NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
KURUKSHETRA

Minutes of the 26th meeting of the Senate of National Institute of Technology, Kurukshetra held on 29.09.2015 at 11.00 a.m. in the Senate Hall of the Institute.

The following were present:

1. Prof. Anand Mohan, Director & Hon'ble Chairman, Senate
2. Prof. (Ms.) Konduri Raja Rajeswari, External Member
3. Prof. Yashwant Singh, External Member
4. Prof. D.K. Nauriyal, External Member

Internal Members (Department & alphabetical order)

CIVIL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

1. Prof. Anupam Mittal, Professor
2. Prof. Arun Goel, Professor
3. Prof. Ashwani Jain, Professor
4. Prof. Baldev Setia, Professor
5. Prof. DK Soni, Professor
6. Prof. HK Sharma, Professor
7. Prof. KK Singh, Professor
8. Prof. Parveen Aggarwal, Professor
9. Prof. Saraswati Setia, Professor
10. Prof. SM Gupta, Professor
11. Prof. SN Sachdeva, Professor
12. Prof. Subodh Ranjan, Professor
13. Prof. Surinder Deswal, Professor
14. Prof. VK Sehgal, Professor
15. Prof. VP Singh, Professor

COMPUTER ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

16. Prof. A. K. Singh, Professor
17. Prof. JK Chhabra, Professor
18. Prof. Mayank Dave, Professor
19. Prof. Sanjay Kumar Jain, Professor

CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT

20. Prof. Dinesh Kumar, Professor
21. Prof. DP Singh, Professor
22. Prof. Minati Baral, Professor

COMPUTER APPLICATION DEPARTMENT

23. Prof. Ashutosh Kumar Singh, Professor

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

24. Prof. A. Swarup, Professor
25. Prof. Ashwani Kumar, Professor
26. Prof. GL Pahuja, Professor
27. Prof. Jagdeep Singh Lather, Professor
28. Prof. Jyoti Ohri, Professor
29. Prof. KS Sandhu, Professor
30. Prof. LM Saini, Professor
31. Prof. Ratna Dahiya, Professor
32. Prof. RS Bhatia, Professor
33. Prof. Sathans, Professor

ELECTRONICS & COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

34. Prof. A.K. Gupta, Professor
35. Prof. Brahmjit Singh, Professor
36. Prof. OP Sahu, Professor
37. Prof. Rajoo Pandey, Professor
38. Prof. RK Sharma, Professor
39. Prof. Umesh Ghanekar, Professor

HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

40. Prof. Kiran, Professor
41. Prof. Rajendra Kumar, Professor
42. Prof. Vikas Choudhary, Professor

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

43. Prof. Ajai Jain, Professor
44. Prof. Dixit Garg, Professor
45. Prof. Gian Bhushan, Professor
46. Prof. Hari Singh, Professor
47. Prof. PC Tewari, Professor
48. Prof. SS Rattan, Professor
49. Prof. Sudhir Kumar, Professor
50. Prof. Surjit Angra, Professor
51. Prof. VK Bajpai, Professor

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

52. Prof. Paras Ram, Professor
53. Prof. A.S.V. Ravikanth, Associate Prof. & Head (Special Invitee)

PHYSICS DEPARTMENT

54. Prof. Ashavani Kumar, Professor

55. Prof. JK Quamara, Professor
56. Prof. Neena Jaggi, Professor

Coordinator, Special Group for Skill Development

57. Prof. P.J. Philip, Professor (Special Invitee)

Secretary, Senate

58. Sh. G.R. Samantray, Registrar Incharge

The following members could not attend the meeting:

1. Dr. Subrata Sarkar, Special Invitee
2. Prof. Mahesh Pal
3. Prof. Ms. Pratibha Aggarwal
4. Prof. S.K. Madan
5. Prof. S.K. Patidar
6. Prof. V.K. Arora
7. Prof. Ms. Lillie Dewan
8. Prof. Yash Pal
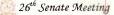9. Prof. Dinesh Khanduja (on long leave)
10. Prof. Pankaj Chandna

At the outset, Director and Chairman, Senate welcomed the members of the Senate and he specially welcomed the three External Senate members who have been nominated w. e. f. 04.09.2015. On behalf of the Senate, he also expressed gratitude to the former external members for their valuable suggestions during the senate meetings over the last three years. After this, Chairman permitted to present the agenda of the meeting for consideration of the Senate.

The agenda was taken up and following decisions were taken in the meeting.

Item 26.1   To confirm the minutes of the 25th meeting of the Senate held on 24.02.2015.

The Senate, in its 25th meeting held on 24.02.2015 had confirmed the item numbers 25.5, 25.6, 25.9, 25.10, 25.22 and 25.23 during the meeting itself in view of the 12th convocation of the Institute. The minutes of the remaining items of 25th Senate meeting were confirmed by the Senate.

Item 26.2   To note the action taken on the minutes of the 25th meeting of the Senate held on 24.02.2015

The Senate noted the action taken on the minutes of the 25th meeting of the Senate held on 24.02.2015. However, the Senate expressed its concern over the items where required action had either not been initiated or not completed.

Senate resolved that Registrar Incharge and Member Secretary of the Senate will issue notifications / reminders regarding the committees constituted for different items of 25th meeting of the Senate. The Chairmen of the Committees were also requested to submit their reports within two weeks of the notifications.

Item 26.3   To confirm the minutes of 47th meeting of SCSA held on 17.07.2015.

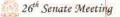The Senate noted the minutes of 47th meeting of SCSA held on 17.07.2015.

Some members made an observation that the term 'to confirm' in the agenda item should be replaced by 'to note'. Another suggestion given by one of the Senate members was that the important and urgent issues be approved by the Director and Chairman, Senate in anticipation of approval by the Senate.

Item 26.4   To note the admission status of various UG/PG programmes of the Institute for the academic session 2015-16.

The Senate noted the admission status of various UG / PG programmes of the Institute for the academic session 2015-16. However, the Senate expressed its concern over the admission status of Master of Business Administration. It was felt to emphasize on optimization of man-power and other resources in accordance with admitted students.

The Senate decided to constitute the following committee to review the admission status of MBA and make suitable recommendations to improve the admission status of the programme:

1.   Prof. V. K. Sehgal, Dean (P&D)

2. Prof. D. K. Nauriyal, Prof., IIT Roorkee
3. Head, Department of Business Administration, IIT Roorkee
4. One faculty member from MBA Department of the Institute (to be nominated by the Chairman Senate)

Item 26.5   To note the admission status of various UG programmes in the Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) Sonepat for the academic session 2015-16.

The Senate noted the admission status of various UG programmes in the Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) Sonepat for the academic session 2015-16.

Item 26.6   To note the summary of result of pass out students of UG / PG Programmes in May / June, 2015.

The Senate noted the summary of results of pass out students of UG / PG programmes in May / June, 2015 with the suggestion to provide the result analysis for the last three years.

Item 26.7   To approve the seat matrix of UG and PG Programmes under different categories for academic session 2016-17.

The Senate approved the seat matrix except for the M. Tech. Programme conducted by the Chemistry Department. Head of Department of Chemistry suggested that the name of M. Tech. programme should be retained as originally proposed i.e. Molecular Engineering and Advanced Chemical Analysis instead of Molecular Engineering. In this regard, the Senate resolved that the Chairman Senate be requested to place the matter before the Board of Governors for its consideration.

Item 26.8   To note the approval of start of two new M. Tech. programmes offered by the Chemistry and Computer Engineering Department and consider minor changes in the nomenclature of M. Tech. programme of Chemistry Department.

The Senate noted the approval of Board of Governors for starting new M. Tech. programmes in Chemistry and Computer Engineering Departments.

There was an observation made by the HOD of Chemistry regarding the change in the nomenclature of M. Tech. programme of Department. The HoD asserted that modification of the title of the Program to

Molecular Engineering will leave little scope for the Chemistry Department. It was decided that Head of Department will prepare the case and submit to the Chairman, Senate for consideration.

Item 26.9 **To note the approval accorded by the Chairman, Senate for**
   (a) Amendment of R-7.2 Ph.D. regulation
   (b) Minor Modification in Pre Ph.D scheme of Mathematics Department
   (c) Scheme and Syllabi for M.Tech. Computer Engineering (Cyber Security).

The Senate noted the above approvals accorded by the Chairman, Senate.

Item 26.10 **To approve revision in weightage of continuous evaluation components w. e. f. academic session 2015-16.**

The Senate considered the case and approved the revision in the continuous evaluation components w. e. f. academic session 2015-16. The modified scheme is as given in the table below:

	SUB-COMPONENT	Weightage	
		Existing	Proposed
(a)	**Theory Papers**		
1	Two Mid Semester Exams.	10+10=20	15+15=30
2	Teacher's Assessment through viva-voce, Home Assignments, on the Spot tests, Short Quizzes etc.	10	10
3	Class Attendance (L+T)*	20	10
4	End Semester Examination	50	50
(b)	**For Practicals**		
1	Mid Semester Evaluation (to be conducted in regular Practical Classes)	20	30
2	Teacher's Assessment through viva-voce, lab. reports & class work etc.	20	20
3	Class Attendance*	20	10
4	End Semester Examination	40	40
(c)	For Seminars, Projects, Training, Comprehensive viva and General Fitness evaluation, the weightage will be decided by Departmental Review/Academic Committees.		

* The maximum attendance for calculation of attendance component of sessional marks shall be 90% of the total classes held.

Item 26.11 To approve revision in fee refund norms for admission withdrawal / cancellation for session 2015-16 onwards.

The Senate approved the revision in fee refund norms for admission withdrawal / cancellation for session 2015-16 onwards.

Item 26.12 To approve revision in re-appear examination fee for the students who have completed their normal duration of studies.

The Senate deliberated upon the issue of examination fee for the reappear cases of students. The modified fee under this category will be as per the following table:

Sr. No.	Particulars of the Re-appear exam.	Existing Re- appear fee	Proposed Re- appear fee
1	Before 30 days of start of the Examination	1000/- Rs. Per Paper	1000/- Rs. Per Paper
2	Before 15 days of start of the Examination	1500/- Rs. Per Paper	1500/- Rs. Per Paper
3	Before 10 days of start of the Examination	2000/- Rs. Per Paper	2000/- Rs. Per Paper

Item 26.13 To approve revised syllabi of the courses offered by Department of Humanities and Social Sciences for B.Tech. programmes of the Institute.

The Senate considered the case and decided to:

a) approve the deletion of the course HUT-322, Soft Skill Workshop

b) approve the revised contact hours from the existing 2 (L), 2 (T) to 3(L), 1(T)

c) defer the item to Department to incorporate the soft spoken skills.

Some suggestions were given by one External member, Prof. D.K. Nauriyal that the course on 'Communication Skills in English' should include soft spoken skills, making use of the Language Lab. through related software. The model as adopted by IITR was also referred to.

In light of the above, Senate resolved that the Language Lab be made functional on priority basis and upgraded to host the requisite software.

Item 26.14   To consider modifications in Ph.D. ordinance.

The matter was considered and following committee was constituted to look into all cases of modifications in Ph.D. ordinance and bring it in the next senate meeting as an agenda item.

Dean (FW)	Chairman
Dean (Academic)	Member
Dean (R&C)	Member
Dean (SW)	Member

Item 26.15   To note the nomination of three educationists of repute as member on the Senate of the Institute.

Subsequent to the welcome of External Senate Members by the Chairman Senate, the Senate noted the nomination of following three educationists of repute as members on the Senate of the Institute:

1. Prof. Konduri Raja Rajeswari
   (Former Professor & Head, Andhra Univ.)
   Professor, Department of Electronics & Comm. Engg. & Principal
   Viswanadha Institute of Technology and Management,
   Mindivanipalem Village, Anandhapuram Mandal
   Visakhapatnam-531 173

2. Prof. Yashwant Singh
   Distinguished Professor
   Department of Physics
   Banaras Hindu University
   Varanasi-221005

3. Prof. D. K. Nauriyal
   Deptt. of Humanities & Social Science & Dean (Students' Welfare)
   Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee
   Roorkee-247 667

Item 26.16   To note the approval of Board of Governors for increasing the number of Ph. D. Scholarships in each department of the Institute.

The Senate noted the approval of Board of Governors for increasing the number of Ph. D. scholarships in each department of the Institute.

Item 26.17 **To note the approval of Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India regarding uniformity in duration for payment of fellowship to all research scholars.**

The Senate noted the approval of Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India regarding uniformity in duration of payment of fellowship to all research scholars.

The meeting ended with a note of thanks to the Chair.

Registrar Incharge & Secretary, Senate

Dean (Academic)

Director & Chairman, Senate