

SONA COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY (AUTONOMOUS)
SALEM – 636 005

**MINUTES OF THE 15TH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF STUDIES IN DEPARTMENT
OF FASHION TECHNOLOGY HELD ON 15TH DECEMBER 2020, AT 10.30.A.M**

Date : 14th June 2021
Venue : LRC, Department of Fashion Technology
Time : 10.00 am

Agenda

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MEMBERS PRESENT

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		5. Mr. K. Mani	Assistant Professor
		6. Mr. A. Jebastin Rajwin	Assistant Professor
		7. Mrs. T. Vidya	Assistant Professor
		8. Mrs. S. M. Udayakiruthika	Assistant Professor
		9. Mr. C. Rajesh Kumar	Assistant Professor
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3.	Two experts in the discipline from outside the college	1. Dr. P.Kandhavadiyu HOD and Professor, Dept. of Fashion Technology, PSG College of Technology, Coimbatore	HOD and Professor
		2. Dr. T. Palani Rajan Assistant Professor (Sr) VIT Fashion Institute of Technology VIT Chennai, Chennai - 600127	Assistant Professor (Sr)
4.	Anna University Nominee	Dr. N. M. Imayathamizhan Associate Professor Department of Textile Technology, ACT campus, Anna University, Chennai	Associate Professor
5.	At least one representative from industry/corporate sector/allied area relating to placement	1. Mr. P. M. Devadas Director, EFFICIENCIE Consultant in industrial engineering, operational excellence lean manufacturing 382, Devidharshan, 6 th main, 7 th cross, Duo heights layout, Begur, Bangalore - 560068	Director
		2. Mr. Somasundaram, Principal Business Development, Texvalley Market Limited # 7/1, 2nd Floor, 6th Cross, Venkateshwara Layout, SG Palaya Dharmavaram College Post, Bangalore - 560029	IL&FS south head
6.	One postgraduate meritorious alumnus to be nominated by the Principal	1. Mr. Naresh Officer merchandising Jockey India Page industries 3 rd floor, umaiya business bay, tower -1 Cessna business park, kaverappa layout, Kadubeesanahalli, Bangalore - 560103	Officer merchandising
		2. Mr. Pradeep varman Deputy manager - Marketing Shahi exports Pvt Ltd. Unit 12, Bannerghatta 35,37/1B,43/2 &43/3 Arekere Bannerghatta Road, Beguru Hobli, Bangalore 560076	Deputy manager - Marketing

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The BoS members recommended the following points during the discussion which are detailed below:

DISCUSSION ON SYLLABI OF THE COURSES IN THE SEMESTER 7

The syllabus of 7th semester courses was reviewed by the BoS members and it is as follows:

PROFESSIONAL ETHICS AND HUMAN VALUES

- Dr. C.V Koushik conveys that this course can be handled by the department faculty so that it is possible to give FT related examples and issues. Members approved the syllabus.

RETAIL MANAGEMENT

- Dr. Kandhavadiyu suggested adding Retail Analytics and inventory turnover.
- Mr. C. Rajesh Kumar said these topics can be added to the 3rd and 5th unit.
Dr. Kandhavadiyu conveyed that course on Visual Merchandising is existing in this curriculum and appreciated that left out topics are accommodated here.
- Mr. Devadas asked do they have any finance side of the product and pricing.
Mr.C.Rajesh Kumar said these topics are there in the 3rd unit of this syllabus and Mr. Devadas acknowledged the same.

FASHION PORTFOLIO AND PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT LABORATORY:

- Ms. Vidya Vivek suggested to add selection of line (market) segment, budget analysis, trend and forecasting segment analysis for a specific line. Dr.Palanirajan suggested to include a target group and analysis of customer. He also suggested to give freedom on number of experiments and to mention minimum garment to be constructed.
- Ms. Vidya vivek also accepted his point.

ACCESSORY DESIGN AND EMBELLISHMENT LABORATORY

- Ms. Vidya vivek enquired whether this course covers garment or fashion accessories and would be taught based on industrial approach and mass production. Dr.Vidya clarified that this course deals with both garment and fashion accessories and would be taught

based on the industry practice. The topics on fashion accessories and embroidery would be useful to the students willing to start their own Boutique.

- Dr. Kandhavadiyu agreed Dr. Vidya's justification and added that this will be the course which students will be showing great interest. Also she advised to include an experiment on machine embroidery and its design creation process.
- Ms. Vidya vivek suggested to include the attaching procedure of button, buttonholes, eyelets using industry grade machinery and hand press machinery.
- Dr. Palanirajan stated that offering this course in the 7th semester is very basic and need to refine the syllabus.

The syllabus content is refined.

DRAPING TECHNIQUE LABORATORY:

- Dr. Palanirajan advised that the pattern has to be prepared from draping techniques. Dr. Priyalatha confirmed that each and every exercise will be ended as a pattern.
- Ms. Vidya vivek suggested adding pattern matching and hooking.
- Mr. Somusundram suggested that anthropometric concept should be taught for effective draping and to include an experiment on draping with intimate apparel.
- Ms. Vidya vivek replied that intimate apparel can be taken as the last part of fashion learning. Also madam recommended to do research on suitable fabrics for draping by collecting swatches.
- Dr. Kandhavadiyu suggested to add topics on cowl, cascade, twisting and peplums effect under advance draping experiment. Also madam asked to include bustier and bias skirt dress and braziers.

INTERNSHIP

- Dr. Raja explained about the pattern of the internship to the board members and Dr. Palanirajan suggested to include evaluation done by the industry mentor as a component of internal marks.
- It is also decided to offer internship in the seventh semester as a mini project to the 2018-2022 batch students. This is approved as one time measure due to corona lockdown.

INNOVATION PRACTICES (MINI PROJECT)

- Dr. Kandhavadiyu enquired about the type of projects carried out by the students in the innovation practices. Dr. Priyalatha explained about the type of projects carried out by students in their third semester.
- Dr. Raja explained that the procedure of reviewing the progress of the mini project three times in the semester at periodic interval before final viva by an appointed committee of internal faculty. The final viva voce will be conducted by the appointed committee of an external and an internal faculty.
- Dr. Palanirajan suggested that innovation is a generic word and to be addressed with its clear needs. Dr. Akilandeshwari, Academic Dean suggested to rephrase the title as "Mini Project" and to ensure that all the practical courses should contain only 3 course outcomes.
- It is also recommended to rename innovation practices offered in the 4th semester as Mini Project - I.
- Mr. Devadas suggested to consider mini project works on reducing non-productive work, inter-departmental collaborative works, real time problem solving, sourcing of raw material and sample development.

DISCUSSION ON PROFESSIONAL ELECTIVES

FASHION PHOTOGRAPHY

- Ms. Vidya vivek asked to include topics on fashion element such as background, choosing the model, location planning, properties used, colour theory themes concept behind the photography. Also she asked to include study of fashion looks and more input on fashion related components in the syllabus content.
- Mr. Devadas recommended to include this as a lab component.

LEAN MANUFACTURE IN APPAREL INDUSTRY

- Mr. Devadas enquired about offering practical course on lean application, because of lack of industry setup inside the institute. Dr. Raja clarifies that students undergoes 2 weeks in-plant training every semester and they get opportunity to learn about lean. Also this can be implemented through internship.

- Mr. Pradeep varman suggested adding Concept of 7s. (Safety and Sprit).

GLOBAL TRADE AND EXPORT DOCUMENTATION

- Mr.Somasundaram suggested swapping unit 3 and unit 4.
- Dr.Palanirajan asked to add more content on unit 5 documentation. For that Mr. Somasundaram justified that all the content on documentation had been added already in unit 5.
- Mr.Somasundaram suggested to include reference books on Trade Policy, Government of India.

LUXURY BRAND MANAGEMENT

- No comments.

LEATHER TECHNOLOGY

- Dr. Kandhavadiyu asked to include topics on structure of leather, Structure of skin, process of collecting skin, pre-tanning process, and tanning process, de-tanning (Unit 1), different type of leather (Unit 2); different types of machines, tools, and equipment involved, special leather sewing machines, needles (Unit 3), method of pattern making, cutting, sewing, and fasteners for leather (Unit 4).
- Dr.Palanirajan suggested to include majorly on leather garments and minimum on leather accessories.

FASHION STYLING

- Ms. Vidya vivek suggested adding studies on body challenges in Unit 1, celebrity styling, types of shows, and collaboration with other brands. Also to include choice of model for video or photography in commercial style, theater styling and brand photography.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF APPAREL UNITS

- Ms. Vidya vivek suggested to include topics on women entrepreneur, SWOT analysis and financial assistant report.

SOCIAL COMPLIANCE FOR APPAREL INDUSTRY

- No comments.

DIGITAL FASHION MARKETING

- No comments.

INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AND HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

- Dr.Palanirajan suggested to add case studies related to apparel.

DISCUSSION ON SYLLABI OF THE COURSES IN THE SEMESTER 8

PROJECT WORK

- Dr. Raja explained about the pattern of the project work which is offered with minimum three internal reviews and a model review to monitor the progress of project work by appointed committee of internal faculty. The final end semester viva-voce examination will be conducted by an internal and an external examiner. It is also informed about the decision made by the management to the members that each project work should be ended by successfully publishing in international conference or journals.
- Dr. Raja enquired about the practice followed in VIT and PSG College. Dr.Palanirajan informed in the meeting that in VIT includes evaluation of industry experts in their final evaluation. Dr. Kandhavadiyu explained that in PSG College, project work happens in two phases as Phase 1 and phase 2.

DISCUSSION ON SYLLABI OF THE COURSES IN THE EARLIER SEMESTERS

PRINCIPLES OF MANAGEMENT

- Dr. S. Priyalatha explained to the members that POM was moved to professional elective list in the last 14th BOS meeting and now it is planned to offer as NPTEL course.
- Dr. Kandhavadiyu conveyed that POM generally comes under basic science category and asked to offer under open elective, if it possible. It is explained to the members that due to lack of textile fashion related courses in the NPTEL list, it is planned to offer POM in the coming 5th semester to 2019 batch.

- Dr. Akiladeshwari informed members that according to the Regulation 2019, transfer of credit is only possible with profession elective courses and not for open elective.
- Dr. Priyalatha informed that only POM is planned for credit transfer now.
- Mr. Devadas asked about the similarity of POM syllabus content with the NPTEL offered.
- Dr. Kandhavadiyu conveyed the process of credit transfer as follows: first need to put in the approval of committee, once it is approved later they may go for approval transfer. It is informed that the mapping of NPTEL course with FT, SCT syllabus will be submitted for credit transfer approval.

FASHION BRAND MANAGEMENT

- Dr. Priyalatha explained to the board members that Professional Elective on Fashion Brand Management is introduced since the Draping Technique is moved from elective to practical list.
- No comment.

DISCUSSION ON NPTEL, ONE CREDIT AND VIRTUAL INPLANT TRAINING COURSES OFFERED TO STUDENTS IN THE LAST SEMESTER.

NPTEL COURSE

Mr. Gopinath informed members that course on Six Sigma and Entrepreneurship Skills offered by NPTEL was taken by current 6th semester students of 2018 batch. Students attended all lectures and attended all assignments and found it useful and interesting. The online exam for this course was postponed by NPTEL due to this pandemic.

ONE CREDIT COURSE

- Ms. Kanimozhi informed members about the One Credit Course was offered to current 2nd and 3rd year students on Procedure to Setup a Boutique. Resource person was Nithya kumari, designer and founder of NITURI Studio, Chennai and Salem. 110 students attended this course and got benefitted.

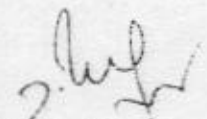
VIRTUAL INPLANT TRAINING COURSE

- Two day Virtual In-plant training session was arranged to current 2nd year students to fill the gap in offering in-plant training to the students in this pandemic situation. Industrial experts were identified to explain the students about the actual industrial Practices on the topics on weaving, knitting, chemical processing, overview of apparel industry, production and quality practices in apparel industry. All the 84 students attended this training and submitted the reports on all the six sessions. At the end they attended viva voce.
- Dr. Akilandeswari conveyed that all theory courses should have 5 COs and practical course should have 3 COs with at least 3 COs at HOTs level

Dr. A. Jebatin rajwin proposed the vote of thanks to all the BoS members.

The meeting came to an end by 2.30 P.M.

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CHAIRMAN - BOS/FT

12. Details of Governing Council, Academic Council, Board of Studies, Finance committee Examiners meetings held - during the last 6 years

a) Minutes to be enclosed in CD

Given in the attachment

b) Action taken and important changes made to be highlighted

BOS meeting -7

- Curriculum of Regulations 2015 (CBCS) was formulated as Choice based credit system (CBCS).
- Soft skills and Aptitude was offered to students in consecutive 4 semesters to improve their soft skill and for placement.
- one credit course is 15 hours course offered to the students apart from the regular syllabus content to update the students with latest developments in the industry. It is the course to be handled by the industry experts as visiting faculty for 15 hours and can be evaluated by conducting a test.
- OE courses were offered to other department students.

BOS meeting -8

- Syllabi of semesters 5 and 6 of Regulations 2015 and Curriculum and syllabi of semesters 2,3 and 4 of Regulations 2015R were discussed in this BOS meeting
- Lab integrated theory courses were introduced in curriculum to strengthen practical skill

BOS meeting -9

- Syllabi of semesters 7 and 8 of Regulations 2015 and Curriculum and syllabi of semesters 5,6,7 and 8 of Regulations 2015R were discussed in this BOS meeting.
- New lab course Fashion Portfolio Development was introduced in this meeting.
- Internship for a period of 6 weeks carrying a credit of 0 0 0 3 (L T P C) was introduced in semester 6

BOS meeting -10

- Curriculum for 1st and 2nd semesters of Regulations 2019 was formulated. Curriculum was framed to address the needs of the industry and four major areas such as industrial engineer, apparel designing and merchandising and marketing / retailing. The curriculum and syllabus designed in such a manner to educate and train the students in the above areas to excel in the industry.
- Textile science: fibres and yarns and fibre and yarn analytical laboratory was introduced in first semester

BOS meeting -11

- Curriculum of 1st to 8th semesters and syllabi of 1st and 2nd semesters of Regulations 2019 was discussed in the meeting

BOS meeting -12

- Syllabi of semesters 3of Regulation 2019 was finalised
- Introduced lab course "Computer Basics for Fashion Technology Laboratory" with 0 0 2 1 as LTPC in semester I.

- Mandatory course were approved following the AICTE guidelines.

BOS meeting -13

- Syllabi of semester IV and semester V of Regulation 2019 were finalised
- Garment production machinery and equipment course was modified as lab integrated theory
- Innovation practices course (mini project) was introduced in semester 4,5,6,7 with 1 credit
- a new elective titled Digitalization in Fashion Industry was introduced

BOS meeting -14

- Syllabi – IV and V Semester of Regulation 2019 was approved
- Course on Industrial engineering in apparel industry was introduced and syllabus was finalised and approved.
- A new course 3D virtual fit analysis laboratory was introduced and syllabus was finalised and approved.
- New elective courses - Smart clothing and wearable technology. Design of leather wear and accessories were approved.

BOS meeting -15

- Discussion on Syllabi of 7th & 8th semester of Regulations 2019 was happened
- Conduct of in-plant training, internship and project during this pandemic was discussed.
- It is informed to the members in the meeting that Swayam NPTEL courses were offered to 3rd year students

c) Meeting dates (For last 6 years)

(June - 16 to June - 21)

1. BOS meeting -7	18.05.2016
2. BOS meeting -8	16.06.2017
3. BOS meeting -9	09.05.2018
4. BOS meeting -10	14.12.2018
5. BOS meeting -11	22.05.2019
6. BOS meeting -12	29.11.2019
7. BOS meeting -13	23.05.2020
8. BOS meeting -14	15.12.2020
9. BOS meeting -15	14.06.2021

13. Curriculum

a. Innovative aspects and experiments introduced by the college since obtaining autonomy

- one credit course is offered to the students from Regulations 2015
- Open elective courses offered by other department were taken by FT students
- Soft skills and Aptitude was offered to students
- Lab integrated theory courses were introduced in curriculum for giving more hands on training and practical skill
- Following new courses were introduced in Regulations 2019
Computer Basics for Fashion Technology Laboratory

- Engineering Graphics for Fashion Designing
- Mandatory Course : Constitution of India
- Mandatory Course : Environmental and Climate Science
- Digital Fashion Design Laboratory
- Textile Materials for Fashion Design
- Mini Project – I,II,III and IV
- 3D Virtual Fit analysis Laboratory
- Industrial Engineering in Garment Production Laboratory
- Draping Technique
- Digitalization in Fashion Industry
- Wearable Technology
- Design of Leather Wear and Accessories
- High Fashion Designing
- Digital Fashion Marketing

b. please give a note on curriculum development under autonomy

c. Highlight the changes/modifications made in Regulations

Regulations 2015 (CBCS)

- Total number of credits - 177
- Total electives offered - 4
- In-plant training - semester 4, 5, 6
- Internship - semester 8
- Soft Skills and Aptitude - semester 3, 4, 5, 6
- Open elective - 6 and 7
- 1 credit course offered

Regulations 2015R (CBCS)

- Total number of credits - 174
- Total electives offered - 4
- In-plant training - semester 4, 5, 6
- Internship - semester 8
- Soft Skills and Aptitude - semester 3, 4, 5, 6
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- 1 credit course offered

Regulations 2019

- Total number of credits - 163
- Total electives offered - 6
- In-plant training - semester 4, 5
- Internship - semester 7
- Soft Skills and Aptitude - semester 3, 4, 5, 6
- Open elective - 6 and 7
- 1 credit course offered
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20. Are you involved in any community development activity (such as adoption of schools, water harvesting, go green initiatives, etc) ?