

VISVESVARAYA NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, NAGPUR – 440 010 (INDIA)

Minutes of the 27th (Emergent) meeting of the Senate held on 24th July 2012.

The following members were present;

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	1.	Dr. T. Srinivasa Rao	Director	Chairman
	2.	Dr. V. S. Adane	Professor of Architecture	Member
	3.	Dr. M. V. Aware	Professor of Electrical Engg.	Member
	4.	Dr. S. V. Bakre	Head, Deptt. of Applied Mechanics	Member
	5.	Dr. Animesh Chatterjee	Dean (Research & Consultancy)	Member
	6.	Dr. I. K. Chopde	Head, Deptt. of Mechanical Engg.	Member
	7.	Dr. R. B. Deshmukh	Professor of Electronics Engineering	Member
	8.	Dr. V. K. Deshpande	Professor of Applied Physics	Member
	9.	Dr. (Ms.) Alpana Dongre	Head, Deptt. of Architecture	Member
	10.	Dr. A. S. Gandhi	Professor of Electronics Engineering	Member
	11.	Dr. (Ms) M. Ghoshal	Head, Deptt. of Humanities	Member
	12.	Dr. L. M. Gupta	Professor of Structural Engineering	Member
	13.	Dr. Rajesh Gupta	Dean (Planning & Development)	Member
	14.	Dr. R. K. Ingle	Dean (Faculty Welfare)	Member
	15.	Dr. O. R. Jaiswal	Professor of Structural Engineering	Member
	16.	Dr. Y. B. Katpatal	Professor of Civil Engg.	Member
	17.	Dr. A. G. Keskar	Professor of Electronics & Comm.	Member
	18.	Dr. A. G. Kothari	Professor of Electrical Engg.	Member
	19.	Dr. K. D. Kulat	Head, Deptt. of Electronics Engg.	Member
	20.	Dr. (Mrs.) Anupama Kumar	Head, Deptt. of Chemistry	Member
	21.	Dr. A. M. Kuthe	Professor of Mechanical Engg.	Member
	22.	Dr. D. H. Lataye	Chief Warden	Member
	23.	Dr. S. A. Mandavgane	Head, Chemical Engg. Deptt.	Member
	24.	Dr. V. A. Mhaisalkar	Head, Civil Engg. Deptt.	Member
	25.	Dr. P. M. Padole	Professor of Mechanical Engg.	Member
	26.	Dr. R. K. Paretkar	Professor of Metallurgical & Materials Engg.	Member
	27.	Dr. S. U. Pathak	Professor of Metallurgical & Materials Engg.	Member
	28.	Dr. A. P. Patil	Dean (Students Welfare)	Member
	29.	Dr. R. M. Patrikar	Dean (Academics)	Member
	30.	Dr. (Mrs.) Sujata Patrikar	Head, Deptt. of Applied Physics	Member
	31.	Dr. D. R. Peshwe	Professor of Metallurgical & Materials Engg.	Member
	32.	Dr. S. G. Sapate	Head, Deptt. of Metallurgical & Mat. Engg.	Member
	33.	Dr. S. R. Sathe	Head, Department of Computer Sc. & Engg.	Member
	34.	Prof. S. Shringarputale	Professor of Mining Engg.	Member
	35.	Dr. G. P. Singh	Head, Deptt. of Mathematics	Member
	36.	Dr. H. M. Suryawanshi	Head, Deptt. of Electrical Engg.	Member
	37.	Dr. K. L. Thakre	Professor of Electrical Engg.,	Member
	38.	Dr. S. B. Thombre	Professor of Mechanical Engg & i/c T&P,	Member
	39.	Dr. S. S. Umare	Professor of Chemistry	Member
	40.	Dr. R. R. Yerpude	Head, Deptt. of Mining Engg.	Member
	41.	Dr. B. M. Ganveer	Registrar	Secretary

At the outset, Dr. T. Srinivasa Rao, Director I/c welcomed all the members.

Following issues were discussed;

1. Modification in date of 10th Convocation.

As approved by the Senate, the date of Convocation is fixed as 15th September every year. However, the Chairman, Board of Governors who is also Ex-officio Presiding Officer of the Convocation expressed his inability to grace the occasion on 15.09.2012 as he will be out of country during the time. In view of this and also pending appointment of regular Director, the Senate resolved to postpone the date of Convocation to November 2012. This arrangement is only for the current academic year.

2. To ratify the note approved by the Chairman, Senate.

Modification in the course credit allocation of course AML424 : Structural Dynamics.

Ratified.

3. To decide the cases of students who have completed 6 years but not completed degree courses.

The Senate constituted a Committee of following members to examine each case and submit its reports to the Director by 31st July 2012.

1. Dr. R. M. Patrikar, Dean (Acd)

- Chairman

2. Dr. A. Chatterjee, Dean (R&C)

- Member

3. Dr. V. K. Deshpande, Professor of Physics

- Member

4. Dr. S. B. Thombre, Professor of Mech. Engg.

Member

Based on the report, the Senate authorizes the Director to take suitable action in the matter.

4. Ph.D. valuation.

The Senate deliberated the issue and resolved that the valuation by the expert(s) from the reputed universities / Institutes of foreign countries (preferably from UK, USA) would enhance the credential and quality of the research work. Hence it is necessary that one of the examiner shall be from foreign universities / institution. The concerned guide shall suggest the panel of experts from foreign universities for the purpose.

The senate further resolved that the Ph.D. scholar shall have not less two publications in SCI listed journal to be eligible for submission of Ph.D. thesis.

The above criteria shall be applicable for the scholars admitted for Ph.D. programme in 2012 and onwards, for others it will be treated as desirable.

5. Permission to allow co-quide / co-supervisor during Ph.D. work in progress.

The Senate did not agree to permit co-guide / co-supervisor during the Ph.D. work in progress. The resolution / guidelines of the Senate already in existence shall be scrupulously followed.

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6. Any other item(s).

(i) While deliberating the issues regarding Ph.D. programmes, it was decided that Ph.D. students for part time programme shall not be registered. Only the scholars from reputed research organizations viz. CSIR, NEERI (having adequate and equipped laboratories) be registered for part time Ph.D. programmes, by signing formal MoU.

Presently only department of Electrical Engineering and Met. & Mat. Engineering are the QIP Centres in the Institute. In order to promote Ph.D.s, the Dean (R&C) was requested to pursue the matter for extending this facility to all the departments. Also, it is desirable to have 3 Ph.D. students in general pool, 2 under QIP and 1 under Poly-QIP per department per year.

The Chairman expressed that each faculty shall publish at least 1 paper in SCI Journal every year and shall have one project with funding of Rs.25 Lakhs/year for 5 years. This will enrich the quality and credential of the technical education resulting upgradation of the Institute. Also all the departments have been advised to submit project proposals under FIST to DST.

(ii) In response to the request of HoD Computer Science Engineering, for relaxing the academic qualification for appointment of Teaching Assistant, the Senate resolved that the Teaching Assistant shall be at least post graduate. The Ph.D. students in the Department can be allotted teaching load to the extent of 8 hours a week and also suitable arrangement for teaching programme of UG course shall be done by diverting the faculty from PG to UG. The Head also may request the experts from IT Companies of local area for suitable input.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

(B. M. Ganveer) SECRETARY

(T. Srinivasa Rao) CHAIRMAN