

Minutes of the 28th Meeting of the General Council of the National Computing Education Accreditation Council, HEC, Islamabad

The 28th meeting of NCEAC (National Computing Education Accreditation Council) was held on Thursday, 15th March 2018 in Learning & Innovation Hall, HEC, H-8/1, Islamabad.

The following attended:

1. Dr Mohammad Ayub Alvi, Chairperson NCEAC
2. Dr Shoab Ahmad Khan, Vice Chairperson, NCEAC
3. Dr Aasia Khanum, Associate Professor, Forman Christian College, Lahore
4. Dr Faisal Ahmad Khan Kakar, Dean (Faculty of Sciences) BUIITEMS, Quetta
5. Dr Jamil Ahmad, Vice Chancellor, Kohat University of Science & Technology, Kohat
6. Dr Manzoor Elahi Tamimy, Associate Professor, CIIT, Islamabad
7. Dr Muhammad Ali Maud, Professor (CS & E Department), UET, Lahore
8. Dr Muhammad Jamil Sawar, Consultant, MTBC, Rawalpindi
9. Dr Sayeed Ghani, Associate Dean, IBA, Karachi
10. Dr Zartash Afzal Uzmi, Assoc. Prof., LUMS, Lahore
11. Mr Fahad Saeed Warsi, VC Engineer, Ministry of IT, Sindh
12. Mr Raza Sukhera, PM(IT/Internal Audit), Ministry of IT, Islamabad
13. Ms Humaira Qudus, Deputy Director, QAA, HEC
14. Mr Naseem Haider, Ass. Electronic Advisor, Ministry of Sci. & Tech., Islamabad
15. Mr Sajid Iqbal, Manager Domestic Business, PSEB, Islamabad

The following could not attend:

1. Dr Riaz Ahmad, Advisor, QAA, HEC
2. Chairman, Punjab IT Board, Lahore
3. President PASHA, Karachi
4. Secretary Ministry of Education, Gilgit-Baltistan
5. Secretary Information Technology Dept. Govt. of Balochistan, Quetta
6. Director, IT Dept. Govt. of KPK, Peshawar

Meeting of the General Council started with recitation of verses from Holy Koran by Dr Manzoor Elahi Tamimy.

Chairperson NCEAC welcomed and thanked the members for attending this meeting.

Agenda Item no. 1 Approval of Minutes of the 27th Meeting

The following two observations were recorded about minutes of the 27th Meeting of NCEAC

1. Old record of NCEAC should be scanned prior to discarding it according to the rules of Government of Pakistan.
2. Until new service rules for all Councils are developed by HEC, the old NCEAC approved rules should be followed.

Agenda Item no. 2 Action Report - Implementation status of the decisions of 27th General Council Meeting of NCEAC held on October 19, 2017

Implementation status of the decisions of the 27th meeting of NCEAC was noted with satisfaction:

Agenda Item no. 3 Approval of Minutes of the 23rd Meeting of Accreditation and Standards Committee (ASC) of NCEAC

A report on the Thirty Two (32) recently evaluated programs was presented, along with recommendations of the 23rd meeting of ASC (Accreditation and Standards Committee), which was held earlier in the day. All recommendations of the ASC about award of category and batches of the computing programs inspected by Program Evaluators were approved:

Programs, Universities and the Category Approved by NCEAC General Council:

Program(s)	Name of University	Proposed by Program Evaluators	Recommended by ASC	Approved by General Council
1. BS (Info. Technology)	Bahria University, Islamabad Campus	X	X	X
2. BS (Computer Science)	Bahria University, Lahore Campus	X	Y	Y
3. BS (Software Engineering)	Beaconhouse National University, Lahore	X	X	X
4. BS (Computer Science)	City University of Sci. & IT, Peshawar	X	X	X
5. BS (Software Engineering)	City University of Sci. & IT, Peshawar	X	Y	Y
6. BS (Computer Science)	Comsats, Vehari Campus	W	X	X
7. BS (Computer Science)	Gift University, Gujranwala Campus	X	Y	Y
8. BS (Computer Science)	Hamdard University, Karachi Campus	X	X	X
9. BS (Computer Science)	Indus University, Karachi	X	Y	Y
10. BS (Software Engineering)	Indus University, Karachi	Y	Y	Y
11. BS (Computer Science)	Iqra University, Islamabad	X	X	X
12. BS (Software Engineering)	Iqra University, Islamabad	X	X	X
13. BS (Computer Science)	Jinnah University for Women, Karachi	W	W	W
14. BS (Software Engineering)	Jinnah University for Women, Karachi	X	X	X
15. BS (Computer Science)	NUST-SEECS,	W	W	W

Science)	Islamabad			
16. BS (Computer Info. Systems)	PIEAS, Islamabad	W	W	W
17. BS (Computer Science)	Preston University, Kohat	Y	Y	Y
18. BS (Computer Science)	Preston University, Peshawar Campus	Z	Z	Z
19. BS (Computer Science)	University of Central Punjab, Lahore	X	X	X
20. BS (Computer Science)	University of Gujrat, Hafiz Hayat Campus	X	Y	Y
21. BS (Software Engineering)	University of Gujrat, Hafiz Hayat Campus	W	Y	Y
22. BS (Info. Technology)	University of Gujrat, Hafiz Hayat Campus	W	Y	Y
23. BS (Computer Science)	University of Gujrat, Lahore Sub Campus	Y	Y	Y
24. BS (Software Engineering)	University of Gujrat, Lahore Sub Campus	Y	Y	Y
25. BS (Info. Technology)	University of Gujrat, Lahore Sub Campus	Y	Y	Y
26. BS (Software Engineering)	University of Lahore, Lahore Campus	W	X	X
27. BS (Computer Science)	University of Management & Tech., Sialkot Campus	X	Y	Y
28. BS (Software Engineering)	University of Management & Tech., Sialkot Campus	X	Y	Y
29. BS (Computer Science)	University of Sargodha, Mandi Bahauddin Campus	X	Y	Y
30. BS (Software Engineering)	University of Sargodha, Mandi Bahauddin Campus	X	Y	Y
31. BS (Info. Technology)	University of Sargodha, Mandi Bahauddin Campus	X	Y	Y
32. BS (Software Engineering) (Zero Visit)	Ziauddin University, Karachi (North Nazimabad)	--	NOC allowed	NOC allowed

Agenda Item no. 4 Accreditation of Graduated Batches

Council decided that, NCEAC cannot accredit passed-out batches of any institute.

Agenda Item no. 5 Appeals received from Universities about category awarded by NCEAC

NCEAC General Council reviewed the two appeal cases (received from Sukkur IBA and University of Wah).

NCEAC General Council found no ground to review the previous awarded categories to above mentioned Institutes and upheld the same categories awarded in 27th NCEAC General Council Meeting.

NCEAC General Council appreciated the improvements made by Sukkur IBA and University of Wah, in improving the degree programs offered.

Agenda Item no. 6 Pakistan Navy Engineering College (PNEC), Karachi appeal against the decision of NCEAC GC in its 27th meeting

NCEAC General Council decided that the curriculum of BS (MIS) program of PNEC is not approved by HEC, therefore, PNEC should contact HEC for further deliberation about the curriculum.

It has also been decided that if PNEC, Karachi changes its program or make BS(MIS) program close to BS (Information Technology), then NCEAC can consider the program for accreditation.

Agenda Item no. 7 Army Public College of Management Sciences appeal for the change of program name of accredited batches

NCEAC General Council has decided that, the previous category which was awarded to BS (Computer Science) program of APCOMS, Rawalpindi is declared null and void as there were no any batches of computer science program at the time of NCEAC visit.

Agenda Item no. 8 Limit on the number of admissions in each accredited computing program

After detailed discussion, it was decided that in future, the Council will specify an upper limit on the number of admissions in each accredited Computing program, on the basis of available resources (number and qualifications of faculty members, infrastructure, support facilities, etc.)

Agenda Item no. 9 Reduction in the Number of Students in one section

NCEAC General Council decided that maximum number of students in one section must be reduced from 60 to 50.

Agenda Item no. 10 Cut-off Date for Accreditation of Computing Programs

NCEAC General Council has decided that 31st December 2018 should be the cut-off date for all institutions for accreditation of their computing degree programs.

It was also decided that NCEAC will convey this requirement to all DAIs in writing.

Agenda Item no. 11 Accreditation of Batches versus award of Category

NCEAC General Council decided that as per the policy of HEC, NCEAC shall also award the categories (W, X, Y & Z) to its accredited institutes.

Agenda Item no. 12 Students Registration Policy

NCEAC General Council decided to discuss this matter, in its next meeting.

Agenda item no. 13 Any new matter with the permission of Chair

- A committee has been constituted under the chair of Dr Shoab A. Khan who will propose changes in the Accreditation Inspection Report. It shall be placed before the NCEAC General Council, in its next meeting.
- If an institute applied for accreditation of more than one program, then each program will be visited same day by different program evaluator under the convenorship of one senior program evaluator.