DRAFT MINUTES OF THE 11^{TH} MEETING OF THE SENATE HELD ON 10^{TH} JULY 2007.

The following members were present;

1.	Prof I M Courts		
	Prof. L. M. Gupta	Director I/c	Chairman
2.	Dr. Sukumar Devotta	Director NEERI, Nagpur	Member
3.	Mr. V. S. Adane	Head, Deptt. of Architecture	Member
4.	Dr. Animesh Chatterjee	Professor in Mechanical Engg.	Member
5.	Shri A. D. Chopde	I/c Training & Placement	Member
6.	Dr. I. K. Chopde	Professor in Mechanical Engg.	Member
7.	Dr. A. G. Deshpande	Head, Deptt. of Mathematics	Member
8.	Dr. V. K. Deshpande	Head, Deptt. of Applied Physics	Member
9.	Dr. J. D. Ekhe	Head, Deptt. of Applied Chemistry	Member
10.	Mr. R. R. Gawalpanchi	Professor in Civil Engg.	Member
11.	Dr. (Ms.) M. Ghoshal	Head, Deptt. of Humanities	Member
12.	Dr. Rajesh Gupta	Professor in Civil Engg.	Member
13.	Dr. R. K. Ingle	Head, Deptt. of Applied Mechanics	Member
14.	Dr. O. G. Kakde	Head, Deptt. of Electronics & Comp.Sc.	Member
15.	Dr. Y. B. Katpatal	Dean (Students Counselling)	Member
16.	Dr. A. G. Keskar	Dean (Research & Development)	Member
17.	Dr. M. K. Khedkar	Dean (Administration)	Member
18.	Dr. A. G. Kothari	Head, Deptt. of Electrical Engg.	Member
19.	Dr. K. D. Kulat	Professor in Electronics & Comm.	Member
20.	Dr. V. A. Mhaisalkar	Professor in Civil Engg.	Member
21.	Dr. P. M. Padole	Head, Deptt. of Mechanical Engg.	Member
22.	Dr. R. K. Paretkar	Professor in Metallurgical Engg.	Member
23.	Dr. S. U. Pathak	Head, Deptt. of Metallurgical & Materials Engg.	Member
24.	Dr. R. M. Patrikar	Professor in Electronics Engg.	Member

25.	Dr. D. R. Peshwe	Professor in Metallurgical Engg.	Member
26.	Dr. A. D. Pofale	Head, Deptt. of Civil Engg.	Member
27.	Dr. S. R. Sathe	Professor in Computer Science Engg.	Member
28.	Prof. S. Shringarputale	Head, Deptt. of Mining Engg.	Member
29.	Dr. K. L. Thakre	Professor in Electrical Engg.	Member
30.	Dr. S. B. Thombre	Dean (Academic Affairs)	Member
31.	Dr. H. T. Thorat	Professor in Mechanical Engg.	Member
32.	Dr. A. K. Tiwari	Professor in Mathematics	Member
33.	Dr. S. S. Umre	Chief Warden	Member
34.	Shri B. M. Ganveer	Registrar	Secretary

Dr. J. Mukhopadhyay, Director JNARD & DC Centre, Nagpur, Dr. V. S. Tabhane, Director, Institute of Science, Nagpur, Dr. Tarun Kant, Prof. IIT Bombay, Dr. K. V. Chalpathy Rao, Dean, Osmania University, Dr. Y. V. N. Krishna Murthy, Head RRSSC, Nagpur, Dr. A. K. Sinha, Director, MRSAC, Nagpur expressed their inability to attend the meeting due to pre-occupation.

Dr. C. S. Moghe, Prof. in Comp. Sc. Engg., Dr. A. P. Gokhale, Prof. in Electronics & Comm. and Dr. G. N. Ronghe, Prof. in Appl. Mech. did not attend the meeting.

Agenda items discussed and resolved as under:

To note the minutes of the 10th meeting of the Senate held on 24th January 2007. S 11.01

While noting the minutes of the 10th meeting, it was suggested that the comments received in response to circulation of minutes be put up for discussion in subsequent meeting, for consideration of the Senate.

The Senate constituted the a following Committee for defining the procedure regarding Senate agenda preparation and minutes drafting and approval etc.

- Member
- Member

5. Dr. D. R. Peshwe - Member

The Committee was requested to forward the recommendations to the Chairman,
Senate by 30th August 2007.

S 11.02	To note the Action Taken Report on decisions of the 10th meeting of the Senate
	held on 24 th January 2007.

The ATR was noted with following modifications:

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- S.10.08Necessary action has been taken on equi-distribution of teaching load between Electrical Engineering and Engineering Mechanics.
- S 10.10 The Associate Dean (Acd) be read as Dean (Acd) in the constitution of Students Discipline and Welfare Committee.
- S 10.13 The Senate advised the Chairman to issue a note to all the HoDs regarding formation of Class Committee.

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Item for information. S 11.03

- (a) Duration of Summer Term Course.
- (b) Grade Cards.
- (c) Summer Term Courses.

(d) Students attendance.

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(i) Dean (Students Counseling) - Chairman

(ii) Chief Warden

- Member

(iii)Prof. K. D. Kulat

- Member

(iv)Prof. Rajesh Gupta

- Member

The Committee will determine the norms for extending relaxation (on various grounds) in attendance of students and other related matters.

(e) Statistical report on result.

It was suggested to carry out subjectwise analysis wherever the result is relatively poor.

(f) Minutes of APEC.

The Senate permitted the Dean (Acd) to withdraw para 9, 10 and 11 from the minutes of the APEC meeting.

(g) Minutes of CRC.

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The Senate advised the Institute to notify the resolutions concerning academic programmes on Web-site.

(h) Institution of awards.

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The Senate noted three awards newly instituted and to be offered from academic session 2007-08 including Dr. S. D. Adane Gold Medal jointly sponsored by Shri V. S. Adane and Mrs. Mandakini Lolge for the B.Arch. student securing first position i.e. highest marks in 7, 8, 9 and 10 semester in current year and highest CPI from the next years onwards.

S 11.04 To approve the Academic Calendar for the year 2007-08.

The Senate approved the academic calendar with certain modifications. The House suggested to treat the vacation period uniform to all faculty.

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S 11.05 To approve the list of degree recipients and Institute Medal winners.

The Senate deliberated the issue and resolved that the awards shall be based on CPI. The following Committee is constituted for finalization of awards:

- 1. Professor representative BoG Ex-officio, Chairman
- 2. Senior Faculty not below the rank of Asst. Professor (to be nominated by the Director)
- 3. Dy. R. (Academic) Member-Secretary

The Committee shall submit the procedure and recommendation expeditiously and the Senate empowered the Chairman to take decision in the matter based on Committee's recommendations.

As regards the award for OBC category, the matter is referred to the above Committee.

The Senate approved in principle participation of VNIT in award of O.P.Jindal Scholarship.

S 11.06 To approve the introduction of New Grading System.

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The Senate deliberated the issue and constituted a Committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. A. G. Kothari. Other members of the Committee are Dr. V. K. Deshpande, Dr. D. R. Peshwe and the Dean (Academic). The Committee is advised to submit its report to the Chairman for consideration in the next meeting of the Senate.

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S 11.07 To note and approve the revised schemes of examinations of B.Tech. & M.Tech. programmes in different disciplines.

The Senate noted and approved the proposal with suggested modifications.

S 11.08 To note and approve the syllabus for different subjects.

The Senate noted and approved the proposal including syllabus for M.Tech. programme in CAD/CAM Engineering.

S 11.09 To consider the request received from Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering to start the dual degree programme in Metallurgical Engineering.

The Senate resolved to wait till the directives from the Ministry of HRD are received for admission directly to second year for diploma holders.

S 11.10 To consider the request received from Senate members regarding conferring Honorary Ph.D.

The Senate did not agree the proposal at this stage and resolved to defer the issue.

S 11.11 To consider the change in name of M.Tech. Embedded Electronics Engineering to M.Tech. VLSI Design.

The Senate approved the change with suggested modifications in the proposed scheme of examination.

S 11.12 To ratify the item by Circulation regarding Scheme of Examination of B.Tech. Chemical Engineering.

The Senate was informed about the appointment of Prof. S. S. Umre as OSD for Chemical Engineering. The Senate authorized the Chairman to constitute an Ad-hoc Board of Studies in Chemical Engineering which will prepare a scheme of examination in Chemical Engineering with 82+278 i.e. 320 credits and suggested to place before the next meeting of the Senate.

The OSD re-submitted the Scheme of Examination in Chemical Engineering with 80+287 credits. The Senate further advised to look in to the scheme of 80+287 credits from 4th Semester onwards and check the possibility of having common scheme for the Chemical Engineering programme at VNIT Nagpur. The Senate suggested few modifications and approved the scheme for III Sem. only for the batch admitted in the academic year 2006-07.

A separate account for departmental operating expenses shall be operated by OSD.

The Senate noted with appreciation the offer made by Dr. Devotta for providing visiting faculty in Chemical Engineering from NEERI, Nagpur.

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S 11.13 To consider the proposals received from Chairman, Information Technology & Library (ET&L).

The Senate approved the extended working hours i.e. 14 hours for Library operation.

Five holidays shall include 2nd October for observance. Library is added as one of the choice for the audit course of first semester B.Tech. programme. The Library Workshop shall be held for all 1st year students in rotation.

S 11.14 To rename M.Tech. (by Research) programme into M.E. (by Research).

The Senate directed to transfer the issue to a committee considering the norms for Ph.D.

While deliberating the ATR, with reference to S 10.05 it was decided to review the recommendations on formulation of norms for Ph.D. and M.Tech. (by Research). The Senate advised the Chairman to circulate these norms to all the members of the Senate. The meeting was, therefore, adjourned. The issue will be discussed in the adjourned meeting preferably to be scheduled in the last week of Angust 2007.

CHAIRMAN