

➤ **IMPORTANT DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL DURING 2013-14:**

Some of the important decisions taken by the Executive Council of the University in 5 meetings held during the period from 1st April 2013 to 31st March 2014.

106th E.C. Meeting (17th June 2013)

Starting of new engineering colleges

Executive Council approved for the starting of 6 new engineering colleges under VTU for the academic year 2013 – 14.

Grant of Permanent Affiliation/Autonomous Status.

Executive Council approved to grant Permanent Affiliation and Autonomous Status to the Govt. SKSJ Technological Institute, Bangalore and UBBDT College of Engineering, Davangere.

Institution of new PG Programme M. Tech. in Thermal Engineering under VTU

Executive Council approved for starting of new PG programme for the academic year 2013 - 14 'Thermal Engineering',

Starting of full time Ph.D. Programme at VTU Regional Centers

Executive Council approved for starting of full time Ph.D. Programmes at VTU Regional Centers.

Proposal for starting of new M.Tech. Programmes in Mechanical Stream

Executive Council approved for the starting of new M.Tech. Programmes at the Department of PG Studies. in Mechanical Stream.

MOU with National Board of Accreditation

Under its drive to improve the quality and relevance of technical education in the country, NBA has identified VTU as one of the Nodal Agencies in the country for conducting training workshops for the stakeholders, such as members of management, faculty and students of its affiliated colleges. In this regard, VTU has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with NBA on 8th June 2013.

Best University Award to VTU

VTU had bagged the National level CCI Technology Education Excellency Awards 2013, instituted by the Consortium of Co-Chairpersons-Industry (CCI) of Gujarat Technological University jointly with Communication Multimedia and Infrastructure Association of India. VTU has won the award under the category of the Best University in visualizing and executing innovative programme.

Foundation Laying Ceremony on 18th June 2013

Foundation Laying Ceremony for the construction of South End Block is organized on 18th June 2013, for which the Minister for Higher Education, Govt. of Karnataka, is arriving along with other Ministers.

Other Items

Proposal from Caledonian college of engineering, oman, for establishing research network with VTU

Executive Council approved for the establishing Research network with Caledonian College of Engineering, Oman.

Recommendations of the Financial Assistance Committee

Executive Council approved to revise the guidelines for granting financial assistance to the faculty and students for presenting papers and attending the international and national conferences, seminars/workshops.

107th E.C. Meeting (7th September 2013)

Starting of new engineering colleges

Executive Council approved for the starting of 'Adarsha Institute of Technology, Bangalore' and 'Sri Vinayaka Institute of Technology, Bangalore' new engineering colleges under VTU for the academic year 2013 -14.

Review of eligibility criteria for M.Tech. Admission

Executive Council approved the recommendations of Joint Board of Studies regarding 'Eligibility criteria for M.Tech. admissions' at VTU.

Institution of new PG Programme "M. Tech. under VTU from 2013 -14

Executive Council approved for starting of new PG Programme "M. Tech. in Cyber Forensic & Information Security, "M. Tech. in Radio Frequency & Microwave Engineering" and "M.Tech. in Industrial Biotechnology" under VTU from the academic year 2013 -14.

Starting of 'PG Diploma in Industrial Safety Management- proposal from IIISM, Bangalore

Executive Council approved for starting of new 'PG Diploma in Industrial Safety Management- proposal from IIISM, Bangalore.

Recognition of fresh Research Centers and Continuation of recognition of existing Research Centers – 2013 -14.

Executive Council approved for Recognition of fresh Research Centers and Continuation of recognition of existing Research Centers of VTU for the academic year 2013 -14.

Starting of PG Programmes at Mangalore Regional Centre

Executive Council approved for the Starting of PG Programmes at Mangalore Regional Centre of VTU, from the academic year 2013 – 14.

Consideration of Regulations Governing issue of soft copy of answer script and revaluation of answer scripts 2013.

Executive Council approved for the Regulations Governing issue of soft copy of answer script and revaluation of answer scripts 2013.

Setting up of energy park at VTU

Executive Council approved for the establishment of renewable energy park at Muddenahalli Campus of VTU.

Innovation Grants Fund

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor brought to the notice of the Executive Council that with the approval of the Finance Committee Innovation Grant Fund is being established at VTU to foster the Innovation activities.

Students Expo – Placement Officers Meet on 11th Sep. 2013.

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor informed the house that with the objective of enhancing the employability skill of the graduate unemployed engineering students, VTU has initiated 'Mission VTU Empower 10000', a programme aimed at training 10,000 engineering graduates of 2012 and 2013 batches for successful career.

Recommendations of the Expert Committee on constitution of Consortium for E-Resources to libraries

Executive Council approved for of the expert committee on constitution of consortium for E-Resources to libraries.

Establishment of Centre of Excellence in skill development at Dandeli

The Principal Secretary, Dept. of Higher Education, Govt. of Karnataka, placed a proposal before the Executive Council for the establishment of world class skill development centre at Dandeli in Haliyal Taluk of Uttar Kannada District of Karnataka. This project will aim at imparting state of the art skills in several sectors to aspirants from all over the state and develop them in to employable and highly productive workforce to cater to the manpower requirement of Indian as well as flobal industries. Hon'ble Minister for the Higher Education has suggested for VTU to take up such a project to establish a Centre of Excellence in skill development fulfilling one of the long pending requirements of the State.

Executive Council deliberated in detail on the subject and resolved to accept the proposal, in the principle, for the establishment of centre of Excellence in skill Development at Dandeli in Haliyal Taluk of Uttar Kannada District of Karnataka.

108th E.C. Meeting (7th December 2013)

Granting Affiliation to Aakar Academy of Architecture for the academic year 2013 -14

Executive Council approved to grant the affiliation to Bharath Seva Dal's Dr. M. S. Modi Memorial Aakar Academy of Architecture, Bangalore, from the academic year 2013 -14.

Proposal for consideration of Library and Information Science as research discipline under VTU.

Executive Council approved the proposal for the consideration of Library & Information Science, Physical Education as research the consideration of Library and Information Science as research disciplines under VTU.

Consideration of an approach paper on VTU Fellowships

Executive Council approved to accept the approach paper on VTU Fellowship, as placed in the meeting and fixed the salary of Rs. 40,000/- per month to the VTU Fellow appointed by VTU.

Proposal for the establishment of Corporate House of VTU

Executive Council approved to accept the proposal for the establishment of Corporate House of VTU. Mr. Karan Kumar, Hon'ble Member of the Executive Council, was authorized to officiate both Corporate Relations and forthcoming Research Collaboration with several authorities of the University. Further, the Executive Council approved to set up a Corporate Council under the patronage of Ms. Kiran Mazumdar Shah and Mr. R. Shiv Kumar and with the chairmanship of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.

Institution of Gold Medal for VTU Sports Persons

Executive Council for the institution of Gold Medal in the name of Don Bosco Institute of Technology Bangalore, to be awarded to a VTU student achieving excellence in the field of sports, during the Annual Sports Awards Ceremony, every year.

Recruitment for the Teaching & Non Teaching posts in the PG centres of VTU and UBDTCE, Davangerre – Approval for the shortlisted posts

After detailed deliberations on the subject, the Executive Council approved to give effect to the Karnataka/KPE (Res. In appointment in HKR) order 2013, so as to fulfill the object of Constitutional amendment and approved to extend reservation benefits as stated in Rule 13 of the Govt. Order.

Executive Council further approved the selection of posts which are already shortlisted by the Board of Appointment for various posts at the VTU PG Centers and UBDTCE, Davangere. The Executive Council also approved to authorize the Board of Appointment to conduct the process of selection of faculty for the remaining posts at the earliest so as to facilitate the conduct of PG classes of the ensuing semester commencing from February 2014. The Executive Council approved the procedure followed for selection of faculty.

Sanction of grants for the activities of Mission VTU Empower – 10000

Executive Council approved for the conduct of training programmes for the students of VTU under Mission VTU Empower 10000 programme and approved to sanction the amount of Rs. 25 lakh for the same.

Extra-ordinary 109th E.C. Meeting (31st December 2013)

Conducting PGCET by VTU

Some of the members of the Executive Council brought to the notice of the Chairman, the inconveniences and delays caused in the admission process of UG and PG courses for which seat selection process was conducted by Karnataka Examination Authority.

The members discussed in detail on the subject and resolved to write a letter to the Government requesting to entrust the responsibility of conducting the seat selection process for PG courses of Engineering and Technology branches, to VTU, as was done in previous years from 2004-05 to 2010-11.

110th E.C. Meeting (20th January 2014)

Approval for the negotiated prices for subscription/purchase of E-Resources to Libraries

Executive Council approved the negotiated prices for subscription/ purchase of e-Resources to the affiliated colleges under VTU Consortium for e-Resources to Libraries, as placed in the meeting. However, the Executive Council suggested that the purchase of e-Resources under VTU Consortium should not be made mandatory to the colleges. And also there should not be any financial commitments on the part of VTU, in providing the said facility to the affiliated colleges.

Approval of the selection of candidates for Teaching Posts

The details of the selected candidates through recruitment process for MBA and MCA Faculty were placed before the Executive Council and the Executive Council, after taking into consideration the details and the credentials of each of the candidates, approved the list of candidates.