



DEPARTMENT OF RUBBER & PLASTICS TECHNOLOGY  
MIT CAMPUS, ANNA UNIVERSITY  
CHROMEPET, CHENNAI – 600 044

MINUTES OF THE DEPARTMENT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ONLINE THROUGH GOOGLE MEET ON 22.04.2022 AT 2.30 PM

The Department consultative committee for the Department of Rubber and Plastics Technology met on-line on 22.04.2022 at 2.30 PM to consider the following:

Agenda: To consider reducing students in-take from 25 to 18 for M.Tech.  
Rubber Technology Programme

The Following DCC members attended the on-line meeting:

1. Dr. S. Subramanian, The Chairperson - Chairperson  
Faculty of Technology, Anna University,  
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2. Dr. N. Natchimuthu, Professor and Head - Convener / Head  
Department of Rubber and Plastics Technology  
MIT Campus, Anna University, Chennai - 600 044
3. Dr. J. Prakash, Professor - Member  
Department of Instrumentation Engineering  
MIT Campus
4. Dr. P.T.V. Bhuvaneshwari, Professor - Member  
Department of Electronics Engineering  
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5. Dr. B. Kothandaraman, Professor - Member  
Department of Rubber and Plastics Technology  
MIT Campus
6. Dr. L.S. Jayakumari, Associate Professor - Member  
Department of Rubber and Plastics Technology  
MIT Campus
7. Dr. K. Elangovan, Assistant Professor (Sl. Grade) - Member  
Department of Rubber and Plastics Technology  
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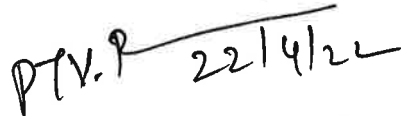
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Members of the DCC perused the minutes of the faculty meeting of the Department of Rubber and Plastics Technology held on 21.04.2022 at 3.00 PM and considered the request of the Department to reduce the students in-take for M.Tech Rubber Technology Programme from 25 to 18.


The DCC, after careful consideration of the opinions of faculty members of the Department, approves the minutes of the faculty meeting and recommends the reduction of students in-take from 25 to 18 for M.Tech Rubber Technology Programme from 2022-2023 academic year onwards.



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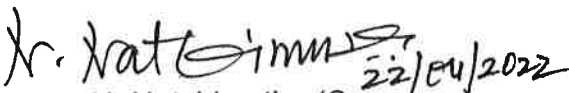
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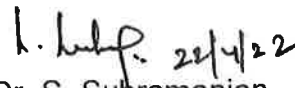
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Dr. S. Subramanian  
The Chairperson  
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Anna University, Chennai - 25

**Minutes of the Faculty meeting held on 21.04.2022 at 3.00 PM in the  
Department of Rubber and Plastics Technology**

**AGENDA: To consider reducing in-take strength from 25 to 18 for M.Tech. Rubber Technology Programme**

The Faculty meeting consisting of the following Faculty members was convened to consider reducing the in-take strength from 25 to 18 for the M.Tech. Degree programme in Rubber Technology in the Department of Rubber and Plastics Technology at MIT Campus:

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| 1. Dr.N.Natchimuthu,  | Professor & Head        |
| 2. Dr.B.Kothandaraman | Professor               |
| 3. Dr.V.Subrahmanian  | Professor               |
| 4. Dr.K.Ravichandran  | Professor               |
| 5. Dr.L.S.Jayakumari  | Associate Professor and |
| 6. Dr.K.Elangovan     | Assistant Professor     |


The M.Tech. Rubber Technology Programme, was introduced in 2010 with an initial intake of 18 (15 through TANCET and 3 Industry sponsored). Since the programme was launched, the department was consistently admitting more than 12 students except in 2010 when 7 students were admitted. From 2014 onwards, however, the in-take strength was increased to 25 for M.Tech. Rubber Technology programme. Since then, the department has not been attracting adequate number of students.


Faculty members of the Department unanimously felt that for a specialized Master's programme such as M.Tech. Rubber Technology, higher intake (25) may act as a deterrent for a prospective applicant due to the fear that it will be difficult to get jobs.

It is also felt that the drop in admission itself, after the increased in-take, could be due to the enhanced supply of the seats than the actual demand from the prospective students. Therefore, in order to balance the supply-demand gap, the faculty members have unanimously decided to restore the original intake strength of 18 for the M.Tech. Rubber Technology programme including 3 industry sponsored candidates.

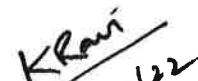
Further, the M.Tech programme was started with an infrastructure to train only 15 students along with the 30 B.Tech Rubber and Plastics Technology students in 2010. Since the B.Tech strength was also increased to 60 in 2014, with the available infrastructure, training 25 M.Tech students along with 60 B.Tech students has been found to be very difficult. Training and placement could therefore be done effectively for 15 M.Tech students in Rubber Technology.

In view of the above, the unanimous view of the faculty members is to reduce the intake for the M.Tech Rubber Technology programme from the present 25 and restore it to the original intake of 18. Faculty members of the Department have also unanimously decided to request the DCC and University administration to reduce the intake from 25 to 18.


  
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