

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
KURUKSHETRA**

MINUTES OF 59th MEETING OF THE SENATE

Minutes of the 59th meeting of the Senate, NIT, Kurukshetra held on 11th June 2026 (Thursday) at 10.30 a.m. in the Senate Hall of the Institute.

MEMBERS PRESENT

1. Prof. Brahmjit Singh Chairman
Officiating Director
National Institute of Technology
Kurukshetra

The external members of the Senate had completed their term on 07.07.2025. Nomination of new members, as per provisions under Clause 14 (d) of NITSER Act, 2017 is under process.

Internal Members (Department wise & in alphabetical order)

Business Administration Department

2. Dr. Neeraj Kaushik, Associate Prof. & HoD

Civil Engineering Department

3. Prof. Arun Goel, Professor
4. Prof. Ashwani Jain, Professor
5. Prof. Baldev Setia, Professor
6. Prof. Mahesh Pal, Professor
7. Prof. Parveen Aggarwal, Professor
8. Prof. Paratibha Aggarwal, Professor
9. Prof. Saraswati Setia, Professor
10. Prof. S.K. Madan, Professor
11. Prof. S.K. Patidar, Professor
12. Prof. Surinder Deswal, Professor
13. Prof. V.P. Singh, Professor

Computer Engineering Department

14. Prof. Mayank Dave, Professor
15. Prof. R.K. Aggarwal, Professor

**Computer Applications Department**

16. Dr. Sandeep Kumar Sood, Associate Prof. & HoD

Electrical Engineering Department

- 17. Prof. Ashwani Kumar, Professor
- 18. Prof. Jagdeep Singh Lather, Professor
- 19. Prof. Jyoti Ohri, Professor
- 20. Prof. Lillie Dewan, Professor
- 21. Prof. Sathans, Professor
- 22. Prof. Saurabh Chanana, Professor

Electronics & Communication Engineering Department

- 23. Prof. O.P. Sahu, Professor
- 24. Prof. Rajoo Pandey, Professor
- 25. Prof. R.K. Sharma, Professor
- 26. Prof. Umesh Ghanekar, Professor
- 27. Dr. Arvind Kumar, Associate Professor & HoD

Humanities & Social Sciences Department

- 28. Prof. Kiran Mor, Professor

Mechanical Engineering Department

- 29. Prof. Dinesh Khanduja, Professor
- 30. Prof. Dixit Garg, Professor
- 31. Prof. Gian Bhushan, Professor
- 32. Prof. Meenu, Professor
- 33. Prof. Pankaj Chandna, Professor
- 34. Prof. P.K. Saini, Professor
- 35. Prof. Puneet Kumar, Professor
- 36. Prof. V.K. Bajpai, Professor
- 37. Prof. Vinod Kumar, Professor

Physics Department

- 38. Prof. Neena Jaggi, Professor
- 39. Prof. R.P. Chauhan, Professor

Special Invitee

- 40. Dr. Prakash Chand, Associate Dean (Acad.)



The absence of following members to this meeting is noted:

Internal Members (Department wise & in alphabetical order)

Civil Engineering Department

1. Prof. H.K. Sharma, Professor
2. Prof. K.K. Singh, Professor
3. Prof. N.K. Tiwari, Professor
4. Prof. Babita Saini, Professor

Chemistry Department

5. Prof. Minati Baral, Professor
6. Prof. J.K. Kapoor, Professor

Computer Engineering Department

7. Prof. A.K. Singh, Professor
8. Prof. J.K. Chhabra, Professor
9. Prof. S.K. Jain, Professor

Electrical Engineering Department

10. Prof. L.M. Saini, Professor
11. Prof. Ratna Dahiya, Professor
12. Prof. Yash Pal, Professor

Humanities & Social Sciences Department

13. Prof. Vikas Choudhary, Professor

Mathematics Department

14. Prof. Paras Ram, Professor
15. Prof. A.S.V. Ravi Kanth, Professor

Mechanical Engineering Department

16. Prof. Ajai Jain, Professor
17. Prof. Hari Singh, Professor
18. Prof. P.C. Tewari, Professor

Physics Department

19. Prof. Ashavani Kumar, Professor



At the outset, the Hon'ble Director and the Chairman of the Senate welcomed all members of the Senate and expressed his gratitude towards faculty and staff for support and cooperation towards exam. work, submission of awards and declaration of results. He also conveyed his thanks to Prof. R.P. Chauhan, outgoing Dean (Acad.) for his contributions during his tenure. After this, the Chairman, Senate accorded permission to present the agenda of the meeting.

The agenda was presented and after detailed deliberations, the following decisions were taken in the meeting:

S 59.01 **To confirm the minutes of 58th Senate meeting held on 13.02.2026 & 26.02.2026.**

Resolution The Senate confirmed the minutes of 58th Senate meeting held on 13.02.2026 & 26.02.2026.

S 59.02 **To ratify the minutes of 71st SCSA meeting held on 11.05.2026.**

Resolution The Senate ratified the minutes of 71st SCSA meeting held on 11.05.2026.

S 59.03 **To note the action taken report on the minutes of 58th Senate meeting held on 13.02.2026 & 26.02.2026.**

Resolution The Senate noted the action taken report on the minutes of 58th Senate meeting held on 13.02.2026 & 26.02.2026.

S 59.04 **To ratify the approval of the Chairman, Senate for the following:**
(i) Nomenclature & seat matrix of PG programs already approved for CCMT/CCMN 2025 to be sent for CCMT/CCMN 2026.
(ii) Nomenclature of B.Tech. program 'Robotics & Automation'.

Resolution (i) The Senate ratified the approval of the Chairman, Senate for Nomenclature & seat matrix of PG programs already approved for CCMT/CCMN 2025 to be sent for CCMT/CCMN 2026.
(ii) The Senate ratified the approval of the Chairman, Senate for Nomenclature of B.Tech. program 'Robotics & Automation'

**S 59.05 To consider the evaluation criteria for B.Tech. final year projects.**

Resolution: After long deliberations, the Senate decided that the existing evaluation criteria, which is similar to the evaluation of practical examinations, will be followed for B.Tech. final year projects for AY 2026-27 and onwards.

S 59.06 To consider and approve the proposal to rename the nomenclature of course on "Research & Publication Ethics" as "Research Ethics & Bharat Knowledge System" with scheme & syllabus of this course.

Resolution: The Senate considered and approved the proposal to rename the nomenclature of course on "Research & Publication Ethics" as "Research Ethics & Bharat Knowledge System" with scheme & syllabus of this course.

S 59.07 To consider the proposal to conduct special reappear examinations for students of 2023 batch before declaration of 6th semester result.

Resolution: The Senate considered and approved the proposal to conduct special reappear examinations of 1st, 3rd & 5th semester for students of 2023 batch before declaration of 6th semester result as one time measure only i.e. for AY 2025-26.

S 59.08 To consider the report of the Committee constituted to look into the issue of multiplying factor for conversion of CGPA to percentage.

Resolution: The Senate considered the report of the Committee and after detailed deliberations constituted a committee comprising of following to look into the grading system followed by premier Institutes and recommend the suitable system for our Institute:

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| 1. Prof. Baldev Setia, Prof. Civil Engg. Deptt. | Chairman |
| 2. Prof. Lillie Dewan, Dean (SW) | Member |
| 3. Prof. J.S. Lather, HoD, Elect. Engg. | Member |
| 4. Prof. J.K. Kapoor, HoD, Chemistry & Associate Dean (Acad.) | Convener |



S 59.09 To consider the report of the Committee constituted to revisit the 8th semester scheme of all B.Tech. courses.

Resolution: The Senate considered and approved the report of the Committee constituted to revisit the 8th semester scheme of all B.Tech. courses. It was resolved that all the departments are required to allot 6-9 credits for internship in 8th semester to maintain the uniformity. A template regarding the same will be issued by the office of Dean (Academic).

S 59.10 To consider the proposal for constitution of review/moderation committee at department level where fail percentage in a course is equal to or more than 20% (> 20%) for normalization of marks.

Resolution: The Senate deliberated upon the proposal and finalized the following:

- (i) A Review Committee consisting of Head of Department, Convener DUGC/DPGC and Course Coordinator will be constituted for the courses where fail percentage is equal to or more than 20% for normalization of marks.
- (ii) The Committee may award 0 to 5 marks as relaxation measure based on the following facts:
 - Difficulty level of paper
 - Issues regarding method of evaluation
 - Other issues as deemed fit by the Review Committee

The relaxation marks, if awarded, will be added to all the students' existing marks, subject to not exceeding maximum marks of the paper.

- (iii) This will be applicable to all UG and PG programs.

S 59.11 To consider the proposal for provision of make-up/remedial classes during mid sem. break/vacations for the students having reappears.

Resolution: The Senate agreed upon the proposal for provision of remedial classes during mid sem. break/vacations for the students having reappears. The act of remedial classes will include:

- Conducting extra classes during mid semester break/vacations in online/offline mode
- Clearing students' doubts offline/online



- Giving assignment to the students
- Providing study material in the form of links for online lecture or in any other form.

Head of the concerned department will ensure the implementation of remedial classes.

S 59.12 To consider and approve the Academic Calendars for Odd and Even Semesters of Academic Year 2026-27.

Resolution: The Senate considered and approved the Academic Calendars for Odd and Even Semesters of Academic Year 2026-27.

S 59.13 To consider the proposal for attendance relaxation of 10% in lieu of clubs, technical events, NCC, NSS, minor medical issues etc. to be allowed by HoD of concerned department to smoothen the process.

Resolution: The Senate considered and agreed to the proposal for attendance relaxation of 10% in lieu of clubs, technical events, NCC, NSS, minor medical issues etc. to be allowed by HoD of concerned department to smoothen the process. Accordingly, the modifications will be incorporated in the UG & PG regulations.

S 59.14 To consider and approve the scheme & syllabi of M.Sc. Economics (3rd & 4th Semester).

Resolution: The Senate considered and approved the 3rd & 4th semester (2nd year) scheme and syllabi of M.Sc. Economics.

S 59.15 To consider and approve the revision of syllabi of Financial Education (HSIC-103) & Business Studies (HSIC-104) in the deptt. of Hum. & S.S. w.e.f. 2026-27.

Resolution: The Senate considered and approved the revision of syllabi of Financial Education (HSIC-103) & Business Studies (HSIC-104) in the deptt. of Hum. & S.S. w.e.f. 2026-27.

S 59.16 **To consider the proposal for conduct of reappear examinations for the students who have appeared in 8th sem. Exams. through MOOC courses.**

Resolution: The Senate considered and approved the proposal for conduct of reappear examinations for the students who have appeared in 8th sem. exams. through MOOC courses and could not qualify the courses. Such students will be allowed to appear in special reappear examinations by choosing the subjects offered by the department in self-study mode in place of MOOC courses. The department will approve the suitable courses in place of MOOC courses for examination. The subjects chosen will be of same credits and will be different from the subjects passed through MOOCs, if any.

The students, who have chosen MOOC course or courses other than approved by the concerned department, will also be allowed to appear in special reappear examination on the similar conditions as for the students who could not qualify the MOOC courses.

S 59.17 **To consider and decide about template for dual degree program.**

Resolution: After long deliberations, the Senate decided that the departments can follow any one template out of two circulated by the office of Dean (Acad.) for integrated dual degree program, depending upon the structure of their B.Tech. schemes. Further, the Senators unanimously decided that the integrated dual degree programs may not be offered by the Institute from AY 2027-28 onwards.

S 59.18 **To consider the proposal of the Committee for Preparation of Institute Innovation, Incubation and Start-up Policy.**

Resolution: The Senate considered and approved the proposal of the Committee for Preparation of Institute Innovation, Incubation and Start-up Policy.

S 59.19 **To consider and approve the 4th year syllabus of B.Tech. IIOT.**

Resolution: The Senate considered and approved only the 7th semester syllabus of B.Tech. IIOT. The syllabus of 8th semester will be finalized along with scheme and syllabus of other programs.

- S 59.20** To consider and approve the proposal of Physics Department for the following:
- (i) Minor changes in scheme of M.Sc. Physics
 - (ii) Change of name of PHIC 106 as Advanced Engg. Physics for B.Tech. in Sustainable Energy Technologies.

Resolution: The Senate considered and approved the proposal of Physics Department for (i) minor changes in scheme of M.Sc. Physics, and (ii) change of name of PHIC 106 as Advanced Engg. Physics for B.Tech. in Sustainable Energy Technologies.

Supplementary Agenda:

- SSA 59.01** To consider and decide about addition of "The Art of Living Mind Management and Life Skills" as Non-Conventional Institute core course in first year B. Tech scheme.

Resolution: The Senate considered and approved the addition of "The Art of Living Mind Management and Life Skills" (HSNC112) as Non-Conventional Institute core course of 02 credits in Group- I of first year B. Tech scheme. The course is available on Swayam Plus Portal and will be taught by team of instructors from Art of Living in hybrid mode. The students opting this course will have to register on Swayam Plus Portal (open all year round) and will be required to pay the registration fee as applicable.

- SSA 59.02** To consider and decide about addition of "Incubation & Start-up" as non-conventional institute core course and increase in credits for non-conventional institute core courses.

Resolution: The Senate considered and approved the addition of "Incubation & Start-up" (SANC-107) as non-conventional institute core course in Group-II. Accordingly, the approved structure of two groups will be as follows:

Group I	Sports (SANC-101)	Yoga (SANC-102)	NCC (SANC-103)	
Group II	Club (SANC-104)	NSS (SANC-105)	Technical Societies (SANC-106)	Incubation & Start-up (SANC-107)

The credits of non-conventional institute core courses have been increased from 02 to 06 and evaluation of these courses will be carried out at the end of each academic year i.e. in 2nd, 4th & 6th semester. Accordingly, the credit structure for 2nd, 4th semester will be changed as follows and the total number of credits for each UG program will be increased by 4.

Semester	I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Credits	No Change	Existing Credits + 2	No Change	Existing Credits + 2	No Change	No Change

The evaluation criteria of above courses will be as follows:

The grade of the students for various non-conventional institute core courses will be evaluated on the basis of following points/marks based various activities as follows:

Sr. No.	Criterion	No of points/marks
1.	Presence in events related to course	10 x presence in number of events (Maximum limit = 50)
2.	Participation in activities of course	20 x number of events in which the student participated (Maximum limit = 80)

No of points/marks accumulated by end of each academic year	0 ≤ F < 40	40 ≤ D < 50	50 ≤ C < 65	65 ≤ B < 75	75 ≤ A < 85	85 ≤ A+ ≤ 100
Grade	F	D	C	B	A	A+

SSA 59.03 To consider and approve the nomination of faculty member as Senate Nominee on the Board of Governors in the category of Assistant Professor.

Resolution: The Senate considered and approved the nomination of Dr. Priyanka Ahlawat, Assistant Professor Grade-I, Department of Computer Engineering, as the Senate Nominee on the Board of Governors in the category of Assistant Professor.



SSA 59.04 To consider the proposal to merge the Department of Robotics & Industrial Engineering with Department of Mechanical Engineering.

Resolution: After detailed deliberations and considering the cited academic resources (staff and infrastructure) and administrative constraints, the Senate agreed upon the proposal to restore the programs of Department of Robotics & Industrial Engineering with the parent Department of Mechanical Engineering. During the discussions, the Senators observed that similar challenges were being faced by other newly established departments as well. Accordingly, the Senate resolved that:

- (i) UG & PG programs of Department of Robotics & Industrial Engineering will be under the purview of Department of Mechanical Engineering
- (ii) UG programs of Department of Data Science & Artificial Intelligence Department will be under the purview of Computer Engineering
- (iii) UG & PG programs of Department of VLSI Design & Systems Engineering will be under the purview of Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering
- (iv) UG & PG programs of Department of Energy Science & Engineering will be under the purview of Department of Electrical Engineering

The Senate unanimously recommended that the newly created departments of Robotics & Industrial Engg., Data Science & Artificial Intelligence, VLSI Design & Systems Engg. and Energy Science & Engg. may cease to exist in view of above stated constraints subject to the approval of the Competent Authority.

Further, the Senate resolved that the above recommendations be placed before Board of Governors for consideration and approval.

Any other Item

- (i) Under any other item, the case of Ms. Ritu Garg, Roll no. 617058 (Part-time) Ph.D. scholar, Deptt. of Physics (School of Material Science and Nanotechnology) regarding extension of Ph.D. time-period for one more year beyond already availed period of nine years {23.1.2017 to 22.1.2023 (regular registration period as part time), 23.5.2023 to 22.5.2025 (re-registration period) and 23.5.2025 to 22.5.2026 (special extension of one year by Chairman Senate



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and ratified by Senate)) on the basis of Medical condition, raised by Prof. R.P. Chauhan, supervisor of the candidate was discussed and deliberated in detail. The Senate did not accede to the request of the candidate.

- (ii) The Chairman, Senate suggested that Student Chapters be established in all the departments. The Senate deliberated and unanimously resolved that all the departments will explore to establish the relevant Student Chapters of reputed national & international professional societies.

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

16.06.2026

(Vinod Kumar)
Registrar Incharge &
Secretary, Senate

(Gian Bhushan)
Dean (Academic)

(Brahmjit Singh) 16.06.2026
Officiating Director & Chairman Senate