

Minutes of the 4th Executive Council Meeting

Date: 25/05/2024 (Saturday) at 09.30 a.m.

Venue: Chairman's Board Room, A-Block, VFSTR

Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research

Vadlamudi, Guntur

Andhra Pradesh - 522213

**MINUTES OF THE 4th EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25th May, 2024.
(Physical and Virtual Mode)**

The members of Executive Council met on 25th May, 2024 at 09:30 AM in the Chairman's Board Room, A-Block. Prof. P. Nagabhushan, Vice-Chancellor of VFSTR chaired the meeting. The following members were present:

1. Prof. P. Nagabhushan
Vice-Chancellor, VFSTR, Guntur, A.P. : Chairman
2. Prof. H. Devaraj
Former Vice-Chairman, UGC, New Delhi : External Member
3. Dr. Y. Sarat
Director, United Health Systems Pvt.Ltd, Hyderabad : External Member
4. Dr. E.S. Chakravarthy
Vice-President and Global RMG Head, TCS, Bengaluru : External Member
5. Prof. Lalit M Patnaik
Adjunct Professor & NASI Sr. Scientist
Consciousness Studies Program
National Institute of Advanced Studies
IISC, Bengaluru (former Vice-Chancellor, DIAT) : External Member
6. Dr. M. Ramakrishna
Dean, IQAC and Dean, SoCE : Member
7. Prof.K. Venkat Rao,
Professor, Dept. of Mech.Engg : Member
8. Dr.Anandrup Goswami,
Assoc.Prof., Dept. of ECE : Member
9. Dr. GSR Satyanarayana
Asst. Prof. Dept. of ECE : Member
10. Dr. G. Srinivasa Rao,
Dean, R&D : Special Invitee
11. Prof. P.M.V. Rao, Dean AAA : Special Invitee
12. Dr. K.V. Krishna Kishore
Dean, IT & LIS, I/c Dean - Admission and
HoD, Dept. of Computing and Informatics
Dean School of Computing and Informatics : Special Invitee
13. Prof. G. Srinivasa Rao,
Dean, R&D : Special Invitee
14. Dr. Sk. Jakeer Hussain
Dean, Infrastructure, Planning and Monitoring : Special Invitee
15. Dr. Vijay Krishna, Dean - T&P
Dean School of Law and Management : Special Invitee
16. Prof. N.Usha Rani, Dean, SEECE : Special Invitee
17. Prof. Y. Ravi Shekhar, Dean, Technology and Development : Special Invitee
18. Prof.N Srinivas, Dean, SAS&H : Special Invitee

19.	Prof. T. Ramesh Babu, Dean, SAFT and Director AHS	:	Special Invitee
20.	Prof.A.Sharada, Dean, International Students	:	Special Invitee
21.	Prof. D. Venkatesulu, HoD, Dept. of ACSE and Joint Dean SCI	:	Special Invitee
22.	Prof. N. Veeranjanyulu, HoD, Dept. of IT, Director, CDOE	:	Special Invitee
23.	Dr.N Narayana Rao, HoD, AE	:	Special Invitee
24.	Prof. T.C. Vekateswarlu, HoD, Bio Technology	:	Special Invitee
25.	Dr. M. Kartikeyan, HoD, Civil Engineering	:	Special Invitee
26.	Prof. T. Pitchaiah, HoD, ECE	:	Special Invitee
27.	Dr. PVS Shoban, HoD, EEE	:	Special Invitee
28.	Mr.T.Ch .Anil Kumar HoD, Mech.Engg.	:	Special Invitee
29.	Prof. Sarita Sathpathy, HoD, MBA	:	Special Invitee
30.	Dr.Ch.Jithendra, HoD, Pharamceutical Sciences	:	Special Invitee
31.	Prof. G .Sitaramanjeaya Reddy, HoD, BME	:	Special Invitee
32.	Prof. P.L.N.Varma, Professor, Dept. of Mathematics & Statistics	:	Special Invitee
33.	Prof. M. Sreenivasulu, HoD, Physics	:	Special Invitee
34.	Prof. G. Mohanacharyulu, HoD, English	:	Special Invitee
35.	Prof. Koya Prabhakar Rao, HoD, Chemistry	:	Special Invitee
36.	Prof. K. Kalpana, Interim Director, LAW	:	Special Invitee
37.	Dr.D Adam Stephen, HoD SS&H	:	Special Invitee
38.	Dr.S. Anil Kumar Assoc.Prof., Dept. of Bio.Technology	:	Special Invitee
39.	Dr.N. Sampath Kumar, Joint Dean, AAA	:	Special Invitee
40.	P.R. Gopinathan, Senior Central Government Counsel For Ugc - University Grants Commission, Ministry Of Education, Government Of India	:	Special Guest
41.	Dr.D.Benet Bosco Dhas C.E.O, 30M Genomics Pvt.Ltd. Hyderabad	:	Special Invitee
42.	Cmde. Dr. M.S. Raghunathan, Registrar	:	Secretary

Present through Virtual Mode:

1. Prof. B.V.R. Chowdary
Sr. Executive Director, President's Office
NTU, Singapore : Member
2. Shri.P.Murali Manohar
Former-Member Secretary
Mahatma Gandhi National Council of Rural Education : UGC Nominee
3. Dr. D. Vijayaramu
Dean-Promotion, Collaborations and Faculty Affairs : Member

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

1. Mr. L. Srikrishna Devarayulu
Vice-Chairman, Lavu Educational Society, Guntur : Member
2. Prof. P.V.G.D. Prasada Reddy, Vice-Chancellor,
Andhra University, Vizag (Virtual Mode) : Member
3. Dr. M.S.S. Rukmini, Dean - Student Affairs : Special Invitee

Minutes of the 4th Executive Council Meeting

Date: 25/05/2024 [Saturday] at 09:30 a.m.

Item	
	<p>Welcoming the members of Executive Council by the Chair and the Registrar. The Chair formally welcomed the members of the 4th Executive Council including the student participants and handed over the meeting to the Registrar for further proceedings. The Registrar greeted and welcomed the members to the Executive Council and requested the Special guest Mr. P.R.Gopinathan to deliver his early remarks.</p> <p>Mr. P.R.Gopinathan, is a senior advocate and legal advisor & Standing council for AICTE and NCTE. He stated that he felt good to visit VFSTR and it was a long pending visit. He said that he experienced positive vibrations the moment he stepped into VFSTR and informed the members that he has thirty-five years of experience in imparting law education. He mentioned that he has four focus areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Department of Law: The aim of the department should be to increase the admissions in the Department of Law. 2. Securing grants: Being a well evolved university with 12B status, the institution can successfully secure many grants from the state and central governments. 3. Inter-state admissions: The university must make efforts to attract admissions from outside the state. 4. Admission in Robotics and Mechatronics: The university should strive to get admissions in the departments of Robotics and Mechatronics. <p>Mr. P.R. Gopinathan further stated that he would always remain accessible through email and shall support the university by all means. He wished that VFSTR should attain NAAC A++ status. The Registrar directed Prof. K. Kalpana, Dean, School of Law to interact with Mr. P.R. Gopinathan and receive his advice on law education. The Registrar then informed the members that AICTE had accorded the "Letter of Approval" for VFSTRU Hyderabad (deemed to be university) at Yadadri, Bhuvanagiri District in Telangana State. He also mentioned that formal approval from the Ministry of Education/GOI is awaited.</p>

I.	<p>I. Recent Initiatives in the School of Agriculture and Horticulture Sciences (presented by Prof. T. Ramesh, Dean of Agriculture and Horticulture Sciences)</p>
I.	<p>The Dean, Prof. T. Ramesh presented on the above-said initiative of his department under the following heads:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. About the Department of Agriculture and Horticulture Sciences B. Commencement of the department C. Area of land under the department D. Students' strength in the department E. Tree Outside Forest, India (TOFI) F. Consortium partners G. Strategies for TOFI H. Seven participant states in TOFI I. Expected output J. Hi-Tech Tree Nursery (HTN): Layout K. List of species for propagation of trees under TOFI L. Salient features of state of art Hi-Tech nursery (HTN) M. Benefits for students and entrepreneurs N. MoU between ICRAF and VFSTRU signed on 25th March, 2023 O. Obligations of ICRAF P. Visuals of the inaugural of TOFI <p>The Dean mentioned that the program would be supported by technology for TOFI</p>

and presented wood-based technology and non-wood-based technology in which students of VFSTRU would be involved. There was no funding from the state government, and the representatives of this program from USA were impressed by the amenities in the department.

Prof. BVR Chowdari enquired on the continuance of this program after the expiry of the agreement in 2026 for which the Dean responded that the program will continue even after the expiry of the agreement. The timber harvested from this program can be utilized by various institutions under Vignan Group.

Dr. E.S. Chakravarthy asked for measurable outcomes of the program stating that start-ups can be possible with students who could form as an entrepreneurial group and the project could also involve many engineering students from other branches.

Prof. Ramesh responded that CSE students would be needed for computer related operations and the system would be exclusively maintained by students for three years and beyond. The dean also mentioned that 10,00,000 saplings could be supplied from this program, would support entrepreneurial outcomes and also would encourage women entrepreneurs.

Prof. H. Devaraj enquired on the reason behind not commencing Ph.D program in the department without M.Sc. program. The dean responded that the first batch of current Ag.B.SC. students would be passing out in the year 2025 until then the PG program cannot be commenced. To stimulate the research environment in the department Ph.D program was commenced. The Chair opined that research should commence in the department and researchers should be the teachers.

Prof. Chowdari congratulated on the commencement of research programs in the department and on the success of global conference conducted in his department in November 2022.

II. Recent Initiative in the School of Biotechnology and Pharmaceutical Sciences (presented by S. Anil Kumar, Assoc. Prof. BT)

Commencement of M.Tech. Bio-Technology Program for AY 2024-25.

Mr. S. Anil Kumar presented under the following points:

- A. Virchow Foundation, operating under Virchow Biotech Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad, has committed to support the M.Tech. Biotechnology program, scheduled to commence from the academic year 2024-25.
- B. Virchow Foundation has agreed to provide Rs.76,80,000/- in phased installments to bolster the program.
- C. Out of the grant of Rs. 76.8 lakhs, Rs. 42 Lakhs will be disbursed as stipend to the 18 students (employees of VBPC) at the rate of Rs. 10,000 per month per student. Virchow Foundation also covers the salary of an industry-supported Professor of Practice with a salary of Rs.1,40,000/- per month for a duration of 24 months.
- D. Program guarantees placement opportunities, collaborative efforts between Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology & Research (Deemed to be University), Vadlamudi and Virchow Foundation.
- E. Virchow Foundation is eager to collaborate with VFSTR on joint projects to be submitted to various funding agencies, emphasizing their commitment to foster Industry-University collaborative endeavors.

Mr. Anil Kumar also discussed the action plan for improving admissions and upcoming events in his department. The Chair opined that M.Tech. programs shall improve the perception for the university.

II.

III. Progress of the Departments of CSE, ACSE, IT, ECE, EEE and BME (presented by concerned HoDs)

a. Progress of the Department of CSE. (presented by Dr. K.V. Krishna Kishore, HoD, CSE)

The HoD, CSE presented the progress of his department under the following heads:

- b. 100% admissions in B.Tech. in the Department of CSE.
- c. Admissions in M.Tech. (Fourteen out of eighteen seats filled in M.Tech.)
- d. Attendance analysis
- e. Skill development programs
- f. Training programs for students planned during the summer vacation.
- g. Faculty - Cadre ratio / Faculty - Student ratio
- h. Research progression
- i. Strategic plans for the next three years.

In this context, Prof. Patnaik enquired on the distinctive achievements of faculty of the department. He advised to engage the AICTE recognised "Distinguished Professionals" from industry and R&D labs to support the department. He also enquired on the nature of scholars enrolled in the department i.e. whether they were full-time or part-time. The HoD responded that there were scholars in both full-time and part-time research programs.

b. Progress of the Department of ACSE (presented by Dr. B. Jyostna Devi, representing HoD, ACSE)

Dr. B. Jyostna Devi presented the progress of the department under the following heads:

- B. Establishment of the department.
- C. Actual admissions against sanctioned intake strength.
- D. Gender distribution
- E. Student quality
- F. Faculty
- G. Faculty - student ratio
- H. Research analysis
- I. Placements
- J. Faculty publications
- K. Mentorship
- L. Invited lectures delivered by experts.
- M. Strategic plan for the next five years.

III.

C. Progress of the Department of IT (presented by Prof. Veerajeneyulu, HoD, IT)

The HoD, IT presented the progress of his department under the following heads:

- a. Programs offered
- b. Student quality
- c. Faculty student ratio
- d. Faculty strength
- e. B.Tech. result analysis
- f. BCA result analysis
- g. MCA result analysis
- h. B.Tech. placements
- i. Research publications
- j. Workshops and guest lectures.
- k. Strategic plan.

	<p>After the presentation, Prof. BVR Chowdari advised that faculty should publish in high impact journals.</p> <p>The presentation on the progress of departments like ECE, EEE and BME was deferred to be made in a separate session.</p>
IV.	Agenda Items for the Meeting
	Confirmation of the minutes of the 3rd Executive Council meeting held on 24th February, 2024 and the minutes of 36th Academic Council meeting held on 20th April, 2024.
	<p>The Registrar read out the salient features of the previous Executive Council meeting.</p> <p>After deliberation, the minutes of the 3rd Executive Council meeting were approved.</p> <p>Then the Registrar read out the salient features of 36th Academic council meeting and after deliberation the minutes of the same were approved.</p>

Actions Taken Report on the decisions of the Third Executive Council Meeting:

V.	Action Point	Action point addressed to	Action Taken
1.	<p>A white paper on all the proposals concerning the commencement of new M.Tech. programs should be submitted by the concerned HoDs in the next Executive Council Meeting.</p>	<p>HoD-Dept. of Mechanical Engineering</p>	<p>Department of Mechanical Engineering has proposed to replace the existing M. Tech. in “Machine Design” due to low admissions from past three years.</p> <p>New Program proposed is M. Tech in “Robotics & Automation” from A.Y. 2025-26.</p> <p>During the discussions in the 3rd ECM, in the PPT it was mentioned that the curriculum for new program will be designed after taking inputs from the industry experts.</p> <p>Dr. E S Chakravarthy suggested not to design entire curriculum based on industry experts only which will have value for 2 to 3 years only.</p> <p>Based on his suggestion, after taking inputs from the alumni and academia and also keeping the developments that are happening in the field of robotics and automation, a tentative course list will be provided in the 5th ECM.</p>

		HoD-Dept. of EEE	<p>To offer the M.Tech. EVT program with industry collaboration.</p> <p>The department approached EV industries like TATA Motors, Eaton India Pvt Ltd, Olectra Green, and GE Energy, but, they have declined collaboration for the time being and have suggested to focus on improving research facilities and expertise.</p> <p>However, they are open to offering internships to postgraduates in the future.</p>
2.	On the commencement of M.Tech. EVT by the Department of EEE, the HoD should discuss the plan with the Vice-Chancellor and convey their decisions to Hon'ble Chairman.	HoD-Dept. of EEE	<p>Upon sharing this information with the hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, it was recognized that improvements were needed in critical areas like lab facilities and expertise to meet the standards.</p> <p>He suggested to focus on the existing M.Tech. EVT program at the Hyderabad campus and also emphasized establishing a new EV lab in the main campus, encouraging faculty towards EV research and recruiting faculty with EV specialization.</p> <p>To align with the process, the honourable Vice-Chancellor also suggested offering a program - M.Tech. (by Research) on EVT exclusively for industry professionals.</p>
3.	Concerning the commencement of M.Tech. EVT by the Department of EEE, the HoD may seek the help of Prof. Patnaik to consult the professors at IITs. The HoD should also contact BHEL for a clearer prospect on the proposal.		
4.	The II- and III-year students should be deployed to teach English classes on remunerative basis to students from Bihar and African students	Dean International Students	<p>The Office of Dean, International Students has, with the approval of our Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, invited applications and appointed an exclusive English Teacher to cater to the needs of both international and Bihar students.</p> <p>At present, 17 students from Sudan have enrolled and are undergoing the three-month English Foundation Course being offered by the University.</p>
5.	Two committees should be constituted of which one chaired by Dean R&D shall look into the problems of the researchers at VFSTRU and propose remedies	Dean R&D	<p>Allocation of Career Development Fund (CDF) Rs. 3,00,000/- for a block period of three years as a corpus fund for faculty members.</p> <p>Allocation of Contingency Grant (CG) to</p>

<p>for the same. The second committee shall comprise Prof. Patnaik (Member Executive Council), Prof. Bala Subramaniam, Professor, CSE, IIT Roorkee and Prof. Srinivasa Kumar, Professor, IIT, Madras (both Members of Academic Council). This committee shall recommend on the modalities to create career development fund for faculty to carry out research besides addressing other issues of concerned as brought up by Dean_R&D. The committee is also mandated to make recommendations towards funded projects sponsored by centre and state governments.</p>		<p>all the Departments. Early Promotion of faculty members waiving off the minimum period requirement. 100% reimbursement of Registration fee, two-way air fare to faculty members to attend top notch tier 1- conferences once in two years. Discussed the possibility of establishment of Patent cell in VFSTR in collaboration with BANANA consultancy, Bangalore. Policy for attending the workshops was amended. Revised the guidelines for recognizing faculty member as Research supervisor. Proposed Research day on every Saturday of the week. Proposed to recruit an Asst. Registrar (Research) who will function to take care of funded projects relating queries and clearing of bills. An ERP for R&D need to be procured.</p>
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VI	Agenda Items for Discussion and Approval																																															
1.	<p>Students Intake for VFSTR Main Campus for the AY 2024-25. (presented by Dean Admissions) Dean Admissions presented the above-said agenda point by discussing the admission of students for VFSTR Main Campus for the AY 2024-25 under the following heads like (1) Sanctioned intake 2023-24 (2) Admitted students 2023-24 (3) Proposed increment in intake and (4) Proposed intake for 2024-25. The details of the discussions were presented in the form of the following two tables (Table 01: Engineering, Pharmacy, Management and Law Table 02: Sciences) Table 01:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="323 1725 1486 2134"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2">Description</th> <th colspan="2">Engineering</th> <th>Pharmacy</th> <th colspan="2">Management</th> <th colspan="2">Law</th> </tr> <tr> <th>B.Tech.</th> <th>M.Tech.</th> <th>B.Pharmacy</th> <th>BBA</th> <th>MBA</th> <th>BA,LLB</th> <th>BBA,LL</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Sanctioned Intake 2023-24</td> <td>2580</td> <td>180</td> <td>60</td> <td>150</td> <td>120</td> <td>60</td> <td>60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Admitted 2023-24</td> <td>2763</td> <td>26</td> <td>67</td> <td>119</td> <td>120</td> <td>14</td> <td>15</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Proposed Increment in intake</td> <td>630</td> <td>Nil</td> <td>40</td> <td>Nil</td> <td>Nil</td> <td>Nil</td> <td>Nil</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Proposed intake for 2024-25</td> <td>3210</td> <td>180</td> <td>100</td> <td>150</td> <td>120</td> <td>60</td> <td>60</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Description	Engineering		Pharmacy	Management		Law		B.Tech.	M.Tech.	B.Pharmacy	BBA	MBA	BA,LLB	BBA,LL	Sanctioned Intake 2023-24	2580	180	60	150	120	60	60	Admitted 2023-24	2763	26	67	119	120	14	15	Proposed Increment in intake	630	Nil	40	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Proposed intake for 2024-25	3210	180	100	150	120	60	60
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Table 02:

Description	Sciences							
	Under Graduate			Post Graduate				
	BCA	B.Sc.	AG B.Sc.	MCA	M.Sc. (Chem)	M.Sc. Organic Chemistry	M.A. English	M.Sc. Data Science
Sanctioned Intake 2023-24	60	60	320	60	30	30	30	18
Admitted 2023-24	58	21	143	63	5	21	10	Nil
Proposed Increment in intake	Nil	Nil	Nil	60	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Proposed intake for 2024-25	60	60	320	120	30	30	30	18

Decision: After deliberation, the members of the Executive Council approved this agenda point.

2. **II. Students Intake and status of Vignan Off-Campus at Hyderabad for the AY 2024-25. (presented by Dean IQAC & Interim Director (off campus, HYD.), Dr. M. Rama Krishna)**
 Dean IQAC presented that twenty-seven programs were proposed to be offered at VFSTRU, Hyderabad for which the proposed intake of student strength was 1600. He also presented all the programs proposed to be offered at the Hyderabad campus.
Decision: After deliberation, the members of the Executive Council approved this agenda point.

VII. **Agenda Items for Information**

1. **I. Commencement of Integrated M.Tech. by Research and Ph.D. programs in the Department of ACSE. (presented by Dr. B. Jyostna Devi)**
 Dr. B. Jyostna Devi presented the above-said agenda point under the following heads:

- a. Overview of the department
- b. Current status of the department
- c. Status of R&D
- d. Consultancy programs
- e. Research focus areas
- f. Papers published (including those in Q1 and Q2 journals)
- g. External funding
- h. Citations
- i. Future plans

2. **II. Status of research activities (presented by Dean R&D)**
 Dean R&D presented on the status of R&D in VFSTRU.

3. **III. Results of Examinations announced after the 3rd Executive Council Meeting (presented by Dean AAA)**
 Dean AAA presented the results of examinations announced after the 3rd Executive Council Meeting as under the following tables:

Program	Year-Sem.	AY 2021-22	AY 2022-23	AY 2023-24
MBA	II-I	96.88 (93/96)	90.29 (93/103)	98.32 (117/119)
B.Sc., (Hons.) Agricultural	I-I	83.53 (71/85)	78.20 (122/156)	76.56 (98/128)

	II-I	---	70.37 (57/81)	84.11 (127/151)
	III-I	---	---	95.00 (76/80)

Supplementary Examination Results

Examination Name	Pass % (Pass/Registered)
B.TECH.AGE, I YEAR - I SEMESTER, SUPPLEMENTARY (R19) EXAMINATION - FEB 2024	33.33 (1/3)
B.TECH., I YEAR - I,II SEMESTER, SUPPLEMENTARY (R21) EXAMINATION - MAR 2024	26.42 (56/212)
B.TECH., SINGLE SUBJECT SUPPLEMENTARY (R19) EXAMINATION - MAR 2024 SUBJECT WISE AVERAGE MARKS	33.33 (3/9)
B.B.A., SINGLE SUBJECT SUPPLEMENTARY (R20) EXAMINATION - MAR 2024	100 (2/2)
DIPLOMA, I YEAR - I SEMESTER, SUPPLEMENTARY (R21) EXAMINATION - APR 2024	43.33 (13/30)
DIPLOMA, II YEAR - I SEMESTER, SUPPLEMENTARY (R21) EXAMINATION - APR 2024	85.00 (17/20)

The dean stated that in some programs the result was lower due to the introduction of R22 syllabus which would take some time for the students to assimilate.

IV. Minor Revision in the curriculum of R22 regulations. (presented by Dean AAA)

Dean AAA presented the following revisions in the R22 curriculum:

- a. Introducing courses like Gender Sensitization, Indian Knowledge System (Branch-specific), Universal Human Values as 'Binary grade courses'. Introducing courses like Cyber Security, Professional Ethics, Design Thinking into main courses. These courses are recommended by UGC/ AICTE/ ABET/ NEP.
- b. Providing more credits for Computational / Basic science courses.
4. c. Making First year B.Tech. courses common across all branches with two streams (M.P.C & Bi.P.C.). This arrangement is expected to help in organizing the classwork for sections commencing late due to delayed admissions (for both Indian and Foreign students) and also for branches with a smaller number of student intake.

The Dean also presented the credits distribution for various categories and courses; course grading and award of class.

5.	<p>V. Status of Vignan TBI (presented by Dr. Anadруп Goswami representing Dean PCF)</p> <p>Dr. Anadруп Goswami presented on thee above-said agenda point under the following heads:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. About Vignan TBI - commencement b. The team of TBI c. Co-workers, space and office d. R&D labs and incubation <p>Mr. Sandeep, CEO, Vignan TBI Council presented the start-up ecosystem performance under the following heads:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Start-ups under funding b. Ignition grant released by DST and grants in pipeline c. Corporate funding d. Supporting partners e. Major events at Vignan TBI f. Pre-incubatee achievements at national level g. KPIs of TBI (present status and targets (DST targets and International targets) <p>VI. Status of Project: 30M Genomics (presented by Dr. Benet Bosco Dhas, CEO of 30M Genomics)</p> <p>Dr. Benet Bosco Dhas of 30M Genomics presented the above agenda point under the following heads:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The journey of 30M Genomics b. The people c. Achievement process d. Prenatal genetic testing e. Challenges in testing of genetics f. Solutions g. Current status <p>Dr. Bosco Dhas stated that his company would offer solution to various problems related to genetics which shall be very cost effective i.e. only 10 percent of the total cost for the same tests prevailing in the market.</p>
VIII.	Agenda Items for Ratification
1.	<p>I. List of teaching and non-teaching staff joined and relieved since the 3rd Executive Council Meeting held on 24-02-2024. (presented by the Registrar)</p> <p>The Registrar informed the members that 13 teaching staff (11 Asst. Professors, 01 CAP and 01 PDF) have joined VFSTRU after the 3rd Executive Council Meeting. He also informed that 09 non-teaching staff (07 Junior Assistants, 01 Computer Lab Assistant and 01 Technical Assistant) have joined after the 3rd Executive Council Meeting.</p> <p>The Registrar also mentioned that five Assistant Professors and five non-teaching staff (01 Lab Technician, 01 CRM, 01 Jr. Assistant, 01 Lab Assistant and 01 Programmer) were relieved after the Third Executive Council Meeting.</p>

IX. Discussion on Table agenda points:

1. Status of Alumni activities: (presented by Dr. M. Ramesh Naidu)

Responding to Dr. Y. Sarat's query on the status of Alumni activities in VFSTRU, Dr. M. Ramesh Naidu stated that an Alumni meet was planned in July 2024 which would be followed by alumni meets in Chennai and Bengaluru. He also said that they were also planning for an alumni meet on the eve of Silver Jubilee of Vignan.

2. Status of Website of VFSTRU:

Responding to the query of Dr. Y. Sarat on the status of website of the university, Dean T&D responded that the work was in progress. Dr. Sarat said that the website was the face of the university and it should be treated with utmost importance.

X. The following action points were pronounced during the 3rd Executive Council meeting.

Sl.No.	Action Point	Action point addressed to
1.	Students should be trained to develop as AI operators as the role has immense employment prospects.	Dean Placements
2.	A half-day workshop on the techniques to attract and recruit talented personnel should be organised under the aegis of Dr.E.S.Chakravarthy for all the departments	HoDs of all Departments, Dean_ School of Computing and Informatics to Coordinate
3.	IoT and Image Processing should be allotted as projects for ECE and CSE students.	HoDs of ECE,CSE and ACSE
4.	Website of VFSTRU should be immediately and appropriately upgraded and if needed, support from external professionals should be obtained.	Dean, T&D

Having discussed all the agenda points, the meeting was adjourned.


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