Action taken report of 32nd Board of Management Meeting held on 15.06.2019

S. No	Action plan	Concerned Person	Brief note on Actions taken
1	Marks for internship to be studied further.	Dean, Evaluation	It is being studied and will be presented in the next BoM.
2	Introduce the Game Editing in the R- 19 regulations. Statistics and Time series analysis should be introduced in all branches.	Dean, Academics	Being studied for introducing at a later phase during III/IV year
3	Introduction of Break Year Concept to facilitate the innovative students in future.	Dean, Academics	This innovative concept is being studied
4	Problems identified by AICTE sponsored Hackathon should be placed in the website of the university	Dean Library and IT services	Problems identified in Hackathon is placed in the home page of VFSTR
5	 Details to be furnished on:- a) Publications or papers published by faculty and Research Scholars b) Status of on-going Projects c) Seminars conducted by VFSTR d) Seminar attended by VFSTR Faculty e) Conferences conducted by VFSTR f) Conferences attended by VFSTR Faculty 	Dean - R&D	The detailed information is furnished as Appendix . Appendix (Details of the R&D activities).dc

the members for conducting conferences and asked to focus on the outcomes of the conference. He requested the VC of VFSTR to ensure the outcome of conference.

Dr. M. Y. S. Prasad intimated the process of a committee reviewing all the projects before submitting to the external funding agencies. Further, Dr. T.S. Rao stressed upon the process of analyzing critical comments of the rejected projects and to rework based on the feedback.

Dr. M. Y. S. Prasad informed that he will chair a committee to evaluate the process of research activities. It was also suggested to invite and include an external member in the committee to review the process of research activities at VFSTR.

The meeting concluded with the Vote of Thanks by the Registrar followed by the felicitation of external members by the Vice-Chancellor and Hon'ble Chairman.

The following action plan was given in the meeting:

S.No.	Action Point	Action to be taken by
1	To review all the major components of Research for Quality	Vice-Chancellor
2	To go through the Research publications with the help of a committee.	Rector

There being no further points, the meeting was adjourned.

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VADLAMUDI-522 213. A.P. INDIA Award to students in the Seventh Convocation-2019 scheduled on 27th July 2019, and conferment of Honorary Doctorate Degrees to three eminent personalities

Dr. P. M. V. Rao intimated the members of the Board regarding various special category of awards during the 7th Convocation which include 22 Gold Medals, 18 Best Out-Going Awards, 3 Endowment Awards and 1 Chairman's Gold Medal. He also appraised the members on the schemes of evaluation for these special category awards.

Cmde. Dr. M.S. Raghunathan informed the details of conferment of Honorary Doctorate Degree on the three eminent personalities of India which include Padma Shri Dr. Alla Gopala Krishna Gokhale, Padma Vibhushan Shri Illiyaraaja, and Shri V. Rajanna.

Board of Management (BOM) accorded approval for award of degrees to all students proposed, and also award of Honorary Doctorates.

Dr. P. M. V. Rao handed over formal invitations to attend the 7^{th} Convocation to the guests present in the meeting.

III. Agenda Items for Ratification

- Recruitment of faculty since the last BoM on 15.06.2019
- 2. List of teaching and non-teaching staff joined and relieved since the last BoM meeting held on 15.06.2019

Since these two agenda items were of routine nature, the members ratified the same without any further discussions.

IV. Agenda Item for Information

1. Status of Research

Dr. G. Srinivasa Rao presented the status of research publications by faculty members of VFSTR. He informed that a total number of 467 research articles have been published in 2019. Further, he added that 132 research papers have been accepted to be published and 290 are under the review process.

In this connection, Dr. H. Devaraj informed the members to focus on the quality of journals and not on the number of publications. He also requested the VC, VFSTR to look into the matter and ensure quality in research publications. Dr. K. Ramamurthy Naidu also stressed on the idea that quality of research publication is more important than the numbers.

Dr. M. Y. S. Prasad requested the Rector of VFSTR, Prof. K. Satya Prasad and two Deans to go through all the research publications and present the report in the next BoM.

Dr. G. Srinivasa Rao intimated the members of the Board that many projects have been submitted in 2019 to various funding agencies. He also informed that out of 13 planned conferences, 3 conferences have already been organized. Dr. H. Devaraj appreciated

Sarat expressed congratulations to the passing out students. Further, Dr. T. S. Rao also emphasized on the need in promoting research.

1. Agenda Items for the Meeting

Confirmation of the Minutes of the 32nd BoM meeting held on 15.06.2019

Cmde. Dr. M.S. Raghunathan presented the Minutes of the 32nd BoM meeting held on 15th June 2019. He raised the point of action taken on the decisions of the previous BoM and highlighted that a few points suggested in the previous BoM were under careful study and details to be presented in the next BoM.

Dr. H. Devaraj cautioned on too many retractions in the research publications in the present scenario. He gave an example of retraction of research papers from premier institutes like IITs. In this regard, Dr. T.S. Rao suggested a course on 'Research Methodology' at the Post-graduation level, where students would be trained to understand research writing skills.

Dr. H. Devaraj intimated the members of the Board regarding the decreasing value of degrees in India. He further added the lack of employment opportunities especially for Bio-Technology graduates, unless they undertake higher studies. In this connection, Dr. S. Krupanidhi highlighted that many students opt BT at Vignan. Dr. H. Devaraj, further highlighted high-number of graduate students passing out every year from various private universities and stated that many of them had to prefer jobs in IT industries with low package of salary. In this connection, Cmde. Dr. M.S. Raghunathan intimated to the members of the Board that 127 students (out of 175) graduating from the department of Management, VFTSR have been placed in their core industries with handsome salary. Further, Dr. T.S. Rao stated the significance of 'finishing school'.

A further discussion on the precarious admission in various institutes, especially in Tamil Nadu was highlighted by Dr. H. Devraj.

Dr. M. Y. S. Prasad informed the members that admission at VFSTR in the current academic year has reached more than 1250 within no time due to the trust of people on the value and quality of education at VFSTR.

II. Agenda Items for Approval

1. Details of students eligible to get degrees during 7th Convocation

Dr. P. M. V. Rao presented the number of eligible students to get degrees during the seventh convocation. He intimated the members of the Board that a total of 1570 degrees are to be awarded in the 7th Convocation of VFSTR which include 1185 degrees in B.Tech., 85 degrees in M.Tech., 175 degrees in MBA, 10 degrees in MCA, 83 degrees in BBA, 14 degrees in BCA and 18 degrees in PhD. He also highlighted that the number of students getting degrees is more in the present convocation in comparison with the 6th convocation where a total of 1225 students received various degrees.





Date: 01.08.2019

F.No. VFSTR/Reg/A1/03/2019

MINUTES OF THE 33rd MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT HELD ON 26 JULY 2019

The 33rd meeting of the Board of Management of VFSTR was held on the 26 of July 2019 i.e. Friday at 2.00 PM in the Board Room, V-Floor of 'A' Block. Dr. M. Y. S. Prasad, Vice-Chancellor, VFSTR chaired the meeting.

The following members were present:

1.	Dr. K. Ramamurthy Naidu, Chancellor, VFSTR	Special Invitee
2.	Dr. T.S. Rao , Sr. Advisor, DBT, New Delhi	External Member
3.	Dr. Y. Sarat, Director, United Health System, Hyderabad	External Member
4.	Dr. H. Devaraj, Former Vice-Chairman, UGC	External Member
5.	Prof. K. Satya Prasad, Rector, VFSTR	Internal Member
6.	Dr. P.M.V. Rao, Dean, Academic Registration and Evaluation, VFSTR	Internal Member
7.	Dr. Ravi Kumar Vellanki, Dean Admissions, VFSTR	Internal Member
8.	Mr. D. Vijay Krishna, Assoc. Prof., Dept. of MBA, VFSTR	Internal Member
9.	Dr. V. Madhusudhan Rao, Dean-E&M, VFSTR	Special Invitee
10.	Dr. G. Srinivasa Rao, Dean R&D, VFSTR	Special Invitee
11.	Dr. S. Krupanidhi, Dean P&M, VFSTR	Special Invitee
12.	Cmde. Dr. M.S. Raghunathan, Registrar, VFSTR	Member Secretary

The following members have taken leave of absence:

- 1. Prof. B.V. R. Chowdari, Senior Executive Director, NTU, Singapore External Member
- 2. Prof. P.V.G.D. Prasad Reddy, In-charge VC, AU, Visakhapatnam External Member
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- 3. Sri. L. Krishnandevarayalu, Vice-Chairman, Vignan Group, Guntur External Member
- 4. Dr. M.S.S. Rukumini, Profesor, Dept. of ECE, VFSTR Internal Member

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The Chair, Dr. M.Y.S. Prasad welcomed all the members to the meeting and sought opening remarks from the members of BoM.

The Chancellor, Dr. K. Ramamurthy Naidu, welcomed all the external members and thanked them for their presence in spite of their hectic schedules. He requested the external members to put forward their constructive suggestions for the overall growth of VFSTR. Dr. H. Devaraj initially expressed his happiness on selecting three eminent personalities for the award of honorary doctorate degrees by VFSTR in the 7th convocation of VFSTR. He highlighted the significance of research which would bring laurels to the university. Dr. Y.