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NOTIFICATION

The Executive Council in its 74th Meeting held on 17.05.2019 (Vide Resolution No. 74.4.8) considered the recommendations of the Academic Council (35th Meeting held on 16.05.2019) and took note of the fact that the Department of Computer Science & Information Technology is one of the recognized Department under the School of Sciences as approved by the MHRD vide its communication dated 13.10.2006 and listed under Statute 39. It was noted by the EC in its 47th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 12.2.2014 under item No.47.4(4), considered and approved the proposal for establishment a new School of Computer Science & Information Technology to run B.Tech and M.Tech programmes in Computer Science. However approval for the new School of CS & IT, is yet to be approved by the MHRD/UGC and to be incorporated under the list of approved Schools of Studies of the University under Statute-39.

2. The EC has been appraised through the Academic Council that the academic programmes being offered by the Department of Computer Science & IT, over a period of time has undergone several changes from a science/IT oriented to Engineering as soon as the Department started offering technical programmes like B.Tech and M.Tech in Computer Science. The B.Tech (CS) programme being offered by the School of CS & IT under the Department of CS & IT is now recognized course by the AICTE. The University under its Act is interalia mandated to promote technical education and as of now the University is offering four AICTE approved Diploma programme in Engineering in the disciplines of Civil Engineering, Electronics & Communications Engineering (ECE), Computer Science Engineering (CSE) & Information Technology (IT) through MANUU Polytechnic, Hyderabad. These courses are also offered in other Polytechnics. The University at its Main campus at Hyderabad has developed an infrastructure matching with an Institute of Engineering. Similarly, the CS & IT Department runs two Engineering & Technology programmes namely B.Tech (CS) and M.Tech (CS).

3. It was also brought to the notice of the members of the EC that as per the directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India as notified by the AICTE, although Universities do not require prior approval of AICTE to commence a new Department or Course and Programmes in technical education, however, universities have obligation or duty to confirm to the standards; and norms laid down by the AICTE. The AICTE may cause an inspection of the University. The AICTE more specifically issued a communication dated 16.1.2018 to the University in connection with Diploma programmes in Engineering being offered in MANUU polytechnics and adopted by the Academic Council. However, there is no mechanism to monitor such standards under the scheme of the University Act.

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4. The Council also noted that all the five polytechnics are now standalone institutions located at five different locations. The University has been now finding it difficult to maintain academic standards as per the norms laid down by the AICTE. These Polytechnics have not made as part of any of the academic bodies under the University Act and Statues/Ordinances so far. Hence the EC felt that creating a School of Technology is imminent at this stage and to place all the five Polytechnics under the proposed new School of Technology for streaming the academic activities and teaching-learning process in the polytechnics. The EC also considered and approved a separate proposal from the Academic Council (vide EC Resolution No. 74.4.11) to expand its technical education as per its mandate under the Act and to start B.Tech programme in other engineering disciplines like Civil Engineering/ECE/Mechanical etc under the proposed renamed School of Technology.

5. After due deliberations, the Executive Council *resolved* to accept the recommendations of the Academic Council to rename the School of Computer Science and Information Technology as School of Technology. In order to provide academic linkages within the University Act and Statutes the EC resolved that the Department of Computer Science & IT with all the five Polytechnics shall function under the School of Technology. Consequently, all the academic matters pertaining to the University Polytechnics shall be dealt through the Dean, School of Technology.

6. Accordingly, the existing School of Computer Science & Information Technology is renamed as School of Technology. The existing Department of Computer Science & Information Technology and five University Polytechnics located at Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Darbhanga, Cuttack and Kadpa is made as part of the School of Technology. Consequently, the composition of the School of Technology requires modification to provide adequate representations of the Principals/Director In-Charge and teachers from the polytechnics for which separate orders shall be issued shortly.


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