



योजना तथा वास्तुकला विद्यालय, विजयवाड़ा
School of Planning and Architecture, Vijayawada
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14th Meeting of the Senate

School of Planning and Architecture, Vijayawada

December 14th 2022, 11:00 Hrs
(through Hybrid Mode)

Minutes of the Meeting

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**Minutes of the 14th Meeting of the Senate of SPAV
held on 14th December 2022 at 11:00Hrs (through Hybrid mode)**

The following members were present:

S.No.	Name	Designation
1	Prof. Dr. Ramesh Srikonda, Director, SPA Vijayawada	Chairperson
2	Prof. Dr. P. S. Chani Professor, IIT Roorkee, (Nominee of Chairperson BoG)	Member
3	Prof. Dr. K. S. Anantha Krishna Professor, NITTE, School of Architecture, Planning & Design, Bengaluru (Nominee of Chairperson BoG)	Member
4	Shri. Sujit Rodge Practicing Architect & Planner, ITPI- Nominee	Member
5	Shri. Paramjit Singh Ahuja Practicing Architect & Planner, CoA – Nominee	Member
6	Prof. Dr. Rajeev Shringi Professor, Dept of Architecture, MNIT Jaipur, AICTE - Nominee	Member
7	Dr. Ayon Kumar Tarafdar, Dean Academics, SPA Vijayawada	Member
8	Prof. Dr. M Kailasa Rao, Dean Faculty Welfare, SPA Vijayawada	Member
9	Dr. Amitava Sarkar, Dean Student Affairs, SPA Vijayawada	Member
10	Dr. Uma Sankar Basina, Dean Research i/c, SPA Vijayawada	Member
11	Dr. Adinarayanane R., Dean Planning & Development, SPA Vijayawada	Member
12	Prof. Dr. Abdul Razak Mohamed, Head, Dept of Planning, SPA Vijayawada	Member
13	Prof. Dr. Iyer Vijayalaxmi Kasinath, Head, Department of Architecture, SPAV	Member
14	Dr. Prasanth Vardhan, Assistant Professor, Department of Planning, SPAV	Member
15	Mr. Valliappan AL., Assistant Professor, Department of Planning, SPAV	Member
16	Dr. Srinivas Daketi, Assistant Professor, Department of Architecture, SPAV	Member
17	Mr. Sanjay Bhandari, Assistant Professor, Department of Architecture, SPAV	Member
18	Shri K. V. Uma Maheswara Rao, Registrar, SPAV	Secretary

The following members could not join the meeting due to prior commitments:

1. Prof. Dr. Bhanu Mohinder Marwaha, Professor and Head, Dept. of Architecture, National Institute of Technology (NIT) Hamirpur, (Nominee of Chairperson BoG)
2. Shri A Chenithung Lotha, Director, Directorate of Urban Development, Govt of Nagaland. (Nominee of Chairperson BoG)
3. Dr. Shikha Jain, Director, DRONAH, Gurugram (Nominee of Chairperson BoG)

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At the onset, the Chairperson-Senate Prof. Dr. Ramesh Srikonda Director SPA Vijayawada welcomed all the members present in the meeting. The Chairperson Senate informed to all members that the 14th Senate of SPA Vijayawada is fortunate to have many new members joining and also has certain outgoing eminent members as per regulations. The Chairperson-Senate extended his sincere gratefulness to all the outgoing eminent members, namely - Ms. Poonam Verma Mascarenhas (Nominee of Chairperson, BoG), Mr. Dean Gabriel D'Cruz (Nominee of Chairperson, BoG), Dr. P. S. Harimohan Pillai (Nominee of CoA), Prof. P M Rawal (Nominee of AICTE), Prof. Dr. Ashok Kumar (Nominee of ITPI) and all outgoing internal members - for their valuable contribution and association with SPA Vijayawada.

The Chairperson Senate welcomed all the eminent new members representing organisation of CoA, AICTE and ITPI and from the industry and academics. Thereafter, the Dean Academics SPA Vijayawada introduced each new Senate member individually thanking them for joining the Senate and sparing their valuable time. Each internal member of the Senate from SPA Vijayawada also introduced themselves to each other.

Thereafter, the Secretary of the Senate, Registrar of SPA Vijayawada apprised the members about various agenda items for the meeting, with the details of discussions / deliberations and decisions summarised, as below.

-	Confirmation of the Minutes of the 13th Senate meeting of SPA Vijayawada held on 22nd April 2022
Decision	<i>As no comments have received, the approved Minutes of the 13th Meeting of the Senate of SPA Vijayawada held on 22.04.2022 as circulated, is confirmed.</i>
Item 14.1	To present the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 13th Senate meeting of SPA Vijayawada held on 22nd April 2022 at SPA Vijayawada (online)
	The Secretary to the Senate, the Registrar of SPA Vijayawada presented the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 13 th Senate meeting of SPA Vijayawada held on 22nd April 2022 at SPA Vijayawada (online), which was circulated as part of the Agenda Notes of the 14 th Senate Meeting.
Decision	<i>Senate noted the Action Taken on the Minutes of 13th Senate.</i>
Item # 14.2	List of Graduands who completed studies in the Academic Years 2020-2021 and 2021-2022, for the conferment of degrees in forthcoming Convocation to be held in January 2023
Proceedings	The Chairperson Senate apprised all members, that the 6 th Convocation of SPA Vijayawada is scheduled to be held on 12 January, 2023. The Chairperson invited all Senate members to SPA Vijayawada campus on the august occasion. In that regard, the updated list of graduands, gold medallist, thesis toppers were presented to all members (placed as <i>Annexure I</i> to this Minutes), who are to be conferred degrees in the forthcoming 6 th Convocation of SPA Vijayawada on 12 January, 2023.


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Decision	<i>The Senate approves the award of degrees, gold medals and merit certificates to the candidates who completed studies in the Academic Years 2020-2021 and 2021-2022, for the conferment of degrees in forthcoming Convocation to be held in 12th January 2023.</i>								
Item # 14.3	Revision of Eligibility Criteria for Admissions to PhD Programmes in SPA Vijayawada								
Proceedings	The Dean Academics apprised all members, that an Inter-departmental Committee was constituted to look into the aspects of Eligibility Criteria for Admissions to PhD Programmes in SPA Vijayawada and presented the proposed criteria for Eligibility Criteria as circulated in the Agenda Notes of this Meeting. The proposed criterion is aimed to increase admissions to PhD and enhance the research milieu of SPA Vijayawada. The Senate discussed and deliberated on the phrase 'with appropriate specialization' may be considered to be applicable to Master in Architecture and Planning. The members also suggested to look into possibilities of admitting candidates with PG degree of other disciplines, in the future.								
Decision	<i>The Senate approves the revised eligibility criteria for Admissions to PhD Programmes in SPA Vijayawada, to be applicable for further admissions in PhD degrees in SPA Vijayawada.</i>								
Item # 14.4	Maximum Number of PhD Scholars supervised by the Faculty of SPA Vijayawada								
Proceedings	The Dean Academics apprised all members that in view of the present limited opportunities of supervision and in order to have a wider and expanded atmosphere of research an Inter-departmental Committee was constituted to look into the aspects 'maximum number of PhD scholars that can be supervised by faculty of SPAV as Main Supervisor' (referring to regulations of SPA Delhi, UGC, CEPT and IIT Kgp), as circulated in the Agenda Notes of this Meeting. The proposed maximum number of supervisions was presented. After detailed discussions, the Senate concludes as below:								
Decision	<i>The Senate approves the revised maximum number of PhD Scholars supervised by the Faculty of SPA Vijayawada as below –</i> <table border="1"><thead><tr><th>Hierarchy</th><th>Maximum Number of PhD Supervision</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td><i>Professor</i></td><td><i>Maximum of 08 candidates as Main Supervisor</i></td></tr><tr><td><i>Associate Professor</i></td><td><i>Maximum of 06 candidates as Main Supervisor</i></td></tr><tr><td><i>Assistant Professor</i></td><td><i>Maximum of 04 candidates as Main Supervisor</i></td></tr></tbody></table> <p><i>Faculty can become Co-supervisor to any number of PhD candidates as per procedures and provisions of the PhD rules, without impacting the maximum number of PhD scholars one can guide as a Main Supervisor, as given in above table.</i></p>	Hierarchy	Maximum Number of PhD Supervision	<i>Professor</i>	<i>Maximum of 08 candidates as Main Supervisor</i>	<i>Associate Professor</i>	<i>Maximum of 06 candidates as Main Supervisor</i>	<i>Assistant Professor</i>	<i>Maximum of 04 candidates as Main Supervisor</i>
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Item # 14.5	Course Structure and detailed Syllabus for Master of Urban Design programme.								
Proceedings	The members were apprised all members that as per previous Senate's approval, the Masters in Urban Design degree programme has been initiated from A.Y. 2022-23 and students have been admitted through CCMT and the first semester								

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Proceedings	of studies are about to finish as per the course structure and syllabus for the first semester which was placed in the Agenda Notes of 13th Meeting of the Senate. In this regard, HoD Architecture presented the detailed syllabus and course structure of MUD Programme for all the semesters as circulated with the Agenda Notes of this Meeting. The Senate deliberated in detail and the suggested that the subjects for each semester is to be detailed into sub-units with suggested reading references. After detailed discussions, the Senate appreciated the efforts for the development of the syllabus and the programme and concludes as below.
Decision	<i>The Senate approves the Course Structure and Detailed Syllabus for all semesters of the two years of Masters in Urban Design degree program.</i> <i>The detailed syllabus for each subject is to be worked out in terms of sub-units and detailed referencing, to bring parity with the other programmes of the Institute.</i>
Item # 14.6	Approval of Medical Leave of Students
Proceedings	A student from Master of Planning (Transport Planning), Ms. Supriya Bhutani, (2210600071) requested for grant of Medical Leave for 22 days for the period from 23-09-2022 to 30-09-2022 & 08-10-2022 to 24-10-2022 as she suffered with Typhoid, with details as circulated with the Agenda Notes of this Meeting. The DPGC Planning recommended the same for approval.
Decision	<i>The Senate ratifies the case of Medical Leave for one student, as presented.</i>
Item # 14.7	Admission status of UG, PG and PhD Students through JoSAA, CSAB, CCMT, Direct Admissions and Spot Admissions for the A.Y. 2022-23
Proceedings	The members were apprised in detail about the admission status of all UG, PG and PhD programmes for A.Y. 2022-23 in various categories through JoSAA, CCMT, DASA and direct spot admissions as per prevailing regulations.
Decision	<i>The Senate ratifies all the admissions of A.Y. 2022-23 and approves that the admission for the A.Y. 2022-23 stands closed.</i>
Item # 14.8	Admission of Reserved Seats under Supernumerary Seats for the A.Y. 2022-23
Proceedings	The members were apprised that no applications have been received till the last date i.e. 06-11-2022 for Reserved Supernumerary Seats for Kashmiri Migrants and Wards of Persons from Armed Forces Disabled/Martyred in War. As the last date for receipt of applications is over and the classes for B.Arch and B.Plan has commenced and reached mid semester, the admissions for all these categories may be treated as closed.
Decision	<i>The Senate ratifies that the admission for the A.Y. 2022-23 stands closed.</i>
Item # 14.9	Completion of PhD for candidates Mr. Parisutha Rajan, Part-time PhD Student of Dept. of Architecture and Mr. R.N.S.Murthy, Part-time PhD Student of Dept. of Architecture in A.Y. 2022-23
Proceedings	The members were apprised that two PhD candidates completed their PhD final Viva Voce Final Exam recently with salient details in chronological order as presented in the Agenda Notes of this meeting.

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Decision	<i>The Senate noted the details presented and approves the conferment of PhD degrees of the two Ph.D candidates for the A.Y.2022-23 in the upcoming 6th Convocation, in addition to the two other PhD degrees completed in previous Academic Years.</i>
Item # 14.10	Any Other Item with the permission of the Chair
(A)	Approval of Academic Calendar for All batches for till end of A.Y 2022-2023
Proceedings	<p>With the permission of the Chairperson, the Dean Academic together with the HODs apprised the members that presently there had been three Academic Calendars in execution till December 2022, due to different times of joining of the UG and PG batches through JoSAA and CCMT and DASA (admissions conducted by the Ministry of Education, Government of India). The three calendars are – (a) Calendar for UG 1st Years; (b) Calendar for UG 2nd Years and PG 1st Years; (c) Calendar for UG 3rd, 4th and 5th years & PG 2nd Years. This staggered calendar has been leading to difficult overlaps of timetables, fieldworks, exams, supplementary, and vacations. In order to streamline all the calendars, so that all batches finish the academic year in similar time in the upcoming semester, a combined synchronised academic calendar has been prepared where the semesters for the A.Y. 2022-23 has been condensed for 1 Year UG Programmes due to delayed admission (admitted in mid Nov 2022). The HoDs have been given permission to conduct extra hours of classes in week-days and weekends as per teaching requirements to compensate the condensed academic calendars. The two academic calendars were presented/abled to all members (enclosed as Annexure II to this Minutes). After detailed deliberations, the Senate concludes as below:</p>
Decision	<i>The Senate approves the Academic Calendars for all Batches till the end of Academic Year 2022-23, as presented, for its implementation.</i>
(B)	Approval for the Award of Bachelor of Building Science to Mr. T. Sri Ram having Reg no. 1190100881 in upcoming Convocation.
Proceedings	<p>The members were apprised that Mr. T. Sri Ram having Reg no. 1190100881 requested for withdrawal from B.Arch programme after completing the 3 years of B.Arch degree. His withdrawal was approved by the Department and his refunds are under process. He has requested for awarding of certificate on 03-08-2022 for his period of study at SPA Vijayawada. In this regard, as per the Ordinances of undergraduate programmes of SPAV, the Department of Architecture have conducted DUGC meeting on 13-12-2022 and recommended for awarding of "Bachelor of Building Science" degree, after looking into the credits earned for his completed 3 years of studies. This is in line with the decision of 3rd Senate Minutes dated 05-12-2017 regarding Exit Option by Degree. viz., 'Bachelor of Building Science' for the candidates of B.Arch who are not able to complete the degree through 5 years of study but have earned all credits for the first three years of study. This is also in line with the decision of Senate in its 11th Meeting Minutes dated 09-07-2021, where Mr. Pritam Mohanty (1100100156) was decided to be eligible to receive 'Bachelor of Building Science' degree as per the item # 11.2 of 11th Senate meeting on 09-07-2021, further ratified by BoG of SPA Vijaywada. After detailed deliberations, the Senate appreciated the efforts and concludes as below.</p>



Decision	<i>The Senate approves the award of 'Bachelor of Building Science' to Mr. T. Sri Ram having Reg no. 1190100881.</i>
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The Chairperson Senate, invited the Heads of Departments to present the key achievements of the respective Departments in a summarised manner. The Heads of Departments presented as below.

Key Achievements of the Department of Planning as obtained from by HoD Planning in last semester:

Students Achievements

1. 10 papers presented and published by students at various International platforms such as "58th ISOCARP World Planning Congress (held at Brussels, Belgium) and World Youth Studies Conference (held at Izmir, Turkey).
2. SPA Vijayawada was adjudged overall Champion for the Annual NOSPlan Meet 2022 held at Bengaluru, amongst all Planning Institutions in the country.
3. Urban October 2021- Various competitions were held in the event of World Town Planning Day, like video making competition, essay writing competition, painting competition based on themes highlighting urban planning where various students won prizes.

Faculty Achievements

4. Over 20 papers were published as conference papers/ book chapters/ research paper/ article on various topics related to transportation, environment, Socio-spatial aspects etc.
5. Faculty were invited as Jury and Question Paper setter at IEST Shibpur, and YSRAFU, Kadapa, A.P, SPA Delhi and NIT Calicut.
6. Faculties were invited by various national and International Universities and by Ministry for expert talks and lectures.
7. Awards:
 - Certificate of appreciation was issued for becoming NPTEL Star/Believer by NPTEL and Swayam institutions for the period Jan 2022 to May 2022 to Mr. Valliappan AL
 - Best paper award for the paper titled "An Approach for Modelling Vehicular Pollution Using Artificial Neural Networks", under the theme "Planning and Sustainable Transportation" at Fourth National Conference on Recent Advances in Traffic Engineering (RATE 2022), organised by SVNIT Surat during November 11 – 12, 2022 by Ms. Naina Gupta

Key Achievements of the Department of Architecture as obtained from by HoD Architecture in last semester:

Students Achievements

1. M.Arch MSAR students Mr. Subham Das, Ms. Priyanka Jaiswal and Ms. Harshitha Sahu won the National Solar Decathlon Project as runner ups.
2. M.Arch - LA student Puja Das's thesis proposal is selected as one of the 10 projects in "student thesis/ research competition" organised by National Mission for Clean Ganga and National Institute of Urban Affairs. She will be receiving rs. 50,000/- financial grant for thesis project.
3. B.Arch Students Rutwik Suhas Kokadwar and Ajay Diwakar awarded with 1st prize in Café interior design competition – organized by archdais.

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4. B.Arch Students Hriju Kirti Singhal, Harshitha N Kumar and Keshav Kishor Kudale selected as one of the 50 top entries - Café interior design competition – organized by archdais.
5. B.Arch Students Nimit Bhansali and Rutwik Kokadwar awarded with 2nd prize and viewer's choice. The competition is about designing a memorial for India's greatest Architect, Sir Charles Correa organized by The Drawing Board and Rohan Builder.
6. B.Arch - Student Jeevesh Lomer awarded with 1st prize for Portfolio design competition organized by Material Library.
7. M.Arch (AC) students exhibited their projects/works at IIT Delhi during National Conference on the theme 'AGNI-Urban Planning and Mobility' on November 22nd, 2022.
8. M. Arch (SA) I Year students team won First, Second, Third and Special Mention – Sustainable House Design 2022.
9. 65th ZONAL NASA Convention held at JBR College, Hyderabad during October 02-05, 2022 – 34 students participated. Prizes Won - CITATION for "ART INSTALLATION.
10. M.Arch (LA) students, Luvditya Kurana and Thanmayee Auduru, Shortlisted for Thesis Open Day -2022. Organised by Indian Society of Landscape Architect, Bangalore Chapter.
11. Best Thesis Awards to Utkarsh Prasad and Shivani Singh at the event ANTARA-2022 organised by The Indian Institute of Architects Andhra Pradesh Chapter at Vijayawada on Dec 10 & 11, 2022
12. Shortlisted in top 10 to Utkarsh Prasad at the event Latitude, Southern Regional conference organized by The Indian Institute of Architects, Karnataka Chapter on Nov 11 & 12, 2022.

Faculty Achievements

13. Faculty members of the Department of Architecture have conducted several training programme, Faculty Development Programme (FDP), Workshops, Special Lectures for teachers, research scholars, students, etc. in collaboration with BMTPC, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, GoI, Council of Architecture (COA) – TRC, Bhopal, and others.
14. Faculty members have published more than 25 research papers in the reputed, peer reviewed SCOPUS indexed journals, books and national and international conference proceedings.
15. Faculty members have also attended many FDPs, Workshops, and Conferences to further upgrade their skills and knowledge and to present their research papers.
16. Many faculty members are also contributing as External Examiners, Paper Setters, Members of Boards of Studies, PhD Examiner, Technical Experts, Invited Speakers in FDPs and Conferences to many reputed national and international Institutes.
17. Faculty members are also performing as reviewers for many SCOPUS indexed international and national journals of repute.

The external expert members of the Senate appreciated the efforts and progress of academics in the Departments. The external members encouraged the School to take up more research projects and publication works.

The Chairperson requested all external members to kindly block their calendar for the upcoming Convocation on 12 January 2023, in order to visit SPA Vijayawada and preside over the Convocation as Senate members. The Chairperson thanked all members for their valuable suggestions and with no other item for discussion, announced the closure of the meeting.

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