Matoshri College of Engineering and Research Centre, Nashik

Autonomous since AY 2024-25 Academic Council

Minutes of Meeting (3rd)

The third meeting of the Academic Council (AC) under autonomous status of Matoshri College of Engineering and Research Centre, Nashik, was scheduled on Thursday, 16th October 2025 at 2.00 am in ONLINE mode.

Reference: Meeting notice ref: MCER/25-26/400 dated 7th October 2025.

Following members were present for the meeting-

Dr. Gajanan K. Kharate Dr. Sandeep Chaudhary

Prof. Jayant J. Chopade Dr. Devidas D. Dighe

Dr. Ranjit Gawande

Mrs. Apeksha Gawande

Dr. Sangita Pawar

Dr. Sunil Bhirud

Dr. Varsha H. Patil

Prof. Dr. Jayant Bhangale

Dr. Swati A. Bhavsar Dr. Dyaneshwar D. Ahire

Ms. Savita A. Deshmukh

Dr. Mirza Tariq Beg

Dr. Suresh Shirbadurkar

Dr. Amol Saner

Dr. Shridhar S. Khule

Dr. Rupali S. Khule

Dr. Ganesh D. Katale

Following members were absent with prior intimation and with permission of chair-Dr. Sudeep Thepade, Dr. Madhuri Khambete, Dr. Kailash Kapdnis and Mr. Niranjan Bhale

The meeting commenced with a welcome address by the Chairman, Dr. G. K. Kharate, who expressed appreciation for the presence of all members. He further informed that the institute has successfully enrolled 300 students across five Engineering branches -Computer, Civil, Electrical, Mechanical, and Electronics & Computer—with an intake of 60 students per branch under the B.Tech. Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Programme (AEDP).

He further conveyed that, in this context, today's Third Special Meeting of the Academic Council was convened at short notice to deliberate on matters pertaining to the implementation and approval processes of the programme.

Agenda Items and Resolutions

Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of the second Meeting Discussion:

The minutes of the second Academic Council meeting held on Saturday, 26th April 2025 were read and reviewed.

Resolution: The minutes were confirmed unanimously without any modifications.

Item 2: Intimation regarding the introduction of the B.Tech. Apprenticeship Discussion:

Dr. Varsha H. Patil, Dean Academics, informed the members about the introduction of the B.Tech. Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Programme (AEDP) from Academic Year 2025–26, implemented in line with the UGC guidelines and the principles of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

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She elaborated that the AEDP aims to enhance students' industry exposure, employability, and skill-based learning through structured apprenticeship components integrated within the curriculum. To facilitate effective implementation, the institute has been actively engaging with various industries to create awareness and establish formal collaborations through Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) for apprenticeship opportunities.

Dr. Patil further shared the proposed plan for sustained industry engagement in the coming years, which includes regular industry–institute meets, industrial visits, grooming and pre-apprenticeship training for students, and collaborative curriculum design with industry partners to ensure relevance and applicability.

The Academic Council noted the information with appreciation and placed on record its commendation for the institute's proactive initiative in introducing the B.Tech. Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Programme (AEDP). All members congratulated the institute on the introduction of the B.Tech. Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Programme (AEDP) and appreciated the proactive initiative taken towards strengthening industry—academia collaboration.

Item 3: Approval of the curriculum structure for the B.Tech. Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Programme (AEDP) Discussion:

Dean Academics, presented the proposed curriculum structure for the B.Tech. Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Programme (AEDP), designed in accordance with the the NEP 2020 framework, comprising a total of 172 credits plus 18 additional credits for the *Honours* programme. She also presented the branch-specific First Year curriculum structures for all five disciplines.

She elaborated on the programme's credit distribution, semester-wise design, and the integration of two semesters (12 months) of apprenticeship component in semester VI and VII. The members reviewed the proposed curriculum framework in detail and offered valuable suggestions for its effective implementation.

Resolution:

The Academic Council unanimously approved the proposed curriculum structure and branch specific FY BTech (AEDP) curriculum structure for the B.Tech. Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Programme (AEDP) to be implemented from the Academic Year 2025–26.

Item 4: Approval of the curriculum for First Year B.Tech. (Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Programme).

Discussion:

First Year curriculum for all five B.Tech. branches under the Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Programme (AEDP) were presented highlighting the semester-wise courses, credit and marks distribution along with assessment modes.

Resolution:

The Academic Council unanimously approved the First Year curriculum of the B.Tech. (Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Programme) for all five branches- Computer, Civil, Electrical, Mechanical, and Electronics & Communication Engineering to be implemented from Academic Year 2025–26.

Item 5: Approval of the Academic Calendar for First Year B.Tech. (Regular), B.Tech. (AEDP), FY of M.Tech and MCA programmes.

Discussion:

Dean Academics, presented the proposed academic calendars (semester I & II) for the First Year B.Tech. (Regular), B.Tech. (AEDP), and First Year M.Tech. and MCA programmes. She highlighted the semester start and end dates, schedule of teaching-learning sessions, internal and external assessments, and the commencement date of the forthcoming semester.

Resolution:

Academic Council unanimously approved the academic calendars for the First Year B.Tech. (Regular), B.Tech. (AEDP), and First Year of M.Tech. and MCA programmes for Academic Year 2025–26

Item 6: Additional- Regarding Malpractices during Examinations. Discussion:

To control malpractices and cases of copying during in-semester and end-semester examinations, Dr. Dighe, Controller of Examinations, proposed that students found guilty of malpractice by the 'Unfair Means Committee' should not be permitted to appear for any additional, makeup, or re-examinations. Director Dr. Kharate supported the proposal, emphasizing that only strict disciplinary action can effectively deter such misconduct in the future.

Dr. Mirza Beg, however, suggested reconsidering the severity of the punishment, noting that it may adversely affect the students' academic records.

After discussion, it was proposed to implement this action for one academic year on a trial basis and to review its impact before making a final decision.

Resolution:

The academic council resolved to implement the proposed action of restricting students found guilty of malpractices from appearing in additional, makeup, or re-examinations for the Academic Year 2025–26, on a trial basis. The effectiveness of this measure shall be reviewed after one year, and the decision will be reconsidered based on the outcomes observed.

Dr. Gajanan K. Kharate

Chairman

Matoshri College Of Engineering & Research Center, Eklahare, Nashik-422105. Place: Nashik

Date: 28th October 2025

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Action Taken Report_

Agenda Item No	Action Taken
Item 100	Dr. Dighe, Controller of Examinations, has prepared the circular regarding the approved action and circulated it to all concerned stakeholders for information and necessary
	compliance.

Dr. Gajanan K. Kharate

Chairman Director

Matoshri College Of Engineering & Research Center, Eklahare, Nashik-422105. Place: Nashik

Date: 3rd November 2025





