

MINUTES OF THE NINETEENTH MEETING OF THE SENATE

The Nineteenth meeting of the Senate was held at NITUK-Satellite Campus, MNIT Jaipur at 11:30 AM on 26th August, 2019.

Following members were present:

1. Prof. Shyam Lal Soni, Director	-	Chairman
2. Prof. Ravindra Nagar, MNIT, Jaipur	-	Member
3. Prof. Nupur Tandon, MNIT, Jaipur	-	Member
4. Dr. Gurinder Singh Brar, Dean (Acad., SW & AA)	-	Member
5. Dr. Dharmendra Tripathi, Dean (R&C)	-	Member
6. Dr. Hariharan Muthusamy	-	Member
7. Dr. Sourav Bose, HoD, Dept. of Electrical Engg.	-	Special Invitee
8. Dr. Pankaj Kandwal, HoD, Dept. of Chemistry	-	Special Invitee
9. Dr. Kishan Kumar, HoD, Department of CSE	-	Special Invitee
10. Dr. Neeraj Kumar Mishra, I/c AD Academics	-	Special Invitee
11. Dr. Kusum Sharma, Coordinator, Dept. of Mathematics	-	Special Invitee
12. Dr. Ajay Kumar Chaubey, Coordinator, Dept. of HSS	-	Special Invitee
13. Dr. Indrajit Manohar Nagpure, Coordinator, Dept. of Physics	-	Special Invitee
14. Dr. Smita Kaloni, Coordinator, Dept. of Civil Engg.	-	Special Invitee
15. Ms. Mansi Kaintura, B.Tech Student	-	Special Invitee
16. Col. Sukhpal Singh, Registrar	-	Secretary

Prof. Mannar Ram Maurya, IIT Roorkee, member of the Senate, could not attend the meeting due to prior engagements.

At the outset, Secretary, Senate welcomed the Hon'ble Chairman Senate, members of the Senate and the Special Invitees and requested the Chairman to chair the 19th Meeting of the Senate.

The Senate discussed the agenda and resolved as under:

S.19.01: Confirmation of the Minutes of the Eighteenth Meeting of the Senate.

Minutes of the Eighteenth meeting of the Senate held on 20th June, 2019 are enclosed as Annexure S19.01.

The Senate is requested to confirm the Minutes of the Eighteenth Meeting of the Senate.

Resolution: Confirmed.


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S.19.02: Action Taken Report.

The Action Taken Report is as below:

Agenda Item No.	Agenda Item	Action Taken
S.18.02	Action Taken Report.	Noted.
S.18.03	Ratification of Notes approved by the Chairman Senate.	Ratified.
S.18.04	To approve the Academic Calendar for the Odd Semester 2019.	Implemented.
S.18.05	To approve the Minutes of the Curriculum Development Workshop of all the Departments.	Item placed at S.19.03
S.18.06	To approve the policy of up-gradation from JRF to SRF in Ph. D. Program.	Item placed at S.19.05
S.18.07	To approve the format of different Forms for Ph. D. Program.	Implemented.
S.18.08	To approve the formats for provisional and final degree certificate of Ph. D. program.	Noted and Implemented.
S.18.09	To consider the application of Ph. D. Scholar Joe Philip regarding extension of Ph. D. Registration for one more year.	Implemented.
S.18.10	To consider the list of Journals in Humanities for publication for the award of Ph. D. Degree.	Yet to be implemented.
S.18.11	To consider the recommendation of SPGB for Ph. D. Program: a. Date of Ph.D. Registration b. Duration of completion of PhD Program c. Duration of award of Institute scholarship d. Examiners for the evaluation of PhD thesis e. Number of Ph.D. Scholars that a Faculty Member can supervise f. Relaxation from the requirement of GATE/ NET score, for admission into the Ph.D. program, for candidates with one and half years of experience in Central Government funded projects.	Item placed at S.19.03
S.18.12	To approve the policy on the visit of Ph. D. scholars to the Satellite Campus for interaction with the supervisor regarding research work.	Implemented.
S.18.13	To approve the policy on unfair means case.	Implemented.
S.18.14	Modification in the Constitution of the Grade Moderation Committees of the Departments.	Item placed at S.19.03
S.18.15	To cancel the admission of five (05) students who are continuously absent from the Institute.	Case of Mr. G. K. Rao is placed at agenda item no. S.19.06
S.18.16	Award of B. Tech. degree to Eight (08) students of 2013 and 2014 batches.	Implemented.
S.18.17	To approve the Guidelines for the Appointment of Visiting Faculty.	Withdrawn.
S.18.18	To approve the Revised Fees Structure for UG and PG programs at the parent and satellite campuses.	Implemented.
S.18.21	Regarding permission for distribution of Degree Certificates to B. Tech students of 2012, 2013 and 2014 Batches and M. Tech. students of 2016 Batch.	Implemented.

The Senate is requested to note the same.

Resolution: Noted.

S.19.03: To approve the modified Ordinance, Rules and Regulations of Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Ph. D. Courses for printing.

Minutes of the Curriculum Development workshop of all the departments were approved by the Senate vide agenda item no S.18.05. Amendments/modifications proposed by CWDs and further approved by SPUG and SPGB were done in Ordinance, Rules and Regulations of Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Ph. D. courses. Amended copies of course book of Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Ph. D. courses are enclosed as **Annexure S.19.02** and **Annexure S.19.03**.

The Senate is requested to approve modified Ordinance, Rules & Regulations of Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Ph. D. Courses for printing.

Resolution: Approved, the terminology of "Additional Books" be replaced by "Reference Books".

S.19.04: To approve the modified format of Provisional Degree Certificate & Final Degree Certificate.

The Degree format was approved in 2nd Senate vide Agenda item No. S.2.10, several queries were received by the Institute regarding the month in which student completed the entire requirement for the award of Degree. Hence, it is proposed that the month in which student completed the entire requirement for the award of Degree may be included in Provisional and Final Degree certificates.

Modified format of both the certificates are enclosed as **Annexure S.19.04** and **Annexure S.19.05** respectively.

The Senate is requested to approve the modified format of Provisional and Final Degree Certificates.

Resolution: Approved, the month in which student completed the entire requirement for the award of Degree may be included in Provisional Degree Certificate only. The Final Degree Certificates will have mention of month in which the convocation is held.

S.19.05: To approve the policy for upgradation from JRF to SRF in Ph. D. Program.

The policy of upgradation from JRF to SRF was approved by the Senate in its 18th meeting vide agenda item no S.18.06. As per directives received from Ministry vide OM No F.No15-2/2019-TC Dated 16th July, 2019), (Copy enclosed as **Annexure S.19.06**) for upgradation from JRF to SRF following is required:

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- A.1 After completion of two years, an external assessment by the Institution where the student is enrolled for Ph. D. is mandatory for upgradation from JRF to SRF. The fellow may be awarded SRF after successful assessment.
- A.2 Annual Satisfactory Assessment is mandatory to continue the benefit of fellowship during SRF period.

The Senate is requested to approve the format placed at **Annexure S19.07** regarding implementation of MHRD guidelines for upgradation from JRF to SRF.

Resolution: Approved, the same shall be effective from the date of conformation of the Minutes of the Meeting.

S.19.06: To deliberate upon the case of Mr. Gadde Kalyan Rao (BT14CSE025), student of NIT Uttarakhand.

Mr. Gadde Kalyan Rao (BT14CSE025) S/o Mr. G. Purna Chandra Rao admitted in NIT Uttarakhand in the year 2014 under B.Tech Programme in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering. Mr. Gadde Kalyan Rao, BT14CSE025 was absent from the Institute since Odd Semester, 2018.

Agenda Item regarding cancellation of admission of those students (including Mr. Gadde Kalyan Rao) who were continuously absent from the Institute was placed before Senate vide agenda item no. S.18.15. As per resolution the proposal regarding cancellation of admission of all 05 students was approved by the Senate.

On 15/07/2019 a mail was received from the father of Mr. Gadde Kalyan Rao addressed to the Hon'ble Director in which he requested as under:

- i. Citing his medical condition that his son was not in the position to join the Institute.
- ii. He requests the Authority to issue the Degree Certificate on humanitarian grounds.

After scrutiny of documents related to Mr. Gadde Kalyan Rao, it was observed that Gadde Kalyan Rao had completed required 320 credits during his B. Tech programme but he did not cleared Preparatory Mathematics which is a zero credit course but mandatory to be cleared for award of the B. Tech degree.

In view of the present situation where the Senate has resolved to cancel the admission of Gadde Kalyan Rao on 20/06/2019 and which has not been communicated to Gadde Kalyan Rao or his parents till date, now after taking on record his father's request and medical certificate, the issuance of cancellation letter without taking into consideration the request of his father may not be in order.

Therefore, keeping in view the future of the student and request received from his father, Senate is requested to deliberate upon the case of Mr. Gadde Kalyan Rao once again.

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Resolution: The Senate approves withdrawal of admission cancellation order issued vide agenda item no. S.18.15, and approves the award of B.Tech Degree to Mr. Gadde Kalyan Rao, by waving off the requirement of completing the Zero Credit Course of Preparatory Mathematics, as one time special case, since he has completed 320 credits which includes courses of higher level Mathematics. His case will not be taken as precedence for any future reference.

S.19.07: *To deliberate upon the minutes of ACoFAR (Advisory Committee on Faculty Recruitment) Committee meeting.*

*As per MHRD directives an ACoFAR is created by the Director for Faculty recruitment in NIT Uttarakhand. Minutes of ACoFAR (Advisory Committee on Faculty Recruitment) Committee meeting is enclosed as **Annexure 19.08**.*

The Senate is requested to deliberate upon the minutes of ACoFAR (Advisory Committee on Faculty Recruitment) Committee meeting held on 03rd Aug. 2019 for recruitment of Faculty in NIT Uttarakhand.

Resolution: The Senate deliberated upon and resolved that the ACoFAR should reconsider its recommendation, and the respective HoDs should consult within their departments and finalize the department-wise faculty requirement. The Chairman Senate may approve the fresh recommendations of ACoFAR and the same be brought in the next meeting of the Senate for ratification.

S.19.08: *Starting of New Postgraduate Program (Masters in Business Administration).*

Many NITs are offering and successfully running postgraduate programs in disciplines like Business Administration, Computer Applications etc. NIT Uttarakhand also wishes to add more PG programs. Permission from the Senate is hereby being sought for starting of new Postgraduate program i.e. Masters in Business Administration from July, 2020 with an intake of 30 students. The complete program requirement shall be developed in a Curriculum Development Workshop. The proposed Postgraduate Program (Masters in Business Administration) will be beneficial for Society, in general, and Local people, in particular.

The Senate is requested to approve the Postgraduate program in Business Administration.

Resolution: The Senate principally agreed for the launch of Masters in Business Administration (MBA) and directed to present a comprehensive proposal including the Year of starting, Course Curriculum and ordinances, the Subject Specializations, the quantum of intake of students, admission process, requirement of teaching faculty, infrastructural requirement and the financial plan.

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S.19.09: Relaxation in Qualification and Experience to Non-Teaching Employees of NIT, UK for admission to Ph.D. program.

Many non-teaching employees of the Institute are not able to improve their qualification and apply for the admission to the Ph.D. program due to requirement of the requisite minimum qualification and experience. It is hereby proposed that for enhancement of their Qualification and to promote inter-disciplinary research the strict adherence to qualification degrees and experience may be relaxed for employees of the Institute.

The Senate is requested to relax the qualification and experience norms for the employees of Institute.

Resolution: A committee be constituted to deliberate upon this issue, and recommendations of the Committee be brought before the Senate for approval.

S.19.10: Nomination of Student representatives in the Senate as special invitee.

In compliance to Agenda item no. S10.06, following students is proposed to be nominated as special invitee in Senate meeting of NIT Uttarakhand.

1. Ms. Mansi Kaintura, BT16EEE025 with CGPA 9.93.
2. Ms. Kanchan Bisht, MT18CSE008 with CGPA 9.94.
3. Ms. Anita, DS16SCJ002 Ph. D. scholar registered in Autumn 2016 in the Department of Mathematics.

The Senate is requested to approve the above nomination of aforementioned Student representatives in the Senate as special invitee for the Academic year 2019-20.

Resolution: Approved.

S.19.11: Nomination of a faculty member to the Board of Governors.

As approved in the first Senate meeting held on 26th May, 2013, two representatives from amongst the faculty of the Institution are to be nominated on the Board of Governors by the Senate. The Senate in its Twelfth meeting held on 21st July, 2018 nominated the names of Dr. R. B. Patel and Dr. Sanat Agrawal for the Board of Governors. Dr. R. B. Patel resigned from the Institute on 26th June, 2019 hence, nomination of in place of Dr. R. B. Patel is requested from the Senate. The seniority list of Faculty members is placed before the Senate (**Annexure – S19.09**) for nomination of one faculty to the Board of Governors.

The Senate is requested to nominate one faculty member to the Board of Governors.

Resolution: The Senate observes that there are no Professors appointed in the Institute, and therefore, the Senate unanimously nominates Dr. Kuldeep Sharma, Asst. Professor, Department of Mathematics, to be a member of the Board of Governors of the Institute.

S.19.12: Conferment of academic degree to B.Tech. and M.Tech. students.

221 B. Tech. and 43 M. Tech. students have completed all the requirements for the award of B. Tech. and M. Tech. Degree. The Grade Cards and Tabulation Reports of all the concerned students have been verified by the respective Committees to ascertain the eligibility of each student. Degrees can, therefore be conferred to the successful students as per list enclosed as **Annexure S19.10.**

The Senate is requested to approve the conferment of Academic Degree to 221 B. Tech. and 43 M. Tech. students.

Resolution: Approved. The Senate also approves conferment of academic degree of Doctor of Philosophy to Mr. Manoj Kumar Gupta (DT14MEJ001).

S.19.13: Ratification of notes approved by the Chairman Senate.

- a. Approval was taken from Chairman Senate regarding Ph. D. fellowship (Institute) of Mr. Rohit Kumar, DS16SCJ001. Note is placed at **Annexure S19.11**

Senate is requested to ratify the note approved by Chairman Senate.

Resolution: Ratified

S.19.14 (A): Approval regarding cancellation of admission process of Full-Time Ph.D. Programme for Odd Semester 2019 and re-initiate the Ph.D. admission process with due implementation of reservation policy as per Government guidelines.

As per Senate resolutions vide item no S.15.07 the annual intake of Ph.D. Full-Time (MHRD Sponsored) students should be forty (40). Applications were invited for admission to Ph.D. Programme in Odd Semester 2019. But inadvertently reservation roster was not mentioned in the published advertisement/information brochure, due to which it was found that reserve candidates in many departments did not applied or turned up for the examination.

As implementation of reservation policy in Ph.D. admissions is mandatory therefore, the Senate is requested to permit cancellation of admission process for Full-Time (MHRD sponsored) Ph.D. Programme undertaken for admissions to Odd Semester 2019 and also approve re-initiation of the Ph.D. admission process with due implementation of reservation policy as per Government guidelines

The Senate is requested to approve above proposal.

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Resolution: The Senate approves the cancellation of admission process of Ph.D. Programme for ODD Semester 2019. A fresh advertisement for Ph.D. admission for EVEN Semester 2020 should be floated at the earliest, with due implementation of Reservation Roaster, for an intake of 40 Scholars under MHRD sponsored Full-Time Ph.D. programme.

Apart from the 40 annual seats of Full time Ph.D. programme the Part Time Ph.D. programme seats will be determine based on the availability of slot with the eligible faculty members which will be outside the preview of the Reservation Roaster.

S.19.14 (B): *Deliberation upon the Rules and Regulation of the Council of Student Activities (CSA) in NIT Uttarakhand.*

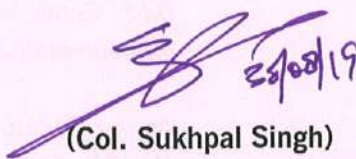
*The Council of Student Activities (CSA) is the student governing body that organizes and regulates all student activities. Council of Student Activities (CSA) is responsible for conducting various event of the Institute smoothly. As per existing rules, each year the members to the CSA are elected by general election. Copy of Rules and Regulation is enclosed as **Annexure S.19.12.***

As per the prevailing rules Vice President of Council of Student Activities (CSA) can be from 2nd, 3rd and final year of B.Tech. Programme. It is felt that the Vice President of Council of Student Activities (CSA) should be from the final year only.

The Senate is therefore, requested to approve amendment of the present rule and allow electing the Vice President of Council of Student Activities (CSA) from the final year batch of the B.Tech. Programme, only.

Resolution: Approved.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.


(Col. Sukhpal Singh)
Secretary, Senate

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(Prof. Shyam Lal Soni)
Chairman