



JEC/2025/AC/MOM/01

25-08-2025

ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING

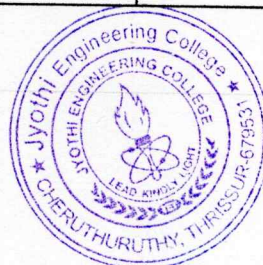
Date and time	25-08-2025, 10:00 am
Academic Year	2025-2026
Meeting Number	01
Mode	Hybrid
Venue	Board Room / Google Meet. (https://meet.google.com/czd-fczx-imi)

Agenda

AC/01/A1	Approval of BoS Members for Various Departments.
AC/01/A2	Approval of Regulations, Curriculum, and Syllabus for 2025 Admissions.
AC/01/A3	Discussion on Examination Policy.
AC/01/A4	Discussion on Curriculum for 2026 Admissions.
AC/01/A5	Any other relevant matters with the permission of the forum.

Members Present:

Sl. No.	Name	Designation	Online/ Physical
1	Dr. P Sojan Lal, Principal	Chairman	Physical
2	Mr. Shine P Xavier HOD AD	Member	Physical
3	Dr. Alwyn Varghese- HOD CE	Member	Physical
4	Dr. Sobha Xavier- HOD CSE	Member	Physical
5	Dr. Geethu Mary George- HOD CY	Member	Physical
6	Dr. Jose P Therattil- HOD ECE	Member	Physical
7	Dr. Shijoh V-HOD EEE	Member	Physical
8	Mr. Manoj Kumar VK- HOD ME	Member	Physical
9	Dr. Anand Krishnan HOD MR	Member	Physical
10	Ms. Renju Francis-HOD BSH	Member	Physical
11	Fr. Dr. Jose Kannampuzha, Director (Academics)	Member	Physical
12	Fr. David Nettikadan, Executive Manager, Assistant Professor, ECE.	Member	Physical





13	Dr. Anoop V, Dean Academics, (Member Secretary)	Member	Physical
14	Dr. Jarin T, Dean Research	Member	Physical
15	Dr. Ganesh N Professor, Mechanical Engineering, IIT Palakkad.	Academician Nominated by the Governing Body	Leave of Absence
16	Er. Vinod Manjila, Managing Director, Manjilas Food Tech (P) Ltd	Representative of the Industry Nominated by the Governing Body	Online
17	Dr. Jeevamma Jacob, Professor, Electrical Engineering, NIT Calicut	Academician Nominated by the Governing Body	Physical
18	Dr. E C Jose, Rtd Vice President Hindalco Industries	Expert Nominated by the Governing Body	Online
19	Ms. K Rameetha, Scientist H NPOL, DRDO, Kochi	Expert Nominated by the Governing Body	Online
20		Nominee of the University,	Yet to be Nominat ed
21		Nominee of the University,	
22		Nominee of the University,	
23	Dr. Saju P John	Controller of Examinations	Physical
24	Dr. V M Xaviour Registrar	Nominated by the Principal	Physical

Minutes of the Meeting:

The meeting started with a silent prayer.

- Dr. P. Sojan Lal, Chairman and Principal of the College, warmly welcomed all members to the inaugural meeting of the Academic Council. In his address, he highlighted key milestones and significant developments achieved over the years.
- Rev. Dr. Jose Kannampuzha, Director of Academics, provided an insightful overview of the Autonomous status and functions of the Academic Council as the institution's apex academic body. He also emphasized the key roles and responsibilities of the nominated members, underscoring their pivotal contribution to maintaining academic integrity, fostering innovation, and steering the institution's academic and professional growth.
- Rev. Dr. Jose Kannampuzha, Director of Academics, provided an explanation on the status of autonomy. The University Grants Commission (UGC), in its meeting held on 28th January 2025, approved the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Autonomous





Colleges to confer autonomous status upon Jyothi Engineering College, Cheruthuruthy, Thrissur (679531), affiliated with APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University (KTU), Thiruvananthapuram. This autonomous status has been granted for a period of 10 years, from the Academic Year 2025–2026 to 2034–2035, in accordance with Clause 7.5 of the UGC Regulations, 2023.

- Jyothi Engineering College (JEC) received the official notification confirming the grant of autonomy through Order No. F. 2-10/2023(AC-Policy) dated 28th February 2025. Subsequently, the institution submitted the necessary requests for clearances to the Ministry of Higher Education and APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, receiving the corresponding orders on **11-07-2025** and **14-08-2025** respectively. **However, the nominees for the Academic Council and various Boards of Studies are still awaited from the university.**

The Academic council considered the agenda circulated among the members on 15 August 2025, item- wise and deliberated as described below.

AC/01/A1	Approval of BoS Members for Various Departments
	<p>Dr. Anoop V, Dean of Academics, presented the proposed list of members for the various Boards of Studies (BoS) across departments. After reviewing the nominations and the proposed structure, the Academic Council approved the constitution of the BoS without any changes. A detailed list of the approved members is attached.</p> <p>In line with Clause 12.5.3 of the UGC Regulations, 2023, the Academic Council also proposed the nomination of two subject experts from outside the parent university to the BoS. These nominations are subject to further approval. The term for the nominated members will be three years. This ensures that the BoS will have a broad range of expertise and perspectives to guide curriculum and academic policy decisions effectively.</p>
Resolution	<i>The Academic Council resolved to approve the proposed list of BoS members</i>

AC/01/A2	Approval of Regulations, Curriculum, and Syllabus for 2025 Admissions
	<p>Rev. Dr. Jose Kannampuzha, Director Academics, presented the decision made by the Governing Body to continue with the KTU 2024 Regulations, Curriculum, and Syllabus for the first batch of students enrolling in 2025 for B. Tech and KTU 2022 Regulations, Curriculum, and</p>





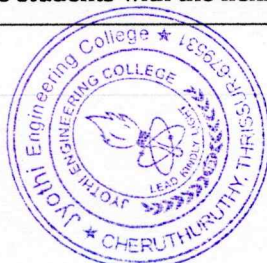
Syllabus for the first batch of students enrolling in 2025 M. Tech, and Ph.D. programs. This decision was made due to the absence of university nominees for the Academic Council and Board of Studies. Dr. Jose Kannampuzha further clarified that while the academic structure (Regulations, Curriculum and Syllabus) would remain same as KTU 2024 regulations, only the course codes would be changed, primarily for administrative convenience.

This approach ensures that the academic standards remain in place while allowing for a smooth transition into the new academic cycle under the autonomous status.

Resolution	<i>The Academic Council resolved to approve the continuation of the KTU 2024 Regulations, Curriculum, and Syllabus for the 2025 B Tech admissions, KTU 2022 Regulations, Curriculum, and Syllabus for the first batch of students enrolling in 2025 M. Tech, and Ph.D. programs and to implement changes to course codes for administrative purposes.</i>
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AC/01/A3	Discussion on Examination Policy
<p>Dr. Saju P. John, the Controller of Examinations, presented the abstract of the examination manual for review (attached separately). After thorough deliberations and discussions, the Academic Council reviewed the proposed examination policies, which include guidelines for conducting examinations, assessment criteria, and evaluation processes.</p> <p>The council expressed satisfaction with the manual's structure and its alignment with academic standards and institutional requirements. The policy was considered comprehensive, covering all essential aspects of the examination process to ensure transparency, fairness, and consistency.</p>	
Resolution	<i>The Academic Council resolved to approve the proposed examination policy (Draft) as presented, with immediate effect for implementation. The Amendments (if any) required can be considered in the next meeting.</i>

AC/01/A4	Discussion on 2026 Curriculum
<p>Dr. Anoop V, Dean of Academics, presented the abstract of the proposed 2026 curriculum, focusing on key innovations such as the introduction of stream electives and the integration of a comprehensive examination as part of the academic structure. The concept of stream electives was introduced to provide students with the flexibility to specialize in particular areas</p>	





of their academic interest, enhancing both engagement and expertise. Additionally, the inclusion of a comprehensive examination was proposed as a measure to assess students' overall knowledge and understanding across all subjects, ensuring a holistic evaluation process. The council expressed general satisfaction with the overall framework and structure of the proposed curriculum. However, experts emphasized the importance of gathering feedback from stakeholders—including faculty members, students, and industry professionals—before finalizing the curriculum. This feedback will be crucial to refine the structure further and ensure it aligns with both academic and professional requirements.

Resolution	<i>The Academic Council resolved to approve the 2026 curriculum in principle, with a commitment to collect feedback from all relevant stakeholders. A follow-up meeting will be scheduled to review the feedback and make any necessary adjustments before final approval.</i>
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Dr. V M Xavier (Registrar, JEC) expressed the Vote of thanks to the members and the meeting adjourned with the permission of chair at 12:15 pm.

Member Secretary

Dr. Anoop V (Dean Academics)



Chairman

Dr. P. Sojan Lal
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