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## 1.0. INTRODUCTION

National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research, Chennai is one of the oldest established Institutes by Ministry of Education, Government of India to impart faculty development programme to in-service teachers. The government has set up three more NITTTR's subsequently. Established as a Technical Teachers Training and Institute (TTTI) in 1964 and renamed "National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research Chennai" in the year 2003. It was then accorded the status of a University with powers to decide its own academic policy, to conduct its own examinations, and to award its own degrees on February 22, 2024. The Institute offers postgraduate programmes and Doctoral research programmes through its departments. The Institute proposes to admit about 300 students for the postgraduate and Ph.D. programmes every year.

## 2.0. ADMISSION

Qualifications for admission will be determined by the admission authority of the Government of India and by NITTTR Chennai. Faculty members, aspiring teachers and industry professionals can apply for PG programmes. Preference is given to faculty members from government polytechnics and engineering institutions. NITTTR Chennai also admits working professionals. However, regular students who have qualified GATE Score or qualified in NITTTR Entrance Test may still be considered for admission.

The institute offers a number of M. Tech. programmes. The unique feature of M.Tech. programme at NITTTR Chennai is built on Fractal Academics. The faculty members/ students shall be undergoing training and eventually earning the credits to meet the degree requirement. The Multiple Entry and Multiple Exit option is available. The programme provides flexibility in obtaining Minors in PG programmes with an additional 09 credits which provides scope for interdisciplinary programmes. Regular industry feedback is obtained to adopt and improve the curriculum to fulfill the requirements of the industry. Industry sponsors also play a significant role in defining the projects. The following Masters' programmes will be offered:

S.No.	Name of the Programme	Department	No. of Intake			
Fractal Mode						
1	M.Tech. in Infrastructure Engineering and Management	Civil Engineering	30			
2	M.Tech. in Mechatronics	Mechanical Engineering	30			
3	M.Tech. in VLSI Design and Embedded Systems	Electronics and Communication Engineering	30			
4	M.Tech. in Power Electronics and Drives	Electrical & Electronics Engineering	30			
5	M.Tech. in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning	Computer Science and Engineering	30			
6	M.Tech. in Augmented and Virtual Reality	Educational Media and Technology	30			
7	M.Tech. in Engineering Education	Education	30			
8	M.B.A. in Business Analytics	Rural and Entrepreneurship Development	60			
Online	Learning					
9	M.B.A in Management	Rural and Entrepreneurship Development	2000			
10	PG Diploma in Guidance and counselling	Education	200			
11	PG Diploma in Entrepreneurship Development	Rural and Entrepreneurship Development	200			
12	PG Diploma in AI and ML	Computer Science and Engineering	200			
By Research						
13	M. Tech. (By Research)	All Discipline				

a) Faculty members from technical institutions and working professionals nominated by the respective authority may be admitted to the M.Tech. programmes based on the availability of seats per programme on a Fractal

- mode and selection process at NITTTR Chennai.
- b) A maximum of ten QIP scholars (teachers recommended by National QIP coordinator) per programme may be admitted to selected M.Tech. programmes on a regular (full-time) basis. Full-time QIP scholars shall satisfy the conditions regarding admissions that may be prescribed by the Institute.
- c) The criteria for admission of foreign students to PG programmes shall be as follows:
  - Students should have earned their qualifying degree from a University/ Institute recognized by the Association of Indian Universities / similar Indian body.
  - ii. Students nominated by foreign Governments may be accepted to PG programmes, without any further test/interview, if their request for admission is routed through the Ministry/ agency of the Government of India.
  - iii. Students of Indian origin seeking admission to PG programmes under NRI quota should have a valid GATE score, if they have obtained their qualifying degree in India.
  - iv. Students of Indian origin seeking admission to PG programs under NRI quota should have a valid GRE/GMAT/TOEFL score, if they have obtained their qualifying degree outside India.
  - v. The tuition fee for NRI students and foreign nationals may be fixed at rates similar to those for UG programmes under DASA/NRI categories, whichever is higher.
  - vi. The tuition fee, for nominees of foreign Governments, may be fixed at about five times the rate paid by Indian students.
- d) Academic Session Classes for the M.Tech. programme of the Institute will normally commence in August every year. An advertisement will be issued in April/ May inviting applications from eligible candidates and the information will be available in the institute website.

## 3.0. STRUCTURE OF POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

All the Postgraduate (PG) programmes will be offered in Fractal Mode. The fractal structure of PG curriculum at NITTTR Chennai provide flexibility to have Multiple entry and Multiple exit options:

(i) Level-A: PG Certification

(ii) Level-B: PG Diploma

(iii) Level-C: PG Degree (M.Tech./MBA)

The fractal mode of PG programmes will be offered in trimesters i.e. in three phases.

• Phase-1: August to December

Phase-2: January to April

Phase-3: May to July

In Phase 1, candidates are admitted to the postgraduate programme. Upon completion of the stipulated academic requirements, candidates will be given the option to exit the programme at an appropriate level.

Candidates may complete the requirements of the Level-A postgraduate certification programme in two phases, while the Level-B postgraduate diploma programme shall be completed in three phases upon satisfying the academic requirements under normal circumstances. In the same manner, the Level-C Postgraduate Degree programme must be completed according to the completion of academic credits on the courses taken and the project work completed. The candidates will, however, have the flexibility to successfully complete the respective levels within four years of admission.

A candidate will be automatically registered to phase-1 of trimester at the time of admission. Every candidate in any programme is required to register themselves for every phase of trimester in person/ online with the Academic Office on the date of registration as per Academic Calendar. A candidate will be eligible for enrolment only if he/she has deposited semester fees and pending dues and is not debarred from enrolment by a disciplinary action of the Institute and cleared the minimum academic requirement.

Every PG programme will have a curriculum with syllabi consisting of (i) Core courses, (ii) Elective Courses, (iii) Open Elective courses (iv) Project work (v) Laboratory and the flexible curriculum system is applicable as prescribed by the respective Boards of Studies in the curriculum and syllabi and approved by the Senate.

The curriculum for all the postgraduate programmes shall be drawn such that the minimum total number of credits for the successful completion of the programme will be as in the following table:

Programme	Minimum	Credit for	Minimum Total
og. a	Credit for the	<b>Project Work</b>	Credits
	courses		required
M.Tech.	60	20	80
MBA	72	8	80
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A "three-credit lecture-based course", for instance, will involve about 45 hours (Lecture and Assessment) spread through the course of study, with three lecture hours per week.

A typical 3-credit course consists of 42 lecture hours, and NITTTR Chennai proposed to offer programmes at micro-credit levels such as 0.5, 1, 1.5, 2, 3, and 4 credits, corresponding to 7, 14, 21, 28, 42, and 56 contact hours, respectively.

For the elective courses, a student may be permitted by the Head of the Department (subject to the consent of the Teacher offering the said course concerned) to take a maximum of 2 elective courses from among the elective courses of other Posgraduate programmes. Further, the teacher shall offer the elective course if more than five students have opted for the course.

## **Course Plan**

- a) Every theory/laboratory course shall have a course plan prepared by the course teacher well before the start of the trimester. The course plans for core, elective, open elective courses will have details of the overview of the course, course objectives, course outcome, course teaching and learning activities and course assessment methods and reassessment policy.
- b) Each course will have tailor-made assessment models viz. group tasks, assignments, report on field visit, quizzes, open book tests, laboratory exercises, mini-project and end of semester summative assessment etc. The course plan will also have details of attendance requirements, academic integrity and plagiarism and information on study materials.
- c) The course plan, after due approval by the class committee chairperson (CC) and the Head of the Department offering the course, shall be uploaded in the intranet by the teacher.
- d) The Course plans for all courses offered by the Institute will be available in the intranet site for reference by the faculty and students.

# **Faculty Advisor**

The Head of the Department shall assign a faculty every year for each PG programme who will be called as Faculty Adviser. The Faculty Adviser will help the students in planning their courses of study and for getting general advice regarding either the academic programme or any other activity.

## **Class Committee**

Every class of the Postgraduate programme will have a class committee constituted by the respective Head of the Department, for improving the teaching - learning process. The activities of the Class Committee should be taken in earnest and the minutes of the Class Committee meetings should be promptly recorded. The composition of the class committee will be as follows:

- i. A senior faculty of the department, preferably not offering a course for that class, nominated by the Head of the Department as Chairperson.
- ii. All teachers handling courses including project guides, if any, for that shall become members.
- iii. Two students of the class nominated by the Head of the Department Members.
- iv. In case the students for a particular course are drawn from different programmes (as may be in electives), due care should be taken to ensure that the membership of the Class Committee is representative of the class population.

The functions of the class committee will be as follows:

i. The class committee shall meet twice during the trimester. The first meeting will be held within one week from the date of commencement of the trimester in which the nature of the broad assessment procedure for the different courses will be discussed. The second meeting will be held one week before the end of the trimester to meaningfully interact and express opinions and suggestions to improve the effectiveness of teaching - learning process and analyze the performance of the students in the assessments. The Chairperson of the class committee should send the minutes of the class committee meetings to the Dean (Academic) through the Head of the Department, immediately after the

- class committee meetings.
- ii. During the first meeting of the class committee, faculty members shall submit their respective course plans to the class committee Chairperson and head of the department for approval and uploading the NITTTR MIS portal.
- iii. Any innovation in any course plan not agreed by the class committee or the HoD will be referred to the Chairperson of the Senate for approval.

# Internship/Industrial Training

The students are encouraged to undergo internship in industry for a minimum period of four weeks with prior approval from the Academic Cell. Attachment with an academic institution within the country (IISc/IITs/NITs/IIITs and CFTIs) or University abroad is also permitted. A report is to be submitted to the HoD through the programme coordinator at the end of the Internship.

## 4.0. ENROLMENT AND REGISTRATION

A student will be automatically registered to the first phase at the time of admission. Every student in any programme is required to register themselves for every phase inperson or online mode with the Academic Office on the date of registration as per Academic Calendar. A student will be eligible for enrolment only if he/she has deposited semester fees and pending dues and is not debarred from enrolment by a disciplinary action of the Institute and cleared the minimum academic requirement. Except for the first semester, registration for a semester will be done during a specified week before the end semester examination of the previous phase. Late registration/enrolment will be permitted with a fine up to two weeks from the last date specified for registration.

A student will be eligible for enrolment only if he/she has cleared all the dues to the Institute, Hostel, Library up to the end of the previous trimester, provided he/she is not debarred for enrolment by a disciplinary action of the Institute.

The student makes the choice of courses in consultation with his/her Faculty Adviser.

A student is considered to have completed a pre-requisite course if he/she has fulfilled the attendance requirements and also attended all the assessments in that course. In order to continue students in upcoming higher trimesters, the student must have attended the immediate previous trimesters respectively. A student is eligible for registration for higher trimester provided he/she clears the previous semester by regular/supplementary examination.

#### 5.0. ATTENDANCE

Every student is expected to attend all the classes (Lectures, Tutorials, Laboratories, Workshops, etc.) and earn 100% attendance preferably. Students are also required to attend all the classes of Extra Academic Activities. He/she shall secure not less than 75% attendance on each course. However, in order to allow provision of unavoidable reasons such as medical exigencies/family calamity or activities like representing Institute in district/State/National level Sports & Cultural meet, Science Exhibition, NCC/NSS Camp or such other activities as decided by the Institute with prior approval by the Director, the student is expected to earn a minimum of 65% attendance in each subject. A maximum of 10% shall be allowed under On Duty (OD) category. Students with less than 65% of attendance shall be prevented from writing the final assessment and shall be awarded 'V' grade. Students awarded 'V' grade must compulsorily redo the course.

# 6.0. ASSESSMENT PROCEDURE - TESTS AND EXAMINATIONS

# M.Tech./MBA – Theory/Laboratory

Each course shall have assessments carried out according to the Course Plan drawn by the faculty who handles the course. The assessments of a course are in alignment with the course learning outcomes. Normally, both question paper setting and valuation of answer papers for all the examinations shall be carried out by the teacher who handles the course. However, the Chairperson of the Senate will have the discretion to appoint any other teacher or external examiner for setting question paper and valuing the answer scripts of the students in any course.

The following will be the weightages for different courses:

Assessment	%Weightag		
	е		
Assessments during the	50-70		
session			
Final assessment	30-50		
Total	100		

# M.Tech. – Project Work

- Project work will be carried out after earning stipulated credits for M.Tech. programmes. Students are allowed for Project Phase-II upon completion of at least 60 credits.
- The continuous evaluation of the project work shall be carried out by the Department Project Evaluation Committee (DPEC) the constitution of which is as follows.

Chairperson	Professor
One Member	Professor or Associate Professor
One Member	Associate Professor or Assistant Professor

- The evaluation of the project work will be based on sessional work assigned by the supervisor, seminar, project report and project evaluation committees' assessment. The supervisor will assign individual project work to a student or a group of students. The Institute examination for project work will be evaluated by an evaluation committee followed by a viva-voce examination conducted separately for each student by a committee consisting of the guide of the project and an internal examiner assigned by HoD. Performance in the various activities involved in the project would be assessed individually during course of study. The student is required to submit a written report at the end of the course of study.
- The DPEC shall be constituted by the Head of the Department at the beginning of every academic year. Each PG programme shall have a separate DPEC. The DPEC constituted shall be for the entire academic year.
- The Chairperson/member shall be substituted in the DPEC by another senior faculty member (nominated by the Head of the Department) for the continuous evaluation of a student guided by him/her.

- The last date for submission of thesis of the M.Tech. project phase-I and the last date for submission of the thesis of the M.Tech. project work phase-II is as per Academic Calendar.
- Panel of external examiners shall be drawn by the Head of the Department, from the list of examiners suggested by all the guides. The panel has to be approved by the Dean (Academic and Research) or his/her nominee. External examiners may be identified for groups of a minimum of five students each, depending on the area of project.
- The examiners should be a faculty of IITs/ IISc/NITs/ reputed engineering institutions (Government/Government aided)/Scientists from central labs/Industrial Experts. Retired faculty/ scientists from these institutions serving in other organizations shall also be in the panel of examiners.
- M. Tech. Students who want to do their project work as intern in industries/research institutions within India or abroad are permitted with the prior approval from Project Supervisor, HoD, and Dean (Academic). Such students can present their progress reviews and Phase I Viva-Voce examination through Video Conferencing. They shall have to submit soft copy of the progress report before each review and the phase I project thesis duly certified by the external supervisor. However, it is mandatory to submit a hard copy of Phase II project thesis on or before the last date of submission and physically present during the Phase II Viva-Voce Examination as per the PG regulations.
- No Stipend will be paid during the period of attachment with the industry.
- M.Tech. Project work evaluation
- A preliminary review of the topics chosen by the students is to be conducted during the end of July every year. All the faculty of the department shall be present for the preliminary review. There is no evaluation for this review. The respective guides may apprise the DPEC about the scope of the work and the expectation of the outcome.
- The end semester project phase I viva-voce shall be examined by an examiner from the same / allied department and the guide together. The external examiner for phase I is optional.
- The end semester project phase II viva-voce shall be examined by the external

- examiner, HoD/ HoD Nominee and the guide together.
- The project evaluation in phase I and phase II of the project work is based on the approved project rubrics.
- The break-up of project evaluation in phase I and phase II of the project work is as follows:

Continuous evaluation (50)			End semester final evaluation (50)			
Phase	Phase %weightage Schedule		Phase	%weightag	Schedule	
				е		
I & II			I			
Review I	10	As per the	Viva Voce	50	As per examination	
		schedule			schedule by CoE	
Review II	20	proposed by	II			
Review III	20	CASR	Viva Voce	50	As per examination	
					schedule by CoE	

The assessment rubric shall be used with approval from the Head of the Department and Head, CASR.

MBA Project work evaluation

Assessment	%Weightag
	е
Assessments during the session	50-70
Final assessment	30-50
Total	100

Summer Project: The assessment of summer project will be based on a vivavoce examination by a Project Evaluation Committee consisting of the Head of the Department or his nominee and the Project Guide.

Assessment	%
	Weightage
Reporting & Follow up during internship period	25
Final Project report evaluation by internal guide	25
Project presentation & Viva-voce	50

If a student due to non-completion of the project work cannot submit the final project

report at the end of stipulated time for Diploma/Degree programme and does not appear before the evaluation board for the viva-voce on the date fixed by the Controller of Examinations may be granted extension of time not exceeding two months on the condition that he/she would be deemed to have completed the requirements for the degree if applicable in the succeeding session.

## 7.0. REASSESSMENTS

The course plan shall outline the policy and eligibility criteria for compensation assessment for the students who fail to attend the regular assessment process during the course due to genuine reasons or reassessment for those failing the course due to poor performance.

# 8.0. PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS COMMITTEE (PAC)

Performance Analysis Committee (PAC) will consist of the same members as the class committee - but including the Head of the Department and excluding the student members. The meeting of the Performance Analysis Committee is to be held in one week from the last day of the final assessment, to analyze the performance of the students in all courses of study and finalize the grade ranges for each course and forward the statement of grades along with the attendance register to the Office of the Dean (Academic) immediately through the Head of the department. The PAC, should ensure that the clustering/grading/pass - fail decisions have been reasonably balanced. The Dean (Academic) (or duly authorized Associate Dean) shall go through the statement of grades (and the duly filled attendance register). In case of any problem that cannot be set right by the Dean (Academic) then the Chairperson, Senate is authorized to take appropriate action in his regard.

# 9.0. PASSING AND DECLARATION OF EXAMINATION RESULTS

The Institute follows relative grading to decide the mark ranges for grades. All assessments of a course will be carried out on the basis of marks. Absolute Grading policy shall be incorporated if the number of students per theory course is less than 10.

9.1 Publication in one reputed journal / reputed conference is desirable before completion of Phase – II project work.

- 9.2A minimum of 50% should be scored in the final assessment (for all courses) for a pass. The passing minimum for all the courses shall be the maximum of 45% or Class Average/2.
- 9.3 The award of "S" grade in theory courses for PG programmes is restricted to a maximum of 10% of the total number of students appeared for the theory courses. The award of "S" grade for laboratory courses and Project work for the PG programs is restricted to 20% of the total number of students appeared for the course. The grading structure adopted by the faculty for the course handled by him/her, is subject to the scrutiny of the PAC and subsequently the Senate.
- 9.4 Any issues related to Grading will be decided by the Dean (Academic), in consultation with the Chairperson of the Senate.
- 9.5 The letter grades and the corresponding grade points are as follows:

Letter Grade	S	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	L	Χ
Grade Point	10	9	8	7	6	5	0	-	-

Students scoring less than the passing minimum shall be deemed to have failed and be given 'F' grade. 'L' indicates lack of required attendance. 'X' indicates the student has not attended the final assessment.

9.6A student who earns a minimum of 5 grade points in a course is declared to have successfully completed the course.

# 10.0. REVALUATION OF ANSWER PAPERS

The answer scripts shall, hereafter, be retained in the custody of the CoE office after the process of valuation. The teacher shall, in the first week of the subsequent semester, make available (in his/her presence) the answer scripts to the students who had appeared in the said examination. In case of any student feeling aggrieved over the valuation, he/she can represent the same to Controller of Examination immediately following the announcement of the results. The student shall have access to his/her answer paper(s) in the end semester examination which may be shown to him/her by CoE office as per the schedule. If the representation is the genuine case, the answer scritps shall be reexamined and forward a revised grade, if any, to the Dean (Academic) courses through the Head of the Department and the

performance analysis committee.

# 11.0. MOVEMENT TO HIGHER LEVELS

A student will be permitted to proceed to the next higher level of a programme only if the student has satisfied prerequisties.

Any student appearing for reassessments in any course, two years after the first appearance in that course, will be governed by the syllabus in force.

# 12.0. PROGRAMME DURATION

The minimum duration required for the completion of the various Postgraduate programmes is listed in the following Table. A student may complete the programme at a slower pace by taking more time, but in any case not exceeding the maximum duration.

Programme	Minimum	Maximum
	period	period
PG Certification	6 months	1 year
	(2 Trimesters)	(3 Trimesters)
PG Diploma	1 year	2 years
	(3 Trimesters)	(6 Trimesters)
M.Tech.	2 years	3 years
	(6 Trimesters)	(12 Trimesters)
MBA	2 years	3 years
	(6 Trimesters)	(12 Trimesters)

## 13.0. TEMPORARY BREAK OF STUDY FROM THE PROGRAMME

A student may be permitted by the Dean (Academic) to withdraw from the programme for a year, for reasons of ill-health or other valid reasons on the recommendation of the Head of the Department.

Such students who have availed temporary break and re-join shall be governed by the rules, regulations, and syllabus in force, at the time of his/her re-joining the programme subject to conditions stated in P.13.0

#### 14.0. GRADE CARDS

After the results are declared, Grade Cards will be issued to each student and

will contain the list of courses (with L T P C details) for that semester and the grades obtained by the student.

Grade Point Average (GPA) for each semester will be calculated only for those students who have passed all the subjects of that semester. Similarly, Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) up to any semester will be calculated only for those students who have passed all the subjects up to that semester. GPA is the ratio of the sum of products of the number of credits of a course ( $C_i$ ) with grade points scored in that course ( $GP_i$ ), taken for all the courses in that semester, to the sum of the number of credits of all the courses ( $R_i$ ) in the semester,  $R_i$ 0 the total number of courses for the entire programme.

$$GPA = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} C_{i}GP_{i}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} C_{i}}$$
  $CGPA = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} C_{i}GP_{i}}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} C_{i}}$ 

# 15.0. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF GRADES

A student should have appeared for the semester examination in any particular course (mere appearance for the continuous assessment tests is not sufficient) to be eligible for the award of the grade in the course. At the end of the programme, all successful students will be furnished with a consolidated statement of grades which will contain the following particulars:

- i. Grades in the courses of the semesters (inclusive of LTPC details).
- ii. CGPA, and
- iii. Classification (First class with Distinction/First class/Second class)

# 16.0. ELIGIBILITY FOR THE PG DEGREE

A student shall be eligible for the award of the Master's degree in the appropriate programme if the student has:

- i. Undergone the prescribed programme of study by earning the minimum total number of credits specified in the programme within the maximum duration as specified in 13.0.
- ii. No dues to the institution, Library, Hostels, etc.

iii. No disciplinary action pending against him/her.

#### 17.0. AWARD OF DEGREE

The students have to complete the prescribed courses of study and satisfy other related norms. The Senate shall, before the annual convocation, recommend the award of degree to each eligible student by name.

## 18.0. ELIGIBILITY FOR THE AWARD OF INSTITUTE MEDAL

The criteria for the institute medal winner is based on the student who obtains highest CGPA in the class graduating with the regular period. Students having highest CGPA with break shall not be considered for the purpose of award of the institute Medal.

## 19.0. CLASSIFICATION

After successful completion of the programme, the P.G. degree will be awarded as per the following classifications based on CGPA.

- i. Students who get a CGPA of 8.5 and above and who complete the programme in the minimum period, passing all the courses in the first appearance itself, will be declared to have passed in first class with distinction. For this purpose, withdrawal from examination and authorized break of study (P.14) will not be counted.
- ii. Students who get a CGPA of 6.5 and above but below 8.5 and who complete the programme in the minimum period plus authorized break (P.14.0) will be declared to have passed in first class.
- iii. Students who get a CGPA of below 6.5 and who complete the programme within the maximum prescribed period after joining the institute, will be declared to have passed in second class.

# 20.0. DISCIPLINE

Every student is required to observe discipline and decorous behavior both inside and outside the campus and not to indulge in any activity which will tend to bring down the prestige of the Institute.

General conduct of students in the examination halls / laboratories

Students should abide by the restrictions imposed by the institute from time to time.

- Possessing a mobile phone, carrying bits of paper, talking to other students, copying from others during an assessment will be treated as punishable dishonesty.
- Zero mark to be awarded for the offenders. For copying from another student, both students get the same penalty of zero mark.
- The malpractice and the award of the punishment shall be reported through the Head of the Department to the Office of the Dean Academic.

Any act of indiscipline of a student will be referred to a Discipline and Welfare Committee constituted by the Senate. The Committee will enquire into the charges and recommend suitable punishment as per the student code of conduct approved the senate if the charges are substantiated. The Senate will consider the recommendation of the Discipline and Welfare Committee for appropriate action. The committee will report the action taken at the next meeting of the Senate.

The student may appeal to the Chairperson, Senate.

## 21.0. ACADEMIC DISHONESTY & PLAGIARISM

- Possessing a mobile phone, carrying bits of paper, talking to other students, copying from others during an assessment will be treated as punishable dishonesty.
- ii. Zero mark to be awarded for the offenders. For copying from another student, both students get the same penalty of zero mark.
- iii. The departmental disciplinary committee including the course faculty member, PAC chairperson and the HoD, as members shall verify the facts of the malpractice and award the punishment if the student is found guilty. The report shall be submitted to the Academic office.

#### 22.0. POWER TO MODIFY

The Senate - as the Supreme academic body of the Institute - may, from time to time, revise, amend or alter the regulations, courses of study and syllabus as and when found necessary. Any other relevant rules needing urgent

revisions can be framed and implemented by the Chairperson of the Senate and ratified in the subsequent Senate meeting. In case of difference of opinion regarding the interpretation of any of the regulations, the decision of the Chairperson of the Senate shall be final.

Notwithstanding all that has been stated earlier/elsewhere, the Senate of the Institute has the right to modify any of the above rules and regulations from time to time.