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1 Vice Chancellor's Message

With immense pleasure, I present the Annual Report of the University of Vocational Technology for the year 2023. Reflecting on the past year, we find ourselves inspired by the exceptional achievements that have defined our institution.

The year 2023 underscores our unwavering commitment to excellence in vocational education, playing a pivotal role in shaping the future workforce through cutting-edge, industry-relevant degree programs. Noteworthy accomplishments include the successful implementation of degree programs, the initiation of fourth-year programs, and steps taken to accredit degree programs with relevant professional bodies. The integration of state-of-the-art learning tools, including smart boards, alongside the dedication of our academics to fostering a dynamic learning environment, has further elevated our educational offerings.

Hosting the distinguished 469th meeting of the Committee of Vice Chancellors and Directors (CVCD) in December showcased our academic leadership and commitment to collaboration. Elevating our University's status, we emphasized research, enhancing our profile and industry collaborations. The 7th International Research Symposium (IRS2023), with participation from local and foreign institutions, marked a significant milestone in our research endeavors.

Our strategic initiatives have been marked by strong collaborations and partnerships with industry leaders, governmental bodies, and international institutions. These efforts have provided valuable opportunities for our students in real-world projects, internships, and exchange programs, ensuring our graduates are well-prepared for the challenges of a globalized world. Through the EU-funded Techno Economic Societal Sustainable Development and Training in Sri Lanka (TESS) project, we demonstrated successful collaboration in waste management and hosting an industry seminar on Industry collaboration within Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET).

Our commitment to the TVET sector continued with various training programs, including Train of Trainer (TOT) and Training of Assessor programs. The Face-to-Face In-Country Program conducted in collaboration with the Colombo Plan Staff College (CPSC), Philippine, enriched our collaborative efforts with practical insights with foreign partnerships.

I extend my deepest gratitude to the entire University of Vocational Technology community including Board of Governors, Academic Council, students, faculty, staff, alumni, and other stakeholders for their dedication in making 2023 a very productive year.

As we look ahead, let us remain committed to innovation, inclusivity, and the pursuit of knowledge, inspiring positive change and contributing to the advancement of society through life long education. I eagerly anticipate another year of shared success and accomplishment.

Professor C. Mahesh Edirisinghe
Vice Chancellor
University of Vocational Technology

2 Board of Governors of the University -2023

Ex- Officio Members

Senior Professor Ranjith Premalal De Silva — Former Vice Chancellor, University of Vocational Technology (January 2023 – April 2023)

Professor C Mahesh Edirisinghe — Vice Chancellor, University of Vocational Technology (Since May 2023)

Dr. L W S Kularatne — Dean, Faculty of Education Technology

Dr. R L W Koggalage — Former Dean, Faculty of Engineering Technology (January 2023 – August 2023)

Dr. J Wettasinghe — Dean, Faculty of Engineering Technology (Since September 2023)

Professor R A C Jayalath — Former Dean, Faculty of Industrial Technology (January 2023 – April 2023)

Dr. U A S K Edirisinghe — Dean, Faculty of Industrial Technology (Since May 2023)

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Ms. M A S Dabarera — Deputy Director, Department of Fiscal Policy of the Ministry of Finance

Ms. A K E Chamila — Deputy Director (Planning), Higher Education Division, Ministry of Education (Since March 2023)

Mr. S C Jagath — Director General, Department of Technical Education and Training

Mr. Upali Keppitipola — Former Chairman, Sri Lanka Vocational Training Authority (February 2023)

Rtd. Air Vice Marshal P Ranasinghe — Chairman, Sri Lanka Vocational Training Authority (Since March 2023)

Mr. W Ruchika Amarasekara   - Chairman, National Apprentice and Industrial Training Authority

Appointed Members

Mr. S P A R S Jayathilake   - Academic Council Nominee

Dr. M P K C Nandapala   - Academic Council Nominee

Eng. (Prof.) U P Nawagamuwa   - Representative of Institute of Engineers, Sri Lanka (IESL) (Since March 2023)

Eng. K M S B Rekogama   - Representative of Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL) (Since March 2023)

Ms. Nadeeka Andrahennadi   - Representative of the Board of Investment of Sri Lanka (Since March 2023)

Ms. Whiteny Fraser   - Assistant Secretary General – Human Resource and Administration, The Ceylon Chamber of Commerce (Since April 2023)

Professor Gunapala Nanayakkara

Professor C Mahesh Edirisinghe (February 2023 – April 2023)

Ms. N D Hapuarachchi (Since April 2023)

Mr. Erusha Kalidasa (February 2023 - March 2023)

Dr. K G I Amarasinghe

Dr. Nirmali De Silva

Mr. S K Cyril Suduwella

Mr. K G T Jayasekara

Professor K R K Koswattage (Since June 2023)

       Appointed by Honorable Minister

3 Members of the Academic Council -2023

Internal Members

Senior Professor Ranjith Premalal De Silva	Former Vice Chancellor, University of Vocational Technology (Chairman , January 2023 – April 2023)
Professor C. Mahesh Edirisinghe	Vice Chancellor, University of Vocational Technology (Chairman, Since May 2023)
Dr. L.W.S Kularatne	Dean, Faculty of Education
Dr. R L W Koggalage	Former Dean, Faculty of Engineering Technology (January 2023 – August 2023)
Dr. J.Wettasinghe	Dean, Faculty of Engineering Technology (Since September 2023)/ Former Head, Department of Management Studies (January 2023- June 2023)
Professor R A C Jayalath	Former Dean, Faculty of Industrial Technology (January 2023 – April 2023)
Dr. U.A.S.Kamal Edirisinghe	Dean, Faculty of Industrial Technology (Since May 2023)/ Former Head, Department of Agriculture & Food Technology (January 2023- May 2023)
Mr H.P.A.I Pathirana	Former Act. Dean , Faculty of Information Technology (January 2023)
Ms. T.K Malwatte	Acting Dean, Faculty of Information Technology (February 2023-April 2023,)/ Dean ,Faculty of Information Technology, (Since May 2023)
Ms. N. Diyabedanage	Director General, University of Vocational Technology
Dr. M.P.K.C Nandapala	Director, Admission Accreditation & Quality Assurance/ Former Head Department of Construction Technology (January 2023- March 2023)
Mr.S.P.A.R.S.Jayathilaka	Director , Human Resource Development Centre (Since August 2023)
Dr. (Ms) R.S.Palliyaguru	Former Head, Department of Quantity Surveying (January 2023 -July 2023)
Ms. S.R.M.P Seneviratna	Head, Department of Quantity Surveying (Since August 2023)

Ms. Gayanthi Alahapperuma	Head, Department of Mechanical & Manufacturing Technology
Ms.Y.S Manathunga	Head, Department of Education & Training
Ms.Dilini Ranasuriya	Head, Department of Language Studies
Mr. H.A Seneviratne	Head, Department of Multimedia & Web Technology (Since May 2023)
Mr.R.R.M.D.P Rathnayake	Head, Department of Film & Television Production Technology
Ms.U.Sivachelvy	Head, Department of Management Studies (Since June 2023)
Dr. S D A Sanjeewa	Former Head, Department of Electrical & Electronics Technology (January 2023- March 2023)
Mr. D.T. Ganegoda	Head, Department of Electrical & Electronics Technology (Since April 2023)
Ms. Indrachapa Gunasekara	Head, Department of Tourism Studies
Mr. T.D. Denagama	Head, Department of Construction Technology (since March 2023)
Mr.P. Uruthiran	Acting Head, Department of Software Technology (Since February 2023)
Mr. R.M.C.A.B Rathnayake	Acting Head, Department of Network Technology
Ms. Methmini Rathnapala	Acting Head, Department of Textile and Apparel Technology
Dr. E. C. Jayawardena	Acting Head, Department of Agriculture & Food Technology (Since June 2023)
Ms. P.M Perera Ms. Samantha Manawadu	Head, Department of Building Services Technology (January 2023 - September 2023) Acting Head, Department of Building Services Technology (Since October, 2023)
Professor R.A.C. Jayalath	Professor, Department of Quantity Surveying
Professor R.L.W Koggalage	Associate Professor, Department of Electrical & Electronics Technology
Dr. A.S.K Warahena	Senior Lecturer, Department of Mechanical & Manufacturing Technology

Dr.D.D.D.Suraweera	Senior Lecturer, Department of Electrical & Electronics Technology
Prof. Chandana Gamage	Professor, Department of Software Technology
Ms.Padmashanthi Y.Gamage	Senior Lecturer, Department of Education & Training
Ms.J.K. Kanthi	Senior Lecturer, Department of Electrical & Electronics Technology
Ms. W.C.C. Sumathiratne	Senior Lecturer, Department of Building Services Technology
Ms. M.Thenabadu	Senior Lecturer, Department of Agriculture & Food Technology
Ms. J.A.M.B Karunaratne	Senior Lecturer, Department of Language Studies
Ms. A.A Gunawardena	Senior Lecturer, Department of Language Studies
Mr S.A.Liyanage	Senior Lecturer, Department of Language Studies (From January 2023 – February 2023)

External Members

Dr.L.Ranathunga	Senior Lecturer, Department of Information Technology, Faculty of Information Technology, University of Moratuwa
Mr.P.D Sarath Chandra	Former Senior Lecturer (Mechanical Engineering)/HOD(Mechanical Engineering), The Open University of Sri Lanka
Dr Thanuja Ramachandra	Senior Lecturer, Department of Building Economics, University of Ruhuna (January 2023-August 2023)

In Attendance

Mr. M.G Dharmasiri	Senior Assistant Registrar/ Administration & Establishments (Secretary, January 2023 – September 2023)
Ms.G.W.G Upamalika	Senior Assistant Librarian
Ms. W.P.G.C Pramila	Assistant Registrar, Faculties (Secretary ,Since October 2023)
Mr. Tharindu Premachandra	Assistant Registrar, Examination & Evaluation Centre
Ms. N.B.W.I Udeshika	Statistical Officer (Since October 2023)

4 University Profile

4.1 Establishment of the University

The National university system in Sri Lanka, from its initiation has been providing opportunities of higher education for a significantly small percentage of coherent groups of students annually. Accordingly, a large number of students do not receive any opportunities for further studies. Although some of these dropouts enrolled in occupation oriented technical and vocational education programmes, it had not been popular among the coherent group since the technical and vocational education structure had no clear path for further education and training.

The University of Vocational Technology was established as the solution for the said problem. It has also fulfilled the long-waited need of the contemporary society for having a University distinct from other existing universities in Sri Lanka where potential students can be enrolled outside the G.C.E Advanced Level route. This University was established under the Parliament Act No. 31 of 2008 as the first ever University in Sri Lanka established for further and higher studies in the Technical and Vocational Education sector. University of Vocational Technology offer bachelors degree programmes for those who have completed Diploma Courses at NVQ Level 5 & 6 and those who have obtained equivalent qualifications that are not in the NVQ framework.

However, The University extended the admission procedure to recruit students from GCE A/L examination from the year 2017 only for weekday programme while giving priority to NVQ stream students.

4.2 Vision

> To be The Leader in Vocational and Technological University Education and Research in South Asia.

4.3 Mission

> I.   To provide lifelong learning opportunities for all with aspirations to achieve professional excellence.
> II. To network with global TVET sector, academia and industry.
> III. To be a catalyst in sustainable socio-economic development of the country.

4.4 The Objectives of the University

- To assist in the progressive development of students in TVET system based on their aptitudes and abilities to acquire university education.
- To provide pedagogical training for those undergoing training while serving in the Technical and Vocational Education sector and industry.
- To assist in the development of course curricular for Technical and Vocational Education and Training.
- To provide courses of study for middle level technical personnel having qualifications acceptable for admission to the University.
- To provide courses of study for those with National Vocational Qualifications (NVQ) to upgrade their competency and acquire academic qualifications.
- To provide extension courses on continuing professional development.
- To provide extension services to the public including institutions, in the construction, manufacturing and service sector.

4.5 Achieving the objectives of the University during 2023

- Student Enrolment of the 2022 Batch was happened during the 1st quarter of 2023, 1103 students were enrolled for undergraduate courses and 61 students were enrolled to 4 year degree programme.
- 714 students who successfully completed academic activities were graduated at the Annual Convocation , which was held on 24th February 2023 and 17 students who successfully completed National Diploma , conducted by the Human Resource Development Centre awarded the Diploma certificates on the same date.
- 5 ToA programmes and 6 ToT programmes were conducted during 2023 and 356 Participants were trained.
- 4 Pedagogy Training Programmes were conducted to University Academic staff and to 3 university colleges with the Collaboration of YouLead .
- 9 National Competency Standards (NCS) and 8 Curriculum of NVQ 4,5 were developed and documents submitted to TVEC during 2023.

4.6 Highlights of 2023

- Enrolment of the students of the 2022 batch was done during the 1st quarter of 2023. A total number of 1103 of students were enrolled for undergraduate courses and 61 students were enrolled on honours degree programme. The Inauguration Ceremony of the batch was held on 20th April 2024.

- 714 students who completed academic activities graduated at the annual convocation, which was held on 24th February 2023. 17 students who completed national diplomas, conducted by the Human Resource Development Centre of the university were awarded the diploma certificates on the same day.

- Five (05) Training of Assessors (ToA) programmes and six (06) Training of Trainers (ToT) programmes were conducted during 2023 and 356 participants were trained under the two programmes.

- FoodEx 2023, which is the most exclusive annual exhibition organized by the Food Technology Association of the University of Vocational Technology, was held on 14th and 15th July 2023.

- The International Research Symposium (IRS) 2023 was held on 14th December 2023, marking a phenomenal gathering of minds and ideas. This symposium stood as a beacon for scholars, researchers, academics, practitioners, and students, fostering vibrant discussions on the theme of "Emerging Technologies and Skills for Resilient Industries."

A face-to-face in-country program focusing on "Leadership and Management of TVET Institutes", arranged by the Colombo Plan Staff College (CPSC), Philippines in collaboration with the Ministry of Education and the University of Vocational Technology was held from 11th to 15th December 2023.

- To contribute to a significant development of English language education in Sri Lanka, the University of Vocational Technology and EPLUS Exam International entered into a strategic partnership on 14th December 2023. This collaboration was marked by signing the E-PLUS English Language Testing System (EPELTS) agreement aiming to redefine English language assessment in the country.

4.7   Organizational Structure of University of Vocational Technology

University of Vocational Technology
(Established by the Parliament Act No: 31 of 2008)

Board of Governors (BOG)/Vice Chancellor (VC)

Academic Council (AC)

Director General (DG)

Admission Accreditation & Quality Assurance Council

Director/ Admission Accreditation & Quality Assurance (D/AA & QA)

Admission, Accreditation & Quality Assurance Centre (AAQAC)

Student Services Unit & Technical Services Unit

Dean/ Faculty of Education
- Dept. of Education & Training
- Dept. of Language Studies

Dean/ Faculty of Information Technology
- Dept. of Software Technology
- Dept. of Network Technology
- Dept. of Multimedia Technology
- Dept. of Interdisciplinary Studies

Dean/ Faculty of Industrial Technology
- Dept. of Quantity Surveying
- Dept. of Management Studies
- Dept. of Film & Television
- Dept. of Food Process Technology

Dean/Faculty of Engineering Technology
- Dept. of Electrical & Electronic Technology
- Dept. of Mechanical & Manufacturing Tech.
- Dept. of Building Services Technology
- Dept. of Construction Technology

Director/ Media & Information Services (D/MIS)
- ICT Technical Services Unit
- Media and Information Services Division
- Library

Director/ Human Resource Development Centre
- Human Resource Development Center
- Curriculum Development Unit

HR Management

Examination & Evaluation Centre (EEC)

General Administration
- Supplies & Capital Assets Unit
- Maintenance Unit
- Statistical Officer

Director Finance (DF)
- Financial Services
- Accounts
- Payments
- Stores

Internal Audit Service

Internal Auditor

5 Students' Profile
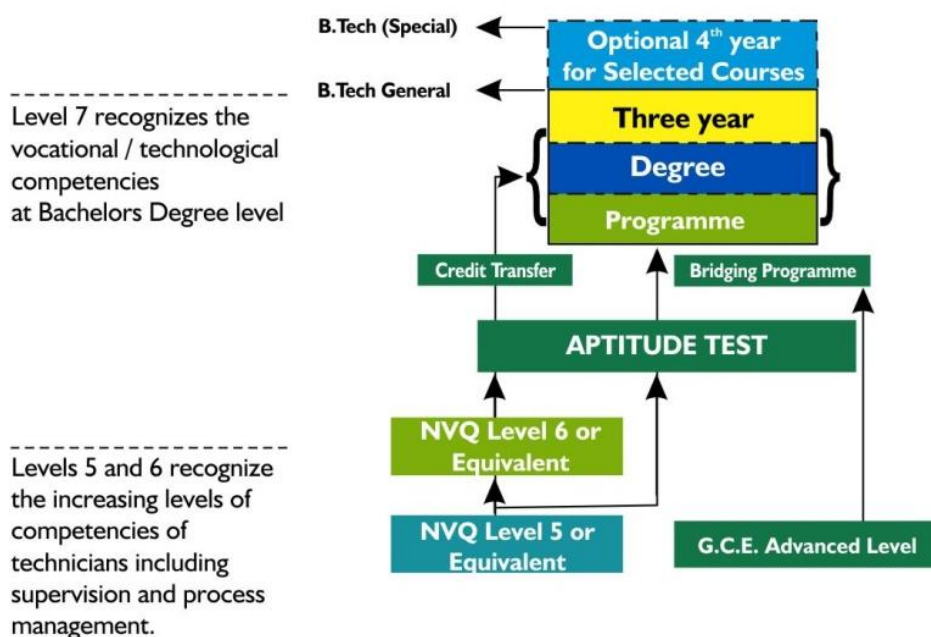
Figure 5.1: University Entrance Path

University of Vocational Technology enrolls students with NVQ level 5 or equivalent qualifications and G.C.E Advanced Level qualification in the specified streams. Within the undergraduate programmes, students are given higher theoretical knowledge in their specialization and are exposed to gain practical experience with new technological equipment in laboratories. They also achieve an industrial training of six months as undergraduate trainees during the fifth semester of the programme. Having been technologically enriched through these activities, students will complete a project during the final semester which would be product oriented and mostly based on industry requirements.

5.1 Capacity for Degree Programmes

Table 5.1: Capacity for Degree Programmes

	Degree Programme	Weekdays (B1)	Weekend (B2)	Total
1	B. Tech. In Building Services Technology	40	50	90
2	B. Tech. In Manufacturing Technology	40	50	90
3	B. Tech. In Mechatronics Technology	40	50	90
4	B. Tech. In Construction Technology & Resource Management	40	50	90
5	B. Tech. In Food Process Technology	40	50	90
6	B. Tech. In Media Art Production Technology	40		40
7	B. Tech in Film & Television Technology		40	40
8	B. Tech. In Industrial Management Technology	40	50	90

9	B. Tech in Quantity Surveying		50	50
10	Bachelor of Hotel Management		40	40
11	B. Tech. In Software Technology	40	40	80
12	B. Tech. In Network Technology	40	40	80
13	B. Tech. In Multimedia & Web Technology	40	40	80
14	B.Ed. In Technology	40	50	90
15	B. Ed. In English Language Teaching	40	50	90
16	Bachelor of Translation Studies		40	40
	Total	**480**	**690**	**1170**

5.2 Facilitation for Students

5.2.1 Students Services Unit & Technical Services Unit

The main objective of these Units is to facilitate students with effective & efficient supportive services to continue their studies in fruitful manner. Both Units are opened every Academic-day of the year to provide following services.

Table 5.2: Services of Students' Services Unit and Technical Services Unit

Students' Services Unit	Technical Services Unit
• Maintenance of personal records • Issuing following/ studentship confirmation letters • Issuing ID cards • Maintenance of attendance records • Processing for medical certificates • Maintenance of the EMIS	• Allocation of class rooms and laboratories • Facilitating learning materials for class rooms • Issuing lockers for students • Providing other assistant for Academic activities

In addition to above services, Students' Services Unit maintains an Information Desk in order to provide all required information on degree programmes to public individuals who visit the University.

5.2.2 Library

The University of Vocational Technology Library is an academic library that serves tertiary education. It is one of the most comprehensive technical libraries in Sri Lanka. Providing access to over 27872 volumes and some journals, it functions as the primary information sources for students, staff, professionals and four faculties of the university. With the view to providing an ever-improving service, the knowledge base as well as the access and facilities of the library are continually enriched.

The library is easily accessible and study areas, facilities and information services are design to create a reader friendly atmosphere. Knowledgeable library staff members are available to assist readers, whether they are looking for in depth   database research, or simply a book or any other reference needs.

Book Collection

The Library collection is 27872 books as per the inventory and it consists of books, periodicals, newspapers, syllabus, student project reports, encyclopedias, dictionaries etc.

E-Library

Electronic Library was established with 17 amounts of new computers and student using the E-Library for their Academic purpose and it is going to be further developed in the future.

Progress of the Library during 2023

More than 250 books were entered to the existing library database and 80 new text books have been purchased for the Library and provided library facilities all the academic staff, Visiting Staff and students of the University.

5.2.3   Hostel Facilities

The University has two hostel building to offer accommodation to students. These hostels are situated in the university premises. Hostel facilities are provided for a limited number of students by the university. First year students are given priority in the selection process in order to provide more assistance to their studies. Hostels are offered on full time basis as well as daily basis. Hostels are administered by two members of the academic staff and two sub-wardens. In addition, there are other staff members to help in the administration. All hostels are equipped with able staff to handle daily services.

6 Faculty of Engineering Technology

The Faculty of Industrial and Vocational Technology was renamed as Faculty of Engineering Technology in 2020 with the restructuring of the Faculties that added two new faculties. The Faculty focuses on conducting academic programmes in Engineering Technology field of studies, aiming of providing opportunities for middle-level technically qualified persons in the industry to expand their knowledge, abilities, and attitudes for career progression. There had been little or no opportunities in the country for those technically trained individuals to obtain a degree and higher level qualifications in their respective fields. Degree programmes that are offered by the Faculty would fill this gap and create more openings not only in conventional technology areas like Civil, Mechanical and Electrical but also more integrated areas like Building Services, Manufacturing, Mechatronics, and Construction.

The Faculty of Engineering Technology consists of three academic departments under its purview. These are namely; Department of Building Services Technology, Department of Construction Technology, and the Department of Electro-Mechanical Technology. The Department of Electro-Mechanical Technology was established in December 2023 by merging the two Departments, Department of Manufacturing Technology and Department of Electrical and Electronics Technology.

The Faculty offers four degree programmes under the above three Departments, namely, Bachelor of Technology in Building Services Technology, Bachelor of Technology in Manufacturing Technology, Bachelor of Technology in Mechatronics Technology, Bachelor of Technology in Construction Technology and Resource Management.

Students enrolled from GCE A/L Stream

The above degree programmes are specially designed for those who possess National Vocational Qualifications (NVQ) or equivalent qualifications. In addition, the Faculty has opened the door for a limited number of Advanced Level (Technology and Physical science streams) qualified students too to enroll for the programmes, depending on the space available after giving priority to NVQ qualified students. However, A/L qualified students are enrolled only for the weekday programme. A Foundation programme has been designed for the purpose of bridging the core knowledge, skills and attitudes in basic modules such as Mathematics, Physics, English, and Information and communication Technology etc for the students coming from non-NVQ backgrounds. Also, a three months Industrial Exposure term is offered for those students at which the students are sent to the relevant industry after the first semester of study to get the necessary exposure to continue the degree programme.

6.1 Student Intake – 2022/ 2023 Batch

Aptitude test to select students for the two batches (Weekday and Weekend) of the programmes of B. Tech. in Manufacturing Technology, Mechatronics Technology, Building Services Technology, Construction Technology & Resource Management, was

conducted on 4th December 2022. Based on the performance of the Aptitude test students were admitted for the academic year 2022/2023. The details of student enrollment are given are given in Table 6.1.

Table 6.1: Faculty of Engineering Technology, Student Intake 2022 Batch

#	B. Tech. Degree Programme	No. of Students registered for week day batch (B1)	No. of Students registered for weekend batch (B2)
1.	B. Tech. in Building Services Technology	48	51
2.	B. Tech. in Mechatronics Technology	50	54
3.	B. Tech. in Manufacturing Technology	54	26
4.	B. Tech. in Construction Technology & Resource Management	50	48
Total registered in the Faculty of Engineering Technology		**202**	**179**

The distribution of students enrolled based on NVQ and A/L qualifications for each degree programmes are given in Table 6.2.

Table 6.2 : Student Intake – Distribution of intake between NVQ and AL for different degrees

#	B. Tech. Degree Programme	NVQ	AL
Weekday			
1.	B. Tech. in Building Services Technology	06	42
2.	B. Tech. in Mechatronics Technology	02	48
3.	B. Tech. in Manufacturing Technology	08	46
4.	B. Tech. in Construction Technology & Resource Management	05	45
Weekend			
1.	B. Tech. in Building Services Technology	51	--
2.	B. Tech. in Mechatronics Technology	54	--
3.	B. Tech. in Manufacturing Technology	26	--
4.	B. Tech. in Construction Technology & Resource Management	48	--

6.2 Inauguration and the Foundation Programme

The inauguration ceremony of degree programmes was held on 20th April 2023.

The orientation programme for weekday batch was held on 3rd and 4th May of 2023 and the orientation programme for weekend batch was held on 10.06.2023. The foundation programme for the weekday batch was started from 08.05.2023, while the 1st Semester studies for weekend programme was started from 24.06.2023

A summary of students population of B. Tech. degree programmes offered by the Faculty is given in Table 6.3.

Table 6.3 : Student Intake – summary of students population of B. Tech. degree programmes offered by the Faculty

Title of the Degree Course	Year of Registration							
	2019 - Week day	2019 - Weekend	2020 - Week day	2020 - Weekend	2021 - Week day	2021 - Weekend	2022- Week day	2022- Weekend
B. Tech. in Building Services Technology	52	52	46	58	46	46	48	51
B. Tech. in Mechatronics Technology	46	33	43	43	41	41	50	54
B. Tech. in Manufacturing Technology	39	56	52	41	46	58	54	26
B. Tech. in Construction Technology & Resource Management	46	66	51	50	51	57	50	48
Batch Total	183	207	192	192	184	202	202	179

6.3 Examinations conducted for the faculty in 2023

Details of examinations conducted by the Faculty of Engineering Technology during year 2023 for both weekday and weekend batches are given in the Table 6.4.

Table 6.4 : Details of examinations conducted during year 2023 for both weekday and weekend batches

#	B. Tech. Degree Programme	Year of First Registration	Batch	Semester End Examination
1.	Building Services Technology	2019/2020	B1 and B2	Semester 6
	Mechatronics Technology			
	Manufacturing Technology			
	Construction Technology & Resource Management			
2.	Building Services Technology	2020/2021	B1 and B2	Semester 2 Semester 3 Semester 4
	Mechatronics Technology			
	Manufacturing Technology			
	Construction Technology & Resource Management			

3.	Building Services Technology			
	Mechatronics Technology	2021/ 2022	Weekdays & Weekend	Semester 2
	Manufacturing Technology			
	Construction Technology & Resource Management			

6.4. Details of Academic Staff 2023

The profiles of permanent academic staff members of the three departments of the Faculty are shown in the table below. They are engaging in delivering lectures/conducting practical sessions, Academic Coordination, Research/ Project supervision, and Student Evaluations.

Table 6.5: Academic Staff-Faculty of Engineering Technology

#	Department	Name & Designation
1.	Electro-Mechanical Technology	Dr. Jayalal Wettasinghe, Dean/ Senior Lecturer Gr.II
		Mr. Dilshan Ganegoda, Head of the Department/ Senior Lecturer Grade (II)
		Dr. R. L. W. Koggalage, Associate Professor/ Senior Lecturer Gr.I
		Dr. A. S. K. Warahena, Senior Lecturer Gr.I
		Dr. D. D. D. Suraweera, Senior Lecturer Gr.I
		Ms. K.G. Alahapperuma, Senior Lecturer Gr.I
		Dr. S.D.A. Sanjeewa, Senior Lecturer Gr.II
		Ms. J. K. Kanthi, Senior Lecturer Gr.II
		Mr. Suraj Jayathilaka, Senior Lecturer Gr.II
		Ms.Barathi, Lecturer (Probationary)
		Mr. H. N. W. Gunasekara, Lecturer (Probationary)
		Mr. S. V. R. Gamage, Lecturer (Probationary)
		Ms. D. V. D. Sajeewani, Engineering Teaching Assistant
2.	Construction Technology	Mr. T. D. Denagama, Head of the Department/Senior Lecturer Gr. II
		Dr. Kasun Nandapala, Senior Lecturer Gr. II
		Ms. A. S. S. U. Gamage, Lecturer (Probationary)
3.	Building Services Technology	Ms. Samantha Manawadu, Actg. Head of the Department / Teaching Assistant
		Ms. Madhavi Perera, Senior Lecturer Gr. II
		Ms. Chamila Sumathirathna, Senior Lecturer Gr. II

6.5 Visiting Lecturers in 2023

Faculty is obtaining services of visiting lecturers and resource persons due to the followings;

- Shortage of permanent academic staff
- To establish better linkages with industry and academia of other universities and higher education institutions

Details of visiting lecturers employed by the faculty for all degree programmes in 2023 are given in Table 6.6.

Table 6.6 : Visiting Lecturers during 2023

#	B. Tech. Degree Programme	Year of first Registration	Batch	Semester	No. of Visiting Lecturers
	Building Services Technology	2019/2020	Weekday	S6	06
			Weekend	S6	07
		2020/ 2021	Weekday	S3	03
				S4	09
			Weekend	S3	05
				S4	09
		2021 / 2022	Weekday	S2	04
			Weekend	S2	06
		2022 / 2023	Weekday	S1	04
			Weekend	S1	07
	Mechatronics Technology	2019/2020	Weekday	S6	04
			Weekend	S6	05
		2020/ 2021	Weekday	S3	04
				S4	04
			Weekend	S3	05
				S4	06
		2021 / 2022	Weekday	S2	02
			Weekend	S2	05
		2022 / 2023	Weekday	S1	02
			Weekend	S1	05
	Manufacturing Technology	2019/2020	Weekday	S6	06
			Weekend	S6	06
		2020/ 2021	Weekday	S3	03
				S4	04
			Weekend	S3	06
				S4	06
		2021 / 2022	Weekday	S2	03
			Weekend	S2	05
		2022 / 2023	Weekday	S1	02
			Weekend	S1	05

6.6 Exemptions granted for B. Tech Students

A policy on granting exemption from certain modules for the students who have NVQ 6 or equivalent qualifications has been developed and practiced. Exemptions are granted for modules provided that the student has successfully completed the equivalent subject at diploma level. Students are required to apply for the exemptions and produce original transcript of the Diploma as evidence.

Students who seek for the exemptions from modules have to apply under two categories. Students in Category 01 are granted exemption from attending lectures and practical classes and all assessments including semester end examination. However his/her performance in the particular module is considered to be equivalent to simple pass for the purpose of calculating GPA. Students fall into category 02 are granted exemptions from attending lectures and practical classes. But they are required to complete the continuous assessments and sit for the semester end examinations. Consequently, performance levels that the students achieved at those evaluations are counted for their GPA calculation.

6.7 Work Based Industrial Training

Industrial/ Work-based training is an important component of Bachelor of Technology programmes, which lasts for six months. This module is offered in semester 5. Students are placed in industry in collaboration with National Apprentice & Industrial Training Authority (NAITA) under its undergraduate training placement scheme. Students who complete the Industrial Training are evaluated by NAITA together with the university. Students who are working in a place related to their field of study undergo a work-based training.

6.8 Faculty Board Meetings

The meetings of the Faculty board were held each month so that 10 meetings were held during the year 2023, with the participation of student representatives and both external and internal members.

6.9 General Convocation- 2023

General Convocation of the University was held on 24th of February 2023 at BMICH. 118 students of the Faculty of Engineering Technology who followed B.Tech degrees graduated on that day. Details are given below Table 6.7.

Table 6.7 : Details of Graduates

Title of the Degree Course	No. of Graduands
Bachelor of Technology in Building Services Technology	40
Bachelor of Technology in Construction Technology and Resource Management	62
Bachelor of Technology in Manufacturing Technology	41
Bachelor of Technology in Mechatronics Technology	76
Batch Total	**219**

6.10 Fourth Year Programme - 2023

At present, 4th year is offered for three degree programmes, i.e., for Building Services Technology, Mechatronics Technology and Manufacturing Technology. Passed out students and continuing students can enroll for the 4th year. Currently, the programme is offered in weekend mode.

Table: 6.8 : Details of Fourth year students

Title of the Degree Course	2022 Batch	2023 Batch
B. Tech. in Building Services Technology	33	02
B. Tech. in Manufacturing Technology	17	12
B. Tech. in Mechatronics Technology	39	06
Batch Total	**89**	**20**

6.11 Targets in 2024

6.11.1 Curriculum Revision
All departments expect to revise the curricula of the degree programme such that those who have NVQ qualifications can get the degree in minimum two years.

6.11.2 External Collaborations
The faculty plans to establish collaboration between UoVT and the Institute of Engineering Technology (IET), Katunayake to offer the degree programmes developed by IET. A few meetings between two parties were held in this regard and it was agreed to move forward for this step. All those degree programmes will come under the faculty of Engineering Technology.

6.11.3 Accreditation for degree programmes
The faculty plans to get the degree programmes offered by the faculty accredited by relevant local and foreign professional bodies. As a first step, a meeting between the faculty and the Institution of Engineers Sri Lanka (IESL) was held in December 2023.

7 Faculty of Education

The Faculty of Education of the University of Vocational Technology was established in 2020 with the restructuring of the Faculties that added two new faculties. The Faculty of Education focuses on conducting academic programmes in education, training technology, English Language Teaching and language studies.

The Faculty provides a number of undergraduate programmes for those interested in pursuing higher education, leading to B.Ed. degrees in ELT and a number of technological areas for NVQ level 5 or 6 qualified students, for those who serve government and private sector training institutes as trainers/teachers, and for Advanced Level (A/L) qualified students. The programs are offered with the intention of opening pathways for trainers in order to develop their knowledge, skills and attitudes to a higher level so that they will be able to perform better at work places, and pursue in relevant higher studies.

These degree programmes are specially designed for those who have passed out from University Colleges, Colleges of Technology (CoTs), teachers in schools and TVET institutes and for others holding the required diploma level qualifications. In addition, the Faculty hastaken steps to provide opportunities for A/L qualified students too to enroll for the programmes. However, the priority is given to the NVQ qualified students.

A Foundation programme has been designed for bridging the core knowledge, skills and attitudes in basic modules such as Mathematics, English and Information and communicationTechnology which are conducted for one month at the commencement of each programme asthe students are from different backgrounds.

7.1 Students enrolled from GCE A/L Stream

As a policy decision, the Faculty has enrolled students for the B.Ed. Tech programmes in three streams namely, Bio Systems, ICT and Engineering for both B1 and B2, that is the weekday and weekend programmes from NVQ and A/L Streams. Students have been enrolled from NVQ and the GCE /AL stream for B.Ed. in ELT programme too.

It has been decided by the Academic Council and measures have been taken to enroll studentsfor the B.Ed. Tech programme (B1) from the trainers of TVET with NVQ Level 5 or 6 qualifications for the Academic year 2022/2023.

Table 7.1 : Students enrolled in academic year 2022/2023

Degree Programme	No. of Students to be Enrolled in 2022	
	Weekdays	Weekends
Bachelor of Education in English Language Teaching	46	53
Bachelor of Education in Bio Systems Technology	20	03
Bachelor of Education in Engineering Technology	19	12
Bachelor of Education in Information & Communication Technology	24	07

B.Ed.ELT (Hon)	--	06
B.Ed.Tech (Hon)	--	04

7.2 Inauguration, Orientation and the Foundation Programme

The inauguration ceremony of degree programmes were held on 20th April 2023.

The orientation programme for both weekday & weekend batches were conducted on 08th May to 14th May 2023 and foundation programme for both batches were conducted on 15th May to 30th June 2023.

B. Ed.Tech. Degree (Weekday & Weekend) Programmes
First semester of year 1 for week day degree programmes were commenced on 03rd July 2023. After 16 weeks, Semester 1 end examination held from 01st December to 10th December 2023. Second semester of year 1 will be commenced on 01st January 2024.

First semester of year 1 for weekend degree programmes was commenced on 01st July 2023. After 22 weeks, Semester 1 end examination held on 01st December to 10th December 2023. Second semester of year 1 will be commenced on 06th January 2024.

A summary of student intake for all B.Ed Tech and B.Ed ELT degree programmes is given in the following Table 7.2.

Table 7.2 : Student Intake 2019– 2022

Degree Programme	Year of Registration							
	2019		2020		2021		2022	
	Week days	Week ends	Week days	Week ends	Week days	Week ends	Week days	Week ends
Bachelor of Education in English Language Teaching	52	72	62	54	43	62	46	53
Bachelor of Education in Technology	--	24	--	52	58	46	--	--
Bachelor of Education in Bio Systems Technology	Introduced in 2022						20	03
Bachelor of Education in Engineering Technology							19	12
Bachelor of Education in Information & Communication Technology							24	07
Bachelor of Translation Studies	Introduced in 2021				--	25	--	--
B.Ed ELT (Hon)	Introduced in 2021				--	12	--	06
B.Ed. (Hon)	Introduced in 2022				--	--	--	04
Batch Total	52	96	62	106	101	145	109	85
Year Total	148		168		246		194	

7.3 Examinations conducted during year 2023

Details of examinations conducted during year 2023 for both weekday and weekend batches are given below.

Table 7.3 : Examinations conducted during year 2023

Degree Programme	Year of First Registration	Batch	Completed Semester End Examination
Bachelor of Education in English LanguageTeaching	2019	Weekdays & Weekend	VI
	2020	Weekdays & Weekend	V
	2021	Weekdays & Weekend	III
	2022	Weekdays & Weekend	I
Bachelor of Education in Technology	2019	Weekend	VI
	2020	Weekend	IV
	2021	Weekdays & Weekend	III
Bachelor of Translation Studies	2021	Weekend	II
B.Ed (Hons) in ELT	2021	Weekend	VIII
	2022		VII

7.4 General Convocation

General Convocation of the University was held on 24th of February 2023 at BMICH. 118 students of the Faculty of Education who followed B.Ed Tech and B.Ed ELT degrees graduated on that day. Details are given below.

Table 7.4 : General Convocation

Title of the Degree Course	No. of Graduands
Bachelor of Education Technology	58
Bachelor of Technology in English Language Teaching	60
Batch Total	**118**

7.5 Details of Academic Staff

The permanent academic staff members of the Faculty shown below were involved in delivering lectures, conducting practical sessions, preparing and evaluating assignments and setting question papers, marking answer scripts and organizing and implementing all other activities, pertaining to the educational programmes.

Table 7.5 : **Academic Staff of the Faculty involved in Implementation of Degree Programmes in – 2023**

#	Name & Designation	Course	Module / Subject
1.	Dr. L W S Kularatne Senior Lecturer Gr.II	B.Ed (ELT)	1. Review of Learning English 2. Literature in Language Classroom 3. Professional Development 4. Teaching Writing 5. Final Year Projects Supervision
2.	Ms. Y G. Padma Shanthi Senior Lecturer Gr.I	B. Ed. Tech B. Ed. (ELT)	1. Teaching Learning Methods I & II 2. Micro Teaching 1 3. Educational Psychology 4. Internship
3.	Mr. S A Liyanage Senior Lecturer Gr. II	B.Ed (ELT)	1. Computer Assisted Language Learning 2. Professional Development
4.	Ms. Y S Manatunge Senior Lecturer Gr. II	B.Ed.(ELT) B. Ed. Tech.	1. Professional Development 2. Instructional Media 3. Psychology for Professionals 4. Internship
5.	Ms. L H D L Ranasuriya Senior Lecturer Gr. II	B.Tech. (MEC)) B.Ed.(ELT)	1. Advanced Communication 2. English for Specific Purposes 3. Communication Skills 4. Teaching Practice 5. Project
6.	Ms. J A M B Karunaratne Senior Lecturer Gr.II	B.Ed (ELT) B.Tech (MAPT)	1. Applied Linguistics 2. Teaching Reading 3. Psycholinguistics 4. Dissertation 5. Structure of English I 6. Supervision of ELT Projects 7. Communication Skills in English I & II
7.	Ms. A A Gunawardhana Senior Lecturer Gr. II	B.Ed. (ELT)	1. Introduction to Linguistics 2. Introduction to English Language 3. Supervision of ELT Projects
8.	Ms. K T P C Somarathna Lecturer (Probationary)	B.Ed.(ELT)	1. ELT Approaches and Methods 2. Business and Professional Communication Skills 3. Communication Skills I 4. Fiction 5. Teaching Practice 6. Internship 7. Research Supervision
9.	Ms. L A M H P Udayakumari Lecturer (Probationary)	B. Ed. Tech B. Ed. (ELT)	1. Philosophical and Sociological Foundation of Education 2. Curriculum Development, Implementation and Evaluation 3. Career Guidance and Career Counseling

			4. Internship	
10.	Dr. S A N Danushka Teaching Assistant	B.Ed. Tech B.Ed.(ELT)	1. Principles of Education 2. Assessment of Learning - I 3. Advanced Instructional Media 4. Research Methods in Education 5. Projects	

Table 7.6 : Summary of Visiting Staff of the Faculty in 2023

Degree Programme	Year of Registration	Batch	Semester	No. of Visiting Lecturers
Bachelor of Education in English Language Teaching	2019/20	Weekends	4	01
		Weekends	6	01
	2020/21	Weekdays	4	01
		Weekends	4	02
		Weekdays	5	02
		Weekends	5	06
	2021/22	Weekdays	2	01
		Weekends	2	08
		Weekends	3	01
	2022/23	Weekdays	1	01
		Weekends	1	04
		Weekends	2	01
Bachelor of Education in English Language Teaching (Hon)	2022/23	Weekends	7	07
Bachelor of Translation Studies	2021/22	Weekends	2	05
Bachelor of Education in Technology	2019/20	Weekends	6	03
	2021/22	Weekdays	3	05
		Weekends	3	02
	2022/23	Weekdays	1	17
		Weekends	1	01

7.6 Exemptions Granted for Students

Policy on granting exemption was developed. Students were considered to be eligible for exemptions only if they had NVQ 6 Diploma or equivalent or higher qualification. Exemptions were granted for modules provided that the student has successfully completed the equivalent subject at diploma level. Students were required to produce original transcript of the Diploma as evidence.

Students who sought exemptions had to apply under two categories. Students in Category 01 were granted exemption from attending lectures and practical classes and all

assessments including semester end examination. However his/her performance in the particular module was considered to be equivalent to simple pass for the purpose of calculating GPA. Students fell into category 02 were granted exemptions from attending lectures and practical classes. But they were required to complete the continuous assessments and sit for the semester end examinations. Consequently, performance levels that the students achieved at those evaluations were counted for their GPA calculation.

7.7 Industrial Training

Industrial training is an important component of Bachelor of Technology programmes, which lasts for six months. After restructuring the curriculum structure, this module is offered in semester 5. Students are placed in industry in collaboration with National Apprentice & Industrial Training Authority under its undergraduate training placement scheme. It should be noted here that this component of the courses were amended to address the issues caused by the pandemic to a manageable level to make sure the courses could be completed as scheduled, yet without compromising the quality of the programmes.

7.8 Industrial Liaison Committees

Industrial liaison committee for the Faculty has been formed a new and it is intended to get the committee's observations on improvements to be made to the curricula and course delivery.

7.9 Curriculum Revision of the Degree Programmes

The first circle of curriculum revision of all the degree programmes offered by the Faculty has been completed by the end of year 2017. The revised curricula of all the degree programmes offered by the Faculty have been implemented from 2019. The curriculum of B.Ed.Tec degree has been revised in 2022 with a complete change to the mode of delivery enabling the programme to be delivered in three technology streams. Also, there has been a major revision to the B.Ed (ELT) degree programme too.

7.10 Research

All academic staff members are engaged in research activities. Those who submitted proposals in 2022 have completed their research and submitted reports to the University. They have submitted new proposals to be carried out in the year 2023. Some of the staff are to engage in submitting papers to local and international journals as well. Further most of the Faculty staff has supervised research studies undertaken by the students of the Faculty.

7.10.1 Research Symposium

The annual research symposium of the University was held on 14th December 2023 at University premises.

7.10.2 Student Research Session

The student research session conducted by the Faculty of Education was held on 18th October 2023 at University Auditorium. The details of the research papers presented from this Faculty are as follows.

Table 7.7 : Research Paper Details

#	Name	Proposal Name
1.	W.K.S. Sewwandi, S. Sangavi, S.A.N. Danushka	Use of Formal and Informal Modes of Assessment in the Field of Higher Education: Structured Literature Review
2.	U.B.R.H.Y. Balasooriya, R.A.I. Kumari, W.A.O.G. Perera, S.A.N. Danushka	Effective Use of Modes of Assessment in the Teaching-Learning Process: Structured Review
3.	H.P.R. Rajindra, P.P.P. Madushani, S.A.I. Maduwanthika, H.P.M.S. Sandunika, B. H. Rashipaba, A.W.U.S Abeywickrama, S.A.N. Danushka	Significance of Incorporating Principles of Assessment in Planning Authentic Assessments
4.	W.M. Randimali, S.A.N. Danushka	Applicability of SOLO Taxonomy in Delivering Theoretical Language Component in ESL Classrooms
5.	S. Ahamed, S.A.N. Danushka	The Best Match for ESL Theory Lessons: SOLO Taxonomy or Bloom's Taxonomy
6.	G.D.N. Abeyratna, S.M. Thenabadu	The Impact of Context-Based Pedagogy on English Language Learning
7.	S. Mayuri, K.M.S.K. Karunaratne	Issues Faced by ESL Teachers in Testing Listening Skills of Ordinary Level Students
8.	R.P. Badana, S.A.N. Danushka	Factors Influencing the Achievements in Formative and Summative Assessments of Undergraduates
9.	S. Pratheesha, T. Vijayanka	A Study on the Impact of Parental Migration on Wellbeing and Mental Health of Left-Behind School Children
10.	K.G.D.M. Gunawardana, J.A.M. Buddhima Karunarathna	Impact of Anchoring Techniques in Neuro-Linguistic Programming on Motivation in Reading in Second Language English Learners
11.	N.F. Ruzaika, R.M.N.K. Rathnayake, S.F. Zeenu, S. Saththiya, M.H.M. Fiham, M.M.F. Asfa, S.A.N. Danushka	Effect of Psychological Factors in Formative and Summative Assessments in Learning English as a Second Language
12.	M.N.R. Wijenayake, L.W.S. Kularatne	Challenges Encountered by ESL Teachers Engaged in Emergency Remote Education in Using Activities for Developing Speaking Skills at the Secondary Level Grades of Government Schools in Sri Lanka
13.	G.B.A. Wijethunga, S.M. Thenabadu	Enhancing Learners' Motivation through Ice Breakers in ESL Classrooms: A Case Study
14.	S.A.I. N. Piyarathne, P.S.Y. Gamage	Effects of Gender Differences on the Academic Performances of School Students of Grade Nine; A Case Study
15.	S. Sivamathanki, K. M. S. K. Karunaratne	Understanding the Psychological Requirements of Students in Learning English Language in the Classroom
16.	L.G.N.S. Gamage, S.A.N. Danushka	Creating Student Friendly School Learning Environment via Artificial Intelligence: A Structured Review

17.	J.M.D.A. Dananjaya, S.A.N. Danushka	Attitudinal Survey on ICT Undergraduates' Assessment Methods: Computer-Based Assessment (CBA) and Paper-Based Assessment (PBA)
18.	J.A.D.N.M. Gunawardhana, R.M.S.N. Embogama	Effect of Introducing Technology Enhanced Learning Practices on the Vocabulary Development of ESL Learners
19.	G.W.N. Tharaka, W.M. Jayantha	Effectiveness of Using Animated English Videos as Supplementary Materials to Enhance Vocabulary in English among Primary ESL Learners
20.	M.L.L. Lanka, W.M. Jayantha	Enhancing Writing Skills in English among Secondary Grade ESL Learners through Selected Short Stories
21.	L. G. S. S. K. Wimalarathne, J.A.M. Buddhima Karunarathna	An Analysis of Selected Poems by Richard De Zoysa
22.	K.M. Dushani, J.A.M. Buddhima Karunarathna	An Exploration of Teaching Methods Used by Teachers in Teaching English Literature for G.C.E. Ordinary Level Students
23.	I.M.D.L. Basnayake, J.A.M. Buddhima Karunarathne	Use of English Poems in Improving English Vocabulary among ESL Students in Grade Eight
24.	A. Narosha, K.M.S.K. Karunaratne	Application of Role - Plays to Enhance the Use of Adjectives in Speaking
25.	A.K.A.K. Weerasinghe, A.A. Gunawardana	Effective Strategies Used to Rectify Mispronunciation of Consonant Clusters by Junior Secondary ESL Learners
26.	M.I.W. Kumari, K. M. S. K. Karunaratne	Perceptions on the Use of Role Plays to Improve Speaking Skills of Learners in ESL Classrooms - A Survey
27.	P.M.I.K. Senarathne, W.M. Jayantha	Exploring the Teaching Experiences in Teaching English Speaking Skills for ESL Learners: A Comparative Study
28.	M.A.C. Yasanthi, W.M. Jayantha	An Error Analysis of Writings in English among ESL Learners at Upper Secondary Level
29.	R.L.S.D. Liyanage, R.M.S.N. Embogama	Effectiveness of Using Role-Play in an ESL Classroom for Developing English Speaking Proficiency and Enhancing Learner Motivation
30.	P.T. Rupasinghe, A. A. Gunawardana	Attitudes and Perceptions of ESL Teachers towards Sri Lankan English

7.11 Faculty Board Meetings

The meetings of the Faculty board were held each month so that 10 meetings were held during the year 2023. Student representatives and both external and internal members of the Board attend the meetings regularly.

7.12 Details of Student Representatives

Ms. M.M. Disni Harshika Silva (ELT/20/B2/02) & Mr. T.A.R. Chameera (BED/21/B1/12) had been appointed as student representatives of the Faculty Board of Faculty of Education.

7.13 Targets in 2024

The Departments of Language Studies and Education and Training remain in the Faculty that was renamed as the Faculty of Education. The degree programmes that were offered by the Faculty in the year 2023 will be offered with more emphasis on quality assurance and maintenance of provision of maximum benefits to the students in the year 2024. Commencement of a special degree in Education as one year Hons to those qualified in B.Tech as fourth year will be offered by the Faculty. Measures will be taken to give first year exemption to those who enroll to B.Ed (ELT) degree with NVQ Level 6 or equivalent qualifications.

7.14 New Programmes

7.14.1 Postgraduate Programmes

A Masters programme in Education Management that was intended to be commenced in the year 2020 will be commenced in 2024 as a decision of the Academic Council. The online mode of delivery of all Academic programmes will be enhanced while maintaining physical mode of delivery too. The University is taking steps to increase the intake enabling more students to get enrolled in higher education.

8 Faculty of Industrial Technology

8.1 Introduction:

The Faculty of Industrial Technology was established in December, 2019 that focuses on providing education and conducting research in various fields related to industrial technology. It is a dynamic and multidisciplinary faculty that blends art, management, and scientific principles with advancements in technology to meet the industry demands. It is one of a crucial academic cluster that focuses on education, research, and industry collaboration in the field of industrial technology. By equipping students with technical knowledge, practical skills, and research capabilities, the faculty plays a vital role in preparing the next generation of professionals who can drive innovation, enhance industrial processes, and contribute to the growth of various industries.

The Faculty of Industrial Technology consists of six academic departments under its purview.

- Dept. of Agriculture and Food Technology
- Dept. of Film and Television Production Technology
- Dept. of Management Studies
- Dept. of Quantity Surveying
- Dept. of Tourism Studies
- Dept. of Textile and Apparel Technology

8.2 Degree Pogrammes

All the courses are fulltime three year courses and operate in both week day and wee end modes. The average number of students enrolled for the new Faculty is around 450 per academic year. The Faculty having the above six departments, will be in position to offer inter departmental and inter-faculty courses with rich subject combinations thereby enable the students to select subjects for their degree programmes as per their choice. The multidisciplinary nature of these degree programmes will be advantageous at the competitive job market.

Departments also have introduced new courses, course units which are better targeted to the job market. Curricula are being reviewed and revised by a curriculum review committee with the collaboration of staff members of the departments and the experts from the relevant organizations to be on par with the rapidly advancing world.

With a view to producing graduates who are more effective in their capacity to contribute to country's development process, the Faculty need to introduce more and more diversified courses and subjects which are of applied nature. Teaching techniques should be improved to encourage more active participation and developing educational and interpersonal skills in students. The aim of this exercise is to produce a graduate of high quality possessing sound knowledge and skills in relevant disciplines. The medium of instruction is English throughout the degree course in all the subjects.

Hence, the Degree programs offered by the Faculty were as follows:

Table 8.1 : Degree programs offered

#	Degree	Offer mode
1.	B.Tech in Quantity Surveying	Both Weekday (B1) and Weekend(B2)
2.	B. Tech. in Food Process Technology	Both Weekday (B1) and Weekend(B2)
3.	B. Tech. in Film & Television Production Technology	Weekend Programme(B2)
4.	B. Tech. in Media Arts Production Technology	Weekday programme B1)
5.	B. Tech. in Industrial Management Technology	Both Weekday (B1) and Weekend(B2)
6.	Bachelor in Hotel Management	Weekend Programme(B2)

8.3 4th year Hons degree programmes

The Faculty currently provides 4th year B.Tech. (Hons) Degree courses. Students register initially for the three year 'General' Degree course. Fourth year is optional where students can have exit point at the end of three years. Depending on the academic performance in the respective subject later during their program of studies selection student can apply for the fourth year. The second intake for the Honours degree programs were enrolled to Food Process Technology and Industrial Management in July 2023 except degree programme of Hotel Management Film and Television Production Technology, and Quantity surveying (no adequate students applied for).

8.4 Joint Degree Programmes

First intake of the joint degree program in the name of Bachelor of Technology in Crop Technology and Management has been commenced on 25th April 2023 collaborating with the National Institute of Plantations Management (NIPM).

8.5 Student Intake- Academic Year -2022/23

Table 8.2 : Student Intake –2023

#	B. Tech. Degree Programme	No. of Students registered (B1)	No. of Students registered (B2)
5.	B.Tech in Quantity Surveying	47	50
6.	B. Tech. in Food Process Technology	51	33
7.	B. Tech. in Film & Television Production Technology	NA	14
8.	B. Tech. in Media Arts Production Technology	37	NA
9.	B. Tech. in Industrial Management Technology	46	31
10.	Bachelor In Hotel Management	NA	28
	Grand Total registered in the Faculty of Industrial Technology for week day and weekend programmes	**181**	**156**

8.6 Inauguration Ceremony For the student intake 2022/2023

Inaugural ceremony for 2022/23 academic year was held on 20th April 2023, through ZOOM online platform. The event was streamed live using YouTube and Facebook social media application for wider coverage. The orientation programme is scheduled on 3rd and 4th May of 2023 for weekday programmes and 10th of June 2023 for weekend programmes. Gap filling / Foundation programme for the students of the weekday programme (04 weeks) was conducted and semester I was scheduled to be completed in 15 weeks. Weekend programmes were commenced after the orientation programme and scheduled to be conducted for 22 weekends.

8.7 Student population in the FIT

Details of students population of B. Tech. degree programmes offered by the Faculty is given below.

Table 8.3 : Total Student Population

Title of the Degree Programme	Year of Registration							
	2019 Week Day	2019 Week End	2020 Week Day	2020 Week End	2021 Week Day	2021 Week End	2022 Week Day	2022 Week End
B.Tech in Food Process Technology	49	43	52	54	52	43	51	33
B. Tech in Industrial Management Technology	40	41	53	50	53	41	46	31
Film & Television Production Technology	--	27	--	21	--	27	-	14
Quantity Surveying	--	59	--	57	--	59	47	50
Media Arts Production Technology	39	--	40	--	40	--	37	-
Bachelor in Hotel Management	--	16	--	15	--	15	-	28
Bachelor of Technology (Hons) in Food Process Technology	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	17	NA	23
Bachelor of Technology (Hons) in Quantity Surveying	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	26	NA	NA
Bachelor of Technology (Hons) in Film & Television Production Technology	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	20	NA	NA
Bachelor of Technology (Hons) in Industrial Management Technology	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	17
Batch Total	**128**	**186**	**145**	**197**	**145**	**248**	**181**	**196**

8.8 Examinations conducted for the Faculty in 2023

Details of examinations conducted by the end of 2023 for both weekday and weekend batches are given in Table 8.4.

<u>B 1 Programs</u>

- B. Tech. in Media Arts Production Technology

<u>B2 Programs</u>

- B. Tech in Quantity Surveying
- B. Tech. in Film and Television Production Technology
- B. Tech. in Hotel Management

<u>B1 and B2 programs</u>

- B. Tech in Food Process Technology
- B. Tech. in Industrial Management Technology

Table 8.4 : Exams conducted in the year 2023

Batch	2018/19												2019/20												2020/21												2021/22														2022/23											
	B1						B2						B1						B2						B1						B2						B1								B2						B1						B2					
	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S7	S8	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6
B. Tech in Quantity Surveying	No Intake						√	√	√	√	√	√	No Intake						√	√	√	√	√		No Intake						√	√	√	√			No Intake								√	√	√			√	√						√					
B. Tech in Food Process	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√			√	√	√	√			√	√		√			√	√		√			√		√						√		√				√		√				√					
B. Tech. in Film and Television	No Intake						√	√	√	√	√	√	No Intake						√	√	√	√			No Intake						√	√		√			No Intake								√					√	No Intake						√					
B. Tech. in Media Arts Production	No Intake						No Intake						√	√	√	√			No Intake						√	√		√			No Intake						√								No Intake						√						No Intake					
B. Tech. in Industrial Management	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√			√	√	√	√	√		√	√	√		√		√	√		√			√								√						√						√					
B. Tech. in Hotel Management	No Intake						No Intake						No Intake						√	√	√	√			No Intake						√	√					No Intake								√	√	√				No Intake						√					

8.9 Academic Staff

The profiles of permanent academic staff members of the six departments of the Faculty are shown in the table below.

Table 8.5 : Composition of Academic Staff

	Department	Professor	Senior Lecturer	Lecturer (Prob.)	TA	Total	
01	Dept. of Agriculture and Food Technology	-	02	01	-	03	
02	Dept. of Film and Television Production Technology	-	01	02	-	03	
03	Dept. of Management Studies	-	01	01	02	04	
04	Dept. of Quantity Surveying	01	02	-	-	03	
05	Dept. of Tourism Studies	-	-	02*	-	02*	*01 Sabbatical leave
06	Dept. of Textile and Apparel Technology	-	-	01	-	01	
		01	**06**	**07**	**03**	**16**	

8.10 Visiting Lecturers in 2023

Faculty is obtaining services of visiting lecturers and resource persons due to the shortage of permanent academic staff and establish better linkages with industry and academia of other universities and higher education institutions. Details of visiting lecturers employed by the faculty for all degree programmes are given in Table 8.6.

Table 8.6 : Visiting Lecturers in – 2023

B. Tech. Degree Programme	Year of first Registration	Batch	Semester	No. of Visiting Lecturers
B. Tech. in Food Process Technology	2019/2020	B1	YIII SII	03
		B2	YIII SII	03
	2020/2021	B1	YII SII	05
		B2	YII SII	05
	2021/2022	B1	YII SI	05
			YI SII	04
		B2	YII SI	05
			YI SII	05
		B2 (Hons)	YIV SII	02
	2022/2023	B1	YI SI	03
		B2	YI SI	04
		B2 (Hons)	YIV SI	05

B. Tech in Industrial Management Technology	2019/2020	B1	YIII SII	05
		B2	YIII SII	05
	2020/2021	B1	YII SII	06
			YII SI	04
		B2	YII SII	06
			YII SI	07
	2021/2022	B1	YI SII	08
			YII SI	03
		B2	YI SII	11
			YII SI	05
	2022/2023	B1 (Hons)	YIV SI	06
			YI SI	02
		B2	YI SI	11
B.Tech in Quantity Surveying	2019/2020	B2		
	2020/2021	B2	YII SII	05
	2021/2022	B2	YII SI	06
			YI SII	02
			YII SII	08
		B2 (Hons)	YIV SII	02
	2022/2023	B1	Foundation	08
		B1	YI SI	11
		B2	YI SI	07
B. Tech. in Media Arts Production Technology	2019/2020	B1	YIII SII	04
			YIII SII	05
	2020/2021	B1	YII SII	05
	2021/2022	B1	YII SII	07
			YII SI	06
			YI SII	05
	2022/2023	B1	Foundation	04
			YI SI	01
B.Tech in Film & Television Production Technology	2019/2020	B2	YIII SII	04
	2020/2021	B2	YII SII	06
			YII SI	02
			YI SII	05
	2021/2022	B2	YI SI	01
		B2 (Hons)	YIV SII	05
			YIV SI	02
	2022/2023	B2	YI SI	13
B.Tech. in Hotel Management	2019/2020	B2	YIII SII	03
	2020/2021	B2	YIII SI	04
			YII SII	05
	2021/2022	B2	YII SI	06

		YII SII	04
		YI SII	01
2022/2023	B2	YI SI	07
		YI SII	05

8.11 Meetings of the Faculty

Details of Faculty Board meetings conducted by the Faculty of Industrial Technology during 2023 is summarized below.

Table 8.7 : Faculty Board Meetings

Faculty Board Meeting No	Date
27	10th of January 2023
28	09th of February 2023
29	10th of March 2023
30	04th of April 2023
31	19th of May 2023
32	09th of June 2023
33	06th of July 2023
34	08th of August 2023
35	12th of September 2023
Special FB 01	22nd of September 2023
36	12th of October 2023
Special FB 02	18th October 2023
37	09th of November 2023

8.12 Events , Exhibitions & Competitions

- The Sri Lanka Food Processors Association and the Ministry of Industries collaborated to host the Pro Food -Pro Pack & Agbiz international exhibition, which took place from November 18th to 20th and August 4th to 6th, 2023, at the BMICH. This is Sri Lanka's most comprehensive food, beverage, and packaging exhibition, as well as the largest trade fair, where all organizations interested in processed food, beverage, packaging, and agricultural can showcase their products. The Department of Agriculture and Food Technology represented the University at the national university pavilion. The students enrolled in the B.Tech in Food Process Degree program showcased their innovations and talents at this forum, bringing 25 (twenty-five) creative goods. This is their fourth participation, and they have received 11 national awards in the previous three exhibitions.

- FoodEx 2023 is the most exclusive annual exhibition organized by the Food Technology Association of University of Vocational Technology, which operates under the guidance of the Department of Agriculture and Food Technology, on 14th and 15th July, 2023. It is an outstanding opportunity for students pursuing a degree in Food Process Technology to showcase their talents and innovative thinking. The three-member panel of industry professionals demonstrated and evaluated ninety-eight (98) products. The first twenty-five products were developed to a commercial level and nominated for national demonstration. All exhibitors were eligible for certificate granting and continual development. This exhibition would benefit future development initiatives in the food sector and society.

8.13 Work Based Industrial Training

Work based industrial training is an important mandatory component of Bachelor of Technology programmes, which lasts for six months. This module is offered in semester 5. Students are placed in industry in collaboration with National Apprentice & Industrial Training Authority under its undergraduate training placement scheme. Comprehensive assessment scheme was developed to assess the work based industrial training of students as this component is considered in calculation of students Grade Point Average (GPA).

Table 8.8 : Details of Job Training for Students

Year	Name of the Degree Programme	Number of Students	Field
2019	B.Tech in Quantity Surveying	NA	NA
2019 B1	B.Tech in Food Process Technology	49	Food and Agriculture Sector
2019	Bachelor of Hotel Management	NA	NA
2019 B2	B.Tech in Film & Television Production Technology	13	Film and Television
2019 B1	B.Tech in Media Arts Production Technology	31	Media
2019 B1	B.Tech in Industrial Management Technology	31	Work based training
2019 B2		NA	NA

8.14 General Convocation- 2023

General Convocation of the University was held on 24th of February 2023 at BMICH. 238 students of the Faculty of Industrial Technology who followed B.Tech Quantity Surveying, B.Tech in Food Process Technology, B.Tech in Film & Television Production Technology and B.Tech in Industrial Management technology degrees graduated on that day.
Details are given Table 8.9.

Table 8.9 : Graduates passed out

Title of the Degree Course	No. of Graduands
B.Tech in Quantity Surveying	54
B. Tech. in Food Process Technology	93
B. Tech. in Film and Television Production Technology	12
B. Tech. in Industrial Management Technology	79
Batch Total	**238**

8.15   Targets in 2024

- **Curriculum Revision**

Except for the Department of Quantity Surveying, all departments aim to update the degree programme curricula such that those with NVQ qualifications can complete the degree in at least two years.

- Department Industry Consultative Boards (DICBs)

The faculty plans to conduct meeting with DICBs at least once in year with purpose of updating industry needs of the respective field and establishing the strong relationship between department and industry.

- Short term programmes of professional development

The faculty plans to introduce short term programmes via the Human Resources Development Centre, catering to the industry for professional development. Initially, the Department of Film Television Production Technology plans to introduce two short term programmes related to media industry.

9 Faculty of Information Technology

9.1 Introduction

The Faculty of Information Technology at the University of Vocational Technology was established in the year 2020 with the restructuring of the Faculties which introduced two new faculties. The Faculty consists of four academic departments namely Department of Software Technology, Department of Network Technology, Department of Multimedia & Web Technology and Department of Inter-disciplinary studies.

The Faculty of Information Technology is dedicated to offering academic programmes in Bachelor of Technology in Software Technology , Bachelor of Technology in Network Technology and Bachelor of Technology in Multimedia & Web Technology in both weekday (B1) and weekend (B2) modes. These degree programmes are designed with the intention of providing pathways for students in order to develop their knowledge, skills and attitudes to a higher level so that they will be able to perform better at work places, and pursue in relevant higher studies. Through a blend of theoretical insights and hands on practical experiences our programs empower student to tackle real world challenges.

These degree programmes are specially developed for those who have passed out from University Colleges, Colleges of Technology (CoTs) and TVET institutes and for others holding the required diploma level qualifications. In addition, the Faculty has taken steps to provide opportunities for A/L qualified students also to enroll for the programmes. However, the priority is given to the NVQ qualified students.

A Foundation programme has been crafted to bridge core knowledge, skills and attitudes in basic modules such as Mathematics, English, Physics and Programming fundamentals which are conducted for one month at the commencement of each programme.

9.2 Student Intake- Academic Year -2022/23 Batch

There was new student intake 2022/23 in the year 2023, and those students attended the study programmes in year 2023.

In admission, those who have National Vocational Qualifications (NVQ) level 5/6 are enrolled based on the aptitude test marks depending on the capacity of the weekend degree programmes. Irrespective of aptitude test marks, NVQ holders are given priority in giving admission to the weekday programme. After giving opportunity to NVQ students, the remaining vacancies are filled with GCE A/L students based on A/L Z-score.

In the 2022/23 intake, details of the student intake are given in the Table 9.1 Details of Advanced level streams considered as entry qualifications for the respective degrees and number of students admitted are given in the Table 9.2. The number of students admitted from NVQ and GCE (A/L) are given in the Table 9.3.

Table 9.1 : Student Intake – Faculty of Information Technology for the academic year 2022/2023

#	B. Tech. Degree Programme	No. of Students registered (B1)	No. of Students registered (B2)
9	B.Tech in Software Technology	40	39
10	B. Tech. in Network Technology	46	23
11	B. Tech. in Multimedia & Web Technology	36	21
	Grand Total registered in the Faculty of Information Technology	122	83

Table: 9.2 : Student Intake – AL qualifications considered as entry qualification for different degrees

#	B. Tech. Degree Programme	AL Stream considered	
1.	B.Tech in Software Technology	32	Engineering Technology (with ICT as a subject) or Physical Science
2.	B. Tech. in Network Technology	45	
3.	B. Tech. in Multimedia & Web Technology	37	Only 2021 A/L results considered

Table: 9.3 : Student Intake – Distribution of intake between NVQ and AL for different degrees (2022/23)

#	B. Tech. Degree Programme	NVQ	AL
Weekday			
1.	B.Tech in Software Technology	08	32
2.	B. Tech. in Network Technology	01	45
3.	B. Tech. in Multimedia & Web Technology	02	37
Weekend			
4.	B.Tech in Software Technology	39	--
5.	B. Tech. in Network Technology	23	--
6.	B. Tech. in Multimedia & Web Technology	21	--

9.3 Inauguration Ceremony For the student intake 2022/23

The inaugural ceremony for the 2022/23 academic year took place on April 20, 2023. The orientation program was held on May 3rd and 4th, 2023, for weekday batches and on June 6th, 2023 for weekend batches conducted in person.

Gap filling / Foundation program for the students of the weekday program (04 weeks) was conducted and semester I was scheduled to be completed in 15 weeks. Weekend programs commenced after the orientation program and scheduled to be conducted over 22 weekends. Details of students population of B. Tech. degree programmes offered by the Faculty is given in Table 9.4.

Table: 9.4 : Total Student Population

Title of the Degree Programme	Year of Registration							
	2019		2020		2021		2022	
	Week days	Week ends	Week days	Week ends	Week days	Week ends	Week days	Week ends
Software Technology	31	32	40	40	34	43	40	39
Network Technology	29	37	40	44	28	41	46	23
Multimedia & Web Technology	35	38	40	40	34	39	39	21
Batch Total	95	107	120	124	96	123	125	83

9.4 Examinations conducted for the faculty in 2023

Details of examinations conducted during year 2023 for both weekday and weekend batches are given in Table 9.5. All the examinations have been conducted in physical mode

Table: 9.5 : Examinations conducted for the Faculty in 2023

#	B. Tech. Degree Programme	Year of First Registration	Semester End Examination
1.	B.Tech in Software Technology B. Tech. in Network Technology B. Tech. in Multimedia & Web Technology	2019 B1/B2	Semester 6
2.	B.Tech in Software Technology B. Tech. in Network Technology B. Tech. in Multimedia & Web Technology	2020 B1/B2	Semester 3
3.	B.Tech in Software Technology B. Tech. in Network Technology B. Tech. in Multimedia & Web Technology	2020 B1/B2	Semester 4
4.	B.Tech in Software Technology B. Tech. in Network Technology B. Tech. in Multimedia & Web Technology	2021 B1/B2	Semester 1
5.	B.Tech in Software Technology B. Tech. in Network Technology B. Tech. in Multimedia & Web Technology	2021 B1/B2	Semester 2
6.	B.Tech in Software Technology B. Tech. in Network Technology B. Tech. in Multimedia & Web Technology	2022 B1/B2	Semester 1
7.	B.Tech in Software Technology (Hons) B. Tech. in Network Technology(Hons) B. Tech. in Multimedia & Web Technology (Hons)	2021/22 B2	Semester 7
8.	B.Tech in Software Technology (Hons)	2021/22 B2	Semester 8

| | B. Tech. in Network Technology(Hons) | | |
| | B. Tech. in Multimedia & Web Technology (Hons) | | |

9.5 Details of Academic Staff

The permanent academic staff members of the Faculty shown below (Table 9.6) were involved indelivering lectures, conducting practical sessions, preparing and evaluating assignments and setting question papers, marking answer scripts, research project supervision and organizing and implementing all other activities, pertaining to the academic programmes.

Table 9.6 : Permanent Academic Staff -2023

#	Department	Name and Designation
1.	Software Technology	Ms. T.K.Malwatta, Dean/Senior Lecturer – Gr II
		Mr. P. Uruthiran, Acting Head of the Department, Teaching Assistant
		Mr. H.P.A.I. Pathirana, Senior Lecturer -Gr. II
2.	Network Technology	Mr. R.M.C.A.B. Rathanayake, Acting Head of the Department, Teaching Assistant
		Mr. L.P.S.S. Dissanayake, Lecturer (Probationary)
		Mr. R.W. Wedage, Lecturer (Probationary)
		Mr. P.H.S.S. Wijayarathna, Senior Engineering Teaching Assistant
3.	Multimedia & Web Technology	Mr. H.A. Seneviratne, Head of the Department Senior Lecturer – Gr. II
		Ms. S.G. Nambuwasam, Teaching Assistant

9.6 Visiting Lecturers in 2023

Faculty is obtaining services of visiting lecturers and resource persons due to the following;

- Shortage of permanent academic staff
- To establish better linkages with industry and academia of other universities and higher education institutions

Details of visiting lecturers employed by the faculty for all degree programmes are given in Table 9.7

Table 9.7 :Visiting Lecturers in- 2023

#	B.Tech . Degree Programme	Year of first Registration	Mode of Conduct	Semester	No. of Visiting Lecturers
1	B.Tech. in SOF/NET/MMW	2019 B1	Physical/ online	S6	9
2	B.Tech. in SOF/NET/MMW	2019 B2	Physical/ online	S6	8
3	B.Tech. in SOF/NET/MMW	2020 B1	Physical/ online	S4	14
4	B.Tech. in SOF/NET/MMW	2020 B2	Physical/ online	S4	14
5	B.Tech. in SOF/NET/MMW	2021 B1	Physical/ online	S2	4
6	B.Tech. in SOF/NET/MMW	2021 B2	Physical/ online	S2	6
7	B.Tech. in SOF/NET/MMW	2022 B1	Physical/ online	S1	3
8	B.Tech. in SOF/NET/MMW	2022 B2	Physical/ online	S1	4
9	B.Tech. in SOF/NET/MMW(Hons)	2021 B2	Physical/ online	S8	8

9.7 Exemptions granted for B. Tech Students

Exemptions were granted to students based on the policy on granting exemptions approved by the Academic Council. Students were considered to be eligible for exemptions only if they had NVQ 6 diploma or equivalent or higher qualification. Exemptions were granted for modules provided that the student has successfully completed the equivalent subject at diploma level. Students were required to produce original transcript of the Diploma as evidence.

Students who sought exemptions had to apply under two categories. Students in Category 01 were granted exemption from attending lectures and practical classes and all assessments including semester end examination. However, his/her performance in the particular module was considered to be equivalent to simple pass for the purpose of calculating GPA. Students in category 02 were granted exemptions from attending lectures and practical classes. But they were required to complete the continuous assessments and sit for the semester end examinations. Consequently, performance levels that the students achieved at those evaluations were counted for their GPA calculation.

Further, as per exemption policy the students who had applied to get exemptions in the Semester 1 and Semester 2 module wise under different categories.

9.8 Work-Based Industrial Training

Work-based industrial training is an important mandatory component of Bachelor of Technology programmes, which lasts for six months. This module is offered in semester 5. Students are placed in industry in collaboration with National Apprentice & Industrial Training Authority under its undergraduate training placement scheme.   Comprehensive assessment scheme was developed to assess the work based industrial training of students as this component is considered in calculation of students Grade Point Average (GPA).

9.8 Faculty Board Meetings

Meetings of the Faculty Board were conducted on each month. Total of 10 meetings were held during 2023. Internal academic staff members, external faculty board members and student representatives attend the meetings regularly.

9.9 General Convocation - 2023

General Convocation of the University held on 24th February 2023 at BMICH. One hundred and Sixty nine (169) students of the Faculty of Information Technology who followed B. Tech. degrees in Software Technology, Network Technology and Multimedia & Web Technology graduated and the details are in given in Table 9.8.

Table 9.8 : General Convocation -2023

Title of the Degree Course	No. of Graduands
Bachelor of Software Technology	68
Bachelor of Network Technology	59
Bachelor of Multimedia & Web Technology	42
Batch Total	169

9.10   Targets in 2024

- **Revision of Curricula**

The faculty is expected to revise the existing 3 degree programmes curricula so that NVQ students can obtain the degree in a minimum of two years.

- **Accreditation for degree programmes**

The Faculty plans to obtain accreditation for three degree programmes from the Computer Society of Sri Lanka(CSSL).

- **Short Courses**

The faculty intends to commence short courses in IT, targeting the industry.

10 Human Resource Development Centre (HRDC)

The main objective of the Human Resource Development Centre to improve the career trajectories of the employees in the national Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) sector by providing training and development indispensable. Being the recognized and mandated body for human resource development in the sector, the Human Resource Development Centre (HRDC) of the University of Vocational Technology is engaged in the delivery of various training and development programmes for the sector.

The training and development plan during 2023 has been addressed the needs of a large population of TVET sector employees who have been recruited in a broad range of roles, including those of university lecturers/teachers, university non-academic staff, lecturers/teachers/trainers and non-academic staff at other TVET institutes and NVQ assessors, to employees and employers in various employment sectors locally and globally, as mandated by the University of Vocational Technology Act Number 31 of 2008, as well as according to the demand of the environment and participants from time to time. Thus, the HRDC today takes care of the training and development needs of a significant portion of the human resource base of the UoVT in addition to servicing the academic and non-academic staff of the UoVT.

10.1 Progress during 2023

10.1.1   Training Programmes

The Human Resource Development Centre has been conducted 15 training programmes and 485 participants were trained during 2023. Details are given in the table 10.1.

Table 10.1: Progress of HRDC-2023

#	Activity	Dates	No. of Participants
1	TOA 122	20-24 March	34
2	TOA 123	24-28 July	48
3	TOA 124	7,8,11,12 September Rubber Research officers Agalawatta	11
4	TOA125	13-17 November	49
5	TOT(Yess Academy)	12-16 May	22
6	TOT programme for Sri Lanka Teacher's associations of Hair and Beauty	4-8 July	25
7	TOT programme for Sri Lanka Teacher's associations of Hair and Beauty	7 to 11 August 2023	25

8	TOT programme for Sri Lanka Teacher's associations of Hair and Beauty	6 to 10 November 2023	37
9	TOT-Tamil programme for Sri Lanka Teacher's associations of Hair and Beauty	11 to 15 December	26
10	TOT for NAITA staff	30th October to 3rd	20
11	TOA-Assessor Refresher Programme	3rd and 4th October 2023	59
12	Pedagogy Training Programm, collaboration with YouLead for UCK	25,26 and 27th September 2023	21
13	Pedagogy Training Programm, collaboration with YouLead for UCJ	5,6 and-7th October 2023	29.
14	Pedagogy Training Programm, collaboration with YouLead for UCA	9,10 and 11th October 2023	24
15	Pedagogy Training Programm,collaboration with YouLead for UoVT academic staff	19,20 and 21th October 2023	56
	15 programmes were conducted and 485 participants were trained from those programs		**485**

10.1.2 Progress of National Competency Standards (NCS) and Curriculum

NCS and Curriculum development documents which are submitted to the TVEC during 2023 has been summarized in below table 10.2.

Table 10.2 : NCS & Curriculum developments during 2023

No	Name	Document /Documents	NVQ Level
1.	Construction equipment maintenance Technology **(R)**	NCS & Curriculum	5 &6
2.	Logistic Management **(ND)**	NCS & Curriculum	5
3.	Chemical and Process Technology **(R)**	NCS & Curriculum	5 &6
4.	Farm Machinery Technology **(R)**	NCS & Curriculum	5 &6
5.	Cosmetology **(R)**	NCS & Curriculum	5 &6
6.	Assistant Gemologist**(ND)**	NCS & Curriculum	4
7.	Optometry **(ND)**	NCS & Curriculum	5 &6
8.	Electronics Technology**(R)**	NCS & Curriculum	5 &6
9.	Waste Management**(ND)**	Only NCS	6 &6

10.2 Expected Programmes and Major activities for 2024

HRDC has been planned to conduct following programmes during 2024, according to the Action Plan 2024 of the University.

Table 10.3 : Expected programmes during 2024

Name of the Training Programme	Course Duration	No.of Expected programmes	Expected Number of Participants per programme
Training of Assessors Programs	5 days	10	40
Training of Trainer Programs	5 days	8	25
Developing Quality Leaders in TVET Sector	2 days	3	35
Assessor Refresher Programme	2 days	1	500
Higher National Diploma In Training Center Management	18 months	1	30
National Diploma in Technical Teacher Education	1 year	1	30
Induction for new academic staff (one-day-Physical mode)	1 days	1	15
Soft-skill development training for academic staff	2 days	1	50
Personality development for academics	2 days	1	50
Motivational and personal grooming programme for non-academic staff	2 days	2	120
Soft-skill development training for non-academic staff (Communication, office correspondence (Writing emails and official letter etc...)	2 days	2	120
ICT skills for non-academic staff	2 days	2	120
Workshop on "Quality Assurance" For Administrative Staff	2 days	2	50
Trainings for Office Assistants	4 days	2	40
Subject Specific Intensive Training Programms for TVET staff	2-5 days	1	100
Carrier Guidance Development Progarmme	40 weeks	3	100
Fast Track Pilot Programmes	6 months	10	40
Certificate in Applied Journalism	24 days	2	25
Short Course in Screen writing	8 days	3	25
Short course in Digital Post Production	8 days	3	25

11 Admission, Accreditation and Quality Assurance Division

11.1 Introduction

The University of Vocational Technology (UoVT) entrusts its Admission, Accreditation, and Quality Assurance (AAQA) Division with maintaining and overseeing the university's overall Quality Assurance (QA) initiatives. Reporting directly to the Vice Chancellor, the AAQA Division operates under the guidance of a Director, a senior academic member. This division serves as the cornerstone in upholding the University's central objective: delivering degree programs that meet established standards. The comprehensive Quality Assurance Framework, outlined in this document, details the processes and procedures employed by the AAQA Division to achieve this.

Furthermore, the Act governing UoVT prescribes the roles and responsibilities of its officers and establishes administrative structures analogous to those found in other Sri Lankan universities. This ensures that UoVT's academic programs consistently adhere to recognized norms and standards.

11.2 Undergraduate Admissions in 2023:

During the past year, UoVT welcomed students from three distinct categories to its undergraduate programs:

NVQ 5/6 Holders:

Accredited by the Tertiary and Vocational Education Commission (TVEC) or possessing qualifications recognized as equivalent by UoVT's Academic Council.

NVQ 5/6 equivalent qualification holders:

Applicants in this category participated in an aptitude test designed and administered based on UoVT's established admission policy.

GCE(A/L) Qualified:

Admissions for this category were solely for the weekday program and determined by rank order based on average Z-Scores achieved by candidates in the most recent G.C.E. (A/L) Examination. Z-Score cut-offs were publicly announced by UoVT ahead of the selection process.

11.3 Embracing Digitalization:

UoVT continues to prioritize digitalization initiatives. The 2022/2023 intake witnessed the successful implementation of a fully online application process. We are committed to further expanding our online services in the coming year, with plans to include online payment options, improved communication channels for aptitude tests, attendance tracking features, streamlined result announcements, and convenient student registration procedures.

11.4 Enhancing Standards Through Strategic Initiatives:

The Admission, Accreditation, and Quality Assurance (AAQA) Division is committed to propelling continuous improvement throughout the University. Guided by its core functions, the AAQA Division has formulated a series of strategic initiatives for the upcoming year, focusing on:

- **Leadership in the TVET Sector:** Leveraging its expertise, the AAQA Division will actively lead quality enhancement initiatives within the TVET sector, setting a benchmark for excellence.
- **Faculty-Centric Enhancement:** Periodic evaluations of each Faculty's QA activities will ensure consistent progress and identify areas for targeted support. Interactive workshops on QA practices will further empower Faculty members to champion quality within their programs.
- **Collaborative Culture:** The AAQA Division fosters a collaborative environment by actively engaging with Faculty committees, including Curriculum & Academic Development Committees and Teaching Learning Committees. This collaborative approach ensures that quality enhancement efforts are aligned with Faculty-specific needs and aspirations.
- **Student-Focused Improvement:** The AAQA Division prioritizes student well-being by continuously monitoring and improving relevant procedures. Analyzing student feedback and peer review forms provides valuable insights to refine assessment processes and enhance the overall learning experience.
- **Data-Driven Decision Making:** Building a comprehensive Management Information System (MIS) will transform university data into actionable insights. This centralized database will house crucial records and information, empowering informed decision-making across all Faculties and departments.

11.5 Looking Ahead:

These proactive initiatives solidify the AAQA Division's commitment to becoming a driving force for continuous quality improvement within the University. By embracing data-driven solutions, providing leadership in the TVET sector, and fostering collaboration with Faculties, the AAQA Division will ensure that the University continues to deliver exemplary education and contribute significantly to the advancement of the TVET sector as a whole.

12 Establishments Unit

Establishments Division being the key division responsible for facilitating the Human Resources Management of both the Academic and Non Academic Staff of the University. Key functional areas of the division are,

- Maintaining cadre details
- Annual Manpower planning of the University
- Initiation for vacancy filling
- Recruitments/Talent acquisition
- Compensation Management
- Annual Performance evaluation
- Coordinating the Leave and Award committee meeting
- Human Resource and competency Development
- Management of Terminal benefits

Establishments division maintains a close working relationship with all Academic and Non-Academic Staff and ensures the optimal utilization of the existing Human Resources of the University. The Division continuously dedicating to facilitate the community of the University for a result-oriented workplace.

12.1 New Recruitments -2023

The appointing authority of the University is the Board Governors and the summary for the Recruitment in year 2023 which approved by the Board is as follows,

Table 12.1 : New Recruitment - 2023

#	Name	Designation	Date of Appointment
1.	Ms. P A M L Pannala	Lecturer(Temporary)	02-01-2023
2.	Mr. D S Gunasinghe	Lecturer(Temporary)	02-01-2023
3.	Prof. C Gamage	Professor (Contract)	02-01-2023
4.	Prof. C Mahesh Edirisinghe	Vice Chancellor	08-05-2023
5.	Ms. J M I S Jayasundara	Demonstrator (Temporary)	15-11-2023
6.	Ms. D A N T Perera	Demonstrator (Temporary)	15-11-2023
7.	Ms. M L P Thathsarani	Demonstrator (Temporary)	01-12-2023

The approved cadre for the University is consisted with 56 Academic cadres and 148 Non-Academic grades. There were total of 34 numbers of vacancies at the beginning of year 2023 and those vacancies were not filled due the Sentence VII of subsection 3 of the National Budget Circular No 03/2022.

12.2 Resignations/Vacation of Post/Termination of Contract and Retirement of services 2023

For year 2023, 8 numbers of staff on different titles rendered their resignations to leave the service of the University while 1 employee was retired. The summary is table in 12.2.

Table 12.2 : Summary of Resignation/Vacation of post/termination of contract/Retirement for – 2023

	Name	Designation	Date of Resignation	Reason
1.	Mr. K D Sampath	Program Officer	31-01-2023	Resigned
2.	Mr. S Thushyanthan	Lecturer (Probationary)	10-02-2023	Resigned
3.	Ms. N K A H Rupasingha	Lecturer (Probationary)	21-02-2023	Resigned
4.	Mr. S A Liyanage	Senior Lecturer II	01-03-2023	Resigned
5.	Senior Professor Ranjith Premalal De Silva	Vice Chancellor	30-04-2023	Resigned
6.	Mr. D S Gunasingha	Lecturer (Temporary)	26-06-2023	Resigned
7.	Mr. W G Bandula	Driver	01-07-2023	Retired
8.	Mr. V G S Lakshan	Demonstrator (Temporary)	06-08-2023	Completed of contract period
9.	Ms. N L B Oshadie	Senior Lecturer II	27-05-2023	Resigned
10.	Mr. C J Abeywikrama	Teaching Assistant	26-10-2023	Resigned

12.3 Internal Promotions
Seven (07) of the academic staff in academic grade were internally promoted to next grade in his career path with the accomplishment of prescribed post graduate qualifications and service with the University. Two (02) executive staff members were promoted to Grade 1 as they have completed relevant requirements. The summary is illustrated in Table 12.3.

Table 12.3 : Internal Promotions - 2023

	Name	Designation	Date of Appointment
1.	Prof. R L W Koggalage	Associate Professor	17-02-2021
2.	Mr. T D Denagama	Senior Lecturer Grade II	01-07-2021
3.	Mr. S P A R S Jayathilaka	Senior Lecturer Grade II	08-01-2020

4.	Dr. L W S Kularathna	Senior Lecturer Grade II	30-11-2021
5.	Dr. D D D Suraweera	Senior Lecturer Grade I	01-09-2020
6.	Ms. P S Y Gamage	Senior Lecturer Grade I	01-09-2020
7.	Ms. K G Alahapperuma	Senior Lecturer Grade I	01-06-2022
8.	Ms. G A A K Dilrukshi	Assistant Bursar Grade I	12-10-2019
9.	Mr. G W Banduwardhana	Assistant Bursar Grade I	12-10-2019

12.4 Human Resource Development

The University recognized that its staff is the fundamental to its success. A strategic, professional approach to staff development helps the University to attract and retain high-caliber staff with the skills and competencies necessary to deliver its objectives.

It is the sole responsibility of the Establishments of the University to provide staff with development opportunities to ensure that individuals and departments are able to contribute fully to the achievement of departmental and University objectives in the context of the strategic planning.

According to the Human Resource Development Policy of the University, it has focused to orient, train and develop personnel by improving skills, knowledge, capabilities and competencies required to perform well in their job. By offering programs designed to promote personal and professional career growth, they would enable the University to improve efficiency, productivity and profitability.

Accordingly, in the year 2023 the University paid significant attention on the staff development and invested a remarkable portion of money on capacity building programs to enhance the knowledge, soft and hard skills and attitudes of the University community. Therefore, University sponsored for local and foreign training opportunities and to acquire Post Graduate qualifications for Academic staff of the University.

12.4.1 Short term Training for Academic members – Foreign and Local

In par with the Annual Human Resource Development Plan of the University, selected non-academic members was provided the opportunities to undergo specified local training programs funded by the government funds allocated to the capacity development fund of the University. Selected Academic staff were provided foreign training under the project "Techno-Economic-Societal Sustainable development Training in Sri Lanka" The summary of the foreign training in Year 2023 is given in the following tables.

Table 12.4 : Foreign Trainings for year 2023

#	Program	Date	Country		Name	Designation
1.	Workshop in Training in TESS consortium meeting and TOT (Technology side)	08.01.2023 - 20.01.2023	Portugal	Dr	A S K Warahena	Senior Lecturer I

2.	consortium meeting and Workshop in Training in "Waste Treatment and Valorisation Technologies" under project "Techno-Economic-Societal Sustainable development Training in Sri Lanka"	08.01.2023 - 21.01.2023		Dr.	U A S K Edirisinghe	Senior Lecturer II
3.	Workshop in Training in "Waste Management, Sustainability and Circular Economy"/"Waste Treatment and Valorisation Technologies" under project "Techno-Economic-Societal Sustainable development Training in Sri Lanka" (TESS)	15.01.2023 - 21.01.2023	Portugal	Ms.	U Sivachelvy	Senior Lecturer II
4.	Seminar on Vocational Education in Sri Lanka	05.06.2023 - 18-06.2023	China	Mr.	Dr. M P K C Nandapala	Senior Lecturer II
5.	Consortium Meeting and Scientific Workshop under project in "Techno-Economic-Societal Sustainable Development Training in Sri Lanka" (TESS)	03.09.2023 - 09.09.2023		Dr	U A S K Edirisinghe	Senior Lecturer II
6.	Consortium Meeting and Scientific Workshop under project in "Techno-Economic-Societal Sustainable Development Training in Sri Lanka" (TESS)	01.09.2023 - 18.09.2023	Norway	Ms	B M T D Jayasekara	Lecturer (Probationary)
7.	Consortium Meeting and Scientific Workshop under project in "Techno-Economic-Societal Sustainable Development Training in Sri Lanka" (TESS)	01.09.2023 - 18.09.2023		Ms	T R Vidanapathiranage	Teaching Assistant
8.	"Techno-Economic-Societal Sustainable Development Training in Sri Lanka" (TESS)	08.09.2023 - 18.09.2023		Ms.	Ms. K G N P Rajapaksha	Teaching Assistant
9.	18th Biennial International Conference on Media and Communication in 2023	12.11.2023 - 19.11.2023	Malaysia	Mr.	G A N Sampath	Lecturer (Probationary)

| 10. | Seminar on Digitalization Vocational Education | 12.11.2023 - 24-11-2023 | China | Dr. | J A E C Jayawardena | Lecturer (Probationary) |

12.4.2 Development Opportunities for all staff – Local

In par with the Human Resource Development Policy of the University the opportunity is given for almost all staff to undergo with trainings in the sense of knowledge factor, skill component or in focus with the abilities. These trainings sessions were specifically selected for the stipulated employee with recommendation of the Heads of the Departments and in accordance with the reviews of their annual increment forms. A considerable portion of the University's capacity fund is invested for these trainings. Summary is tabled in Table No.12.5

Table 12.5 : Local Trainings for year 2023 awarded to the Staff

#	Name & Designation	Program	Date	Amount
01.	Ms. M S S Rizana Programme Officer	කාර්යාල කළමනාකරණය හා මුදල් රෙගුලාසි	2023/04/27,28	Rs. 7,500.00
02.	Ms. N D De Seram Programme Officer			
03.	Ms. G P C Priyangane Management Assistant			
04.	Ms. M Madhavi Perera Senior Lecturer	Seminar on Lightning Protection & Earthing of Structures & Syastems	2023/08/09,10	Rs. 17,500.00
05.	Mr. K L O Kodithuwakku Management Assistant	කාර්යාල කළමනාකරණය හා මුදල් රෙගුලාසි	2023/11/01,02	Rs. 9,500.00
06.	Mr. G P L Priyajanaka Programme Officer	ගිණුම් ලිපිකරුවන්ගේ කාර්යභාරය හා වගකීම්	2023/11/29 2023/12/05	Rs. 9,500.00
07.	Ms. P L K Muthukumarana Management Assistant			

13 Administration Division

13.1 Administration Division and Duties

The Administration Division is administered by the Director-General with the assistance of the Assistant Registrar (Administration) to ensure the smooth functioning of the University. General Administration Division consists of following subdivisions/Services.

- General Administration Division
- Transport Division
- Maintenance Division
- Security Service
- Cleaning Service
- Staff Quarters

13.2   Transport Division

The Transport Division of the University of Vocational Technology fulfills the requirements of official transportation of students and staff. An officer-in-charge and four (03) drivers (in a pool) were available to ensure the continuous service at the transport division. In addition, three (03) drivers had been assigned for official vehicles attached to officers including that of the Vice Chancellor, Director General and the Director (Finance) of the University. All the vehicles were included with a GPS tracking system and the system was procured following the due procurement procedure. It was the intention to provide high-quality, efficient and effective service to the University.

All drivers and staff attached to the transport division were closely monitored and administered by the Assistant Registrar/ Administration. Beginning of the year the duty lists to all drivers were issued, and opportunities were made available to them to receive training to develop their attitudes, morale, etc. and improve their motivation. And also provided them with facilities, such as accommodation and the rest room inside of the University. Transport Division required to work all seven days of the week. During the weekend staff and the drivers were required to work on a roster basis. The University conducts activities for the students of Batch 2 of degree programmes during weekends, hence it was required to deploy shuttle service up and down between Galle Road and University premises in the mornings and evenings. A driver to attend to emergency calls, related to matters such as health issues of students and staff, etc. was also assigned.

All vehicles are maintained and repaired by companies/repairers which had been registered with the University having followed the laid down procedure. Approvals from the relevant authorities had been obtained prior to receive the services of such companies/repairers.

Fuels (petrol and diesel) pumped for vehicles were monitored and controlled by Assistant Registrar of the Administration ensuring the proper maintenance of vehicle log-books and other vehicle documents properly. University purchases fuel only from a few selected private and Government sponsored fuel stations.

13.3 Cleaning Service

The cleaning service was outsourced to a reputed company following the proper tender procedure. The service covered cleaning of the premises including the garden and sanitary work. All sanitary works ensured to be carried out on a regular basis and the administration division monitored the quality and completeness of the service having regular inspections of the relevant sites. Payments were made based on the assessment of the performance by the service provider. This monitoring mechanism ensured the effectiveness of the services.

13.4 Security

The security service of the University was outsourced to a reputed private company during the period concerned by following the proper tender procedure. The strength of security staff consisted of seventeen (17) security officers deployed in each day shift and night shift on twelve hour basis. The security of the premises was strengthened by a CCTV system installed and this system has been in place since 2011. The Security staff had been assigned duties according to a schedule.

It was also the duty and responsibility of the security personnel to maintain the records of visitors who entered and left the premises of the University, including the vehicles. It was also the practice to track the odometer records of University vehicles when they exited from and entered to the premises. It was also their responsibility to maintain the records of the attendance of cleaning staff on the daily basis under the supervision of Administration division.

Also University provided telephone facilities to Officer In Charge of the Security Chief stationed at the University to be used at emergency situations. He was also provided with accommodation within the premises. University provided hostel facilities (two sections) for female students, where 04 Lady Security Officers had been placed to look after the relevant areas.

13.5 Maintenance Division

All the construction work and building maintenance at the University were carried out by the Maintenance Division of the University.

Due to the economic crisis that our country has been facing in the last few years, we did not receive money from the Ministry of Finance for the new construction that was supposed to be built in our institution. Therefore, we had to stop the new construction work that was scheduled to start in 2022/2023.

However, in order to develop the practical skills of the students studying in our university and vocational training centers and as a solution to the current economic crisis, the maintenance department carried out the following renovation works with the participation of the students as per the instructions of the Vice-Chancellor.

1. A lecture hall which housed the Continuing Education Centre was converted into a smart classroom and the maintenance department carried out the design and installation of all related electrical circuits.

2. With the assistance of the lecturers and students of the Construction Technology and Resource Management (CTRM) department, the cover slabs were designed and constructed to cover the drainage system of the university.
3. A large number of broken chairs were repaired with the help of maintenance department employees and university students.

In addition to the projects mentioned above, the projects mentioned below were carried out by external contractors under the supervision of the maintenance department.
1. Lecture Hall No. 05 located on the third floor of the new building has been converted into a fully equipped computer laboratory with 200 seats.
2. Installation of the main electrical panel in the Food Analysis/Chemistry laboratory of the Department of Food Technology and Enhance the capacity of main power supply cable of the Food Microbiology laboratory of the Department of Food Technology.

And the following tasks are carried out by the maintenance department in order to carry out the day-to-day activities of our university without interruption.
1. All maintenance works at university buildings including student hostels and staff quarters.
2. Daily monitoring and maintenance of the University's electrical system including standby generator
3. Taking necessary measures for fault finding and repair of all air conditioners installed in the university
4. Taking necessary measures for troubleshooting and repairing all photocopiers and printers installed in the University.
5. Taking necessary measures for troubleshooting and repairing all Elevators (lifts) installed in the University.
6. To check the functioning of all fire extinguishing equipment and fire detection systems installed in the University and takes necessary steps for troubleshooting and repairs.
7. Necessary steps to be taken for annual service contracts for all photocopiers, printers and elevators installed in the University.

13.6 Staff Quarters

University has 16 quarters for providing accommodations for staff who request accommodation due to transport difficulties. According to the waiting list, Administration Division provided facilities for staff as per the decisions of the Quarters Committee taken according to the Establishments Code.

University has a committee, which decides the allocation of quarters and monitor the length of occupation by various officers/academics. Based on a stipulated ratio, accommodation is provided for Academic, Administrative and Non Academic staff 05 years and 02 years respectively. One of the quarters was allocated for Hostel Warden. In addition, specially built house has been assigned as the Director General's quarters.

14.Summary 2023

14.1 Risk assessment and mitigating strategies

The University aims to identify the risks early in order to understand, manage, mitigate, transfer or avoid them.

Due to the post impact of Covid -19 pandemic and the economic crisis of the country the government of Sri Lanka challenged many difficulties of providing funds to government organizations which was directly affected to the university. As a state University we also had to control expenditure and cut-off extra expenses and save money to overcome the issues. Further, recruitments were withheld and university was operated with limited staff. There was a risk of resigning of staff and the remaining staff had to cover excess work stuff which created an extra pressure on the university management.

In general, the university managed, mitigated those issues up to some extend which reduced the risk of the university during 2023.

14.2 Statement of Economic value added and CSR

The University conduct industry-oriented degree programmes and 1103 student were enrolled during the year which provided opportunities to commence academic activities to enhance their knowledge and skills to meet industry requirements. 714 students were graduated at the Annual Convocation 2023 which produced graduates who can directly contribute to the Sustainable development and the economic growth of the country.

Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) is an important aspect of our University as we are utilizing the resources such as water and land under the government funds. Also, when releasing waste to the environment the university always maintain 3Rs' policy and the university responsible to release wastage separately which provide opportunities to recycling. The University conducted several seminars and workshops on Wastage Management under the Techno-Economic-Societal Sustainable Development Training in Sri Lanka (TESS) project which was a national level contribution to make awareness of public on the importance of wastage management.

As the main business of the university is providing higher education & training, we are aware of the importance of health of students and staff, therefore the university maintain a clean and safe environment which imposes the least negative impacts. The Medical Centre of the University operates on two working days providing opportunities for student and staff to obtain health care services. Also, the University attends to the welfare and the personal benefit of the employees through the HR policies. Therefore, the university administration and management focus on having quality lives of employees and students which is vital to the success of the institute.

14.3   Board of Governors of the University

The Board of Governors (BoG) is the focal body of taking all decisions of the University which is chaired by the Vice Chancellor. Thirteen (13) BoG meetings were conducted in 2023 and details are as follows.

#	Meeting No	Date
01	Special Meeting No. 01	15.02.2023
02	BoG Meeting No - 122	22.02.2023
03	BoG Meeting No - 123	29.03.2023
04	BoG Meeting No - 124	19.04.2023
05	BoG Meeting No - 125	24.05.2023
06	BoG Meeting No - 126	21.06.2023
07	BoG Meeting No - 127	19.07.2023
08	Special Meeting No. 02	16.08.2023
09	BoG Meeting No - 128	23.08.2023
10	BoG Meeting No - 129	20.09.2023
11	BoG Meeting No - 130	25.10.2023
12	BoG Meeting No - 131	22.11.2023
13	BoG Meeting No – 131 (Part II)	06.12.2023

14.4   Statement of Institutional Administration

All Administrative activities of the University is done according to the University Act, by-laws, applicable government circulars and Government Establishment Code following office procedures and keeping records for the future reference. The university managment enhance quality, transparency & accountability by creating legal instruments required while implementing provisions of university Act and national policies. The quality of the academic programmes will be enhanced by benchmarking study programmes with national and international best practices while obtaining accreditation for relevant programmes.

14.5   Audit Management Committee

The Audit & Management Committee is functioned to discuss the Audit reports issued by the National Audit Office and the Internal Audit reports issued by the Internal Auditor of this University. This Committee meeting is chaired by a Board member of this University who is a representative from the Ministry of Finance. The minutes of this meetings are forwarded to the Board of Governors meetings for further actions.

There are five Audit and Management Committee meeting conducted during 2023 and details are as follows.

Meeting No.	Date
1	2023.06.14
2	2023.06.27
3	2023.10.05
4	2023.10.11
5	2023.10.20

14.6 Financial Analysis 2013-2023

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Contribution - Recurrent	221.81	265.39	320.30	339.67	405.89	455.39	501.18	464.45	463.60	441.38	493.41
Capital Expenditure	77.87	96.10	77.65	118.05	89.37	131.84	78.00	45.26	7.00	22.01	21.47
Recurrent Expenditure	218.69	232.46	268.24	291.48	362.43	396.89	504.83	463.06	473.55	426.40	474.11
Project – Expenditure		32.90	55.11	47.97	47.28	47.87	21.46	6.03	3.71	11.77	11.28
Surplus/Deficit	3.12	0.03	(3.05)	0.21	(3.83)	10.63	(25.11)	(4.64)	(13.65)	3.21	8.02
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fixed Assets (Net)	859.00	937.95	960.85	1,611.37	1,665.69	1,791.44	1,764.79	1,706.11	1,627.85	2,358.45	2,351.75
Current Assets	25.66	27.31	27.52	30.89	72.47	92.75	36.67	40.21	37.30	44.30	58.23
Equity	33.66	29.00	21.91	1,571.90	1,610.02	1,686.36	1,645.48	1,559.47	1,461.47	2,184.07	2,161.93
Provisions	22.31	23.71	26.31	29.04	35.08	34.21	37.08	99.88	110.51	118.25	122.21
Current Liabilities	13.95	22.46	20.37	21.09	66.02	135.00	73.60	39.78	44.74	48.59	63.47

15.Financial Statements

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15.1   Statement of Financial Position

UNIVERSITY OF VOCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As At 31st December	Note	2023 Rs.	2022 Rs.
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	2	33,669,820	20,587,988
Advances, Deposits Receivable	3	369,230	569,430
Stocks		4,285,942	6,419,498
Pre Payments	4	1,808,856	1,095,230
Staff Loans & Advances	5	7,360,347	7,260,690
Debtors and Other Receivables	6	10,740,673	8,364,269
		58,234,868	44,297,105
Non - Current Assets			
Investments	7	106,775,712	82,338,542
Property, Plant and Equipment	8	1,906,538,109	1,945,857,463
Work in Progress	9	336,548,656	328,364,573
Intangible Assets	10	1,885,189	1,892,796
		2,351,747,666	2,358,453,375
Total Assets		2,409,982,534	2,402,750,479
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities	11	48,690,660	31,924,357
Short Term Deposits Refundable	12	13,508,125	13,855,275
Lease Obligation	13	1,275,052	2,812,497
		63,473,837	48,592,129
Non Current Liabilities			
Provision for Gratuity	14	122,210,299	118,252,228
Long Term Deposits Refundable	15	62,370,000	50,560,000
Lease Obligation	16	-	1,275,052
		184,580,299	170,087,280
Total Liabilities		248,054,136	218,679,409
Total Net Assets		2,161,928,398	2,184,071,070
NET ASSETS / EQUITY			
Capital Grants	17	-	-
Revaluation Surplus		851,537,817	821,360,737
Accumulated Fund	17	1,309,757,169	1,362,091,021
Other Funds	18	633,412	619,312
Total Net Assets / Equity		2,161,928,398	2,184,071,070

The Accounting Policies on pages 06 to 09 & Notes on pages 10 to 20 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

Prepared by:

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G.A.A.K.Dilrukshie
Assistant Bursar

Certification
We certify that the above Financial Statements give a true & fair view of affairs as at 31.12.2023 and it's surplus/(deficit) for the year ended 31.12.2023 and an effective internal control system for the financial control exists in the University and carried out periodic reviews to monitor the effectiveness of internal control system for the financial control and accordingly make alterations as required for such systems to be effectively carried out.

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The Board of Governors is responsible for the preparation & presentation of these Financial Statements.
These Financial Statements were approved by the Board of Governors and signed on their behalf.

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S C Jagath
Member

Colombo
28th February 2024

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M A S Dabarera
Member

15.2 Statement of Financial Performance

UNIVERSITY OF VOCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

For the Year Ended 31st December	Note	2023 Rs.	2022 Rs.
Operating Revenue			
Revenue From Non Exchange Transactions -Current			
Recurrent Grant - Treasury		405,100,000	382,900,000
Staff Development Grant		539,711	282,850
Skills Sector Development Grant	19	92,573	-
Recurrent Grant-TESS	20	8,710,703	11,386,598
		414,442,987	394,569,448
Revenue From Exchange Transactions -Current			
Revenue From Academic Activities	21	2,684,688	2,015,594
Less-Direct Expenditure on Academic Activities	22	1,212,598	164,747
Net Income from Academic Activities		1,472,090	1,850,847
Revenue from Degree Programmes	23	46,656,560	31,344,115
Income - TVEC	24	2,478,836	381,965
Income - Others	25	28,361,413	13,514,187
		78,968,899	47,091,114
Total Revenue- Current		493,411,886	441,660,562
Revenue From Non Exchange Transactions -Capital			
Capital Grant - Treasury		20,934,522	21,722,218
Capital Grant - TESS		4,524,277	6,871,922
Capital Grant - SSDP		652,567	-
Capital Grant - MOE		9,196,424	-
Total Revenue- Capital		35,307,790	28,594,140
Total Revenue		528,719,676	470,254,702
Operating Expenses - Current			
Employees Cost	26	324,299,012	322,862,302
Supplies & Requisites	27	13,004,085	10,861,471
Maintenance Expenses	28	9,742,851	6,621,145
Services	29	127,068,044	86,338,189
Expenses - TVEC	30	2,478,836	381,965
Expenses - TESS Project	31	8,710,703	11,386,598
Expenses - Skills Sector Development Programme	32	92,573	-
Total Operating Expenses - Current		485,396,104	438,451,670
Operating Expenses - Capital			
Depreciation & Amortisation of Property, Plant & Equipment	33	98,744,107	88,875,194
Loss on Fixed Assets Revaluation		5,162,640	
Total Operating Expenses - Capital		103,906,747	88,875,194
Total Expenses		589,302,851	527,326,864
Total Surplus / (Deficit) for the period		(60,583,175)	(57,072,162)

Total Surplus/(Deficit) for the period comprise Current and Capital Surplus/(Deficit) for the period as follows;

Current Surplus/(Deficit) for the period		8,015,782	3,208,892
Capital Surplus/(Deficit) for the period		(68,598,957)	(60,281,054)
		(60,583,175)	(57,072,162)

The Accounting Policies on pages 06 to 09 & Notes on pages 10 to 20 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

15.3   Cash Flow Statement

UNIVERSITY OF VOCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY				
CASH FLOW STATEMENT				
For the Year Ended 31st December			2023	2022
			Rs.	Rs.
Cash flows from operating activities				
Deficit / Surplus from ordinary activities			(60,583,175)	(57,072,162)
Non - Cash Movements				
Depreciation & Amortisation			98,744,107	88,875,194
Profit/Loss on Fixed Assets Revaluation			5,162,640	-
Gratuity			11,163,039	9,098,850
Operating Profit Before Changes in W/C			54,486,611	40,901,882
(Increase)/Decrease in Stocks			2,133,556	(2,088,311)
(Increase)/Decrease in Staff Debtors			(99,657)	(365,977)
(Increase)/Decrease in Debtors and Receivables			(2,376,404)	(2,465,557)
(Increase)/Decrease in Pre-payments			(713,626)	115,957
(Increase)/Decrease in Advances			(49,800)	115,040
(Increase)/Decrease in Deposits Receivable			250,000	(432,010)
Increase/(Decrease) in Deposits Refundable			(347,150)	4,585,073
Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable			16,766,303	(1,047,160)
Gratuity Payment			(7,204,968)	(1,361,436)
Net cash flows from operating activities			62,844,864	37,957,501
Cash flows from investing activities				
	Buildings		(770,180)	-
	Computers		(7,116,000)	(1,804,400)
	Furniture and Fittings		(5,863,678)	(1,843,280)
	Teaching Equipment		(3,612,000)	(4,931,862)
	Plant and Machinery		(10,518,861)	(16,918,425)
	Books		(1,393,636)	(4,725)
	Other Assets		(1,406,035)	(223,680)
	Work in Progress		-	2,259,620
	Intangible Assets		-	(1,806,320)
	Investments		(24,437,170)	(14,531,416)
	Library Deposits		5,993,000	3,180,000
	Laboratory Deposits		5,995,000	3,180,000
	Hostel Deposits		(178,000)	(145,000)
	Lease Rental		(2,812,497)	(2,494,894)
Net cash flows from investing activities			(46,120,058)	(36,084,382)
Cash flows from financing Activities				
Accumulated Fund			(3,657,952)	-
Proceeds from Disposal of Assets			878	-
Other Funds			14,100	-
Net cash flow from financing activities			(3,642,974)	-
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents			13,081,832	1,873,119
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period			20,587,988	18,714,869
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period			33,669,820	20,587,988

The Accounting Policies on pages 06 to 09 & Notes on pages 10 to 20 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

15.4 Statement of Changes in Net Assets

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

	Accumulated Fund	Revaluation Surplus	Other FUNDS	Total Net Assets
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
Balance as at 01.01.2022	1,433,010,862	27,837,891	619,312	1,461,468,065
Transfer	(13,847,679)	-		(13,847,679)
Revaluation Gain		795,203,892		795,203,892
Amortisation		(1,681,046)		(1,681,046)
Surplus/(Deficit) for the period	(57,072,162)			(57,072,162)
				-
Balance as at 31.12. 2022	**1,362,091,021**	**821,360,737**	**619,312**	**2,184,071,070**
Balance as at 01.01. 2023	**1,362,091,021**	**821,360,737**	**619,312**	**2,184,071,070**
Transfer	8,249,323			8,249,323
Revaluation Gain		30,177,080		30,177,080
Additions			14,100	14,100
Surplus /(Deficit) for the period	(60,583,175)			(60,583,175)
Balance as at 31.12. 2023	**1,309,757,169**	**851,537,817**	**633,412**	**2,161,928,398**

The Accounting Policies on pages 06 to 09 & Notes on pages 10 to 20 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

15.5 Statement of Comparison of Budget and Actual Amounts-2023

UNIVERSITY OF VOCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY				
STATEMENT OF COMPARISON OF BUDGET AND ACTUAL AMOUNTS - 2023				
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Category	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actual	Variance
Receipts				
Government Contribution	475,000,000	475,000,000	405,100,000	69,900,000
University Earnings	45,000,000	73,500,000	71,028,957	2,471,043
Total Receipts	**520,000,000**	**548,500,000**	**476,128,957**	**72,371,043**
				-
Payments				-
Personal Emoluments	338,700,000	338,700,000	321,781,163	16,918,837
Travelling	2,300,000	2,300,000	261,081	2,038,919
Supplies	13,800,000	17,300,000	10,226,329	7,073,671
Maintenance	10,000,000	18,000,000	10,241,079	7,758,921
Services	155,200,000	172,200,000	117,115,365	55,084,635
Total Expenditure	**520,000,000**	**548,500,000**	**459,625,017**	**88,874,983**
Net Receipts/Payments			**16,503,940**	

15.6 Notes to the Financial Statements

15.6.1 Significant Accounting Policies

General Policies

Reporting Entity

University of Vocational Technology (hereafter referred to as the "University") was incorporated by Act of parliament No.31 of 2008, and is situated at No.100, Kandawala, Rathmalana.

Financial Period

The financial period of the University is from 01 st January 2023 to 31st December 2023.

Principal Activities

(a)   Conducting undergraduate programmes

(b)   Development of postgraduate programmes

(c)   Conducting researches

(d)   Developing curricula for TVET institutions

(e)   Conducting short term training programs, seminars and workshops for professional development

Going Concern

An assessment was made with regard to the University and its ability to continue as a going concern and is satisfied that it has the resources to continue the entity for the foreseeable future. Based on the assessment , the Financial Statements have been prepared on Going Concern basis.

Basis of Preparation

(a)   Statement of Compliance

The Financial Statements have been prepared in conformity with Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standards issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka. The accounting   policies are consistent with those used in the previous period, except where it is disclosed.

(b)   Basis of Measurement

Financial Statements have been prepared on accrual basis under the historical costs basis and no adjustments are made   for changes in values, except where it is stated.

(c)   Functional & Presentation Currency

Financial Statements are presented in Sri Lankan Rupees, which is the functional & presentation currency of the University.

All financial information presented in Sri Lankan Rupees has been rounded to the nearest Rupee, unless stated otherwise.

Comparative Information

Comparative information is disclosed in respect of the previous period to enhance the understanding of the Financial Statements of the current period.

When the presentation or classification of items in the Financial Statements have been amended, comparative amounts have also been reclassified to conform with the current year in order to provide a better presentation.

Materiality & Aggregation

Each material class of similar items have been presented separately in the Financial Statements. Items of dissimilar nature or function have been presented separately unless they are immaterial.

Offsetting

Assets, liabilities and revenue , expenses have not been offset unless required or permitted by the SLPSAS.

Assets & Bases of their valuation

Property Plant and Equipment

a) **Recognition & Measurement**

Property, Plant and Equipment except Library Books & Intangible Assets are stated at revalued amounts.

b) **Library Books & Intangible Assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation**

c) **Revaluation of Fixed Assets**
   - Effective Date – 31 December 2022
   - Valuer – Department of Government Valuation
   - Valuation report received in 2023 for "not found items in 2022"- Rs.5,101,130
   - Valuation Gain/ Loss are shown in the Financial Statements

d) **Depreciation**

The provision for depreciation is calculated by using the straight line method on the cost or valuation (12.10.2009) of property, plant & equipment, at the following rates over their useful lives 31.12.2022.

   - Buildings   5%
   - Boundary Walls   5%
   - Fountain   5%
   - Motor Vehicles   25%
   - Computers   16.66%
   - Furniture & Fittings   10%
   - Office Equipment   10%
   - Plant & Machinery   10%
   - Teaching Equipment   10%
   - Books   10%
   - Other Assets   16.66%

Depreciation is provided for the full year, for year of acquisition and no depreciation is provided for the year of disposal of assets, up to 31.12.2013. Depreciation of assets begins when it is available for use and ceases date on which asset is classified as held for sale/ disposal, from 2013 onwards.

The reassessment of balance useful life time of Library Books was carried out in 2021, by an appointed committee and depreciated accordingly.

Reassessed Useful Life time

Books
5 Yrs. from 2021 purchased in 2007
5 Yrs. from 2021 purchased in 2011
5 Yrs. from 2021 purchased in 2012
5 Yrs. from 2021 purchased in 2016

Lease – Finance Lease

Lease in terms of which the University assumes substantially all the risks & rewards of ownership is transferred to the university, classified as Finance Lease. On initial recognition, the leased asset under Motor Vehicles is measured at an amount equal to the lower of its fair value and the present value of minimum lease payments. Subsequent to initial recognition the asset is accounted for in accordance with the accounting policy applicable to the asset.

Minimum lease payments under finance lease are apportioned between the finance expense and the reduction of the outstanding liability.

Capital Works in Progress

Capital work in progress is stated at cost/ valuation. These are expenses of capital nature directly incurred in the construction of property, plant and equipment awaiting capitalization. Capital work in progress would be transferred to the relevant asset category when it is available for use.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Net realizable value is the estimated selling price at ordinary course of business less the estimated cost of completion and selling expenses.

Provision for Retiring Gratuity

Provision for Retiring Gratuity 2023

Provision has been made for the retiring gratuity, which may fall due for payment under the payment of Gratuity Act No. 12 of 1983 for all the employees those who have been in service more than one year, in the University. The liability to an employee arises only on completion of 5 years of continued service.
The liability is not externally funded.

Government Grants & Subsidies

Government Grants - Recurrent

Government grants that compensate the University for expenses incurred are recognized on receipt. Grants that are in recurrent nature are recognized as income from Non Exchange Transaction- Recurrent, in the statement of financial performance.

Government Grants- Capital

Government grants that are in capital nature are recognized as per the Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standard No.11-(Revenue from Non- Exchange transactions).

An inflow of resources from Non- Exchange transactions recognized as an asset shall be recognized as revenue except to the extent that a liability is also recognized in respect of the same inflow.

Revenue from Non- Exchange transactions is measured at the amount of increase in net assets recognized by the entity. The amount which has not been utilized for assets, is recognized as capital received in advance under current liabilities.

Financial Performance Statement

Revenue Recognition

(a) Revenue from recurrent grant is recognized on receipt.

 b) Government grants for capital expenditure is recognized as per SLPSAS -11 as stated above.

(b) Grant from Skills Sector Development Programme is recognized on accrual basis.

(c) Course and Diploma fees are recognized on receipt.

(d) Consultancy income is recognized as revenue on completion of such activity.

(e)   Other income is recognized on accrual basis.

Expenditure

All expenditure incurred in day to day operations of the university and capital expenditure has been charged to Income Statement in arriving at the total Surplus/Deficit for the year.

Cash flow Statement

The Cash flow Statement has been prepared by using the "Indirect Method" Cash and Cash equivalents comprise of bank balances of the University Bank Accounts.

Disclosures

Events after balance sheet date

There were no events occurring after the Balance Sheet date which require adjustments or disclosures in the financial statements.

15.7 Notes to the Financial Statements

			2023 Rs.	2022 Rs.
	University of Vocational Technology			
	Notes to the Financial Statements			
	For the Year Ended 31st December		**2023** **Rs.**	**2022** **Rs.**
2	**Balances at Banks**			
	Bank of Ceylon - Rathmalana	A/C 0070308457	18,699,699	13,201,423
	Peoples Bank - Rathmalana	A/C 080-1-001-3-0003120	14,970,121	7,386,565
			33,669,820	**20,587,988**
3	**Advances,Deposits Receivable**			
	Advances			
	Sundry advances		69,800	20,000
			69,800	**20,000**
	Deposits Receivable			
	Sri Lanka Transport Board		251,730	251,730
	MHW & RL Fernando Fuel Station		47,700	47,700
	BMICH		-	250,000
			299,430	**549,430**
			369,230	**569,430**
4	**Pre-payments**			
	Insurance & Renewals		442,808	363,489
	Bank Charges - Online Portal		23,771	-
	Mainten.-Computer & Access,Photocopiers,Printers,UPS,Air Conditioners, Lift &GPS tracking platform		1,013,245	731,741
	Memberships		329,032	-
			1,808,856	**1,095,230**
5	**Staff Loans & Advances**			
	Distress Loans		7,360,347	7,256,940
	Festival Advances		-	3,750
			7,360,347	**7,260,690**
6	**Debtors and Receivables**			
	Rental of Property - Hostel		332,000	144,100
	G.I.G.Dakshina Janithi		1,100	-
	Fixed Deposit Interest		4,090,176	2,270,504
	Fixed Deposit Interest - Students Welfare		14,545	41,811
	P.M.U.S.Mudalige		3,400	3,400
	P.A.K.Gananath		7,000	7,000
	Skills Sector Development Programme		-	259,840
	Univotec Staff		411,414	-
	University Colleges		-	1,674,777
	A.S.K.Wijewardana		2,094,582	3,169,582
	I.N.Peduruhewa		127,274	127,274
	Colombo Plan Staff College		607,575	-
	W.N.Premakumara		-	596,981
	C J Abeywickrama		3,049,207	-
	H.H.D.M.Liyanarachchi		2,400	-
	Department of Textile Industry		-	69,000
			10,740,673	**8,364,269**
	Bond to be recovered- L.H.D. Anuruddha Kumara			
	Legal action taken, Court case No.8346/20/M			
	Bond value-Rs.898,999/79			
7	**Investments (Refundable Deposits of Students)**			
	Peoples Bank- Ratmalana		64,593,296	41,555,710
	Bank of Ceylon- Ratmalana		42,182,416	40,782,832
			106,775,712	**82,338,542**

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8 **Property, Plant & Equipment**

	Balance as at 1/1/2023	Adjustments	Addition	Disposals	Balance as at 31/12/2023
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
8.1 **Rehabilitation & Improvements**					
Buildings			770,180		770,180
Books	225,000				225,000
8.2 **Acquisition of Fixed Assets**					
Land & Land Improvement	752,500,000				752,500,000
Buildings	776,270,650	6,669,600			782,940,250
Fountain	7,833,439				7,833,439
Motor Vehicles	48,800,000				48,800,000
Lease Vehicle	17,500,000				17,500,000
Computers	44,537,300	4,807,300	7,116,000		56,460,600
Furniture and Fittings	38,504,707	10,080,150	5,863,678		54,448,535
Office Equipment	6,515,900	689,300			7,205,200
Teaching Equipment	149,895,812	2,250,080	440,000		152,585,892
Plant and Machinery	94,521,497	2,862,499	10,518,861		107,902,858
Books	40,239,021			(390)	40,238,631
Other Assets	3,694,385	57,850	1,406,035		5,158,270
Sub Total	**1,981,037,712**	**27,416,779**	**26,114,754**	**(390)**	**2,034,568,856**

Property, Plant & Equipment - TESS

	Balance as at 1/1/2023	Adjustments	Addition	Disposals	Balance as at 31/12/2023
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
8.2-a **Acquisition of Fixed Assets**					
Teaching Equipment			3,172,000		3,172,000
Books			1,393,636		1,393,636
Sub Total			4,565,636		4,565,636
Total	**1,981,037,712**		**30,680,390**	**(390)**	**2,039,134,492**

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	Balance as at 1/1/2023	Adjustments	Charges for the period	Disposals	Balance as at 31/12/2023
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Depreciation					
8.3 Rehabilitation & Improvements					
Buildings			422		422
Books	225,000				225,000
Other Assets					
8.4 Acquisition of Fixed Assets					
Buildings			39,147,013		39,147,013
Fountain			391,672		391,672
Motor Vehicles			12,200,000		12,200,000
Lease Vehicle			4,375,000		4,375,000
					-
Computers			8,819,439		8,819,439
Furniture and Fittings			4,858,486		4,858,486
Office Equipment			720,520		720,520
Teaching Equipment			15,237,734		15,237,734
Plant and Machinery			9,831,044		9,831,044
Books	34,955,249		1,152,434	(366)	36,107,316
Other Assets			625,373		625,373
Total Depreciation	**35,180,249**		**97,359,137**	**(366)**	**132,539,019**

Depreciation - TESS

	Balance as at 1/1/2023	Adjustment	Charges for the period	Disposals	Balance as at 31/12/2023
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
8.4-a Acquisition of Fixed Assets					
Teaching Equipment			27,809		27,809
Books			29,555		29,555
Sub Total			57,364		57,364
Total Depreciation	**35,180,249**		**97,416,501**	**(366)**	**132,596,383**
TOTAL NET VALUE	**1,945,857,463**				**1,906,538,109**

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For the Year Ended 31st December				2023	2022
				Rs.	Rs.
9 Work in Progress				**336,548,656**	**328,364,573**
Work in Progress-Acquisition of Capital Assets					
Buildings - Studio				252,708,750	238,842,027
Equipment - Studio				60,498,450	65,661,090
Students Hostel				22,541,456	22,541,456
Establishment Code				800,000	
Intangible Assets					
Software - Finance				-	1,320,000
				336,548,656	**328,364,573**

10 Intangible Assets

	Balance as at 1/1/2023	Addition	Balance as at 31/12/2023		
10.1 Improvements	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
EMIS	3,400,000	-	3,400,000		
10.2 Acquisitions					
ELT	1,525,000	-	1,525,000		
Video Editing	525,000		525,000		
MS Office	1,347,191	-	1,347,191		
Library (Koha)	420,000	-	420,000		
Antivirius Solution	645,926	-	645,926		
GPS Tracking System	226,500	-	226,500		
Office & Antivirus Software	186,320	-	186,320		
3D CAD Software	1,620,000	-	1,620,000		
Software - Finance		1,320,000	1,320,000		
Total	**9,895,937**	**1,320,000**	**11,215,937**		

Amortisation

	Balance as at 1/1/2023	Amortisation for the period	Balance as at 31/12/2023		
10.3 Improvements	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
EMIS	3,400,000	-	3,400,000		
10.4 Acquisitions					
ELT	1,525,000	-	1,525,000		
Video Editing	525,000	-	525,000		
MS Office	1,347,191	-	1,347,191		
Library (Koha)	420,000	-	420,000		
Antivirious Solution	435,927	210,000	645,927		
GPS Tracking System	132,384	75,500	207,884		
Office & Antivirus Software	38,625	62,106	100,732		
3D CAD Software	179,014	540,000	719,014		
Software - Finance		440,000	440,000		
Total Amortisation	**8,003,141**	**1,327,606**	**9,330,748**		
Total Net Value	**1,892,796**		**1,885,189**		

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			2023	2022
	For the Year Ended 31st December		Rs.	Rs.
11	**Accounts Payable & Other Liabilities**		**48,690,660**	**31,924,357**
	Accrued Expenses			
	Salaries & Wages		602,465	259,949
	EPF Contributions		34,438	-
	ETF Contributions		8,610	-
	Cost of Living Allowance		37,742	-
	Monthly Compensatory Allowance		23,780	-
	Monthly Allowance		24,194	
	Additional Allowances		10,569	-
	Membership		-	5,292
	MHW & RL Fernado - Fuel		136,305	153,900
	Overtime		680,260	323,620
	Holiday Payments		55,829	12,669
	Other Allowances		185,250	77,500
	Travelling		370	1,200
	Allowance to Governing Council		-	6,000
	Telephone		36,328	38,413
	Internet Service		1,700,582	24,768
	Electricity		2,694,713	1,207,549
	Maintenance-Vehicle CBH-3320		7,228	92,673
	Water		155,004	78,196
	News papers and Periodicals		-	17,230
	Security Services		805,555	1,311,341
	Janitorial Services		-	961,270
	Vehicle Hire		-	1,450
	Canteen		5,735	11,452
	Cell Member Fees-DB		-	259,840
	Examination Payments		396,620	296,780
	TESS Project Expenditure		-	110,546
	Postage		15,654	17,121
	Certificate in Teaching QS		-	31,500
	Maintenance Bill		-	102,933
	Financial Charges		-	6,250
	Railway Warrants		54,100	91,600
	Visiting Lecture Fees			
	B.Tech Software Technology-B2		268,875	28,025
	B.Tech Software Technology-B1		210,625	93,375
	B.Tech Network Technology-B2		142,125	184,025
	B.Tech Network Technology-B1		58,375	22,800
	B.Tech Building Service Technology-B2		278,375	93,000
	B.Tech Building Service Technology-B1		242,875	-
	B.Tech Mechatronics Technology-B1		175,000	-
	B.Tech Mechatronics Technology-B2		155,750	-
	B.Tech Multimedia Technology-B2		186,000	85,025
	B.Tech Multimedia Technology-B1		154,000	89,250
	B.Tech Film & Tele.Production Technology-B2		298,500	164,250
	B.Tech Industrial Management-B2		123,000	340,875
	B.Tech Industrial Management-B1		78,750	180,000
	B.Tech Construction Technology & Resource Management-B1		285,750	323,250
	B.Tech Construction Technology & Resource Management-B2		204,750	314,250
	B.Tech English Language Teaching-B1		332,062	60,750
	B.Tech English Language Teaching-B2		626,062	128,250
	B.Tech Quantity Surveying-B2		475,125	119,625
	B.Tech Quantity Surveying-B1		240,375	
	B.Tech Translation Studies-B1		-	6,000
	B.Tech Translation Studies-B2		-	244,500
	B.Tech Manufacturing Technology-B2		212,000	109,125
	B.Tech Manufacturing Technology-B1		96,250	-
	B.Tech Food Technology-B2		214,500	148,125
	B.Tech Food Technology-B1		232,500	216,750
	B.Tech Hotel Management-B2		266,625	214,500
	B.Tech Media Art Production-B1		7,500	72,000
	Bachelor of Education in Technology-B1		598,500	138,750
	Bachelor of Education in Technology-B2		185,250	127,500
			14,020,830	9,005,042

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	For the Year Ended 31st December			2023 Rs.	2022 Rs.
	Lasitha Mega Stationeries			1,800	-
	Reprographics (Pvt) Ltd.			161,000	
				162,800	-
				14,183,630	**9,005,042**
	Other Liabilities				
	Payee Tax			2,700,603	98,697
	Receipts in Advance			9,191,237	6,280,887
	Retention			10,052,116	11,756,393
	Provision for Audit Fees			600,000	500,200
	Student's Welfare			6,518,123	4,283,138
	Ministry of Education - A.S.K.Wijewardana			3,418,673	-
	Skills Sector Development Programme - C.J.Abeywickrama			1,725,117	-
	Staff - C.J.Abeywickrama			295,161	-
	R.C.Sajeewani - TVEC			6,000	
				34,507,030	**22,919,315**
12	**Short Term Deposits Refundable**				
	Tender Deposits			298,125	718,275
	Library Deposits			6,382,000	6,432,000
	Laboratory Deposits			6,380,000	6,430,000
	Hostel Deposits			448,000	275,000
				13,508,125	**13,855,275**
13	**Lease Obligation**				
	Vehicle No:CBH 3320				
	Lessor : Bank of Ceylon				
	Lease Agreement No:68100201900274700				
	Vehicle Type:Honda-CRV				
	Installement due for 2024			1,313,695	3,152,868
	Interest in Suspense				
	Interest due for 2024			(38,643)	(340,371)
				1,275,052	**2,812,497**
14	**Provision for Gratuity**				
	Balance as at.01.01.2023			118,252,228	110,514,814
	Provision for year 2023			11,163,039	9,098,850
	Gratuity payment			(7,204,968)	(1,361,436)
	Balance as at.31.12.2023			**122,210,299**	**118,252,228**
15	**Long Term Deposits Refundable**				
	Library Deposits			30,998,000	25,005,000
	Laboratory Deposits			30,990,000	24,995,000
	Hostel Deposits			382,000	560,000
				62,370,000	**50,560,000**
16	**Lease Obligation**				
	Vehicle No:CBH 3320				
	Lessor : Bank of Ceylon				
	Lease Agreement No:68100201900274700				
	Vehicle Type:Honda-CRV				
	Balance as at 01.01.2023			4,466,563	7,619,431
	Installment Paid during the year			(3,152,868)	(3,152,868)
	Balance as at 31.12.2023			**1,313,695**	**4,466,563**
	Interest in Suspense				
	Balance as at 01.01.2023			379,014	1,036,987
	Interest Paid during the year			(340,371)	(657,974)
	Balance as at 31.12.2023			**38,643**	**379,014**
	Non Current Lease Obligation				
	Lease Obligation			-	4,087,550
	Interest in Suspense			-	(2,812,497)
	Balance as at 31.12.2023			**-**	**1,275,052**

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	For the Year Ended 31st December			2023 Rs.	2022 Rs.
17	**Accumulated Fund**				
	Balance as at.01.01.2023			1,362,091,021	1,433,010,862
	Surplus/(Deficit) Transferred from F/P			(60,583,175)	(57,072,162)
	Transfer - Payable to Ministry		(3,657,952)		
	Transfer - Capitalization of Consumables		11,907,275	8,249,323	(13,847,679)
	Balance as at.31.12.2023			**1,309,757,169**	**1,362,091,021**
18	**Other Funds**				
	Library/Hostel Development Fund			142,800	128,700
	University Development Fund			170,485	170,485
	Staff Development Fund			3,812	3,812
	University Fund - Consultancy Services			316,315	316,315
				633,412	**619,312**
19	**Skills Sector Development Grant**				
	Recurrent Contributions			92,573	-
				92,573	**-**
20	**TESS Grant**				
	Recurrent Contributions			8,669,344	11,156,543
	Call Deposit Interest			-	230,055
	Penalty Charges			41,359	
				8,710,703	**11,386,598**
21	**Revenue From Academic Activities**				
	Course fees				
	Certificate in Quantity Surveying			-	1,260,000
				-	**1,260,000**
	Consultancy Income				
	Consultancy HRDC			2,684,688	755,594
				2,684,688	**755,594**
	Total Revenue From Academic Activities			**2,684,688**	**2,015,594**
22	**Direct Expenditure on Academic Activities**				
	Course fees (Expenditure)				
	Certificate in Quantity Surveying			45,000	64,000
				45,000	**64,000**
	Consultancy Payments				
	Consultancy HRDC			1,167,598	100,747
				1,167,598	**100,747**
	Total Direct Expenditure on Academic Activities			**1,212,598**	**164,747**

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	For the Year Ended 31st December			2023	2022
				Rs.	Rs.
23	**Revenue From Degree Programmes**			**46,656,560**	**31,344,115**
	B.ed Tech Degree Programme			265,900	**866,900**
	B. Tech Degree Programme				
	Software Technology-B2			2,480,600	1,273,000
	Software Technology-B1			1,123,600	522,880
	Network Technology-B1			741,400	164,080
	Network Technology-B2			2,357,900	1,069,000
	Building Services Technology-B1			864,400	426,080
	Building Services Technology-B2			2,878,000	1,945,800
	Manufacturing Technology-B1			897,500	364,680
	Manufacturing Technology-B2			1,736,800	1,043,000
	Multimedia Technology-B1			796,000	218,880
	Multimedia Technology-B2			2,387,100	1,225,200
	Mechatronics Technology-B1			697,400	387,180
	Mechatronics Technology-B2			3,431,300	2,198,800
	Food Technology-B1			728,065	365,580
	Food Technology-B2			3,604,400	1,162,100
	Screen Play Film & Television Studies-B2			1,753,100	1,001,380
	Industrial Management-B1			600,200	199,880
	Industrial Management-B2			2,791,800	960,700
	Construction Technology & Resources Management-B1			743,100	450,680
	Construction Technology & Resources Management-B2			3,223,100	1,768,000
	Quantity Surveying-B1			165,400	1,442,985
	Quantity Surveying-B2			3,443,400	-
	Hotel Management-B1			-	22,000
	Hotel Management-B2			1,218,900	290,000
	Media Arts Production-B1			323,300	158,400
	Media Arts Production-B2			-	12,000
	Translate Studies-B1			-	2,000
	Translate Studies-B2			-	320,000
	English Language Teaching-B2			4,698,790	3,213,400
	English Language Teaching-B1			1,191,090	409,100
	Plantation Crop Technology & Management - NIPM-B1			-	-
	Plantation Crop Technology & Management-NIPM-B2			1,113,015	-
	Application Processing Fees			401,000	7,860,430
				46,390,660	**30,477,215**
24	**Income - TVEC**				
	Curriculum Development			2,478,836	381,965
				2,478,836	**381,965**
25	**Income - Others**				
	Loan Interest			312,708	304,313
	Convocation Fee			3,409,000	2,070,000
	Sponsorship			-	599,184
	Fixed Deposit Interest			11,230,319	4,712,539
	Call Deposit Interest			477,902	276,464
	Cloak Income			-	6,250
	Income - IRS/SRS			1,167,243	
	Sundries			5,795,616	2,100,387
	Rental of Property				
	Use of Premises			52,000	-
	Lecture rooms			12,500	-
	Auditorium			71,875	56,250
	Quarters			1,965,100	1,755,820
	Hostel			3,867,150	1,632,980
				28,361,413	**13,514,187**

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For the Year Ended 31st December			2023 Rs.	2022 Rs.
26 **Employees Cost**				
Salaries and Wages			112,869,908	115,605,909
Cost of Living allowance			15,500,174	16,540,600
E.P.F. Contributions			25,886,675	26,069,547
E.T.F. Contributions			6,457,944	6,517,387
Entertainment Allowances			1,152,556	1,313,735
Gratuity Payment			11,307,967	9,103,417
Other Allowances			2,081,750	607,475
Overtime			5,707,123	2,093,716
Holiday Payment			390,989	129,851
Allowances - Governing Council			1,207,000	733,000
Allowances - Transport			457,280	176,300
Allowances - Staff Transport			2,954,516	3,804,111
Allowances - Other Meeting			535,500	234,000
Academic Allowance			63,138,236	61,425,132
Housing Allowance			108,197	-
Research Allowance			14,074,058	15,451,118
Monthly Allowance			9,933,589	10,660,207
Additional Allowance			21,273,608	21,811,673
Telephone Allowance			1,028,764	1,093,797
Monthly Compensatory Allowance			28,233,178	29,491,327
			324,299,012	**322,862,302**
27 **Supply and Requisites**				
Stationery			2,810,785	2,270,563
Office Requisites			8,000	-
Office Machines Consumables			1,533,596	1,967,154
Fuel Allocation(Vice Chancellor)			782,394	633,966
Fuel Allocation(Director General)			547,583	609,659
Fuel Allocation(Dean FED)			575,800	513,645
Fuel Allocation(Dean FET)			574,151	502,298
Fuel Allocation(Dean FIT)			536,221	599,337
Fuel Allocation(Dean FICT)			575,775	446,738
Fuel Allocation (Pool Vehicles)			2,713,222	1,426,713
Fuel Allocation (Generator)			888,480	167,970
Fuel Allocation (Director Finance)			575,775	546,578
Fuel Allocation (Director AAQA)			490,475	471,845
Fuel Allocation (Director HRDC)			-	429,295
Uniforms			96,000	92,000
Medical Supplies			21,954	-
Consumables - Miscellaneous			273,874	183,710
			13,004,085	**10,861,471**
28 **Repairs and Maintenance of Assets**				
Vehicles				
WPKH 6725			465,017	31,900
301-1501			27,295	56,050
62-3743			41,797	75,030
62-4816			3,126	3,500
NA-2503			5,776	103,743
Ko-4860			70,338	167,269
KR1801			46,117	282,527
KR-7781			56,351	71,675
NB-3149			299,131	174,512
ND-5057			174,082	200,832
CBH3320			382,719	118,013
Plant, Machinery and Equipment				
Computers & Accessories			125,530	1,150,002
Furniture & Fittings			3,850	4,800
Photocopiers, Air Conditioners & Lift			4,067,737	2,232,991
Office Equipment			983,709	458,590
Lab & Workshop Equipment			11,500	-
Other Assets - Filling Fire Extinguishers			418,717	749,385
Intangible Assets			63,500	
Buildings and Structures				
Main Building			473,893	151,250
Faculty Building			446,026	39,933
Hostel			619,743	68,716
Staff Quarters			43,025	21,875
VC Quarters			36,903	-
CEC			80,974	500
Library			46,418	
Landscaping			197,955	-
Cafateria			15,645	-
Others			519,777	458,052
			9,742,851	**6,621,145**

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For the Year Ended 31st December			2023 Rs.	2022 Rs.
29 Services				
Transport				
Vehicle Hire			51,260	26,482
Railway Warrants			498,650	166,070
Travelling Expenses			260,251	28,315
Postage			438,398	366,866
Telephones			478,863	542,694
Internet Service			11,529,450	9,008,503
Legal Charges			637,000	739,500
Electricity			31,960,100	11,516,313
Water			3,625,452	1,678,697
Taxes			714,586	33,555
Insurance & Registration Fees			827,918	671,692
Curriculum Development			93,372	95,500
Visiting Lecture fees			33,003,572	24,210,766
Training of Assessors Programme			1,027,308	1,023,652
HND in Training Centre Management			30,000	100,930
Cooperate Social Responsibility			2,460	-
Learning Material			181,430	141,065
Award Ceremonies/Convocation			5,599,372	6,449,262
Publicity (advertising)			603,884	1,451,799
Staff Development			539,711	257,500
Staff Development-HRDC			-	25,350
Publications			-	1,800
NewsPapers & Periodicals			166,370	145,680
Functions & Donations			8,000	-
Janitorial Service			11,881,597	8,807,012
Security Service			11,943,416	11,845,522
Refreshments - Meetings			1,672,005	1,258,122
Exhibitions			1,678,051	809,971
Examination Charges			2,716,910	1,963,270
Research(Symposium & Members Fee,etc.)			3,256,332	44,300
Translation - Annual Reports			134,108	110,328
Membership			371,574	717,037
Software Updating			-	678,002
Financial & Other Charges			363,540	693,234
Audit Fees			674,625	500,000
Miscellaneous			98,479	229,400
			127,068,044	**86,338,189**
30 Expenses - TVEC				
Curriculum Development			2,478,836	381,965
			2,478,836	**381,965**
31 Operating Expenses -TESS Project				
Curriculum Development			8,710,703	11,386,598
			8,710,703	**11,386,598**
32 Operating Expenses -SSDP				
Cell Member Fees			92,573	-
Total Operating Expenses			**92,573**	**-**

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	For the Year Ended 31st December			2023 Rs.	2022 Rs.
33	**Depreciation & Amortisation**				
	Depreciation - Acqui.of Fixed Assets				
	Buildings			39,147,013	26,247,570
	Fountain			391,672	559,531
	Motor Vehicles			12,200,000	2,665,576
	Lease Vehicle			4,375,000	2,989,413
	Computers			8,819,439	8,537,613
	Furniture and Fittings			4,858,486	4,181,481
	Office Equipment			720,520	1,062,381
	Teaching Equipment			15,265,543	14,998,219
	Books			1,181,989	1,221,773
	Plant & Machinery			9,831,044	13,217,922
	Other Assets			625,373	702,310
				97,416,079	**76,383,789**
	Depreciation -Reha.of Fixed Assets				
	Buildings			422	10,059,286
	Main Building			-	880,058
	Furniture & Office Equipment			-	538,634
	Plant & Machinery			-	9,616
	Boundry Walls			-	43,724
				422	**11,531,318**
	Total Depreciation for the Period			**97,416,501**	**87,915,107**
	Amortisation				
	Amortisation - Acqui.of Fixed Assets				
	Intangible Assets			1,327,606	960,087
	Amortisation - Reha.of Fixed Assets				
	Total Amortisation for the period			**1,327,606**	**960,087**
	Total Depreciation & Amortisation for the period			**98,744,107**	**88,875,194**

16. Audit report

My No: VOT/A/UVT/FA/2023/05   Date: 28th June 2024

Vice Chancellor
University of Vocational Technology

Report of the Auditor General in accordance with section 12 of the National Audit Act No.19
of 2018 on financial statements and other legal and regulatory requirements for the year ended
31st December 2023 of the University of Vocational Technology.

Certified account and the above report are enclosed herewith.

W.M.P.A. Fonseka
Deputy Auditor General
For- Auditor General

Copies :-   1. Secretary- Ministry of Education
                 2. Secretary- Ministry of Finance, Economic stabilization, and National Policies

Vice Chancellor
University of Vocational Technology

Report of the Auditor General in accordance with section 12 of the National Audit Act No.19 of 2018 on financial statements and other legal and regulatory requirements for the year ended 31st December 2023 of the University of Vocational Technology.

Financial Statement

Opinion

The audit of financial statements of the University of Vocational Technology for the year ended 31st December 2023 compromising the statement of financial position as at 31st December 2023 and the statement of financial performance, statement of changes in net asset change and cash flow statement for the year then ended and financial statements including information relevant to quantitative accounting policies were audited under my direction in pursuance in accordance with the provisions of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018 to be read in conjunction with section 47(2) of the University of Vocational Technology Act No. 31 of 2008 and Article 154(1) of the Constitution of Democratic Socialistic Republic of Sri Lanka. In accordance with Article 154(6) of the Constitution, my report will be tabled in Parliament in due course.

Excluding the effect of facts explained in the part of the basis for the status calculation opinion in my report, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the University of Vocational Technology as at 31st December 2023 and its financial performance and cash flow for the year then ended in accordance with the Sri Lanka public sector accounting standards was my opinion.

Basis for the status calculation opinion

(a) Rs. 60,498,450 worth of equipment had been purchased in 2017 and 2018 for the multipurpose studio complex was shown as work in progress in the financial statements without accounting as fixed assets and no depreciation policy was identified for making depreciation adjustments.

(b) In the financial statements of the year under review, the depreciation related to intangible assets (software) is Rs. 1,327,606, but the related depreciation policy was not disclosed in the financial statements.

(c) According to the paragraph 50 of Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standard 07, the assets should be grouped correctly, but in the financial statements of the reviewed year, Rs. 4,532,897 had been mentioned as other assets.

I have done auditing as per the Sri Lanka auditing policies (S.L.A.P). I have further explained in the section of Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Financial Statements in this report.

Other information included in the University Annual Report 2023

Information I expected to provide after the date of this audit report which are included in the Annual Report -2023 of the University of Vocational technology but not in the financial statements and in my Audit Report on those financial statements are considered as "other information". The management is responsible for this other information.

My opinion on financial statements does not cover other information and I do not express any opinion or certification on that.

In relation to my auditing on financial statement, My responsibility in auditing financial statements is to read other information when they are available and consider whether other information is quantitatively compatible from my knowledge gained on financial publications or audit.

When reading University Annual Report 2023, If I will conclude that there are quantitative incorrect references, those facts should be communicated to administrative parties. If any further incorrect references without doing amendments, those will be included to the report will be submitted to the parliament by me as per the 154 (6) section of Constitution of Democratic Socialistic Republic of Sri Lanka.

Responsibilities of the parties who are managing and controlling the financial statements

It is the responsibility of the management to prepare and present these financial statements in accordance with the accounting standards of the Sri Lankan public sector and to determine the internal controls required to prepare financial statements which are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or errors.

Management is responsible for determining the university's ability to sustain itself in the preparation of financial statements, and management also maintains accounting and disclosure matters related to the continued existence of the university, unless the management intends to liquidate the university or discontinue operations.

Responsibility for the financial reporting process of the university rests with the governing parties.

In accordance with sub-section of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018, the university shall maintain proper books and records on its income, expenditure, assets and liabilities so as to be able to prepare annual and periodical financial statements.

Responsibilities of the Auditor in relation to the auditing of financial statements.

As a matter of fact, my aim is to provide a fair proof that there are no quantitative misrepresentations in financial statements caused by frauds and errors, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Fair certification is a high level of certification, but auditing in accordance with Sri Lanka Audit Standards does not always guarantee that it will be adequately disclosed by disclosure. Individual or collective fraudulent and erroneous pressures may result in quantitative disclosures based on these financial statements. It is expected to have an impact on the economic decision made by users.

I conducted the audit in accordance with the Sri Lanka Audit Standards with professional judgment and professional skepticism.

- Appropriate audit procedures were designed and implemented from time to time to identify and assess the risk of quantitative misrepresentations in financial statements due to fraud or errors in formulating the basis for the published audit opinion. The effects of fraud are far greater than the effects of quantitatively inaccurate statements made by error, as they are made deliberate misrepresentation by deliberate misdirection or by evasion of internal control.
- Though not with the intention of expressing an opinion on the efficiency of internal control, an understanding of internal controls was gained to design appropriate audit procedures from time to time.
- Assessed the fairness of the accounting policies and accounting estimates used and the relevant disclosures made by management.
- Based on the audit evidence obtained as to whether there is a quantitative uncertainty about the continued existence of the university due to events and circumstances, the relevance of the institution to the use of the basis of continuity for accounting was determined. If I conclude that sufficient uncertainty exists, my audit report should focus on the related disclosures in the financial statements. If that disclosure is not sufficient then my opinion should be modified. However continued existence may end on future events or circumstances.
- The structure and content of the financial statements were evaluated and the transactions and events on which they were based were evaluated to be appropriate and reasonable in the financial statement.

Important audit findings identified during my audit, major internal governance weaknesses and other issues will be informed to the governing parties.

Reports on other legal and regulatory requirements.

The National Audit Act no.19 of 2018 contains special provisions regarding the following requirements.

I obtained all the information and explanations required for the audit in accordance with the requirements of section 12 (A) of the National Audit Act no.19 of 2018, and according to my examination, it shows that the university had maintained proper financial records.

According to the requirement mentioned in section 6 (I) D (iii) of the national audit act no.19 of 2018, the financial statements submitted by the university is correspond to the last year.

According to the requirement mentioned in section 6 (I) D (iv) of the national audit act no.19 of 2018, the recommendations made by me during the last year are included in the financial statements.
Based on the action taken and the evidence obtained and limiting to quantitative facts, none of my attention was drawn to make the following statements.

In accordance with the requirement of section 12 (D) of the National Audit act No. 19 of 2018, a member of the Board of Governors of the university may be involved in any agreement directly or indirectly outside the normal business situation.

In accordance with the requirement of section 12 (F) of the National Audit act No. 19 of 2018, acted in contravention of any applicable written law or other general or special directives issued by the University Governing Body except for the following observations.

That the powers, duties, and functions of the University have not been acted upon in accordance with the requirements mentioned in Section 12 (G) of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018.

That the university has not procured and utilized the resources in an efficient and effective manner within the relevant periods in accordance with the requirement of section 12 (H) of the National Audit act No. 19 of 2018.

Other Matters

(a) Even though it was decided at the meeting held on 18th May 2010 to seek accreditation for the engineering degree courses conduct the University, but as on 31st December of the year under review, even more than 10 years have passed since the establishment of the university ,due to the lack of ability to ensure the quality of degree courses to the desired level, it was not possible to get the accreditation.

(b) Since the establishment of the university in 2010, by the end of the year under review, 9,616 students had been enrolled, but the number of graduates passed out is only 2,064. Management did not pay attention to find out the reasons for students not completing their degree courses.

(c) Even a decision had been taken at the Board of Governors meeting held on 29th December 2022 to submit the results of the examinations conducted by the University to examination division within 3 months and the examination division should be realised the results within 1 month from the date of received results, It had been taken 6 months to release the results of 09 examinations conducted in the year 2022/2023.

(d) As per the Cabinet Decision dated January 03, 2017,an estimate of Rs 927.34 M had been approved to University to construct a workshop, a hostel for 600 students, a canteen with 300 seats. Even Rs. 281.36 M allocated for this project during 2018,2019 & 2020 , only Rs 22.5 M of that money had been paid as consultation fees. This was discussed in 2021 & 2022 years, but due to the senior management had not been taken decisions on time, the estimated cost of the project has been increased to Rs. 3,046.8 M which is 300% increment at the end of the audited year.

(e) Due to the injustices that occurred during the absorption of employees when the National Institute of Technical Education, Sri Lanka was converted into a university in 12th October 2019, legal actions were taken in 2018/2019 with the aim of various employee issues between the university's top management and staff. As a result, 22 cases, including 20 awaiting cases in the University Appeals Board, has been remained pending until the year under review.

Answers to Auditor General's Report bearing Audit Inquiry No. VOT/A/UVT/FA/2023/05 and dated 28.07.2024
for the year ending 31.12.2023

Number	Audit Inquiry	Current Status
1.2	**Basis for the status calculation opinion**	
(a)	Rs. 60,498,450 worth of equipment had been purchased in 2017 and 2018 for the multipurpose studio complex was shown as work in progress in the financial statements without accounting as fixed assets and no depreciation policy was identified for making depreciation adjustments.	84 million has been allocated in the 2024 budget to purchase other equipment required for this purpose. After those purchases will be completed, actions will be taken to capitalized and depreciated this equipment worth 60.5 million.
(b)	In the financial statements of the year under review, the depreciation related to intangible assets (software) is Rs. 1,327,606, but the related depreciation policy was not disclosed in the financial statements.	Actions will be taken to disclose the percentage of depreciation relevant to the intangible assets (software) in the 2024 financial statements.
(c)	According to the paragraph 50 of Sri Lanka Public Sector Accounting Standard 07, the assets should be grouped correctly, but in the financial statements of the reviewed year, Rs. 4,532,897 had been mentioned as other assets.	Actions will be taken to categorize the amount of Rs. 4.5 million of other assets in the 2024 financial statements.
2.3	**Other matters**	
(a)	Even though it was decided at the meeting held on 18th May 2010 to seek accreditation for the engineering degree courses conduct the University, but as on 31st December of the year under review, even more than 10 years have passed since the establishment of the university ,due to the lack of ability to ensure the quality of degree courses to the desired level, it was not possible to get the accreditation.	While applications for accreditation of engineering degree courses were being completed, the accreditation process was temporarily paused by the University of Vocational Technology due to the issuance of a new accreditation manual by the Institute of Engineering, Sri Lanka in mid-2022.

| | | | As per the new accreditation manual, the minimum number of permanent staff should be employed in one academic department is 8, but this university has not been met this requirement.

Further, the ratio between Staff and student should be 1:2 as per the new accreditation manual which requirement also has not been met by the University. Due to these reasons , several meetings have been conducted between officers of the University and officers of Institute of Engineering, Sri Lanka, efforts are being made to get the accreditation for the engineering degree by the relevant faculty. |
|---|---|---|
| (b) | Since the establishment of the university in 2010, by the end of the year under review, 9,616 students had been enrolled, but the number of graduates passed out is only 2,064. Management did not pay attention to find out the reasons for students not completing their degree courses. | Information about students who appeared for the first exam are showed by this audit query. Since adult students' study in this university; There are cases where they do not pass the exam in the first time due to their personal problems. Most of the students among those students appear for the repeat exam and pass their exams. Students have the opportunity to pass the exam within 07 academic years. |
| (c) | Even a decision had been taken at the Board of Governors meeting held on 29th December 2022 to submit the results of the examinations conducted by the University to examination division within 3 months and the examination division should be released the results within 1 month from the date of received results, It had been taken 6 months to release the results of 09 examinations conducted in the year 2022/2023. | Those delays of releasing examination results has been occurred due to the delay of handing over the marks of students to the University ,answer scripts which were marked by the visiting lecturers. In order to avoid the above delay, the examination results relevant to the marks received to each academic department by the due date are currently being issued to the students at the departmental level, and if any unusual delay has been occurred, it will be submitted to the academic council and necessary action will be taken. |
| (d) | As per the Cabinet Decision dated January 03, 2017,an estimate of Rs 927.34 M had been approved to University to construct a workshop, a hostel for 600 students, a canteen with 300 seats. Even Rs. 281.36 M allocated for this project during 2018,2019 & 2020 , only Rs 22.5 M of | Even though actions had been taken to paused the relevant project temporarily due to the letter dated 04th May 2024 , received to the University of Vocational Technology from the ministry, funds has been requested from the treasury, with the aim of commencing the |

	that money had been paid as consultation fees. This was discussed in 2021 & 2022 years, but due to the senior management had not been taken decisions on time, the estimated cost of the project has been increased to Rs. 3,046.8 M which is 300% increment at the end of the audited year.	relevant project immediately, when the government has taken actions to withdraw the national budget circular dated 26/04/2022 regarding the control of public expenditure, after the country's economy will be stabilized in the future. But It was informed at the meeting held on 25th August 2023 between Director General & officials of Department of treasury and Vice Chancellor & officials of University of Vocational Technology that cannot be allocated funds for coming year since there was no change in the current decision of the government that not to allocate funds to construct buildings. After the construction of this building, The money paid for consultancy fees will not be an idle expenditure in the future.
(e)	Due to the injustices that occurred during the absorption of employees when the National Institute of Technical Education, Sri Lanka was converted into a university in 12th October 2019, legal actions were taken in 2018/2019 with the aim of various employee issues between the university's top management and staff. As a result, 22 cases, including 20 awaiting cases in the University Appeals Board, has been remained pending until the year under review.	- There are 16 appeals currently pending in the University Appeals Board and decision of the one of appeal was given on 19th January 2024 in favor of the appellant. -It has been abolished due to the expiry of the validity period of the existing Appeals Board. A new appeals Board will be appointed and it is expected to commence proceedings soon. - The case in the Supreme Court was settled. - The case is being asked in the court of Mt. Lavina will be further continued.

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