane as the student will be experiencing the pressure of parents, peers and placement opportunities and hence becomes serious in his academics leading to improved performance in latter stages.

The agenda point was discussed and approved by the Academic Council.

3. Commencement of M.Sc. program in the Department of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences – presented by Prof. P. Ramesh Babu, Dean Agriculture and Horticultural Sciences

Prof. Ramesh Babu proposed the commencement of M.Sc. program in the Department of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences in multiple disciplines such as Agronomy, Soil Science, Entomology, Agricultural Economics, Vegetable Science, Floriculture and Landscaping from the AY 2025-26. The Dean presented the agenda point under the following heads:

1. Nomenclature of PG programs as per ICAR – M.Sc. (Ag.) and M.Sc. (Horticulture)
2. Rationale behind the commencement of the program
3. FAO's vision
4. M.Sc. seats /year across SAUs/ICAR institutions
5. Faculty available in the selected disciplines to offer M.Sc.
6. BoS resolution
7. M.Sc. Regulations of Agriculture and allied subjects
8. Course duration
9. Credit requirement
10. Supporting courses and common courses
11. PG regulations
12. Course content of major courses of the following disciplines
13. Advisory Committee (AC): ICAR
14. Admission into M.Sc. program
15. Academic progress
16. Memoranda of Understanding
17. Synopsis
18. Research progress review
19. Pre-thesis colloquium
20. Evaluation of M.Sc. thesis

After the presentation, Dr. Shanthi Swaroop appreciated the program and suggested the inclusion of precision agriculture and IoT in agriculture. The Dean responded that they were inclusive of the program.

The agenda point was discussed and was approved by the Academic Council.

4. Introduction of New Sectoral Specialization in MBA – Agri-Business Management and Hospital Management – presented by HoD, MBA

The HoD, MBA presented the agenda point under the following heads:

1. Introduction to the Department of MBA
2. Introduction to the new sectoral specializations: Agri-Business Management and Hospital Management
3. Rationale behind introducing new sectoral specializations
4. Scope of the new sectoral specializations
5. List of external BoS members for sectoral specialization
6. Course structure of the Agri-Business Management course
7. Course structure of Hospital Management course
8. Availability of resources and requirement of additional resources

Post presentation, Dr. Shanthi Swaroop queried on the availability of department faculty who were trained to handle the courses and the HoD responded in affirmative.

The agenda point was discussed and was approved by the Academic Council.

5. Commencement of B.A. (Hons.) program: B.A. (Political Science/Geography/History) and M.A. (Political Science) – presented by HoD, Dept. of Social Sciences

The HoD presented this agenda point under the following heads:

1. Rationale behind commencement of the program

		2. Program objectives 3.B.A. (Hons) Program outcomes 4. UGC minimum credit requirement for B.A.(Hons.) and B.A. 5. Comparison of credit requirement for B.A.(Hons.) and B.A. 6. Multiple entry and exit options 7. Eligibility criteria 8. Career paths for B.A. (Hons.) 9. Proposed fee structure Dr. Santhi Swaroop stated that courses like above were much needed and advised on the inclusion of Digital Governance or E Governance. He advised experiential learning and field visits. The global case studies should be allocated for study by students of this course. The agenda point was discussed and the council approved the proposal in principle. The council advised the HoD to constitute a Board of Studies for further process. **6. Commencement of Integrated B.Ed. program – table agenda presented by Dr. Shiva Shankar Mandal** Dr. Shiva Shankar Mandal presented this agenda point under the following heads: 1. Overview of Integrated B.Ed. Program 2. Objectives of the program 3. Difference between regular B.Ed. and Integrated B.Ed. program 4. Eligibility criteria 5. Program structure 6. Specialization 7. Regulatory bodies for the course 8. Universities offering Integrated B.Ed. course 9. Career opportunities Post presentation, the Chair pointed that State Council of Higher Education had no jurisdiction over the B.Ed. education. The agenda point was further discussed and approved in principle pending Board of Studies formalities.
IV		**Agenda Items for Information**
		1. Research and Development Activities – presented by Dean, R&D The research and development activities conducted in VFSTR since the previous Academic Council were presented by the Dean R&D. **2. Brief report on Bala Mahotsav and Vignan Mahotsav – presented by Dean SA** The details of Bala Mahotsav and Vignan Mahotsav (the former held on 31st Jan and 1st February 2025 and the latter held on 6th, 7th and 8th of February) at VFSTR were presented by the Dean SA. **3. Overview of Faculty Industry Immersion Program – presented by Director, Industry Relations** The developments concerning the 'Faculty Industry Immersion Program' was presented by the Director, Industry Relations. **4. MoU with Schneider Electric India Pvt. Ltd. – presented by Liaison Officer, R&D** The details of MoU with Schneider Electric India Pvt. Ltd. Was presented by the Liaison Officer R&D. **5. MoU with Bowling Green State University, Ohio, USA – presented by Dean PCF** The details of MoU with Bowling Green State University, Ohio, USA was presented by Dean PCF.

V.	Agenda Items for Ratification
	There were no agenda items for ratification.

The Chair thanked both the external and internal members of the Academic Council Meeting. The external member Dr. M. Santhi Swaroop was felicitated by the Chair. Having discussed all the points, the meeting was adjourned.

The following action points were pronounced during the 40th Academic Council meeting.

Action Point	Action point addressed to
1. The duration of the course as per the proposed R25 Regulations should provide appropriate vacation for the students to cope with homesickness.	Dean, AAA
2. One retired IAS officer should be included into the Board of Studies. The language paper of the course should be kept close to one single local vernacular language as the course might invite the students pan India with varied linguistic backgrounds.	HoD, Department of Social Sciences

Registrar 28.2.25

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