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**MINUTES OF THE 1ST (2015-16) MEETING OF THE PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE HELD AT
1030 HOURS ON 13TH DEC 2015 AT HYDERABAD**

The Members of the Committee:

Prof (Dr) K S Nayanathara
Prof K Laxminarayana
Dr D C Pande
Shri K Subbi Reddy
Dr Neeta Shah

Chairperson

The following were unable to attend:

Prof D Narayana Rao
Lt Gen (Dr) Rajesh Pant, PVSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd)
Dr R N Lahiri

Co-Chairman

Secretariat:

Mrs Sandeep Kaur Mangat

Asstt Secy(AP&SDC)

**ITEM-1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 3RD (2014-15) MEETING OF THE
PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE HELD ON 04 JULY 2015 AT IETE HQ DELHI**

1.1 As no comments were received, the minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed.

ITEM-2 PUBLISHING SCHEDULE OF THE IETE PUBLICATIONS

2.1 The Chairperson apprised the Committee Members about the status of publishing schedule of IETE Journals.

2.2 The statistics received from Taylor & Francis with regards to submissions, acceptance, rejections, time taken to decision, other key statistics of articles was presented before the Committee.

2.3 The Committee appreciated the efforts made by the HQs to bring out the three IETE Publications in time.

2.4 This is for the information of the Governing Council.

ITEM-3 DIGITIZATION OF BACK ISSUES OF IETE JOURNALS PRIOR TO 2008

3.1 The Committee informed that digitized IETE journals are now available on the website at <http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/tijr20#.Vi9U29lrI2w-> for IETEJR; <http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/titr20#.Vk7fS9lrK1s-> for IETE TR and <http://www.tandfonline.com/loi/tije20#.Vk7fidlrK1u-> for IETE JE for all Organizational members, ISF members and Students & Corporate members of IETE.

3.2 It was recommended that these archives should be highlighted on the home page of IETE website www.iete.org

3.3 This is for the information & approval of the Governing Council.

ITEM-4 IMPACT FACTOR OF IETE PUBLICATIONS

4.1 The Committee members were apprised of the impact factor for the year 2014 that has been reported as follows:-

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Technical Review	0.925	0.888
Journal of Research	0.189	0.185

4.2 This slight downfall in the impact factor of IETE TR & IETE JR was due to the fact that now the articles were being cited by less number of readers due to reduced time limit for access. The Chairperson informed that presently the articles in an issue have open access only for one month and after that they become inaccessible except for the editorials of EICs. The EICs find this decline temporary and are of the view that it would soon catch up.

4.3 The Committee recommended that consequences of giving more time limits for public accessibility be explored from T&F. At the same time authors may be informed by T&F/ Publication Section about their article's citations/ downloads so that he makes up his mind for paying the required amount to keep his article open for less /more duration.

4.4 This is for the information & approval of the Governing Council.

ITEM-5 MARKETING OF IETE PUBLICATIONS

5.1 The Chairperson briefed the members about the actions that are being followed as per the recommendations of last meeting for increasing in the subscription revenue of IETE Journals:

- Letters to the High Commissions of SAARC countries from President IETE requesting them to subscribe for IETE Journals.
- Emails to all Centre Chairpersons, requesting them to encourage their EC members to bring at least one institutional subscription from their region.
- Letters from President IETE to the new technical universities and affiliated Engg Colleges asking for subscription to IETE Journals.

5.2 This is for the information of the Governing Council.

ITEM-6 REVENUE GENERATED FROM THE SECTION

6.1 The Chairman intimated the Committee members about the extra revenue generated from various aspects of publication by the section staff:-

- Revenue generated via extra pages published in an article beyond standard length in IETE journals during this financial year till Dec is Rs 4,48,650/-.
- From publishing advertisements in IETE Publications - Rs 73,000/-
- Collection from Subscription fund in 2015- Rs 21,16,400/-.
- Postal charges saved vide introducing Courier services for IETE publications in 3 TR + 3 JR issues, worth Rs 20,448/-

6.2 This is for the information of the Governing Council.

ITEM-7 GUIDELINES FOR PUBLISHING JOURNALS FROM DIFFERENT IETE CENTRES

7.1 The Chairperson enlightened the Committee members about the proposal of IETE Pune Centre and IETE Kochi Centre towards publishing journals from their Centres. A Sub-Committee comprising of Lt Gen (Dr) Rajesh Pant, PVSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd), as Chairman & Prof K Laxminarayana & Prof (Mrs) K Raja Rajeshwari, as members was formed and requested to formulate suitable guidelines for publishing of such Journals from various IETE Centres. Prof (Mrs) K Raja Rajeshwari had forwarded her views and it was found that all the suggestions made by her were being followed under current journals.

7.2 After due deliberations it was suggested that fragmentation of IETE should not be allowed and No Centres should be allowed to publish new journals under IETE's banner. The interested authors may submit their valuable work in existing established journals, i.e. IETE Technical Review and IETE Journal of Research and IETE Journal of Education only.

7.3 This is for the approval of the Governing Council.

ITEM-8 PROPOSAL FOR PUBLISHING IETE CONFERENCES PAPERS IN IEEE XPLOR

8.1 On proposal for publishing IETE Conference papers with IEEE Xplor, IETE was asked to explore the associating terms & conditions with IEEE Explor. Dr D C Pande, Chairman IETE Bangalore Centre apprised the members on the prerequisites and said that he would guide IETE publications in this matter.

8.2 After due deliberation Committee recommended that MTS -2015 to be held at IETE Chandigarh Centre may prepare call for papers in advance so that ground work could be done for publishing the proceedings of this event.

8.3 This is for the approval of Governing Council.

ITEM-9 IETE JOURNALS' ADDITIONAL CONTENT

9.1 The Chairperson apprised the members of the suggestions received by one of the senior Fellow members (anonymous) that apart from technical research papers if small utility projects could be published in any of our technical journals it could be very beneficial to the engineering students and could further be taken up as summer projects. If found useful, these can be passed on to the industry for mass production. eg. Projects on vending machines, facilities for handicapped; labour saving devices; or community engineering related projects. He further suggests that IETE journals should carry information on electronic products available in India, information on dealers and electronic markets, intellectual property rights information etc. This way IETE Journals could be made useful to the entrepreneurs, the managers (Communications), dealers in electronic products and to the general readers.

9.2 The Committee did not recommend the suggestion received as they were of the view that the senior person need not give suggestions under anonymity, if it is in the interest of IETE. They called for no action in the matter.

9.3 This is for the information of IETE Governing Council.

ITEM- 10 PROPOSAL FOR PUBLICATION OF A BOOK BY PROF S C DUTTA ROY

10.1 The Committee Chairman informed the members on the proposal of Prof S C Dutta Roy to publish a book comprising of his own published papers (with IETE) under IETE Book Series. The copyright of all his papers published in IETE Journals are with the IETE. The proposed title of the book "Circuits, Systems and Signal processing," will have a collection of tutorial papers for the students, teachers and Engg community of electronics and telecommunication engineering. The Book would have seven sections, namely-

- Section I: Signals and Systems
- Section II: Analysis of Passive Circuits
- Section III: Synthesis of Passive Circuits
- Section IV: Active Circuits
- Section V: Digital Signal Processing
- Section VI: Mathematics
- Section VII: Miscellaneous

10.2 Each Section will have an introduction by Prof Dutta Roy. If the volume is large, it could be split into two volumes. The Volume 1 will contain the first three sections (21 papers) and Volume 2 will contain the rest of the Sections (26 papers), with approximately 300 pages. Prof S C Dutta Roy will be the main editor of the book. The Price of the each book may be kept upto Rs 150/- for the benefit of IETE student members. She also informed that Prof S C Dutta Roy desired that all financial benefit should come to IETE. IETE shall publish this book with any reputed publishers. Universities Press at Hyderabad, is being negotiated for this job.

10.3 After discussions, the committee recommended to go ahead with publishing of Prof S C Dutta Roy's proposal.

10.4 This is for the information and approval of IETE Governing Council.

ITEM-11 ANY OTHER MATTER WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

VOTE OF THANKS

12 The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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Maj Gen P K Jaggi, VSM (Retd)
Secretary General

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