DRAFT MINUTES OF THE 15^{TH} MEETING OF THE SENATE HELD ON 30^{th} DECEMBER 2008.

The following members were present;

		Diverton	Chaimann
1.	Dr. S. S. Gokhale	Director	Chairman
2.	Dr. V. S. Adane	Professor of Architecture	Member
3.	Dr. M. V. Aware	Professor in Eletrical Engg.	Member
4.	Dr. Animesh Chatterjee	Professor in Mechanical Engg.	Member
5.	Dr. I. K. Chopde	Professor in Mechanical Engg.	Member
6.	Dr. A. G. Deshpande	Head, Deptt. of Mathematics	Member
7.	Dr. V. K. Deshpande	Head, Deptt. of Applied Physics	Member
8.	Dr. Yogesh Deshpande	Head, Deptt. of Humanities	Member
9.	Dr. J. D. Ekhe	Head, Deptt. of Chemistry	Member
10.	Dr. L. M. Gupta	Dean (Planning & Finance)	Member
11.	Dr. Rajesh Gupta	Professor in Civil Engg.	Member
12.	Dr. R. K. Ingle	Head, Deptt. of Applied Mechanics	Member
13.	Dr. O. R. Jaiswal	Professor in Applied Mechanics	Member
14.	Dr. O. G. Kakde	Head, Deptt. of Electronics & Computer Science	Member
15.	Dr. Y. B. Katpatal	Dean (Students Counselling)	Member
16.	Dr. A. G. Keskar	Dean (Research & Development)	Member
17.	Dr. M. K. Khedkar	Head, Deptt. of Electrical Engg.	Member
18.	Dr. A. G. Kothari	Dean (Administration)	Member
19.	Dr. K. D. Kulat	Professor in Electronics & Comm.	Member
20.	Shri I. L. Muthreja	Head, Deptt. of Mining Engg.	Member
21.	Dr. P. M. Padole	Head, Deptt. of Mechanical Engg.	Member
22.	Dr. R. K. Paretkar	Professor Metallurgical & Materials Engg.	Member
23.	Dr. R. M. Patrikar	Professor in Electronics & Comm.	Member
24.	Dr. D. R. Peshwe	Head, Deptt. of Metallurgical & Materials Engg.	Member
25.	Dr. A. D. Pofale	Head, Deptt. of Civil Engg.	Member
26.	Dr. G. N. Ronghe	Professor in Applied Mechanics	Member
27.	Dr. S. R. Sathe	Professor in Computer Science Engg.	Member
28.	Prof. S. Shringarputale	Professor of Mining Engg.	Member
29.	Dr. H. M. Suryawanshi	Professor in Electrical Engg.	Member
30.	Dr. K. L. Thakre	Professor in Electrical Engg.	Member
31.	Dr. H. T. Thorat	Dean (Academic)	Member
32.	Dr. A. K. Tiwari	Professor in Mathematics	Member
33.	Dr. S. S. Umre	Chief Warden	Member
34.	Dr. K. L. Wasewar	Head, Deptt. of Chemical Engg.	Member
35.	Dr. B. M. Ganveer	Registrar	Secretary
33.	DI. D. WI. Ganveer	Kogishai	Contrary

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Prof S. V. Bhat from I.I.Sc. Bangalore, Prof. T. S. Sampath Kumar from IIT Madras, Prof. R. B. Nair from IIT Delhi, Dr. N. V. Deshpande and Dr. S. U. Pathak expressed their inability to attend the meeting due to pre-occupation.

Dr. M. M. Mahajan, Dr. V. A. Mhaisalkar, Prof. V. S. Kapse, Dr. C. S. Moghe, Dr. A. P. Gokhale did not attend the meeting.

Mr. Kunal Khilar, General Secretary, Gymkhana, Mr. Shiva N.S.B., Secretary, post graduate Academic Affairs and Mr. Rohit Jaiswal, Secretary, Under graduate Academic Affairs attended part of the meeting as Special invitees.

At the outset, the Chairman Senate placed on record the contribution received from Dr. (Ms) Ghoshal in academic matters. The Chairman also welcomed new inducted members on Senate Dr. Yogesh Deshpande, HoD Humanities, Dr. K. L. Wasewar, HoD, Chemical Engineering, Dr. R. M. Patrikar and Prof. V. S. Adane.

Students representative expressed the following views:

- a. EE Grade shall be continued.
- b. Program requirement, by which a second year student will be required to take 6 courses per semester to complete the credit requirement, be reviewed.

The Senate discussed the views, expressed by Students subsequently during regular agenda discussion.

Agenda items discussed and resolved as under:

S 15.01 To note the draft minutes of the 13th and 14th meeting of the Senate held on 22nd July 2008 and 28th July 2008 respectively.

The Senate noted the draft minutes of 13th and 14th meeting of the Senate.

S 15.02 To note the Action Taken Report on decisions of the 13th and 14th meeting of the Senate.

While deliberating the ATR of 13th Senate meeting, the Senate resolved to withdraw the note Dean(Acd)/6243 dated 26th November 2008 regarding lower cut off for DD grade. Further, since the course book does not include the pre-requisite, it was decided to permit the teachers to decide pre-requisite for their courses and allow consent of teacher for enrollment of the courses. For allowing students to change the course it was decided to permit add/drop facility till 7th January 2009. Looking into need of registering six courses per semester for 2nd year students, it was decided to review the credit requirement again. Heads of the department and Dean (Acd) shall discuss the issue in a meeting convened for the purpose.

13.07(b), regarding having 8 batches for first year mirrored time table, it was clarified that the mirror time table was implemented in odd semester. It was possible to adjust time table without mirroring for even semester and hence was the change. The Senate resolved that the mirroring shall be done only if necessary.

S 14 The House was informed that Dr. Bhalchandra Mungekar, Hon'ble member of Planning Commission consented to grace the 6th Convocation as Chief Guest. The Convocation is scheduled at 11.00 a.m. on Saturday, the 31st January 2009.

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S 15.03 To approve the first year course to B.Tech. programmes from the year 2009-10.

The Senate approved the proposal with following modifications.

HUL 102 shall have the structure – 2+0+2 with credits 6.

MEP 101 Workshop shall have the structure - 0+0+4 with credits 4.

S 15.04 Addendum to change of prorgamme for UG courses only.

The Senate resolved to confirm the practice of sliding followed in other NITs and put-up the suitable proposal in next Senate meeting.

Relaxation in L grade. S 15.05

The Senate approved the relaxation in L grade as proposed.

Norms for engagement of classes. S 15.06

Norms for conduct of practical. S 15.07

Items were withdrawn.

To modify lower and upper limits for credits registered. S 15.08

> The Senate approved the modification in lower and upper limits and resolved to increase permissible number of courses to be registered from 6 to 7 theory subjects by retaining credit limits of 30 and 52 credits. However, for failed student, the limit shall be 40 credits.

S 15.09 Ratification of course book.

Ratified.

S 15.12

Permission to study a subject as "Self study" course. S 15.10

The Senate approved the proposal with deletion of para (2) in agenda.

S 15.11

The members did not feel desirable to introduce any further grade.

Regarding the norms of EE and FF grades, the Senate resolved that

EE grade is, hereby, withdrawn.

1. Students awarded FF grade and passes the exam subsequently shall be treated as passed in second attempt.

2. Rules for students missing Sessional 1 and 2 on valid reason and grade shall remain unchanged.

3. Student absenting from end semester exam even for valid reasons shall be considered failed and awarded FF grade. If he/she passes in re-examination will be considered as passed in 2nd attempt.

4. No student will pass the examination unless appeared for end semester examination.

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S 15.13 To note and ratify the item by circulation.

The Senate ratified the item circulated for approval of a list of degree recipient and medal winners, circulated vide letter No. Adm/Senate/225 dated 22.09.2008. The Senate also approved the names of Mr. R. S. Pande and Mr. S. V. Prayagi who have recently became eligible for award of Ph.D. degree in subjects related to Electronics Engineering and Mechanical Engineering respectively, for award of degree during 6th Convocation.

S 15.14 Any other item(s) with permission of the Chair.

15.14.01 Basis for consideration of completion of 3rd year..... for placement.

The Senate resolved that a student who has completed 200 credits shall be considered as the one who has completed 3rd year of the programme for the batch admitted in 2007 and thereafter. Credit requirement for completion of 3rd year, for students admitted in 2006 or earlier shall be 120 less than the stipulated requirement of 2006 batch. This rule shall be valid for completion of 3rd year in session 2008-09 only. Session 2009-10 and onwards 200 credits shall be applicable for all B.Tech. programmes.

15.14.02 Institution of awards.

The Senate approved with appreciation the awards instituted by following persons:

- (a) M/s Team One Architects (I) Pvt. Ltd. Mumbai
 - (i) Architect Bharat Yamsanwar Award for a student scoring highest CPI/CGPA in P.G. (Planning).
 - (ii) Architect Yamsanwar Award to a student scoring highest marks in Architectural design in B.Arch. course.

Both the awards to be given from the year 2008-09.

(b) Smt. Anjali G. Paithankar, W/o Late Dr. A. G. Paithankar. Dr. A. G. Paithankar, former Professor and Head of the Department of Mining Engineering, VRCE (now VNIT) award to topper amongst B.Tech. Programme.

The award will be given from the year 2007-08.

15.14.03 Clarification and modification in relative grading.

The Senate resolved that

- (a) Normally, minimum and maximum cut offs for award of DD grade shall be 30 and 45 respectively.
- (b) If failures are more than 15% of a class, the matter shall be referred to the Class Committee and if the failure is more than 30% it should be referred to Institute Level Review Committee.

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- (c) For award of grades were distribution skew towards DD grade, grades shall be awarded by calculating class average and standard deviation on the basis of passed students only.
- (d) If class average is more than 70%, due care should be taken so that students are not deprived of AA grade inspite of scoring more than 90% of marks.
- (e) If class strength is 15 or less, suitable grading pattern shall be used.
- (f) For projects absolute grading shall be used.
- (g) Due care shall be taken in practical courses to differentiate between students for award of higher grades. It is not proper that more than 50% students are awarded AA or AB grades.
- (h) If more than 20% students awarded AA and AB grades, matter should be referred to Class Committee.

Modification in Para 14.03(c) to (i) approved a proposed.

15.14.04 Equivalence to percentage marks.

The Senate approved to adopt CGPA/CPI equivalence to percentage marks as per the norms laid down by AICTE with immediate effect.

15.14.05 Students participation in Senate meeting.

The Senate resolved to induct students representatives for participation in deliberations of the Senate meetings.

Three representatives namely, General Secretary, Gymkhana, Secretary, Under Graduate Academic Affairs, Secretary Post Graduate Academic Affairs shall participate in a meeting.

The Senate agenda will be prepared in two parts. First part of agenda will be discussed with Students' Representative's participation, which may concern with matters of general nature. They will not participate in Second part of agenda.

All the above resolutions, unless otherwise specified, shall be brought into force with effect from even semester i.e. December 2008 to April 2009.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

SECRETARY

(S. S. Gokhale) CHAIRMAN