# KONGUNADU ARTS AND SCIENCE COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) COIMBATORE - 641 029

## MINUTES OF THE 31st GOVERNING BODY MEETING

The Thirty First Meeting of the Governing Body of the Kongunadu Arts and Science College was held on 17.06.2023 at 11.00 a.m.

Er. Thiru. R. Somasundaram, Chairperson of the Kongunadu Arts and Science College Governing Body chaired the meeting. The following Members were present in the meeting:

Dr. C. A. Vasuki - Member
Dr. O. N. Paramasivan - Member
Thiru. P. Haridasji - Member
Dr. Thavamani D. Palaniswami - Member
Dr. P. S. Mohan - Member
Thiru.K.M.Pambanan - Member
Dr. K. Balachandran - Member

Dr. Rupa Gunaseelan - University Representative

Dr. M. Lekeshmanaswamy - Member Secretary

Dr. L. Vidyarani - Member
Dr. K. Thenmozhi - "

Er. Thiru, R. Somasundaram, the Chairperson of the Meeting welcomed the Hon'ble Members to the 31<sup>st</sup> Governing Body Meeting.

Dr. M. Lekeshmanaswamy, the Principal & Member Secretary presented the items of the Agenda before the Members.

Accordingly, the agenda were taken up for discussion one by one:

#### ITEM 1: CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE THIRTIETH MEETING

The Minutes of thirtieth Governing Body meeting held on 27.10.2022 was sent to the members on 12.12.2022. Since no comments / suggestions were received from the members of the Governing Body, it was resolved to confirm and approve the Minutes of the previous meeting.

# ITEM 2: ACTION TAKEN ON THE SUGGESTIONS PROPOSED BY THE MEMBERS

The Principal informed the Members that the details of various suggestions made by the Members and the Action Taken Report on each of the suggestion were implemented and the details are presented in this meeting for the kind perusal of the Members.

The Members noted the Action Taken Report and resolved to approve the same.

#### ITEM 3: ACADEMIC PROCEEDINGS

## (i) Department Recognition, Continuance of Provisional Affiliation and Permanent Increase in Intake

The Members of the Governing Body noted the details and resolved to approve the same.

#### (ii) Admission to UG & PG Programmes for the academic year 2022-2023

The details of students admission made during the academic year 2022-2023 were presented. The percentage of admission for Aided UG and PG were 76.89% and 80.8% respectively. Under unaided stream the percentage of admission for UG and PG were 69.7% and 40% respectively. The Governing Body Members resolved to approve the same.

#### (iii) Meeting of the Board of Studies and Academic Council

The Members of the Governing Body perused the various resolutions passed by the Board of Studies and Academic Council and resolved to approve the same.

#### (iv) Examination Results

End of Semester Examination results under autonomy for even semester was published on 29.07.2022. The Overall pass percentage for UG and PG programme are 93.71% and 93.93% respectively. End of Semester Examinations for Odd Semester was conducted between 29.11.2022 and 22.12.2022. The results were published on 30.12.2022. The Overall pass percentage for UG and PG programme are 85.78% and 88.66% respectively. The Members of the Governing Body noted the details and resolved to approve the same. The Members conveyed their appreciation to the Departments which had secured 100% results.

#### (v) Students Induction Programme -2022

The Members perused the details appended therewith and resolved to approve the same.

#### (vi) Academic Audit Committee Recommendations

Er.Thiru.R.Somasundaram, Chairperson of the Meeting appreciated the recommendations of the Academic audit committee which were presented in the Governing Body meeting. He noted that the Academic Audit is a constructive method which depicts the progression made by various departments in both academic and extra-curricular areas. The members also resolved to approve the same.

#### (vii) Recommendations of Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

The Members perused the recommendations of the IQAC and placed their appreciation to the Coordinator for organizing all the events successfully. They also resolved to approve the minutes of the IQAC which are appended therewith.

#### (viii) ICT Academy

The Members of the Governing Body appreciated the activities under ICT Academy and resolved to approve the same. Dr C.A.Vasuki,, Secretary & Director recommended that more number of faculty members should participate in the Faculty Development programme offered by the ICT Academy.

#### (ix) Naan Mudhalvan Scheme

The Governing Body Members noted the details and approved the same.

#### (x) Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

The Governing Body Members noted the MoUs entered by the College and resolved to approve the same.

#### (xi) Professional Courses

The Governing Body Members congratulated the students who have successfully passed the various levels of Cost and Management Accountant (CMA) exams in the year 2022-2023.

# (xii) Recommendations from Curriculum Development Cell (SOGIESC, SWAYAM MOOCS etc...)

The Governing Body Members noted the details and resolved to approve the same.

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#### (i) India Rankings 2023 (NIRF)

The Principal was immensely pleased to inform the Governing Body Members that the college has secured 29<sup>th</sup> rank in INDIA RANKINGS 2023 under 'College' category and previously it was 31<sup>st</sup> rank in INDIA RANKINGS 2022. The Members appreciated the achievements made and wished to secure higher rankings in the forthcoming Academic years.

#### (ii) Atal Ranking of Institutions on Innovation Achievements (ARIIA) - 2023

The Principal informed the Members that the college has been registered under the category Colleges / Institutes (Govt. & Govt. Aided) to participate in the Atal Ranking of Institutions on Innovation Achievement (ARIIA) - 2023 which is an initiative of Ministry of Education (MoE), Govt. of India to systematically rank all major higher educational Institutions and Universities in India on indicators related to "Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development" amongst students and faculties. Our College has positioned in the band 151 - 300 under innovation category in India Ranking 2023. The Members of the Governing Body noted the details.

#### (iii) KASC-Institution Innovation Council (IIC)

The Principal informed the Members that the college, Institution Innovation Council (IIC) is working actively and received 3 stars in IIC 4.0 in the academic year 2022-2023. The Members of the Governing Body noted the details.

#### (iv) Achievements

The Chairperson and the other Members appreciated the various achievements of the Students and Staff members as tabled and appended therewith.

#### (v) Department Rankings

The Chairperson and the other Members of the Governing Body conveyed their wishes and appreciation to the Best Ranked Departments.

#### (vi) International Student and Faculty Exchange Programmes

The Members of the Governing Body noted the details and resolved to approve the same.

#### (vii) India Hackathon

The Principal informed that final year B.Sc students of Department of Computer Science (Unaided) got the First Position & a cash prize of Rs. 1,00,000 each under the mentorship of Dr.R.Saravana Moorthy, Associate Professor, Head, Department of

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Computer Science (SF), KASC in "Grand Finale – 2022" of Smart India Hackathon (Software Edition) conducted at the nodal center IIT Kanpur (U.P.) on 25.08.2022 & 26.08.2022. Ours is the only Arts and Science College among all other technical and engineering institutions to win the finale. It is an unique honor to our institution. The Members resolved to record their appreciation for the same.

#### ITEM 5: INTRODUCTION OF NEW CENTRE

#### (i) Centre for SOGIESC Studies

The Governing Body Members noted the details and approved the same.

#### (ii) Centre for Tribal Studies and Welfare

The Governing Body Members noted the details and approved the same.

#### ITEM 6: RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

#### (i) Grants received from UGC and Other Funding Agencies

The details of Grants received from UGC and various other funding agencies were perused by the Members of the Governing Body and it was resolved to approve the same.

#### (ii) Research Projects Completed

A Minor Project with an amount of Rs 20,000/- and 3 Student Projects under TNSCST scheme to an amount of Rs.22,500/- were completed. The Members of the Governing Body resolved to approve the same.

#### (iii) Research Projects Ongoing

Currently, there are 5 Major Projects to an amount of Rs.27,53,000/- and 2 Minor Projects with an amount of Rs. 2,40,000 /-. The Members noted the details of ongoing Minor/Major Research Projects and resolved to approve the same.

#### (iv) Research Projects Applied

A total of 43 Major / Minor Research projects have been applied to various funding agencies to a total outlay of Rs. 4,84,45,871 /-. The Members of the Governing Body resolved to approve the same.

#### (v) Patents Published and Granted

The Principal informed the Members that 12 Patents had been published and 09 patents had been granted for the academic year 2022-2023 as per the details appended and the Members after perusal resolved to approve the same.

#### (vi) Publication Details

The Members of the Governing Body were informed that, the total number of publications in Scopus indexed is 106, Web of Science is 72, UGC CARE listed is 44 and 38 in Google scholar indexed journals. The members noted the details of publications and resolved to approve the same.

### (vii) Research Scholars Meeting and Research Committee Meeting

The Principal informed the members about the Research Scholars meetings and the Research Committee Meeting conducted by the Research and Development Cell. The Members of the Governing Body noted the information and resolved to approve the same

#### (viii) Research Collaboration

The Members of the Governing Body noted the details of Research Collaborations made by various Departments of our college during the period of report (2022 - 2023) and resolved to approve the same.

#### (ix) Research activities during the Academic Year 2022-2023

The Principal informed the members that, total number of Scopus Citations is 4500 and the Institutional Scopus h-index is 58. Number of Ph.D produced is 17 and M. Phil produced is 16. The Governing Body Members resolved to approve the same

#### (x) Dr. M. Aruchami Research Foundation

The Governing Body Members noted the details of the activities and recorded the same.

#### ITEM 7: INNOVATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

#### (i) KASC I Hub

The Members perused the details appended therewith and resolved to approve the same.

#### (ii) KASC - TEC HUB

The Members perused the details appended therewith and resolved to approve the same.

#### (iii) EDII Activities

The Members perused the details appended therewith and resolved to approve the same.

#### (iv) KASC IIC Activities

The Members perused the details appended therewith and resolved to approve the same.

#### (v) YUVA Yi Activities

The Members perused the details appended therewith and resolved to approve the same.

#### (vi) Company established

The Governing Body Members noted the details and approved the same and appreciated Dr. B. Vishnupriya, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology for product development (self lifter for elders).

# ITEM 8: ACTIVITIES OF INDIAN SCIENCE CONGRESS ASSOCIATION (ISCA), COIMBATORE CHAPTER

The Members appreciated the Departments for organizing various activities in collaboration with the Indian Science Congress Association (ISCA), Coimbatore Chapter.

#### ITEM 9: STUDENT SUPPORT SYSTEMS

#### (i) Students' Association Election

The Members perused the details appended therewith and resolved to approve the same.

#### (ii) National Digital Library (NDLI)

The Members perused the details appended therewith and resolved to approve the same. Dr. C.A.Vasuki, Secretary & Director informed that our college has the maximum number of registered users in NDLI and appreciated the effort.

#### (iii) Civil Service Club

The Governing Body Members noted the details and suggested to organize awareness programmes on various Government job opportunities to the students.

#### (iv) Co-Curricular Activities

The details of various co-curricular activities organized by the NCC, NSS, Sports, YRC, RRC, Eco club and Women Empowerment Cell were noted by the Members and they conveyed their appreciation. They further resolved to approve the same.

#### (v) Extra Curricular Activities

The Members of the Governing Body noted the Extra-curricular activities organized by the Consumer Club, Yoga and Meditation Centre, Reading and drama club

and Swami Vivekananda Study Circle and conveyed their appreciation to the Faculty Members who organized the events.

#### (vi) SWC Activities

The Members resolved to record their appreciation for the same.

#### (vii) Fee Waiver

The Members perused the details appended therewith and resolved to approve the same.

#### (viii) Scholarships & Medals

The Members placed on record their appreciation to the College for getting the Adidravidar welfare Ph.D scholarship with a sum of Rs 1,20,000/- for two students. National Fellowship for Scheduled Caste and Savitribai Jyotirao Phule fellowship for Single Girl Child sanctioned by University Grants Commission, Ministry of Education, Government of India for the sum of Rs.3,76,800/- and Rs.10,94,400/- respectively for 4 students during the academic year 2022 – 2023.

They also appreciated the College Management, Philanthropists and well-wishers of the College for generously contributing a sum of Rs.1,77,000/- to 127 students to encourage economically backward and academically proficient students.

The Members unanimously approved the same.

#### (ix) Pudhumai Penn Scheme

The Governing Body Members noted the details and recorded the same.

#### (x) Placement Cell Activities

The Principal informed the Members that 1070 students have been placed with a good salary package ranging from Rs. 1.20 lakhs to Rs. 9.00 lakhs per annum. The Members after perusing the details resolved to appreciate and record the activities of the Placement Cell.

#### ITEM 10: STAFF SUPPORT SYSTEMS

#### (i) Resignation and Recruitment of the Teaching Staff & Present Staff Position

The Governing Body Members noted the information and resolved to approve the same.

#### (ii) Faculty Development Programme

The Governing Body Members resolved to approve the details furnished.

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#### (iii) Cash Incentive Scheme

The Members noted the details of Cash incentives extended by the Management for a total of Rs.3,37,332/- distributed to the Members of staff during the College Day celebration for the academic year 2022-2023 and recorded their appreciation to the Management for their generous contribution which serves as a motivation to the members of staff to excel in Teaching and Research.

#### (iv) Feed Back Analysis on Teaching Learning

The Members after perusing the details of the Feedback on the faculty members (both Aided and Unaided stream) obtained from the students for the academic year 2022-2023 noted and approved the same.

#### ITEM 11: INFRASTRUCTURE CREATED

#### (i) Management Funds

The Principal informed the Members about the total budgets of Rs. 11,21,300/-allocated under different head of accounts for all the self-financing departments for the academic year 2022-2023. The Governing Body Members noted the details and approved the same.

#### (ii) DST- FIST

The Principal informed the Members about the first Installment of Rs. 21.5 lakhs sanctioned by DST-FIST to procure X Ray Diffractometer (XRD) equipment. The Members after perusing the details resolved to appreciate and approve the same.

#### (iii) DBT- Star College Scheme

The Principal informed the Members that the DBT, New Delhi approved STAR College Scheme to our institution and sanctioned an amount of Rs. 82 lakhs and Rs. 40 lakhs of Non-Recurring fund has been released and utilized for purchasing the equipments. First Year release of Recurring grant of Rs. 14 Lakhs has been released with more focus on the Departments of Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics and Computer Science. The Members after perusing the details resolved to appreciate and approve the same.

# ITEM 12: ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL CYBER SAFETY AND SECURITY STANDARDS CENTRE

#### (i) National Cyber Safety and Security Standards (NCSSS) Summit '22

The Governing Body Members resolved to record the details.



# (ii) Release of reading material for Cyber Security and Information Security Course

The Governing Body Members resolved to record the details.

### (iii) Faculty Development Programme on Cyber Security

The Governing Body Members resolved to record the details.

# ITEM 13: OTHER ACTIVITIES AT COLLEGE AND DEPARTMENT LEVEL

# (i) All India Survey for Higher Education (AISHE)

The Governing Body Members noted the details and recorded to approve the same.

# (ii) International Level Conferences / Seminars / Symposium / Workshops Organized

After perusing the details of the International Conferences / Seminars/ Symposium / Workshops, the Members appreciated the faculty members for organizing the events.

# (iii) National / State Level Conferences / Seminars / Symposium / Workshops Organized

After perusing the details of the National Conferences / Seminars/ Symposium / Workshops, the Members appreciated the faculty members for organizing the events.

#### (iv) Department activities during the Academic Year 2022- 2023

The details of Departmental activities during the period of 2022-2023 were perused by the Governing Body Members and they resolved to record the same.

#### (v) Activities under DBT Star College Scheme

The details of activities under DBT Star College Scheme during the period of 2022-2023 were perused by the Governing Body Members and they appreciated the departments for organizing various activities and recorded the same.

#### (vi) College Day Celebrations

The Principal informed the Members that the College Day was celebrated on 28.03.2023. Prof. V. Kamakoti, Director, IIT Madras was the chief guest and he delivered a highly motivating College day address to the students. Medals, Certificates and Cash incentives were distributed to the students and faculty members. The Governing Body Members resolved to record the same.

#### (vii) Sports Day Celebrations

The Principal informed the Members that the Sports Day was celebrated in our College on 29.03.2023. Prof. K.Murugavel Registrar (i/c), Bharathiar University,



Coimbatore was the chief guest and delivered the Sports Day address. His bilingual motivating speech was well received by the students and faculty members. The annual sports report for the academic year 2022-2023 was presented by the director of Physical Education. Prizes for the winners of various sports events were distributed to the students and staff members. The Governing Body Members resolved to record the same.

#### (viii) Graduation Day Ceremony

The Principal informed the Members that the 15<sup>th</sup> Graduation Ceremony was held on 15.11.2022, Prof. S.P. Thyagarajan, Chancellor, Avinashilingam, Institute of Home Science and Higher Education for Women (Deemed University), Coimbatore was the Chief Guest. The Degree certificates were distributed to 1165 undergraduates. The Governing Body Members resolved to record the same.

### ITEM 14: EXTENSION AND OUTREACH, COMMUNITY SERVICES

#### (i) Vanavasi Seva Kendra

The Principal informed the Members that as a part of Community service, some of our Students and Faculty members handle free tuition classes for the tribal students to teach Basic Science, English and Mathematics. The management has also generously donated Rs. 1,00,000 to the Seva Kendra, Vadavalli. Our Management through the Centre for Tribal Studies and Welfare of our college donated 15 computers to 7 tribal villages. These computers were distributed in the presence of Tmt. Kayalvizhi Honourable Minister for Tribal Welfare Government of Tamil Nadu. Centre for Tribal Studies and Welfare of our college donated 2 computers to the Kota tribe - Thiruchigadi in Kotagiri on 20.01.2023 and a basic training session on computer was conducted for the tribal children. A total of 27 children were benefitted. The Governing Body Members noted the details and appreciated the same.

#### (ii) Unnat Bharath Abhiyan

The Governing Body Members noted the details and recorded the same.

#### (iii) Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

The Governing Body Members noted the details and recorded the same.

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#### (i) Alumni Meet

The Kongunadu Arts and Science College Alumni Association organized virtual alumni meet on 05.11.2022 collaborating all the Departments. Around 845 alumni members participated in the meet. The Governing Body Members noted the details and approved the same.

#### (ii) Contribution from Alumni

A sum of Rs 1,68,400/- has been raised from KASC Alumni Association and the Governing Body Members resolved to record the same.

#### ITEM 16: ANY OTHER

Dr.C.A.Vasuki, Secretary & Director informed the Governing Body Members that there is a plan to invite our Honourable President of India for the Golden Jubilee celebration and the communication is under process. She also informed that the celebration has been planned for three days.

Thiru. P. Haridasji, Member, mentioned that the vision of the college is highly focused with clarity and since the institution is in the eve of celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> year, he suggested that

- ✓ India being in the G20, KASC can plan projects related to G20.
- ✓ To frame various committees for Golden jubilee celebration involving preferably 50 distinguished alumni, retired faculty and well wishers since the college is celebrating 50<sup>th</sup> year of its establishment.
- ✓ Dr. Thavamani D. Palaniswami, Member suggested that Alumni of this college are quite active and have accomplished a lot all over the sphere, so the college may honour the Top Ten alumnus of various disciplines viz., Scientist, Academicians, Administrative officers etc., during the Golden Jubilee celebration.

Dr. K. Thenmozhi, Member proposed vote of thanks to the Members of the Governing Body for their esteemed presence in the meeting despite their busy schedule and also extended whole hearted gratitude for all the valuable suggestions provided by them.

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The meeting was adjourned by the Chairperson of the Governing Body.

MEMBER SECRETARY/PRINCIPAL

**CHAIRMAN** 

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