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Minutes of 8th IQAC meeting

The 8th Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) meeting was held on 30th June 2026 in Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education, Deemed to be University at 10.30 A.M. Prof. P Venkateswara Rao, Chairperson, IQAC and Vice Chancellor, welcomed the external and all internal members of IQAC. He called for the meeting and conducted the proceedings. He invited the IQAC Coordinator to present the agenda of the meeting.

Members Present:

Chairperson :	Dr P. Venkateswara Rao, Chairperson, IQAC and Vice Chancellor, Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education, Deemed to be University
Senior Administrative Officers :	Dr A.V.Ratna Prasad, Pro Vice Chancellor Dr M.Ravichand, Registrar Mr M V Saibabu, Deputy Registrar Dr T.Anuradha, COE Dr D.Venkata Rao, Dean, School of Engineering Dr M.Suneetha, Dean, Research and Technology Development
Teachers :	Dr D.Rajeswara Rao, Dean, Industry Relations Training & Placement Dr N.Ravi Kumar, Professor, HOD, ME Department Dr V.Mallikarjuna, Professor, HOD, CE Department Dr G L Madhumati Professor Department of ECE Dr D Madhulatha, Assistant Professor, Department of Maths
Employers/Industrialist / Stakeholders :	Mr Y Shameer Basha, Manager, Analog Port, Hyderabad Dr A.Venugopal Rao, Professor, Department of ME, NIT, Warangal
Local Society, Students and Alumni :	Mr.Basava Mohan Kumar, Asst. CIDO/ERP (transmission corporation of A.P) Dr Bezawada Papa Rao Orthopaedic Surgeon Vijayawada
IQAC Coordinator and Co-Coordiators :	Dr S Srinivas Prasad, Professor, IQAC Coordinator Dr CSS Anupama, Associate Professor, IQAC Co-Coordinator Dr Lakshmi Keshav, Associate Professor, IQAC Co-Coordinator
Special invitees :	Dr B.Panduranga Rao, Director- Infrastructure & Consultancy Dr G N Swamy Dean, Student Affairs and Admissions Dr. K Purna Chandra Rao, HOD, MCA Department Dr. A Sree Ram, HOD, MBA Department

	Dr B V Rao Associate Dean Academics Dr S.Srinivasa Rao, Professor, Department of Chemistry Dr. Ch. Baby Rani, Professor & HOD Department of Maths Dr K. Narendra, Associate Professor, Department of Physics Dr Ch R V Prasad, Assoc. Prof., CE Dr M Srinivas, Asst. Prof. In-charge HOD, EIE Dr P.Durga Prasada Rao, Assistant Professor, EIE Department Dr M V D N S Madhavi Asst. Prof Selection Grade Maths Dr M.Durga Bavani, Assistant Professor, Chemistry Department Dr B.V.V.Padmavathi, Assistant Professor, English Department Dr. K Parish Venkata Kumar, Assistant Professor, MCA Department Dr. N. Sailaja, Assistant Professor, MBA Department Dr B Supraja Reddy, Assistant Professor, ME Department Mrs. Keya Sarkar Assistant Professor, School of Law Dr P Satyanarayana Assistant Professor Department of ECE Dr A Srisaila Assistant Professor Department of AI Dr B Supraja Reddy Assistant Professor Department of ME Mrs V Sireesha IQAC
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Item 1: Action taken report on the resolutions of 7th IQAC meeting held on 4th April 2026

Agenda Item No. 1: Action Taken Report on the Establishment of Research Centres and Centres of Excellence

With regard to the first agenda of the previous meeting, the IQAC Coordinator presented the action taken report on the establishment of Research Centres and Centres of Excellence (CoEs). The IQAC committee was informed that proposals for establishing Centres of Excellence/Research Laboratories had been received from the departments [AI-1, ECE-3, EEE-1, CE-1, ME-1 and S&H-1(Central facility)]. The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor appreciated the initiatives taken by the departments and emphasized the importance of strengthening the University's research ecosystem. He further stated that the University should aim to establish the identified Centres of Excellence within the next one to two years.

Agenda Item No. 2: Implementation of Sustainable Development Goals through research initiatives and community engagement activities

With regard to the second agenda of the previous meeting, the IQAC Coordinator presented the Action Taken Report on the implementation of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through research initiatives and community engagement activities. The committee was informed that the departments had submitted project

proposals aligned with the SDGs, focusing on addressing societal and community challenges as well as projects to be executed in collaboration with government bodies, industries and NGOs. The proposals received from the departments were presented before the committee, highlighting their thrust areas, collaborating agencies and expected societal impact.

Item 2: Discussion in 8th IQAC meeting on 30th June 2026

The first agenda point of the 8th IQAC meeting: Review and Strengthening of Entrepreneurship Development Cell (EDC) Activities

With regard to the first agenda item, the IQAC Coordinator presented the existing functions and achievements of the Institution's Innovation Council (IIC), Technology Business Incubator (TBI) since its inception and the AICTE Idea Lab. The presentation highlighted their contributions towards innovation, start-ups, research commercialization and entrepreneurship development within the University. The functions and strategic importance of the Entrepreneurship Development Cell (EDC) in promoting innovation, industry collaboration, intellectual property creation and start-up incubation were also discussed. The committee appreciated the initiatives and emphasized strengthening the EDC to build a vibrant entrepreneurial ecosystem aligned with the University's research and innovation goals.

The second agenda point of the 8th IQAC meeting: Discussion on Strategies for Enhancing the University Perception

With regard to the second agenda item, the IQAC Coordinator presented the importance of University Perception and its role in improving institutional rankings and accreditation outcomes. The key drivers of university perception, major sources influencing university perception and priority areas requiring focused improvement were discussed. Strategic activities to strengthen academic reputation, research visibility, industry engagement, alumni relations and stakeholder outreach were also presented.

Dr. A. Venu Gopal, Professor, NIT Warangal, suggested that the University should regularly disseminate newsletters showcasing its research, innovation, placements and institutional achievements to premier institutions to enhance academic visibility and institutional perception. He also recommended increasing the enrolment of international students as part of the University's internationalization strategy. These

initiatives, he stated, would strengthen the University's global visibility, academic diversity.

Dr. Bejawada Paparao external IQAC member suggested the faculty to visit the reputed institutions across the country to identify and adopt best practices in academics, research and administration. He also recommended regularly sharing the University's research, innovation, placement and other institutional achievements with alumni through newsletters and digital communication platforms. He emphasized that these initiatives would strengthen alumni engagement and enhances the University's overall perception and reputation.

Mr. Chelikani Prasad external IQAC member suggested incorporating AI agents into research projects focused on solving real-world community and societal problems, thereby promoting innovation and technology-driven solutions.

Dr. P. Venkateswara Rao, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, emphasized that enhancing the University's perception is essential for improving its national and international rankings. He advised to improve the quality of academics, research, innovation, placements and admissions to strengthen the University's perception. He stressed the need to strengthen innovation and entrepreneurship activities to meet the evolving expectations of stakeholders.

The Hon'ble Pro-Vice Chancellor advised to review and strengthen the quality of the Centres of Excellence (CoE)/ Research Centres proposals submitted to the IQAC. He emphasized that these proposals should be prepared in a manner that meets the expectations of industries, Alumni and funding agencies. The revised proposals, incorporating the necessary improvements, shall be submitted in soft copy to the IQAC Cell on or before 30th July 2026.

The Hon'ble Pro-Vice Chancellor advised the departments to identify practical problems from industries and actively involve students in developing innovative solutions. Such an approach will foster a culture of innovation, leading to patents, product development, technology commercialization, start-ups and incubation, while strengthening industry-academia collaboration.

It was Resolved that:

1. Resolved to strengthen the University's innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem by reconstituting the Entrepreneurship Development Cell (EDC) and Technology Business Incubator (TBI).
2. Resolved to integrate the existing Institution's Innovation Council (IIC), Entrepreneurship Development Cell (EDC), and Technology Business Incubator (TBI) under a unified framework by establishing the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Cell (IEC) on or before 10th August 2026, thereby ensuring effective coordination of innovation, entrepreneurship, incubation, intellectual property creation, start-up support and technology commercialization activities.
3. Resolved to implement a comprehensive University Perception Enhancement Strategy by strengthening research visibility, branding, placement achievements and stakeholder outreach through the University website, social media platforms, newsletters, alumni networks and other digital communication channels to enhance the university's national and international reputation.
4. Resolved to strengthen stakeholder engagement by developing and implementing an Automated Parent Interaction Portal through the University Data Centre, with all necessary development and deployment activities to be completed on or before 20th August 2026.
5. Resolved to enhance the University's digital visibility by developing a Google Knowledge Panel, strengthening the University's presence on Wikipedia and increasing website traffic, social media reach and media coverage. The University Data Centre, in coordination with the nominated single point of contact (SPOC) shall prepare and implement a strategic action plan and submit the same to IQAC on or before 14th August 2026.
6. Resolved to strengthen the University's international visibility by constituting a committee to promote international collaborations, MoUs, faculty and student exchange programmes and joint degree initiatives. The committee shall be

constituted by the end of July 2026 and submit a strategic action plan and activity schedule to IQAC by 20th August 2026.

7. Resolved to strengthen industry engagement by expanding industry collaborations, establishing industry-supported, Centres of Excellence, promoting industry-sponsored Laboratories, Consultancy services and collaborative research projects. Industry relations team shall prepare and submit an annual action plan with half-yearly targets for the Academic Year 2026-27 to the IQAC on or before 1st August 2026.


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