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Governance Policy

1. Purpose

The Governance Policy establishes a transparent, participative, accountable, and ethical framework for effective administration and academic excellence. The policy ensures alignment with national regulatory bodies such as AICTE, UGC, and affiliating university norms such as JNTU-GV.

2. Objectives

- To ensure efficient institutional leadership and management
- To promote decentralization and participative decision-making
- To ensure academic autonomy with accountability
- To strengthen quality assurance and continuous improvement
- To uphold ethical values, transparency, and inclusiveness

3. Principles of Governance

The governance system is based on:

- Transparency
- Accountability
- Participation
- Equity and Inclusiveness
- Academic Integrity
- Regulatory Compliance

4. Governance Structure

4.1 Governing Body

- Apex decision-making authority
- Headed by the Chairman
- Includes management representatives, academicians, industry experts, and university nominees
- Responsible for strategic planning, policy approval, and financial oversight

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4.2 Academic Council

- Principal academic body
- Chaired by the Principal
- Responsible for curriculum planning, academic regulations, teaching-learning processes, and evaluation reforms

4.3 Board of Studies (BoS)

- Department-level academic body
- · Responsible for curriculum design, syllabus updates, and academic innovation
- Includes internal faculty, external experts, industry members, and alumni

4.4 Finance Committee

- · Oversees financial planning and budget allocation
- Ensures optimal utilization of resources and financial transparency

4.5 Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

- Ensures continuous quality improvement
- Monitors academic and administrative performance
- Coordinates NAAC/NBA quality initiatives

5. Roles and Responsibilities

Management

- Provides vision, infrastructure, and financial support
- Ensures compliance with statutory requirements

Principal

- Chief academic and administrative officer
- Implements policies and decisions of statutory bodies
- Promotes academic excellence and institutional development

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Heads of Departments (HoDs)

- Academic and administrative leadership at department level
- Faculty coordination, student monitoring, and outcome-based education implementation

Faculty Members

- Curriculum delivery and assessment
- Research, innovation, mentoring, and professional development

Students

• Active participation in academic, co-curricular, and governance activities through student bodies and feedback systems

6. Decision-Making Process

- Decentralized and participatory
- Decisions are taken through committees and councils
- Proper documentation, circulation of minutes, and follow-up action reports

7. Financial Governance

- Transparent budgeting and auditing procedures
- Regular internal and external audits
- Compliance with government and affiliating university financial norms

8. Stakeholder Participation

- Faculty, students, alumni, parents, employers, and industry experts are involved through:
 - Feedback mechanisms
 - Advisory committees
 - Alumni and Industry Interaction Cells

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9. Ethics and Integrity

- · Code of Conduct for Management, Faculty, Staff, and Students
- Zero tolerance for discrimination, harassment, and malpractice
- Promotion of professional ethics and institutional values

10. Monitoring and Review

- Periodic review by IQAC and Governing Body
- Policy revisions based on feedback, audits, and accreditation requirements
- Continuous improvement through quality benchmarks

11. Compliance

The institution strictly adheres to:

- AICTE approval norms
- University academic regulations
- NAAC/NBA quality frameworks
- Government and statutory requirements

12. Effective Date

This Governance Policy shall come into effect from the date of approval by the Governing Body and shall be reviewed periodically

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