DIPLOMA COURSES IN ENGINEERING/TECHNOLOGY

(SEMESTER SYSTEM)
(Implemented from 2015-2016)
M – SCHEME

REGULATIONS*

* Applicable to the Diploma Courses other than Diploma in Hotel Management & Catering Technology and the Diploma Courses offered through MGR Film Institute, Chennai.

1. Description of the Course:

a. Full Time (3 years)

The Course for the full Time Diploma in Engineering shall extend over a period of three academic years, consisting of 6 semesters* and the First Year is common to all Engineering Branches.

b. Sandwich (3½ years)

The Course for the Diploma in Engineering (sandwich) shall extend over a period of three and half academic years, consisting of 7 semesters* and the First Year is common to all Engineering Branches. The subjects of three years full time diploma course being regrouped for academic convenience.

During 4th and/or during 7th semester the students undergo industrial training for six months/one year. Industrial training examination will be conducted after completion of every 6 months of industrial training.

c. Part Time (4 years)

The course for the diploma in Engineering shall extend over a period of 4 academic years containing of 8 semesters*, the subjects of 3 year full time diploma courses being regrouped for academic convenience.

* Each Semester will have 15 weeks duration of study with 35 hrs./Week for Regular Diploma Programme and 18hrs/week (21 hrs./Week I year) for Part-Time Diploma Programmes.

The Curriculum for all the 6 Semesters of Diploma courses (Engineering & Special Diploma Courses viz. Textile Technology, Leather Technology, Printing Technology, Chemical Technology etc.) have been revised and revised curriculum is applicable for the candidates admitted from 2015 – 2016 academic year onwards.
2. **Condition for Admission:**

Condition for admission to the diploma courses shall be required to have passed in
The S.S.L.C Examination of the Board of Secondary Education, TamilNadu.

(Or)

The Anglo Indian High School Examination with eligibility for Higher Secondary
Course in TamilNadu.

(Or)

The Matriculation Examination of Tamil Nadu.

(Or)

Any other Examination recognized as equivalent to the above by the Board of
Secondary Education, TamilNadu.

Note: In addition, at the time of admission the candidate will have to satisfy
certain minimum requirements, which may be prescribed from time to time.

3. **Admission to Second year (Lateral Entry):**

A pass in HSC (Academic) or (Vocational) courses mentioned in the Higher
Secondary Schools in TamilNadu affiliated to the TamilNadu Higher Secondary
Board with eligibility for university Courses of study or equivalent examination, &
Should have studied the following subjects.

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<th>H.Sc Vocational Subjects Studied</th>
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<td>Related subjects</td>
<td>Vocational subjects</td>
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<td>1.</td>
<td>All the Regular and Sandwich Diploma Courses</td>
<td>Maths, Physics &amp; Chemistry</td>
<td>Related Vocational Subjects</td>
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<td>Theory &amp; Practical</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Diploma course in Modern Office Practice</td>
<td>English &amp; Accountancy</td>
<td>Accountancy &amp; Auditing,</td>
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<td>English &amp; Elements of Economics</td>
<td>Banking, Business</td>
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<td>English &amp; Elements of Commerce</td>
<td>Management, Co-operative</td>
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<td>Management, International Trade,</td>
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For the diploma Courses related with Engineering/Technology, the related / equivalent subjects prescribed along with Practical may also be taken for arriving the eligibility.

Branch will be allotted according to merit through counseling by the respective Principal as per communal reservation.

For admission to the Textile Technology, Leather Technology, Printing Technology, Chemical Technology and Modern Office Practice Diploma courses the candidates studied the related subjects will be given first preference.

*Candidates who have studied Commerce Subjects are not eligible for Engineering Diploma Courses.*

4. **Age Limit:** No Age limit.

5. **Medium of Instruction:** English

6. **Eligibility for the Award of Diploma:**

No candidate shall be eligible for the Diploma unless he/she has undergone the prescribed course of study for a period of not less than 3 academic years in any institution affiliated to the State Board of Technical Education and Training, TamilNadu, when joined in First Year and two years if joined under Lateral Entry scheme in the second year and passed the prescribed examination.

The minimum and maximum period for completion of Diploma Courses are as given below:

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<th>Diploma Course</th>
<th>Minimum Period</th>
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<td>Full Time</td>
<td>3 Years</td>
<td>6 Years</td>
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<td>Full Time (Lateral Entry)</td>
<td>2 Years</td>
<td>5 Years</td>
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<td>Sandwich</td>
<td>3½ Years</td>
<td>6½ Years</td>
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<td>Part Time</td>
<td>4 Years</td>
<td>7 Years</td>
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7. **Subjects of Study and Curriculum outline:**

The subjects of study shall be in accordance with the syllabus prescribed from time to time, both in theory and practical. The curriculum outline is given in Annexure - I

8. **Examinations:**

Board Examinations in all subjects of all the semesters under the scheme of examinations will be conducted at the end of each semester.
The Internal assessment marks for all the subjects will be awarded on the basis of continuous internal assessment earned during the semester concerned. For each subject 25 marks are allotted for internal assessment and 75 marks are allotted for Board Examination.

9. Continuous Internal Assessment:

A. For Theory Subjects:
The Internal Assessment marks for a total of 25 marks, which are to be distributed as follows:

i. Subject Attendance
(Award of marks for subject attendance to each subject theory/practical will as per the range given below)

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<th>Percentage Range</th>
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<td>80% - 83%</td>
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<td>84% - 87%</td>
<td>2 Marks</td>
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<td>88% - 91%</td>
<td>3 Marks</td>
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<td>92% - 95%</td>
<td>4 Marks</td>
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<td>96% - 100%</td>
<td>5 Marks</td>
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ii) Test #

2 Tests each of 2 hours duration for a total of 50 marks are to be conducted. Out of which the best one will be taken and the marks to be reduced to:

05 marks

The Test – III is to be the Model test covering all the five units and the marks so obtained will be reduced to:

05 marks

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<th>TEST</th>
<th>UNITS</th>
<th>WHEN TO CONDUCT</th>
<th>MARKS</th>
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<td>Test I</td>
<td>Unit – I &amp; II</td>
<td>End of 6th week</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>2 Hrs</td>
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<td>Test II</td>
<td>Unit – III &amp; IV</td>
<td>End of 12th week</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>2 Hrs</td>
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<td>Test III</td>
<td>Model Examination - Compulsory</td>
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<td>Covering all the 5 Units.</td>
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<td>End of 15th week</td>
<td>75</td>
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# - From the Academic year 2015-2016 onwards.
Question Paper Pattern for the Periodical Test : (Test - I & Test- II)

With no choice:

PART A type questions: 4 Questions X 2 mark … … 8 marks
PART B type questions: 4 Questions X 3 marks … … 12 marks
PART C type questions: 3 Questions X 10 marks … … 30 marks

Total 50 marks

iii) Assignment

For each subject Three Assignments are to be given each for 20 marks and the average marks scored should be reduced for 10 marks

All Test Papers and assignment notebooks after getting the signature with date from the students must be kept in the safe custody in the Department for verification and audit. It should be preserved for 2 Semesters and produced to the flying squad and the inspection team at the time of inspection/verification.

B. For Practical Subjects:

The internal assessment mark for a total of 25 marks which are to be distributed as follows:-

a) Attendance : 5 Marks
   (Award of marks as same as Theory subjects)

b) Procedure/ observation and tabulation/
   Other Practical related Work : 10 Marks

c) Record writing : 10 Marks

TOTAL : 25 Marks

- All the Experiments/exercises indicated in the syllabus should be completed and the same to be given for final board examinations.
- The Record for every completed exercise should be submitted in the subsequent Practical classes and marks should be awarded for 20 for each exercise as per the above allocation.
- At the end of the Semester, the average marks of all the exercises should be calculated for 20 marks and the marks awarded for attendance is to be added to arrive at the internal assessment mark for Practical. (20+5=25 marks)
- The students have to submit the duly signed bonafide record note book/file during the Practical Board Examinations.
All the marks awarded for assignment, Test and attendance should be entered in the Personal Log Book of the staff, who is handling the subject. This is applicable to both Theory and Practical subjects.

10. Life and Employability Skill Practical:

The Life and Employability Skill Practical with more emphasis is being introduced in IV Semester for Circuit Branches and in V Semester for other branches of Engineering. Much Stress is given to increase the employability of the students:

Internal assessment Mark ..... 25 Marks

11. Project Work:

The students of all the Diploma Programmes (except Diploma in Modern Office Practice) have to do a Project Work as part of the Curriculum and in partial fulfillment for the award of Diploma by the State Board of Technical Education and Training, Tamilnadu. In order to encourage students to do worthwhile and innovative projects, every year prizes are awarded for the best three projects i.e. institution wise, region wise and state wise. The Project work must be reviewed twice in the same semester.

a) Internal assessment mark for Project Work & Viva Voce:

Project Review I ... 10 marks
Project Review II ... 10 marks
Attendance ... 05 marks (award of marks same as theory subjects pattern)

Total ... 25 marks

Proper record to be maintained for the two Project Reviews, and It should be preserved for 2 Semesters and produced to the flying squad and the inspection team at the time of inspection/verification.

b) Allocation of Mark for Project Work & Viva Voce in Board Examination:

Viva Voce ... 30 marks
Marks for Report Preparation, Demo ... 35 marks

Total 65 marks

c) Written Test Mark (from 2 topics for 30 minutes duration):

i) Environment Management 2 questions X 2 ½ marks = 5 marks
ii) Disaster Management 2 questions X 2 ½ marks = 5 marks

10marks
$ - Selection of Questions should be from Question Bank, by the External Examiner. No choice need be given to the candidates.

| Project Work & Viva Voce in Board Examination | -- | 65 Marks |
| Written Test Mark (from 2 topics for 30 minutes duration) | -- | 10 Marks |

| TOTAL | -- | 75 Marks |

A neatly prepared PROJECT REPORT as per the format has to be submitted by individual during the Project Work & Viva Voce Board examination.

12. Scheme of Examinations:

The Scheme of examinations for subjects is given in Annexure - II.

13. Criteria for Pass:

1. No candidate shall be eligible for the award of Diploma unless he/she has undergone the prescribed course of study successfully in an institution approved by AICTE and affiliated to the State Board of Technical Education & Training, Tamil Nadu and pass all the subjects prescribed in the curriculum.

2. A candidate shall be declared to have passed the examination in a subject if he/she secures not less than 40% in theory subjects and 50% in practical subject out of the total prescribed maximum marks including both the internal assessment and the Board Examination marks put together, subject to the condition that he/she secures at least a minimum of 30 marks out of 75 marks in the Board's Theory examinations and a minimum of 35 marks out of 75 marks in the Board Practical Examinations.

14. Classification of successful candidates:

Classification of candidates who will pass out the final examinations from April 2018 onwards (Joined in first year in 2015-2016) will be done as specified below.

**First Class with Superlative Distinction:**
A candidate will be declared to have passed in **First Class with Superlative Distinction** if he/she secures not less than 75% of the marks in all the subjects and passes all the semesters in the first appearance itself and passes all subjects within the stipulated period of study 3/3½/ 4 years (Full Time/Sandwich/Part Time) without any break in study.
First Class with Distinction:
A candidate will be declared to have passed in First Class with Distinction if he/she secures not less than 75% of the aggregate of marks in all the semesters put together and passes all the semesters except the I and II semesters in the first appearance itself and passes all the subjects within the stipulated period of study 3/ 3½/ 4 years (Full Time/Sandwich/Part Time) without any break in study.

First Class:
A candidate will be declared to have passed in First Class if he/she secures not less than 60% of the aggregate marks in all semesters put together and passes all the subjects within the stipulated period of study 3/ 3½ / 4 years (Full Time/Sandwich/Part Time) without any break in study.

Second Class:
All other successful candidates will be declared to have passed in Second Class.

The above mentioned classifications are also applicable for the Sandwich / Part-Time students who pass out Final Examination from October 2018 /April 2019 onwards (both joined in First Year in 2015-2016)

15. Duration of a period in the Class Time Table:

The duration of each period of instruction is 1 hour and the total period of instruction hours excluding interval and Lunch break in a day should be uniformly maintained as 7 hours corresponding to 7 periods of instruction (Theory & Practical).

16. Seminar:
For seminar the total seminar 15 hours(15 weeks x 1hour) should be distributed equally to total theory subject per semester(i.e 15 hours divided by 3/4 subject). A topic from subject or current scenario is given to students. During the seminar hour students have to present the paper and submit seminar material to the respective staff member, who is handling the subject. It should be preserved for 2 Semesters and produced to the flying squad and the inspection team at the time of inspection/verification.