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Activity Points				
Sl. No.	Group	Activity Head	Credits/Points	Minimum Credit Requirements
1	I	NSS, NCC, NSO (National Sports Organization)	1  (40 Points)	3 Credits  (One Credit from Each Group)
2		Arts/Sports/Games		
3		Union/Club Activities		
4	II	English Proficiency Certification (TOFEL, IELTS, BEC etc.)	1  (40 Points)	
5		Aptitude Proficiency Certification (GRE, CAT, GMAT etc.)/ Valid Gate Score.		
6		Short Term Internship (Minimum 2 weeks), Clinical Exposure/Training (Minimum 2 weeks), Conferences/ Paper Presentation/ Workshop Activities/ Professional Body Activities, Participation in University level/State Level/ National Level Hackathons		
7	III	Journal Publication, Patents, Start-Up, Innovation, Winners of National/ International Level Hackathons	1  (40 Points)	
8		Skilling Certificates (Approved by the University)		

## 1. Introduction to the Activity Points System (2024 Scheme)

Higher education is undergoing a profound transformation as industries, communities, and global systems increasingly expect graduates to demonstrate competencies that extend far beyond academic excellence or technical mastery. Today's professionals must be effective communicators, collaborative team members, creative problem-solvers, socially responsible citizens, and adaptable innovators capable of responding to rapidly evolving technological and societal challenges. Alongside strong domain knowledge, skills such as

leadership, empathy, entrepreneurial thinking, ethical responsibility, and community engagement have become essential attributes for success.

Recognising these evolving expectations, APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University (APJKTU) has implemented a comprehensive Activity Points System under the 2024 Curriculum Scheme for **B. Tech, B. Des, BBA, and BCA programmes**. This framework provides structured opportunities for students to build personal, professional, and societal competencies that complement their academic learning. Through participation in a wide range of co-curricular and extra-curricular activities including sports, arts, NSS/NCC, community service, cultural programmes, technical competitions, research, innovation, entrepreneurship, industry interaction, professional body activities, and approved skilling courses students gain experiences that enrich and enhance their holistic development.

To promote balanced and meaningful engagement, every student must earn a **minimum of 120 Activity Points** during the programme. These points are distributed across **three Activity Groups**, and students must earn at least **40 points from each Group** to fulfil the requirement of **3 Activity Credits** mandated by the curriculum.

Additional point requirements apply to specific categories of students:

**1. B. Tech Lateral Entry Students:**

Must earn a minimum of **90 Activity Points**, including at least **30 points** from each Group.

**2. PwD (Persons with Disabilities) Students:**

Must earn a minimum of **60 Activity Points**, including at least **20 points** from each Group.

The Activity Points framework offers students the flexibility to choose activities based on their interests and strengths and to complete them across semesters at their own pace. By the final year, students are expected to have developed a balanced portfolio of technical expertise, leadership, teamwork experience, creativity, innovation capability, and social responsibility qualities essential for contributing to national development and global progress.

Institutions play an important role in ensuring smooth implementation. Colleges must verify all supporting documents, consolidate Activity Points every semester, and upload the summary to the KTU portal within the prescribed period. All documentation must be authenticated by the Senior Faculty Advisor (SFA) and retained for verification by the University's Academic Auditors.

A detailed list of **Activity Groups, Activity Heads, and Sub-Activity Heads** is provided in **Table 2**, and students are encouraged to plan their participation throughout their academic journey.

The Activity Points System reflects APJAKTU's commitment to nurturing graduates who are academically proficient, socially conscious, innovative, collaborative, and industry ready professionals equipped to lead and contribute to a better and more responsible future.

**Table 2: Major Activity Heads and Sub-Activity Categories for Earning Activity Points**

List of Major Activity Heads and Sub – Activity Heads for Earning Activity Points										
Major Head of Activity	Sr. No.	Sub Activity Head	Documentary Evidence	Points to be Assigned to Activity					Remarks	Maximum Points Under this Group
				College Events (Level 1)	Zonal Events (Level 2)	State Events (Level 3)	National Events (Level 4)	International Events (Level 5)		
GROUP-I										
Sports, Arts & Cultural Activities	1.1	Sports/Games/Arts (Participation)	Certificates issued by the hosting college, the University, the Dean (Student Affairs), the College Union Advisor, the staff-in-charge of the event, or recognized professional bodies.	1	5	10	20	40	KTU Organized/Approved Events,	
	1.2	Sports/Games/Arts (Winners-1,2 and 3) - Single Events		5	10	20	40	40		
	1.3	Sports/Games/Arts (Winners-1,2 and 3) - Group Events		3	5	15	30	40		
	1.4	Publication in College Magazine: Articles, essays, poems, technical notes, or creative writing published in the officially released College Magazine, approved by the Editorial Board / Staff Advisor.	copy of the publication or a certification from the Editorial Committee	5 Points Limited to a maximum of 5 points per magazine published in an academic year					Maximum - 20 points	
	1.5	Four-wheeler license (The license must be obtained during the original programme duration to be eligible for Activity Points.)	Copy of the Driving License (DL) clearly showing the issue date	5 Points					Maximum -5 points	



Community Outreach and social initiatives	1.6	Community Service & Allied Activities (Two Days)	1.For Community Service & Allied Activities: Certificates issued by the NSS Programme Officer, the Faculty Coordinator of the activity, or authorized officials of Government departments, Local Bodies, or NGOs involved in conducting or supervising the activity.	Special volunteer service in pandemics and natural disasters, including floods, droughts, epidemics, or relief operations. (Collection of funds/materials for the Relief Camp, etc.)- 5 Points	Maximum-10 points
	1.7	Community Service & Allied Activities (Up to One Week)		Special volunteer service in pandemics and natural disasters, including floods, droughts, epidemics, or relief operations. (Collection of funds/materials for the Relief Camp, etc.)- 10 Points	
	1.8	Blood donation	2. For Blood Donation: Certificates issued by a Government Blood Bank, Medical College Blood Bank, District Hospital Blood Bank, or any hospital licensed by the State Blood Transfusion Council.	5 Points/ blood donation	Maximum-10 points
	1.9	THRIVE Project – Students who participate in the Tribal Higher Education and Interactive Venture for Excellence (THRIVE) project of the Government for a minimum of 5 days in a semester.		10 Points/Semester	Maximum - 20 points
	1.10	Tree planting done by students	Tree geo-tagging certificate issued by the University NSS Cell	5 Points	Maximum - 5 Points
NSS/NCC	1.11	NSS Volunteer who has successfully completed two years of volunteer ship as per the NSS Manual	NSS Volunteership Certificate issued by the University NSS Cell	30 Points	

NSS/NCC	1.12	University level leadership camps (100 hours camp)	Certificate issued by the University NSS Cell	20 Points	Maximum - 40 points	40 Points
	1.13	Winners in state level NSS festival or State NSS meet or NSS competitions organized by State Government or State NSS cell (First, Second)	Certificate issued by the University/State NSS Cell/ NCC Directorate	15 Points		
	1.14	Special Service Certificate or Appreciation issued by the State Government, the State NSS Cell, or the NCC Directorate for exceptional NSS/NCC activities.		15 Points		
	1.15	Recipient of State awards/National level awards		State awards-15 Points National level awards-25 Points		
	1.16	Attending Approved National Camps/NIC/NYF/Pre.RDC		15 Points		
	1.17	Ten days minimum volunteer service (50 hours) in official programme of the State or in special projects initiated by state government/State NSS/NCC Directorate		15 Points		
	1.18	Participation in Republic Day Camp (RDC) or Independence Day Camp (IDC) Or Participation in international events approved by State Cell/Directorate of NSS/NCC		25 Points		
	1.19	NCC Certificates	Certificate issued by the University/NCC Directorate	NCC "B" Certificate – 20 Points NCC "C" Certificate – 30 Points One Year NCC + Minimum Parade Attendance – 10 Points		



Health, Safety, and Essential Life Skills	1.20	Emergency Response, First Aid, CPR & Fire Safety Training: Students who successfully complete a minimum half-day certified training programme in Emergency Response, First Aid, CPR, Basic Life Support (BLS), or Fire Safety shall be eligible for Activity Points. The training must be organized at the college level and conducted by Government organizations, approved training agencies, Fire & Rescue Services, or registered hospitals.	Certificates must be issued by the Government organization, Fire & Rescue Services, approved training agencies, or registered hospitals. If unavailable, certificates signed by the faculty coordinator or the NSS Programme Officer may also be accepted.	5 Points /Training programme.	Maximum-10 points	
	1.21	Activity Points for Students Who Know Basic Swimming:	Certificates issued by Panchayat/Municipality swimming instructors, Kerala State Sports Council coaches, or registered swimming academies.  In the absence of the above, certificates issued by the institution's Physical Education Department, based on a formally conducted swimming proficiency test, may also be accepted.	5 Points		

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				College Events (Level 1)	Zonal Events (Level 2)	State Events (Level 3)	National Events (Level 4)	International Events (Level 5)		
GROUP-II										
Technical Events, Competitions & Academic Presentations	2.1	Tech-Fest-Participation (Organized or Approved by KTU)	Certificates issued by the Organizing Institution, the Staff-in-Charge of the Professional Society Chapter, or the College Union Advisor, and verified by the SFA.	2	5	10	20	30	Maximum-40 points	
	2.2	Tech-Fest-Winners (Organized or Approved by KTU)		5	10	20	40	40		
	2.3	Technical Competitions and Events Organized by Professional Societies (IEEE, IET, ASME, SAE, etc.)-Participation		2	5	10	15	20		
	2.4	Technical Competitions and Events Organized by Professional Societies (IEEE, IET, ASME, SAE, etc.)-(Winners-1,2 and 3)		3	7	15	25	35		
	2.5	Attending full-time Conferences, Seminars, Webinars, Workshops, STPs, etc., conducted by IITs, IIITs, NITs, Central Universities, Institutions of National Importance, and institutes ranked within NIRF Top 100 <i>(Excluding those conducted as part of fest activities such as Ragam).</i>		5 Points/Event					Maximum-15 points	
	2.6	Poster Presentation-Participation  (Events organized/approved by KTU or conducted by IITs, IIITs, NITs, Central Universities, Institutions of National Importance, and NIRF Top 100 institutions)		5 Points/Event						

Technical Events, Competitions & Academic Presentations	2.7	Paper Presentation-Participation (Events Organized by KTU or conducted by IITs, IIITs, NITs, Central Universities, Institutions of National Importance, and NIRF Top 100 institutions)		10 Points /Event	Maximum-40 points	
	2.8	Paper Presentation-(Winners) (Events organized/approved by KTU or conducted by IITs, IIITs, NITs, Central Universities, Institutions of National Importance, and NIRF Top 100 institutions)		First Prize-20 Points Second and Third-15 Points		
	2.9	Paper Presentation-Participation (KTU Affiliated institutions)		5 Points /Event		
	2.10	Paper Presentation-Winners (KTU Affiliated institutions)		First Prize-10 Points Second and Third-7 Points		
Leadership & Management	2.11	Membership in Student Professional Societies (IEEE, IET, ASME, SAE, ACM, ASCE, ISA, etc. for a Minimum Period of 2 Academic Years)		Member-5 Executive Committee Members-10 Student Secretary/Chapter Lead/Chair -15 Student Coordinator for an event-5/Event	Maximum-15 points	
	2.12	College Union members		Office Bearers-20 Executive Committee Members (Excluding Office Bearers)-15 University Union Office Bearers-30 University Union Members (Excluding Office Bearers)-25	Maximum-30 points	
	2.13	Department Student Association Activities	HOD	Executive Committee Members /Office Bearer- 5 Points per Academic Year Student Coordinator for an event-5/Event	Maximum-10 points	
	2.14	Class Representatives	SFA	5 Points per Academic Year (1 Class Representative per class)	Maximum-10 points	

	2.15	Industrial Visit Coordinators (Minimum 6 Days)		5 Points  (Maximum 2 Coordinators/Class)	Maximum-5 points
	2.16	Placement Cell (Minimum period of one Academic Year)	Certificates issued by the Staff-in-Charge of the CGPU	Executive Committee Members – 5 points (One student/Class) Coordinators / Convenors -10 points (Maximum: 2 Coordinators; at least one of them shall be a female student.)	Maximum-10 points
	2.17	IEDC Cell (Minimum period of one Academic Year)	Certificates issued by the Staff-in-Charge of the IEDC Cell	Executive Committee Members /Office Bearer- 5 Points per Academic Year Student Coordinator for an event-5/Event	Maximum-10 points
	2.18	YIP (Young Innovators Programme, K-DISC ) (Minimum period of one Academic Year)	Certificates issued by K-DISC or by authorized officials of the YIP Programme	Student Coordinator :5 Points	Maximum-10 points
	2.19	STRIDE -Social Technology & Research for Inclusive Design Excellence (K-DISC) (Minimum period of 1 Academic Year)	Certificates issued by K-DISC or by authorized officials of the STRIDE Programme	Certified Volunteer (Officially certified by STRIDE for 1-year volunteer service): 5 Points STRIDE Membership (Any enrolled / registered STRIDE Member): 5 Points Leadership Team Role: (Campus Leadership Team Member / STRIDE Main Team Core Member): 10Points High Impact Project Team (Leading a verified community impact project under STRIDE): L1-10 Points, L2-15 Points, L5-20 Points.	Maximum-20 points
	2.20	College Magazine Editorial Board (Other than the Magazine Editor)	Certificate from the staff in charge of the Editorial Committee or from the College Union Advisor.	5 Points  (Points shall be awarded to a maximum of 8 students per academic year.)	Maximum-10 points
	2.21	Hobby Clubs under College Union (Photography Club, Film Club, Music Club, Dance Club, Literary Club, Debate Club, Coding Club, Nature Club, etc.)	Certificate from the staff in charge of the Club and from the College Union Advisor.	Executive Committee Members/Convenors- 5 Points per Academic Year	

40 Points

FOSS Activities & Open-Source Contributions	2.22	International Centre for Free and Open-Source Software ICFOSS / FOSS Club Activities- (Minimum Period of 1 Academic Year)	Certificates issued by ICFOSS, event organizers approved by ICFOSS, or by the faculty-in-Charge of the FOSS Club	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. FOSS Club Member who participated in at least 2 club activities - 5 Points</li> <li>2. FOSS Club Student Lead / FOSS Coordinator/ambassador -10 Points</li> <li>3. Participation in ICFOSS approved Workshops / Bootcamps (Minimum 2 days)- 5 Points</li> <li>4. Participation in ICFOSS Hackathons / FOSS Events -5 Points</li> <li>5. Contribution to Open-Source Projects (contributions to be validated by ICFOSS) GitHub/ GitLab contributions to major open-source projects / Substantial contributions to Wikipedia, open street map or similar community projects)- 10 Points</li> <li>6. Participation in FOSS Project Development under ICFOSS/ FOSS internships at ICFOSS (minimum 15 days) - 10 points</li> </ol>	Maximum-20 points
Short-Term Internship	2.23	Short-Term Internship / Clinical Exposure Training (Minimum 2 Weeks or 10 Working Days)	Certificates issued by the organization, company, or institution where the student underwent the internship or clinical exposure.	10 Points	Maximum-10 points
Standardized Tests & Proficiency Certifications	2.24	English Proficiency Certifications	<p>Certificates issued by the official testing organizations or their authorized online portals. Students shall submit the original score report or downloadable digital scorecard issued by the respective testing authority.</p> <p>Only tests taken during the student's original programme duration will be considered for Activity Points.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>TOEFL iBT</b> (Internet-Based Test) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TOEFL Score <math>\geq 105</math> – 30 Points</li> <li>• TOEFL Score 95 – 104 – 25 Points</li> <li>• TOEFL Score 80 – 94 – <b>20 Points</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>2. <b>IELTS Academic</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IELTS Band <math>\geq 7.5</math> – <b>30 Points</b></li> <li>• IELTS Band <b>7.0</b> – <b>25 Points</b></li> <li>• IELTS Band <b>6.5</b> – <b>20 Points</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>3. <b>PTE Academic (Pearson Test of English)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PTE Score <math>\geq 76</math> – <b>30 Points</b></li> <li>• PTE Score <b>65</b> – <b>75</b> – <b>25 Points</b></li> <li>• PTE Score <b>58</b> – <b>64</b> – <b>20 Points</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>4. <b>Cambridge English BEC (Business English Certificate)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BEC Higher (C1 Level) – 25 Points</li> <li>• BEC Vantage (B2 Level) – 20 Points</li> <li>• BEC Preliminary (B1 Level) – 15 Points</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	Maximum-30 points

Standardized Tests & Proficiency Certifications	2.25	<p>Aptitude Proficiency Certifications (GRE, CAT, GMAT, GATE)</p>	<p>Certificates / Score Reports issued by the official examination authorities or downloaded from the respective authorized portals.</p> <p>Students shall submit the official scorecard containing the score, percentile, test date, and candidate details.</p>	<p><b>1. GRE (Graduate Record Examination)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GRE Score <math>\geq 320</math> :30 Points</li> <li>• GRE Score 310 – 319 :25 Points</li> <li>• GRE Score 300 – 309 :20 Points</li> </ul> <p><b>2. GATE (Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GATE AIR within Top 5000: 30 Points</li> <li>• GATE AIR 5001 – 15000: 25 Points</li> <li>• Qualified GATE (Valid GATE Score) :20 Points</li> </ul> <p><b>3. CAT (Common Admission Test – IIM)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CAT Percentile <math>\geq 95</math> percentile – 30 Points</li> <li>• CAT Percentile 90 – 94 percentile – 25 Points</li> <li>• CAT Percentile 85 – 89 percentile – 20 Points</li> </ul> <p><b>4. GMAT (Graduate Management Admission Test)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GMAT Score <math>\geq 700</math> – 30 Points</li> <li>• GMAT Score 650 – 699 – 25 Points</li> <li>• GMAT Score 600 – 649 – 20 Points</li> </ul>	Maximum-30 points	
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Major Head of Activity	Sr. No.	Sub Activity Head	Documentary Evidence	Points to be Assigned to Activity	Remarks	Maximum Points Under this Group
<b>GROUP-III</b>						
Industry Exposure, Academic Projects & Internships	3.1	Industrial Visit /Industrial Training Report (S5 or S6)  Students must prepare an Industrial Visit Report based on visits to a minimum of four industries relevant to their branch of study. The report should include key observations, processes studied, the major learning outcomes from each industry visited, and supporting photographs.	The Industrial Visit / Industrial Training Report must be certified by the Faculty Coordinators / Faculty Members who accompanied the students for the visit, and by the SFA.  The certification must confirm that the student has visited a minimum of <b>four industries</b> relevant to their branch of study and has submitted a report containing observations, processes studied, learning outcomes, and supporting photographs.	5 Points	Maximum- 20 points	
	3.2	Best Mini Project / Best Project / Best Seminar (from each class)	The certificate must be issued by the Coordinator of the Project/Seminar evaluation Committee and the SFA and approved by the HoD.  The certificate shall clearly state that the student has been selected for the Best Mini Project / Best Project / Best Seminar in the respective class, based on the department's approved evaluation criteria.	5 Points. (To grant these points, the minimum class strength shall be <b>30</b> students.)		



Industry Exposure, Academic Projects & Internships	3.3	Long-Term Internship: Internship for a minimum period of three and half months, as per KTU Long-Term Internship Guidelines	Internship Completion Certificate mentioning start and end dates (minimum 3.5 months)	15 Points.		
	3.4	LEAP – IIT Madras Incubation Cell Skill Development Bootcamps	Official LEAP Certificate issued by the IIT Madras Incubation Cell or its certified training partners Certificate / Project Completion Letter from LEAP Mentor / IITMIC	1. Completion of LEAP Bootcamps (LPB01 & LPB02) :10 Points 2. Completion of LEAP Courses (LP1XX / LP2XX / LP3XX) :15 Points/ Course 3. Completion of LEAP Project / Prototype Assigned by LEAP Mentor: 20 Points	Maximum- 30 points	
	3.5	YIP – Young Innovators Programme (K-DISC)	Certificates issued by K-DISC by the authorized officials of the YIP Programme.	1. Idea Submitted (Idea accepted in YIP portal): 5 Points 2. Preliminary Winner (Shortlisted for District Round: 10 Points 3. District Level Winner / Finalist (Selected by District Panel: 20 Points 4. State Level Winners: 35 Points	Maximum- 35 points	
	3.6	STRIDE – Social Technology & Research for Inclusive Design Excellence (K-DISC)	Certificates issued by K-DISC or by authorized officials of the STRIDE Programme	1. Idea Submitted (Idea accepted by STRIDE-Phase 1 completed): 5 Points 2. Top 100+ Teams (Selected to Phase-2): 10 Points 3. Top 30+ Teams (State-Level Finalists, Selected to Phase 3): 20 Points 4. State Level Winners: 35 Points	Maximum- 35 points	
	3.7	GDC AI Workforce Internship Program	Certificates issued by AICTE, the official program executor or the National Health Mission (NHM)	1. AI Grading Test Completed: 5 Points 2. Learning Track Completed: 15 Points 3. Fellowship Track Coursework Completed: 25 Points 4. 6-Month Internship Completed (GDC Fellow): 35 Points	Maximum- 35 points	
	3.8	ICFOSS: A working FOSS-based solution or innovation certified by ICFOSS	Certificate issued by ICFOSS	25 Points	Maximum- 25 points	

Innovation, Entrepreneurship & Intellectual Property (IPR)	3.9	<b>Start-up Company (Legally Registered)</b> <i>(Registered under MSME, DPIIT, ROC, Kerala Startup Mission, or any recognized Government body)</i>	Documentary evidence issued by the respective competent authority.	30 Points	Maximum- 40 points	40 Points
	3.10	<b>Patents</b>				
		Patent Filed		Application filed with IPO/WIPO- 20 Points		
		Patent Published		Published in Patent Journal-30 Points		
		Patent Granted / Approved		Patent legally granted-40 Points		
		Patent Licensed		Technology licensed to industry / user--40 Points		
	3.11	Prototype Development & Testing-  Development of a functional working model (hardware or software) that demonstrates the core functionality of an <b>innovative idea</b> . The prototype must be built, tested for basic performance, and validated by the Innovation Cell or other approved Government agencies	Prototype validation certificate or letter issued by the Innovation Cell/ Government-approved innovation agencies.	40 Points		
		Innovative Technologies Adopted by Industry -  Innovative hardware, software, or system solutions developed by the student that are formally adopted, implemented, or used by a reputed industry or organization. Adoption must be documented through an official letter, certification, or agreement issued by the industry or an authorized body.	Official adoption letter / certification / MoU / implementation report issued by the industry or authorized organization.	40 Points		

	3.12	Venture Capital / Angel Funding – Receiving venture capital or angel investment for a student-developed product or idea, supported by official funding documents or agreements from the investor.	Funding agreement, sanction letter, or investment confirmation issued by the angel investor or recognized funding body	40 Points		
	3.13	Societal Innovations - Innovative solutions, products, or technologies developed by students that directly address community needs or solve real-world social problems, implemented through IEDC, local bodies, or approved Government agencies. The solution must show measurable impact and be supported by a validation or appreciation letter from the concerned authority.	Validation letter issued by IEDC / Local Bodies / Government Departments / NGOs / Approved agencies.  Document must confirm implementation and measurable social impact of the innovation.	40 Points		
Research Publications & Scholarly Output	3.14	Research Publication in Reputed Journals	Paper copy or Acceptance Letter from the Editor/Editorial Office	1. SCI/SCIE/Scopus Q1–Q2 Journals: 40 Points 2. SCI/SCIE/Scopus Q3–Q4 Journals: 25 Points	Maximum- 40 points	

National & International Hackathons	3.15	National Hackathons	Certificates issued by the Hackathon Organizing Authority	<p>National Level Hackathons: Examples of National-Level Hackathons include Smart India Hackathon (SIH), KAVACH Cybersecurity Hackathon, and hackathons organized by the Ministry of Education (MoE), Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), AICTE, or other Central Government Departments and National Missions.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 1st Prize: 40 Points</li> <li>2. 2nd Prize: 35 Points</li> <li>3. 3rd Prize: 30 Points</li> </ol>	Maximum- 40 points
	3.16	International Hackathons		<p>Examples of International Hackathons include NASA International Space Apps Challenge, Microsoft Imagine Cup, Google Solution Challenge, IBM Call for Code, Meta Global Hackathon, IEEE YESIST12 Global Finals, AWS Hackathons, Hack Zurich, Junction (Finland), and other hackathons organized by reputed international organizations.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 1st Prize: 40 Points</li> <li>2. 2<sup>nd</sup>/3rd Prize: 35 Points</li> <li>3. Participation:30 Points</li> </ol>	Maximum- 40 points
Skill Development Courses	3.17	<b>Skilling Certificates</b> (Approved by the University)	<p>Certificates issued by the Hackathon Organizing Authority</p> <p>Certificates must be issued by the respective platform or organization, and the SFA shall ensure that the course appears in the University's approved list of Skilling Courses and that the duration of each course is clearly indicated and meets the required hours before awarding Activity Points.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The list of approved Skilling Courses will be published separately by the University and will include courses offered by <b>KTU in association with K-DISC</b>, as well as courses notified by the University from Government agencies or other approved organizations.</li> <li>Activity Points will be awarded at the rate of <b>1 point per hour</b> of approved skilling courses completed.</li> <li>Students may register for and complete <b>multiple skilling courses</b> to meet the requirement.</li> <li>The list of Skilling Courses offered through SWAYAM / NPTEL and through the Spoken Tutorial Project of IIT Bombay, as recommended by the Board of Studies (BoS) and approved by the Academic Council of the University, shall also be published separately.</li> </ul> <p><b>No Activity Points will be awarded for courses that are not approved and published by the University.</b></p>	Maximum- 40 points

## 2. General Guidelines and Rules for Activity Points

- i. **Participation points and winning points cannot be combined for the same event.**  
If a student wins a position, only the points for winning will be awarded. The **highest level of achievement** attained will be considered.  
*Example:* If a student wins at the College Level and later at the State Level, only the State Level points will be counted.
- ii. **Each activity has a maximum point limit**, as specified in the Activity Points Table. Students cannot claim points beyond the maximum limit prescribed for any segment.
- iii. The **Activity Points Table** lists all approved activity categories under each Group and specifies the minimum and maximum points that may be earned. Points will be awarded based on:
  - a. Merit of participation
  - b. Level of achievement (College / Zonal / State / National / International)
  - c. Compliance with certification and verification requirements
- iv. **A total of 3 Activity Credits is mandatory for the award of the Degree.**  
Activity Points are compulsory, and 3 credits are awarded upon earning the minimum required points.  
Activity Points and Activity Credits are not considered for SGPA or CGPA calculation.
- v. **Earning the required Activity Points is compulsory for the award of the degree.**  
Completion of academic coursework alone is not sufficient. The **degree will not be awarded** unless the minimum Activity Points are achieved. The final semester results may be withheld until the student completes the required Activity Points.
- vi. **Only activities completed during the period of study** of the programme are eligible for Activity Points. Certificates or achievements obtained before joining the programme will **not** be considered.
- vii. **Submission of Fake or Fraudulent Documents**

If, at any stage, the University identifies that a student has submitted fake, falsified, or fraudulent documents for the purpose of claiming Activity Points, the Activity Points awarded to the student shall be **cancelled**, and strict disciplinary action will be initiated against the student with the approval of the appropriate statutory bodies of the University.

- viii. **Every student must maintain a personal Activity Points File** each semester. This file must include all documentary proofs of the activities completed. The file must be submitted to and verified by the Senior Faculty Advisor (SFA) at the end of every semester.

### 3. Conclusion

The Activity Points System is an integral component of the 2024 curriculum, designed to complement academic learning by fostering well-rounded student development. By engaging in the approved activity categories, students cultivate essential skills and attributes that enhance their personal growth, professional readiness, and social responsibility.

This framework reflects the University's commitment to nurturing graduates who are capable, confident, ethical, and prepared to meet the expectations of industry and society. The system also empowers students to explore diverse interests, develop new capabilities, and build meaningful experiences throughout their academic journey.

The effective implementation of the Activity Points System requires close cooperation among students, faculty, and institutions. Institutions play a critical role in guiding, verifying, and supporting students throughout this process, with clear documentation and verification mechanisms ensuring transparency, fairness, and academic integrity across all activity groups.

Any revisions or enhancements to this Activity Points framework will be introduced in subsequent academic years with the approval of the Academic Council of the University.

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