

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KURUKSHETRA

MINUTES OF 43rd MEETING OF THE SENATE (Online)

Minutes of the 43rd meeting of the Senate, NIT, Kurukshetra held (*Online*) on 16th June 2021 at 3.00 p.m. in the Senate Hall of the Institute.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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| 1. Dr. Satish Kumar
Director
National Institute of Technology
Kurukshetra | Chairperson |
| 2. Prof. Sudhir Kumar,
Professor (HAG), Deptt. of Civil Engg.
MNIT Jaipur | External Member |

Internal Members (Department wise & in alphabetical order)

Business Administration

3. Prof. Neeraj Kaushik, Associate Prof. & HOD
4. Prof. Rajendra Kumar, Professor

Civil Engineering Department

5. Prof. Arun Goel, Professor
6. Prof. Ashwani Jain, Professor
7. Prof. Baldev Setia, Professor
8. Prof. H.K. Sharma, Professor
9. Prof. K.K. Singh, Professor
10. Prof. Mahesh Pal, Professor
11. Prof. Saraswati Setia, Professor
12. Prof. S.K. Madan, Professor
13. Prof. S.M. Gupta, Professor
14. Prof. Surinder Deswal, Professor
15. Prof. V.P. Singh, Professor

Computer Engineering Department

16. Prof. J.K. Chhabra, Professor
17. Prof. Mayank Dave, Professor

18. Prof. Sanjay Kumar Jain, Professor

Chemistry Department

19. Prof. Dinesh Kumar, Professor

20. Prof. D.P. Singh, Professor

Computer Application Department

21. Prof. Ashutosh Kumar Singh, Professor

Electrical Engineering Department

22. Prof. A.Swarup, Professor

23. Prof. Ashwani Kumar, Professor

24. Prof. G.L. Pahuja, Professor

25. Prof. Jagdeep Singh Lather, Professor

26. Prof. Jyoti Ohri, Professor

27. Prof. K.S. Sandhu, Professor

28. Prof. Lillie Dewan, Professor

29. Prof. Sathans, Professor

30. Prof. Yash Pal, Professor

Electronics & Communication Engineering Department

31. Prof. Brahmjit Singh, Professor

32. Prof. O.P. Sahu, Professor

33. Prof. Rajoo Pandey, Professor

34. Prof. R.K. Sharma, Professor

35. Prof. Umesh Ghanekar, Professor

36. Prof. Vrinda Gupta, Associate Prof. & HOD

Humanities & Social Sciences Department

37. Prof. Kiran, Professor

38. Prof. Vikas Choudhary, Professor

Mechanical Engineering Department

39. Prof. Dinesh Khanduja, Professor

40. Prof. Dixit Garg, Professor

41. Prof. Gian Bhushan, Professor

42. Prof. Hari Singh, Professor

43. Prof. Meenu, Professor

44. Prof. Pankaj Chandna, Professor

45. Prof. P.C. Tiwari, Professor

Mathematics Department

- 46. Prof. Paras Ram, Professor
- 47. Prof. A.S.V Ravikanth, Associate Prof. & HOD

Physics Department

- 48. Prof. Ashavani Kumar, Professor
- 49. Prof. Neena Jaggi, Professor
- 50. Prof. R.P. Chauhan, Professor

Member of BOG as Special Invitee

- 51. Prof. Rupanshi Batra, Associate Professor, EED

Special Invitee

- 52. Dr. J.K. Kapoor, Associate Professor, Chemistry Deptt. & Prof. I/C (Acad.)

The following members could not attend the meeting

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| 1. Prof. Rashmi Gaur
Prof. & Head, Dept. of HSS
IIT Roorkee | External Member |
| 2. Dr. S.K. Mehta, Professor
Deptt. of Chemistry
Punjab University, Chandigarh | External Member |

Internal Members (Department wise & in alphabetical order)

Civil Engineering Department

- 3. Prof. Parveen Aggarwal, Professor
- 4. Prof. Pratibha Aggarwal, Professor
- 5. Prof. S.K. Patidar, Professor
- 6. Prof. Subodh Ranjan. Professor

Computer Engineering Department

- 7. Prof. A.K. Singh, Professor
- 8. Prof. R.K. Aggarwal, Professor

Chemistry Department

9. Prof. Minati Baral, Professor

Electrical Engineering Department

10. Prof. L.M. Saini, Professor
11. Prof. Ratna Dahiya, Professor
12. Prof. R.S. Bhatia, Professor

Mechanical Engineering Department

13. Prof. Ajai Jain, Professor
14. Prof. P.K. Saini, Professor
15. Prof. Puneet Kumar, Professor
16. Prof. Surjit Angra, Professor
17. Prof. V.K. Bajpai, Professor
18. Prof. Vinod Kumar, Professor

At the outset, the Senate mourned the loss of former Chairman, BOG, faculty and staff members of the Institute during the prevailing pandemic. Hon'ble Director and the Chairman Senate applauded the efforts of all the faculty and staff members in efficiently carrying out online teaching and end semester examinations in current semester. He advised the faculty to learn from the challenges faced in online mode of teaching and urged to adopt innovative ways to use technology in improving teaching and learning. He accorded permission to present the agenda of the meeting.

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

S 43.01 To confirm the minutes of 42nd Senate meeting held on 7.4.2021.

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S 43.02 To note the action taken report on the minutes of the 42nd meeting of the Senate held on 7.4.2021.

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S 43.03 To consider and approve online teaching mode and Academic Calendar for odd semester of Academic Year 2021-22.

The Senate considered the agenda and approved that online teaching mode will be followed for students of UG, PG & Ph.D for the odd semester of Academic Year 2021-22 until there are guidelines for offline classes from MoE/Centre/State Govt. The Academic Calendar for 2nd year onwards students of UG & PG for odd semester of Academic Year 2021-22 was considered, deliberated and approved. The Academic Calendar for 1st semester students of B. Tech/M. Tech /MCA/MBA will be notified later after the completion of admission process. The Senate authorized the Chairman Senate to approve the Academic Calendar for first semester of B.Tech/M.Tech/MCA/MBA for AY 2021-22 as and when the admission process is completed.

S 43.04 To consider and approve the last date of submission for M.Tech. Thesis/Project work/Internship report.

The Senate deliberated upon the issue and approved that M.Tech. students, whose dissertation work is pending under prevailing conditions of COVID-19, are allowed to submit their thesis/dissertation up to September 30, 2021 without paying any additional fee. However, GATE scholarship will be paid to M.Tech. students up to June 30, 2021 or date of submission of thesis whichever is earlier, subject to fulfilment of conditions for the scholarship.

S 43.05 To consider and approve the relaxation of research publications in eligibility criteria of Ph.D. students for Institute scholarship for the students admitted in AY 2019-20.

The Senate deliberated upon the issue in detail and felt that it is difficult for the Ph.D. students to publish one research paper in SCI/SCIE/Scopus indexed non-paid journal during 2nd year as the students are facing difficulties to carry out the experimental/lab work due to prevailing conditions of COVID-19. The Senate approved the relaxation of research



publications in eligibility criteria of Ph.D. students for Institute scholarship for the students admitted in AY 2019-20. This will be a one time measure and will not be taken as precedent in future. The Senate approved the proposal tabulated as under:

Sr. No.	Period of Regn. (Years Completed)	Period of Fellowship	Min. Requirement (Existing)	Min. Requirement (Proposed)
1.	01	2 nd year	Successful completion of Ph.D. Course with min. 7.0/10.0 CGPA	Successful completion of Ph.D. Course with min. 7.0/10.0 CGPA
2.	02	3 rd year	Successful completion of comprehensive examination and 01 research publication accepted/published in SCI/SCIE/Scopus indexed non-paid journal	Successful completion of comprehensive examination.
3.	03	4 th year	02 research publications accepted/published in SCI/SCIE/Scopus indexed non-paid journal	01 research publications accepted/published in SCI/SCIE/Scopus indexed non-paid journal
4.	04	5 th year	---as above--	02 research publications accepted/published in SCI/SCIE/Scopus indexed non-paid journal

S 43.06 To consider and approve the conduct of admission of Ph.D. programme of the Institute for Academic year 2021-22 in the month of Nov./Dec. 2021.

The Senate discussed the issue in detail and approved that under prevailing conditions of COVID-19, Ph.D. admission for Academic Year 2021-22 will be conducted in the month of Nov./Dec. 2021.

S 43.07 To consider and approve the submission of plagiarism check report along with M.Tech. Thesis/Project work/Internship report.


The Senate approved that the plagiarism check report be submitted along with M.Tech. Thesis/Project work/Internship report. The parameters for plagiarism report will be same as applicable to Ph.D. thesis submission.

This will be applicable to M.Tech. students admitted from AY 2021-22 and onwards. During deliberations, concerns were raised by some Senators regarding few software issues while generating plagiarism check report. The Senate authorized the Chairman, Senate to constitute a Committee to look into all issues related to plagiarism check report and software.

In any other item, the issue regarding establishment of procedure for conducting research work abroad by full time Ph.D. scholars of the Institute under different schemes such as SERB/USIEF/Common wealth Split Scholarship scheme etc. was discussed. The Senate felt that detailed deliberations are needed to frame the guidelines for same. The Chairman, Senate was authorized to constitute a Committee to look into this matter and frame guidelines.

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


(G.R. Samantaray) 18/06/21
Registrar Incharge & Secretary, Senate


18.6.2021
(Gian Bhushan)
Dean (Academic)


18/6/21
(Satish Kumar)
Director & Chairman Senate