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# DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING MONTHLY NEWS - JANUARY 2022

### **About Department of Mechanical Engineering**

The department offers UG program in B.E Mechanical engineering from the year 2005. The department started a PG program M.E Industrial Safety Engineering from this academic year 2018-2019. This course has wide range of job opportunity in the Industrial and Academic sector of India as well as abroad. The Department aims at providing the students with a perfect blend of intellectual and practical experiences with the support state-of the-art laboratories and well defined academic structure. The UG program is accredited by National Board of Accreditation (NBA). The special feature of the Department has established three applied laboratories, in addition to the regular labs to support students to master skills to make each one industry-ready, with a solid grounding in the principles and practice of Mechanical Engineering. We also have a strong academy for training students to appear for GATE exam.

### **Vision of the Department**

To produce competent Mechanical Engineers of excellent technical and managerial skills with profound morality for global, national and confront societal development.

### **Mission of the Department**

- 1. To provide quality education in Mechanical Engineering with an interdisciplinary approach, encouraging innovation, research, and Entrepreneurship through world-class infrastructure and proficient teachers.
- 2. To make the department self-reliant through multiple programs with excellent curriculum, best practices, and industry exposure.
- 3. To inculcate technical, professional, leadership skills, moral ethics, and lifelong learning.

### **Programme Educational Outcomes**

Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering curriculum is designed to impart Knowledge, Skill, and Attitude on the graduates to

PEO 1: Have a successful professional career in Mechanical Engineering and allied industries, either by employment or through entrepreneurship.

PEO 2: Establish competency in Design, Thermal, Materials, and Manufacturing system with ethics and social responsibility.

PEO 3: Have a continual receptiveness for leadership and social challenges.

### Message from the Head of the Department Dear Colleagues, Greetings!

I have great pleasure and pride to announce that the Department of Mechanical Engineering is publishing the newsletter for the month of January 2022. Amidst the Covid Pandemic situation, we strived hard to keep the students engaged, and utilize the time not only for quality education and also for self-development. We are steadfast in our progress as it involved various activities that enabled the hidden talents of the department students and faculty members to be brought into light. Besides the lockdown, our faculty members are continuously attending various training programs, publishing research papers, book chapters and are also working on getting patents.

This newsletter is the reflection of department activities which showcases all the events held in the department, contribution of faculty members, students and the best practices adopted. I would like to congratulate all the members of the editorial board for their sincere effort to realize this venture.



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#### **EDITORIAL BOARD**

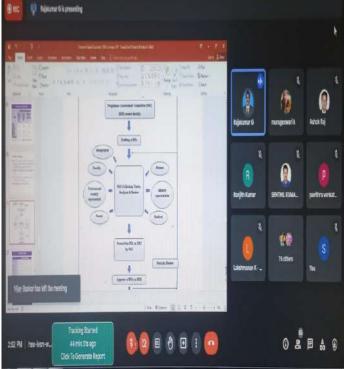
Dr. I. Neethi Manickam, Professor & Head of Department, Editor – in – Chief.

Dr. S. Balakrishnan, Assistant Professor, Mechanical Department, Faculty In charge.

### FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (03.01.2022 to 8.01.2022)

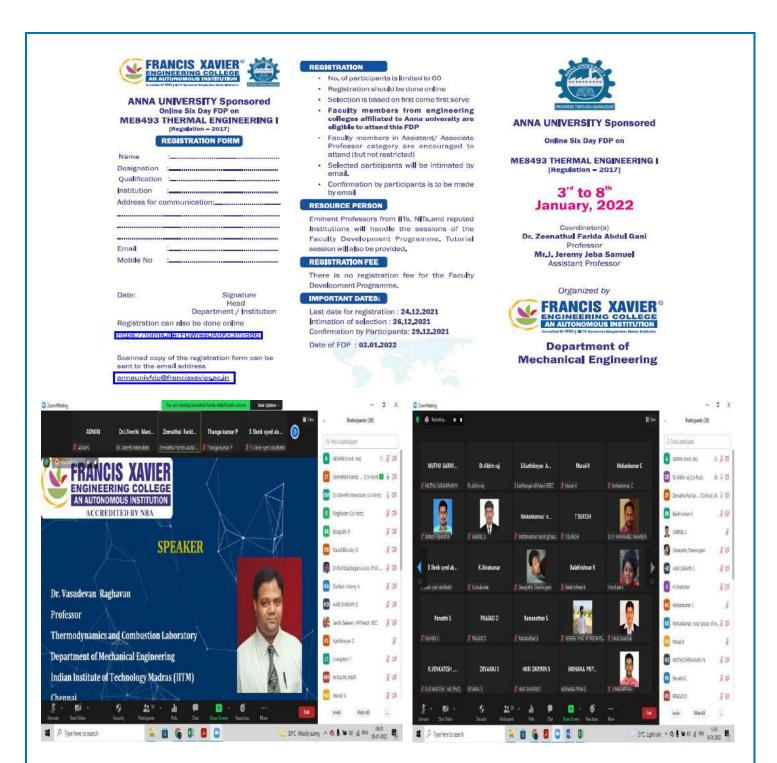
The Mechanical Engineering Department has organized an AICTE-sponsored six-day online faculty development programme on "Outcome-based education (OBE) and NBA Accreditation" from January 3 to 8, 2022. The FDP held two sessions: FN from 10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. and AN from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. The inaugural session began at 9.30 a.m. on 3.1.2022 with a prayer by Mr. R. Rahesh, followed by a welcome address by Dr. K. Senthilkumar, ASP/Mech. Following the welcome address, our department HOD Dr. I. Neethi Manickam delivered the FDP's introductory remarks, in which he explained the purpose of the AICTE-sponsored FDP under the Margdarshan scheme. The address was then facilitated by our principal, Dr. V. Velmurugan, who also emphasized the expected outcome of Margdarshan initiatives. He also discussed the NBA's significance for educational institutions. Mr. Subash then proposed the vote of thanks. The programme was coordinated by Dr. K. Senthilkumar and Mr. M. Subash. Around 80 faculty members working in engineering colleges throughout the state have participated in this FDP including 16 internal participants.





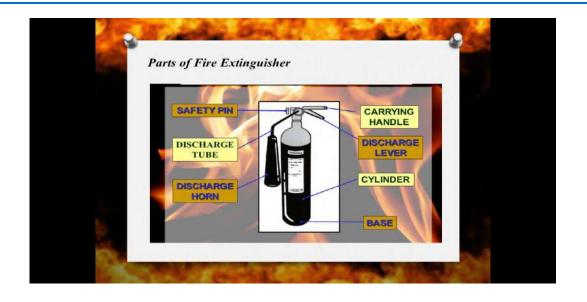
## ANNA UNIVERSITY SIX DAY ONLINE FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The department of Mechanical Engineering was offered the privilege of conducting a Sponsored Six-Day Online Faculty Development Programme for Thermal Engineering-I, a course ondemand from January 03rd to 8th, 2022. The coordinators of this FDP are Dr. Zeenathul Farida Abdul Gani and Mr. J. Jeremy Jeba Samuel. Around 50 faculty members working in engineering colleges throughout the state and affiliated with Anna University have participated in this FDP including 5 internal participants. The sessions were handled by 9 eminent academicians from premier institutions like IIT, NITs, Anna University TVL campus and Government Engineering College, Tirunelveli. There were 4 sessions per day each for 90 minutes. The speakers for various sessions are Dr. V. Raghavan, professor, Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IITM), Chennai, Dr. V. Sajith, Professor, National Institute of Technology Calicut (NITC), Dr. Shijo Thomas, Professor, National Institute of Technology Calicut (NITC), Dr. Ajay Kumar Yadav, Professor, National Institute of Technology Surathkal Karnataka (NITK), Dr. K. Karuppasamy, Professor, Anna University Tirunelveli campus (AUT), Dr. Aldrin Raj, Professor, Government College of Engineering, Tirunelveli (GCE-TLY), Dr. D. Jebakani, Professor, Government College of Engineering GCE-TLY), Tirunelveli, Prof. Somesh Subramanian, Professor, Government Engineering of (GCE-TLY), Tirunelveli. Neethimanickam, Head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering welcomed the participants and the speaker on the first session of the first day and delivered a formal welcome speech. The speakers were introduced by the coordinators during their first session. The expertise and experience of the speakers have benefited the participants and they have gained more insights on this course which could be seen from the positive feedback received on this FDP. The FDP was conducted through Zoom.



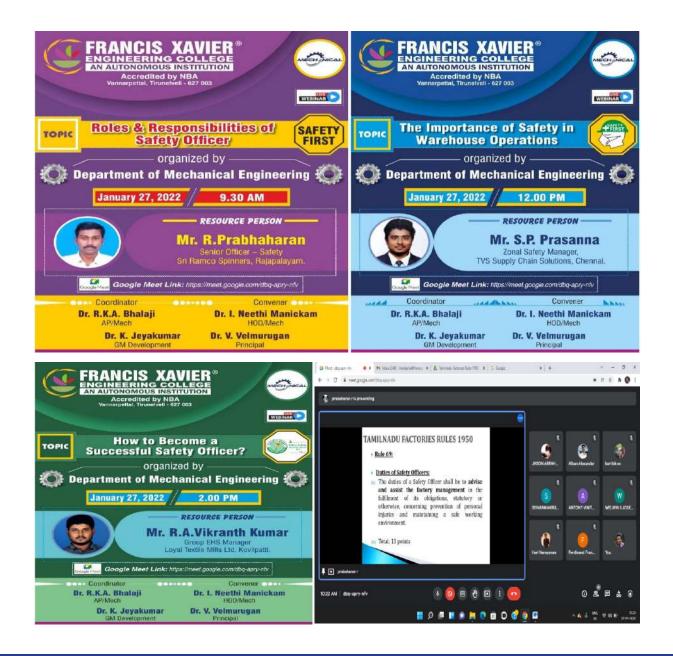
### **FACULTY INITIATIVE SKILLS**

The Department of Mechanical Engineering conducted skill training about "How to use Fire Extinguisher in practical mode" & "Basics of Fire & Safety" via online mode from 24.01.2022 to 29.01.2022. Dr. R. K. A. Bhalaji, AP/Mech provides the skill training to the students. 40 students from various departments benefited from this program. He underlined how to use a fire extinguisher in a practical manner and Fundamentals of Fire & Safety.



### **INAUGURATION DAY & WEBINAR**

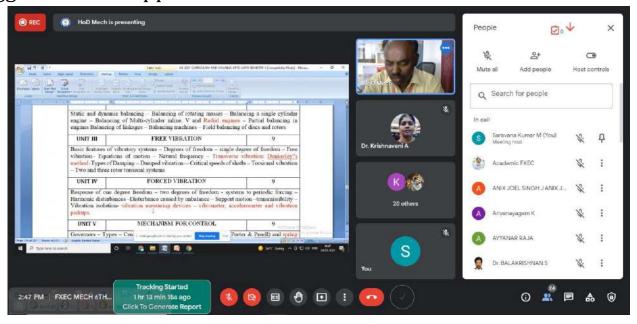
The Department of Mechanical Engineering organized an online webinar series for First-year - M.E. Industrial Safety Engineering. Dr. I. Neethi Manickam, HOD/Mech, inaugurated and welcomed the First-year M.E students followed by webinar series about Safety via online mode on Jan 27, 2022. The webinar series has organized four sessions in a full day. Webinar Topic: Roles & of Safety Officer, Resource Person: Responsibilities Mr.R.Prabhaharan, Senior Safety Officer, Sri Ramco Spinners, Rajapalayam at 9.30 AM. He explained the basic terms of safety, variation b/w unsafe act, an unsafe action as well as roles & responsibilities of safety officer under factories act 1948. Webinar Topic: The importance of safety in warehouse operations, Resource Person: Mr.S.P.Prasanna, Zonal Safety Manager, TVS Supply Chain Solutions, Chennai at 12 PM. He underlined the activities in warehouse operations, duties of safety officers in warehouses with real-time examples. Webinar Topic: How to safety officer, Resource successful become a Mr.R.A.Vikranth Kumar, Group EHS Manager, Loyal Mills Ltd, Kovilpatti at 2 PM. He interacted and motivated the students to additionally learn some new things about safety such as lead auditing, NEBOSH, and IOSH. Totally 15 students from M.E (Industrial Safety Engineering) benefited from this program. Dr.R.K.A.Bhalaji, AP/Mech coordinator for this webinar series.



### **BOARD OF STUDIES MEETING**

The Sixth Board of Studies meeting was held on 20-01-2022 at 1.30 pm via online mode - google meet platform for approval and revision of UG - Syllabus regulation 2021 for 4th, 5th, and 6th semesters and PG - Syllabus regulation 2019 up to 4th semester. The meeting began with an expert committee and internal members. This BOS meeting was attended by approximately 23 members. Dr. I. Neethi Manickam, HOD/Mech, convened and welcomed the expert committees, which included Dr.A. Krishnaveni, Professor, GCE, Tirunelveli, Anna University Nominee, Dr.R. Sudhakarpandian, Associate Professor, VIT

University, Expert Member Other than Parent University, and Mr. Arul Marcel Moshi M.E., (Ph.D.), Assistant Professor, NEC, Aluminous. He presented the syllabus revision for Regulation 2021 and how it will benefit students' careers. Expert committees made suggestions and approved them.



### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

On January 25, 2021, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between M/S. TOYOTA KIRLOSKAR MOTOR at the Virtual MoU Signs Off in FXEC the Principal's office. The signatories were Mr. Roshan R, Deputy General Manager, Toyota Learning & Development India, and Dr.V. Velmurugan, Principal, FXEC. Dr. S Cletus Babu, Founder & Chairman, SCAD Group of Institutions presided over the function, and Dr. K Jeyakumar, General Manager Development, SCAD Group of Institutions welcomed everyone and gave an introduction to the institution. This event was attended by Dr. S Sundararajan, Principal, SCAD College of Engineering and Technology, Dr. V Velmurugan, Principal, Francis Xavier Engineering College, Prof. A George Klington, Principal, St. Mother Theresa Engineering College, Prof. J Monimaran, Principal, SCAD Polytechnic College, and Prof. J Johnson, Principal, FX Polytechnic College. This MOU outlined the initiative for cooperation between the two parties in the areas of training for students and faculty

### based on Institute requirements as per the Syllabus.

