

**Minutes of the First Meeting of
Madras Christian College - Institution Innovation Council**

Date: 07th June, 2021

Time: 11:00 A.M.

Members Present

S. No.	Name of Member	Member Type (Teaching/ Non- teaching / External Expert)	Key Role/ Position assigned in IIC
1.	Dr. P. Wilson Principal	Principal	President
2.	Mr. Mr. K. Sankar	External Expert	Start-up/Alumni Expert
3.	Ms. Divya Sridharan	External Expert	IP Expert/Patent Expert
4.	Dr. D. Selvakumari	Teaching	Convener
5.	Dr. N. Nirmal Thyagu	Teaching	Innovation Activity Coordinator
6.	Dr. S. Sudharsan	Teaching	Start-up Activity Coordinator
7.	Dr. C. Amirthavalli	Teaching	Internship Coordinator
8.	Dr. C. Ramesh Kumar	Teaching	IPR Activity Coordinator
9.	Prof. Rachel Jacob	Teaching	Social Media Coordinator
10.	Prof. Johanna Johnsi Rani	Teaching	ARIIA & NIRF Coordinator
11.	Dr. T. Robinson	Teaching	Member
12.	Dr. P. Hanumantha Rao	Teaching	Member
13.	Dr. T. Shirmila	Teaching	Member
14.	Dr. G. Gnanasekaran	Teaching	Member
15.	Prof. J. Aruna,	Teaching	Member
16.	Pro. R.Vidya	Teaching	Member
17.	Dr. Hanns Freddy	Teaching	Member
18.	Prof. Adline Jennefa Daniel	Teaching	Member
19.	Dr. A. Sylvia Daisy	Teaching	Member

20.	Prof. Feminna Sheeba	Teaching	Member
21.	Dr.Anulin Christudhas	Teaching	Member
22.	Dr. P. Yesudoss,	Teaching	Member
23.	Dr. S. Wilfred Prasanna	Teaching	Member
24.	Prof. Tony Thomas	Teaching	Member
25.	Dr. R. Padmamala	Teaching	Member

IIC Registration
Student Representatives: 2021-22

1. Innovation Coordinator Darshan S.N., III BSc Zoology Voc. (Aided)
2. Start-up Coordinator Vamsi Raju, II BSc Botany (Aided)
3. Internship Coordinator Eugene Arul.V, II MSW (SFS)
4. IPR Coordinator Abhishek Daniel D, III B.Sc. Physics (Aided)
5. Social Media Coordinator Namita Susan Ashok, III B.Com. (A & F) (SFS)
6. Jonathan Shitanshu, III B.Sc. Statistics (Aided)
7. Jeswin Alphonse Siby, III B.A. Philosophy (Aided)
8. Keren Anna George, II M.Com. (Aided)
9. Afrin Shaffeek, II MA Public Administration (Aided)
10. Harsha K, II B.Sc. Maths (Aided)
11. SuhahSajit Khan, II BBA (A) (SFS)
12. Shivani Senguttuvan, I MA Communication (SFS)
13. John David, III BCA (SFS)
14. Lakshmi Chythanya. S. N, III B.Voc. Hospitality and Tourism
(Geography Tourism and Travel Management)(SFS)

The meeting commenced with the opening prayer by Dr. T. Robinson, the Dean of Research & Development.

The Principal welcomed the council members and expressed his delight in inaugurating the first Institution Innovation Council (IIC) meeting. He stated that it's a good beginning and the IIC would mainly focus on ideation, incubation, and entrepreneurship, which is the mission of IIC.

He welcomed the external experts - Dr. K. Sankar (Alumni/ Start Up Expert) and Ms. Divya Shridaran (IPR Expert). He also gave a brief introduction about Dr. Abhay Jere, Chief Innovation Officer, MHRD Innovation Council, who is the chief guest for the inauguration of IIC.

The Principal laid emphasis on the need for focus on Graduation Outcome (GO).He assured that once the IIC policy is consolidated, it will be made available in the public domain. He stressed the need for a

clear demarcation of the activities of IIC and other related bodies for a better outcome. The contribution of our alumni by way of lectures, he believed would make a greater impact in inspiring and instilling innovation in the young minds.

Dr. D. Selvakumari, the Convener of IIC, made a presentation introducing the mission and vision of IIC. She also introduced the Council members, both staff and students, highlighting their role and responsibilities.

The main functions of MCC-IIC were explained in detail. The Convener also suggested that a meeting be held every month to discuss and plan the activities of IIC. A mention was also made about the inaugural programme of the IIC that is scheduled on 8th June, 2021 at 11:00 A.M. through Zoom platform. The Principal requested the Convener to present a gist of the 26 innovation projects submitted by students.

The presentation was followed by the discussion by the Council members. The Principal initiated the discussion and stressed on the importance of awareness, among students, of the activities of the IIC. He mentioned that social media platforms such as Facebook, Instagram, Telegram etc. could be used for the same.

The Council members also participated in the discussion suggesting ways and means to popularise the activities of the IIC. He also stressed on the requirement of reengineering the philosophy of academics on the lines of integration of the IIC activities into the curriculum. In that case, evaluation and assessment may be made by the external experts. At the same time, care is to be taken not to overburden the students.

The need for including the activities of IIC to Part IV along with NSS, NCC, and Scrub Society was underscored. It could either be part of General Course or Allied Course also. Moreover, Entrepreneurial Skills may be taught as part of the Personality Development course. The students shared their consensus on the same. The Principal suggested suitable measures to incorporate the activities of the IIC into the curriculum.

Furthermore, to motivate and inspire the students, “My Story” sessions by successful entrepreneurs were suggested. In the same line, suggestions were made regarding the creation of a platform such as the Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies to enable students to keep track of the recent developments in the various disciplines.

The external Expert Dr. K. Sankar, was willing to fund promising projects from the Department Ideation Clubs and from the existing proposals submitted by the students. The Principal and the Convenor of IIC informed the members that the policy draft pertaining to ideations from students to be incubated. Besides, policy draft to support existing start-ups by current students and alumni to be evolved.

The meeting concluded with the closing prayer by Dr. T. Shirmila.