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**VINAYAGAR**

Medical College and Hospital  
An Autonomous Institution  
Kalitheerthalkuppam, Puducherry - 605 107

No.: SMVMCH/DO/AC/Autonomy/2025/1590

Date: 09.08.2025

**MINUTES OF THE 2<sup>nd</sup> MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL**

**Members Present**

Date: 9th August 2025

Time: 09:30 hrs – 12:15 hrs

Venue: College Council Hall, College Block, SMVMCH Puducherry

**Members Present:**

S. No	Name of Member	Designation/Representation
1	Dr. R. N. Kagne	Director / Chairman
2	Dr. K.V.P.Suriyakumari,	HOD, Anatomy /Member
3	Dr. Soundariya.K,	HOD, Physiology /Member
4	Dr. Jeyakumar.M,	HOD, Bio Chemistry /Member
5	Dr. Shanthi.M,	HOD, Pharmacology /Member
6	Dr. Erli Amel Ivan,	HOD, Pathology /Member
7	Dr. R. Gopal,	HOD, Microbiology
8	Dr. Premanandh.K,	HOD, Community Medicine /Member
9	Dr. Karthikeyan.K.,	HOD, DVL /Member
10	Dr. S. Girija,	HOD, General Medicine /Member
11	Dr. S. Yuvarajan,	HOD, TB & Respiratory Medicine /Member
12	Dr. S. Arun,	HOD, Psychiatry /Member
13	Dr. T. Bharath Kumar,	HOD, Paediatrics /Member
14	Dr. M. ANTO	HOD, General Surgery /Member
15	Dr. K. Latchoumibady,	HOD, Orthopaedics /Member
16	Dr. Nallamuthu.P,	HOD, Ophthalmology
17	Dr. Tambi Abraham Cherian,	HOD, Oto- Rhino- Laryncology /Member
18	Dr. Poomalar.G.K.,	HOD, Obstetrics & Gynaecology /Member
19	Dr. Suneeth.P.Lazarus,	HOD, Anaesthesiology /Member
20	Dr. Uma Mageswari.A,	HOD, Radio Diagnosis /Member
21	Dr. Balasubramanian.	HOD, Emergency Medicine /Member
22	Dr. Sanjay.P, S,	HOD, Dentistry /Member
23	Dr. Bupathy. A	Teachers' Representatives /Member

*Dr. K. V. P. Suriyakumari*

*Dr. Erli Amel Ivan*

*Dr. N. N. N. N. N.*

24	Dr. Vimal M	University Nominees /Member
25	Dr. Deepika. V	
26	Dr. Reena Mohan	
27	Dr. N. Nirmal Jyothi	
28	Prof. R. Sudha Rani	
29	Prof. Hannah Rachel Vasanthi	External Experts / Academicians /Member
30	Dr. Vincent Arputhom	
31	Dr. S. Tamilselvan	Controller of Examinations /Member
32	Dr. Karthik Raghupathy	Faculty Nominee / Member Secretary
33	Dr. Nishanthi. A	

*Annexure I – Attendance Sheet*

**Members Absent:**

S. No	Name of Member	Designation/Representation
1	Dr. Manoj V Murhekar	External Experts / Academicians /Member
2	HOD, Forensic Medicine	Member
3	Dr D Beulah David	External Experts / Academicians /Member


**Agenda Item 1: Welcome Address & Opening Remarks by the Chairman**

The Chairman, **Dr. R.N. Kagne**, Director of SMVMCH, welcomed all members to the second meeting of the Academic Council under autonomous status. He highlighted the progress made since the first meeting held on 21st July 2025 and reiterated the institution's commitment to academic excellence through autonomy in line with **NMC, UGC, and NEP 2020 guidelines**.

**Agenda Item 2: Ratification of Minutes and Resolutions of the First Academic Council Meeting**

The minutes and resolutions of the 1st Academic Council meeting (21.07.2025) were placed before the house.

**Resolution:** The Council unanimously **ratified** the minutes and all resolutions of the first meeting.

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**Agenda Item 3: Review and Ratification of MBBS Curriculum and Syllabi for All Batches up to 2024 and Revised Examination Pattern for 2024 Batch**

The MBBS curriculum and syllabi for all batches up to 2024, along with the revised examination pattern for the 2024 batch as framed and finalized by the Board of Studies in accordance with **NMC and Pondicherry University regulations**, were presented by the Deputy Dean (Academic – UG).

**Resolution:** The Council reviewed and unanimously **ratified** the curriculum and syllabi for batches up to 2024 and approved the revised examination pattern for the 2024 batch.

**Agenda Item 4: Approval and Ratification of Revised Curriculum and Syllabi for MBBS Course from Academic Year 2025 Onwards**

The revised MBBS curriculum and syllabi for the 2025 batch onwards, developed and finalized by the BoS in alignment with **CBME model of NMC, UGC guidelines, and NEP 2020 principles**, were presented by the Deputy Dean (Academic – UG) for consideration. Prof. Hannah Rachel Vasanthi, University Nominee has suggested inclusion of 'Ayurveda' also in the components of Phase-2 training. Dr. Sanjay, Dean (Research) appraised regarding the research component of credit based MBBS framework. Dr. Sudha Rani, University Nominee appreciated the research component for the undergraduate students.

**Resolution:** The Council unanimously **approved and ratified** the revised curriculum and syllabi to be implemented from the 2025–26 academic session.

**Agenda Item 5: Ratification of Curriculum and Syllabi of Nineteen (19) Existing PG Medical Courses**

The curriculum and syllabi of 19 existing PG Medical Courses, as framed, reviewed, and approved by respective Boards of Studies, were placed before the Council. Dr. Karthikeyan, Dean (Academic) also presented the proposed value added courses and insisted that credit based framework development is in progress. Also, it was mentioned that regular faculty development programs are being implemented.

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**Resolution:** The Council **ratified** the curriculum and syllabi for all 19 PG Medical Courses.

**Agenda Item 6: Approval of Examinations Manual**

The proposed **Examinations Manual** detailing policies, procedures, and guidelines for the conduct of examinations under autonomy was presented. Chairman informed that software for examination purpose is in the process of development and clarified regarding the provision of grace marks for students (Non-CBME batch). Chairman informed that question paper setting will be by external examiners as prescribed by the National Medical Commission. It was informed that theory examination will be conducted in a centralized manner. Also it was informed that the faculty of the subject in which student is appearing for the examination, will not be a part of the invigilation team.

Chairman told that we are in the process of incorporating ranking system and gold medals for students. External members suggested to increase the time period for retention of examination papers of students after referring the NMC and Pondicherry University documents. Also, they suggested storage of these documents in digital version (scanned exam papers). In blinding of exam papers, it was clarified that we will be using barcode system. Dr. Vincent Arputhom, External member clarified whether the punishments for unfair means is as per the Pondicherry University norms. Also, it was discussed that only students satisfying the eligibility criteria will be allowed for the final examination.

**Resolution:** The Council **approved** the Examinations Manual for immediate adoption.

**Agenda Item 7: Approval of Academic Calendar for the Academic Year 2025–26**

The draft **Academic Calendar 2025–26** covering all UG and PG programs, including session dates, exam schedules, and vacations, was presented. It was appraised the student doctor method of training is being followed for undergraduate medical students. Also, it was informed that department wise programs and CME are being incorporated in academic calendar and are being regularly implemented.

**Resolution:** The Council **approved** the Academic Calendar for implementation.

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**Agenda Item 8: Approval to Process New Courses under Autonomous Status for Academic Year 2026–27**

Proposals for initiating processes to introduce new courses from academic year 2026–27 under autonomy were discussed. It was suggested by Prof. Hannah Rachel Vasanthi that B.Sc (Honors) courses titles should be aligned to 'medical' heading for all courses of B.Sc (Honors) should have Anatomy dissection as a part of their training. Ph.D program should be for Pharmacology instead of Pathology.

**Resolution:** The Council **approved** the initiation of procedural steps for introducing new courses, subject to statutory and regulatory clearances.

**Agenda Item 9: Any Other Matter with Permission of the Chair**

It was informed that students are registrated in the academic bank of credits. It was informed that constitution of Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBSC) is required. Also, it was informed that IEC, IAEC and IBSC should be registered in the BioRRAP portal for ICMR <sup>and govt.</sup> funding requirement.

**Resolution:** The Council agreed in principle and directed the Director's Office to prepare detailed proposals for the next meeting.

**Agenda Item 10: Concluding Remarks & Vote of Thanks**

The Chairman expressed gratitude to all members for their active participation and constructive contributions. The **Member Secretary** proposed the vote of thanks, acknowledging the efforts of all participants in shaping the academic roadmap of the autonomous institution.

**The meeting concluded at : 12.15 hrs followed by Lunch.**

**Enclosures / Annexures:**

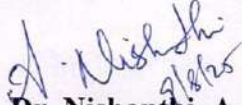
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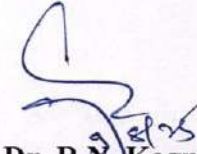
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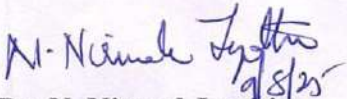
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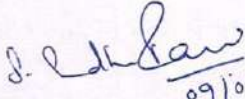
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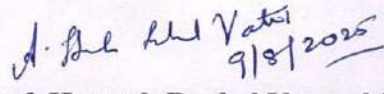
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- Annexure V – Examination Manual (Final)
- Annexure VI – Academic Calendar 2025–26

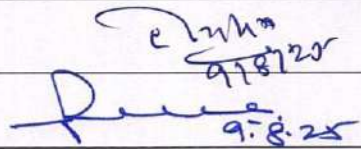
  
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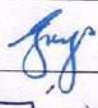
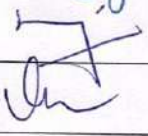
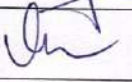
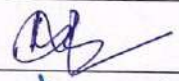
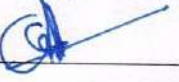
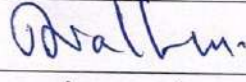
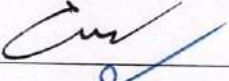
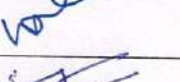

  
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