

Dr. Ambedkar College, Deekshabhoomi, Nagpur.

Institutional Innovation Council (IIC) and Technology Incubation Centre (TIC)

Minutes of the Meeting Held On <u>14th June 2021</u>

Agenda of the Meeting: 1. Updates of Institutional Innovation Council

- 2. Distribution of IIC related responsibilities (new Members)
- 3. Planning the course of action of IIC

The meeting was held on a virtual platform and was presided over by Dr. Mrs. B. A. Mehere, Officiating Principal, Dr. Ambedkar College, Deekshabhoomi, Nagpur.

Minutes of Meeting:

- 1. The agenda of the meeting was explained to all the present faculty members and their views were invited.
- 2. Dr. D.N. Begde initiated the discussion explaining everyone about the IIC roles and responsibilities at the institute. He also gave an overview of the progress that the IIC and TIC of DACN has done during last academic session. Enrolment of another student start up called NeoAgrotech was also brought to the notice of all members.
- 3. The Principal proposed the candidature of Dr. Akhil Ramteke as the replacement of Dr. S. R. Somkuwar in IIC at the college and the proposal was second by Dr. Mrs. Hema Menon and Dr. K.G. Rewatkar followed by all the present faculty members present for the meeting. With his background in commerce he was assigned the responsibility of Social media management and to provide financial and company incorporation related consultancy to the enrolled start ups.
- 4. Dr. K.G. Rewatkar as in previous session agreed to work in the capacity of Vice-president and IPR activity co-ordinator of the IIC.

- 5. Dr. Mrs. Hema Menon already working as the institutes NIRF coordinator agreed to continue as the convener for IIC.
- 6. Dr. D. N. Begde was assigned the responsibility to co-ordinate the startup activities at the IIC and update the same at the ARIIA portal.
- 7. Innovation related activities were to be continued by Dr. S.J. Bahadure and Dr. N.S. Meshram, and Dr. DVNS Suresh were to assist the other members of IIC for any allotted work assigned to them from time to time.
- 8. Dr. Pradnya Mahatme, Start-up head at GDD Experts India Pvt. Ltd. Nagpur as an external member for the IIC could not attend the meeting due to her previous commitments. The members thus decided to reach out to Dr. Mahatme for obtaining her consent for providing expert guidance to the budding entrepreneurs being incubated at IIC.
- 9. Dr. Begde in collaboration with IQAC and college's UGC-PARAMARSH Unit was asked to plan for a webinar on NEP 2020 and its impact on Innovation and entrepreneurial activities to be conducted under IIC. Also, to popularize the IIC incorporation at other non-technical institutions in and around Nagpur.
- 10. Dr. K.G. Rewatkar volunteered for organizing an IPR awareness activity with other members of IIC.
- 11. Regular Sessions on problem solving and Ideation to create a repository of ideas for effective planning and testing was to be conducted by all the members in collaboration with external experts.
- 12. A webinar on MSEM related grants available for budding entrepreneurs was also planned to be conducted in collaboration with department of commerce.
- 13. Two more activities associated with providing the current students of our college as well as those belonging to nearby institutions with an orientation towards looking at innovation as career option were planned.
- 14. Every member agreed for the responsibility bestowed on them by the Principal and IIC President Dr. Mrs B. A. Mehere and signed the resolution drafted as per the IIC format. Some members were also allowed to sign digitally due to the pandemic imposed local restrictions and their health concerns.
- 15. The next meeting to follow-up with the decided IIC activities was decided to be conducted on December, 18th 2021.

At the end Principal Dr. B. A. Mehere applauded the initiatives of IIC planned and conducted in last session and expressed her positive expectations for the upcoming session. Technical support for the smooth conduction of this virtual meeting was provided by Tristar Software solutions, Nagpur.