## GUDLAVALLERU ENGINEERING COLLEGE

(An Autonomous Institute with Permanent Affiliation to JNTUK, Kakinada) Seshadri Rao Knowledge Village Gudlavalleru – 521 356, Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh

The **Sixth** Meeting of **Academic Council** of Gudlavalleru Engineering College (Autonomous), Seshadri Rao Knowledge Village, Gudlavalleru is held today i.e. 30-04-2016 (Saturday) at 10-30 AM in the Management's Conference Hall of the college under the Chairmanship of Dr. P. Nageswara Reddy, Principal of the College.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

Sl. No.	Name of the Member	Designation	Signature
1	Dr. P. Nageswara Reddy Principal	Chairman	P-Nodoo7
2	Dr. P. Kodanda Rama Rao Professor & HoD of CE	Member	P. h
3	Dr. M. Siva Kumar Professor & HoD of EEE	Member	Idahan
4	Dr. A. Jawahar Babu Professor & HoD of ME	Member	AT
5	Dr. M. Kama Raju Professor & HoD of ECE	Member	ref
6	Dr. M. Babu Rao Professor & HoD of CSE	Member	MDVes
7	Dr. M. V. L. N. Raja Rao Professor & HoD of IT	Member	
8	Dr. Ch. Nirmal Chand Professor & HoD of MBA	Member	
9	Dr. G. S. Bhaskara Rao Professor of Mathematics & HoD of BS&H	Member	lay.
10	Dr. M. Vijaya Lakshmi Associate Professor & HoD of English	Member	Jayen
11	Dr. P. Ravindra Babu Professor of ME and Vice-Principal	Member	
12	Dr. A. V. N. Tilak Professor of ECE and Dean PG Studies, R&D and Consultancy	Member	Antar
13	Dr. S. R. K. Reddy Professor of CE	Member	could not allend
14	Dr.(Mrs.) Ch. Kavitha Professor of CSE	Member	- OK

15	Dr. D. V. L. N. Somayajulu  Professor of CSE and Dean Academic Affairs,  NIT, Warrangal	Member	Dwfon
16	Dr. B. G. Barki Professor of Education & Former Director of NITTTR, Chennai	Member	16P6)
17	Dr. Parimi S.R. Professor of Civil Engineering and Structural Engg. Consultant, Vijayawada	Member	
18	Er. D. Rama Krishna Managing Director, Efftronics Systems Pvt. Ltd. Vijayawada	Member	
19	Dr. N. S. Murthy, Professor of Electronics & Communication Engg., National Institute of Technology, Warangal	Member	could not Attend
20	Mr. Jaya Rama Krishna Nutulapati, Client Partner & Principal Consultant, Tata Consultancy Services, Hyderabad	Member	could not ablent
21	Prof. K. Padma Raju, Professor of Electronics & Communication Engg., Director, Academics & Planning, JNTUK, Kakinada	Member	could not altend
22	Prof. P. Subba Rao, Professor of Civil Engineering, Director of Evaluation, JNTUK, Kakinada	Member	P80Hbargar
23	Dr. M. Ramalinga Raju, Professor of Electrical & Electronics Engg., Director, Foreign Universities Relations, JNTUK, Kakinada	Member	W. Luns
24	Dr. G. V. S. N. R. V. Prasad Professor of CSE & Dean Academic Affairs	Member Secretary	

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Minutes of the Sixth Meeting of the Academic Council held on 30-04-2016, Saturday in the Management Conference Hall.

- 6.1 To discuss on the introduction of fast-track semesters during the summer break between II B.Tech 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester and III B.Tech 1<sup>st</sup> Semester, III B.Tech 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester and IV B.Tech 1<sup>st</sup> Semester and after IV B.Tech 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester for the students admitted under 2014 regulations.
  - i) The Principal cited the following reasons for consideration of introducing fast-track semesters:
    - a. About 48 students out off 930 students may likely get detained due to shortage of credits as they have not secured a minimum of 50% of credits up to II B.Tech 1<sup>st</sup> semester and may not be promoted to III B.Tech.
    - b. More number of failures at least in 8 subjects up to II B.Tech 1<sup>st</sup> semester due to low internal marks.
  - ii) The Principal proposed that if fast-track semesters are introduced, it will be advantageous to the students who are unable to pass the subjects due to low internal marks to re-register to some of the subjects during fast-track semesters by canceling the previous performance in those subjects and undergoing the course work and taking up internal and semester end examination once again to pass such subjects and get promoted to higher semesters.
  - iii) The Principal proposed the following guidelines with regard to conduct of fast-track semesters applicable to the batches of students admitted under 2014 (R14) regulations for thorough discussion:
    - a. There shall be three fast-track semesters during summer break; first one at the end of  $2^{nd}$  semester of II year, second one at the end of  $2^{nd}$  semester of III year and third one immediately after  $2^{nd}$  semester of IV Year.
    - b. Each fast-track semester shall be of six weeks duration with enhanced contact hours per week for each theory subject.
    - c. A student can register up to a maximum of 12 credits, only theory courses.
    - d. A student who registers for a subject during the fast-track semester(s), his / her previous performance in that subject automatically stands cancelled.
    - e. A student need to maintain a minimum of 85% attendance in each subject registered during fast-track semester. Condoning of shortage of attendance up to 10% on genuine medical reasons may be considered.
    - f. Assessment in internal and semester end examinations will be similar to that of regular semesters.
    - g. A student who had failed a subject in a fast-track semester may re-register during another fast-track semester or opt for taking up supplementary examinations.



- h. Supplementary examinations shall be conducted as usual irrespective of fast-track semesters.
- iv) Some members opined that unless the internal marks of the students in some of the failed subjects improves, they will not be able to pass those subjects at all and hence, emphasized to introduce the fast-track semesters as a way out for improving the internal marks by undergoing the course work once again and pass the subjects.
- v) Prof. Parimi S.R. and Sri D. Rama Krishna supported the proposal of the Principal to introduce the fast-track semesters during the summer break and facilitate the students to re-register for some of the subjects which they could not pass in regular semesters because of low internal marks as it does not dilute academic standards as they are once again undergoing the course work and taking up internal and semester end examinations.
- vi) Dr. B. G. Barki opined that the students who have passed the subjects but desirous of improving their performance in few subjects may also be permitted to re-register for such courses during the fast-track semester by canceling their previous internal and semester end examination performance in those subjects.
- vii) Dr. M. Ramalinga Raju, the University nominee and Dr. D. V. L. N. Somayajulu opined that since the college has become Autonomous two years back only, it is advisable to observe the performance and progress of at least one batch of students and take up follow up actions depending on the necessity.
- viii) Dr. P. Subba Rao, the University nominee opined that the regulations of the college must be in conformity with the university regulations and college needs to take approval from the university as there is no fast-track semester system in the university academic regulations as such. The same opinion was also expressed by Dr. M. Ramalinga Raju.

## **Resolution**:

The Academic Council of Gudlavalleru Engineering College resolves to introduce fast-track semesters for the batches of students admitted under 2014 (R14) regulations during summer break at the end of 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of II Year, 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of III Year and immediately after 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of IV Year B.Tech to facilitate the students seeking bettering their performance in some of the subjects (theory courses) by registering during the fast-track semesters up to a maximum of 12 credits in each fast-track semester by canceling the previous performance in internal and semester end examinations of those subjects.

The Academic Council also resolved to address the JNTUK for early approval of the proposal to facilitate the introduction of the Fast-track semesters from the academic year 2016-17.

## 6.2 Any other matter with the permission of the chair.

- i) The proposal of the Principal and internal members to take up the revision of curriculum and academic regulations from the academic year 2017-18 is accepted.
- ii) It is resolved to give moderation in the semester end examinations
  - a) up to a maximum of 4 marks in a subject, up to two subjects in a semester, when the overall pass percentage in a subject is less than 75%.



b) in cases of students failing a subject (only one subject) narrowly by one or two marks, the equivalent marks shall be adjusted from the other passed subject(s) to ensure passing of that subject.

and empower the Examination Committee of the college to take decisions on giving moderation wherever required.

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