

## DRAFT MINUTES OF THE 18<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE SENATE HELD ON 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2009.

The following members were present;

1.	Dr. S. S. Gokhale	Director	Chairman
2.	Dr. M. V. Aware	Professor in Electrical Engg.	Member
3.	Dr. Animesh Chatterjee	Head, Deptt. of Mechanical Engg.	Member
4.	Dr. I. K. Chopde	Professor of Mechanical Engg.	Member
5.	Dr. A. G. Deshpande	Professor of Mathematics	Member
6.	Dr. V. K. Deshpande	Professor of Physics	Member
7.	Dr. Y. M. Deshpande	Head, Deptt. of Humanities	Member
8.	Dr. (Mrs.) Alpana Dongre	Professor of Architecture & Planning	Member
9.	Dr. J. D. Ekhe	Head, Deptt. of Chemistry	Member
10.	Dr. R. S. Gedam	Head, Deptt. of Physics	Member
11.	Dr. A. D. Ghare	Chief Warden	Member
12.	Dr. L. M. Gupta	Dean (Planning & Finance)	Member
13.	Dr. Rajesh Gupta	Head, Deptt. of Civil Engg.	Member
14.	Dr. R. K. Ingle	Professor of Applied Mechanics	Member
15.	Dr. O. G. Kakde	Dean (Acad) & (Research & Development)	Member
16.	Dr. A. G. Keskar	Professor of Electronics & Comm.	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 of Electronics & Comm.	Member
20.	Dr. V. A. Mhaisalkar	Professor in Env. Engg. & i/c T&P	Member
21.	Dr. P. M. Padole	Professor of Mechanical Engg.	Member
22.	Dr. S. U. Pathak	Professor of Metallurgical & Materials Engg.	Member
23.	Dr. A. P. Patil	Professor of Metallurgical & Materials Engg.	Member
24.	Dr. R. M. Patrikar	Head, Deptt. of Electronics & Computer Science	Member
25.	Dr. D. R. Peshwe	Head, Deptt. of Metallurgical & Materials Engg.	Member
26.	Dr. A. D. Pofale	Professor of Civil Engg.	Member
27.	Dr. G. N. Ronghe	Professor of Applied Mechanics	Member
28.	Ms. Chandra Sabnani	Head, Deptt. of Architecture & Planning	Member
29.	Prof. S. Shrigarputale	Professor in Mining Engg.	Member
30.	Dr. H. M. Suryawanshi	Professor in Electrical Engg.	Member
31.	Dr. K. L. Thakre	Professor in Electrical Engg.	Member
32.	Dr. H. T. Thorat	Professor of Mechanical Engg.	Member
33.	Dr. S. S. Umre	Dean (Students Counselling)	Member
34.	Dr. K. L. Wasewar	Head, Deptt. of Chemical Engg.	Member
35.	Dr. B. M. Ganveer	Registrar	Secretary

Prof. T. Sampath Kumar, IIT, Madras, Dr. V. S. Adane, Dr. S. R. Sathe, Dr. R. K. Paretkar, Dr. N. R. Thote and Dr. O. R. Jaiswal sought leave of absence.

Prof S. V. Bhat from I.I.Sc. Bangalore, Prof. (Ms.) R. B. Nair from IIT Delhi, Dr. C. S. Moghe, Dr. N. V. Deshpande and Dr. M. M. Mahajan did not attend the meeting.

Dr. A. K. Tiwari was on leave.



Mr. Shivadeo Rao, Secretary, Post Graduate Academic Affairs and Mr. S. S. Pandharkar, Secretary, Under Graduate Academic Affairs attended the meeting (Part A) as Student's representatives. Mr. Sohil Wazir, General Secretary, Gymkhana was not present.

Shri D. M. Parate, Dy. R. (Acd) and Mrs. A. A. Ansingkar, A.R. (Exam) attended the meeting as Special invitees.

At the outset, the Senate placed on record the services rendered by Dr. H. T. Throat as Dean (Academic) and welcomed Ms. Chandra Sabnani and Dr. N. R. Thote as members of the Senate in their capacity of Head of the Department.

Agenda items discussed and resolved as under :

**S 18.01 To note the draft minutes of the 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Senate held on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2009.**

Noted.

**S 18.02 To note the Action Taken Report on decisions of the 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Senate.**

Noted the ATR on all the items with following suggestions;

S 17.16 The Summer Term Courses shall be offered with the approval of Dean (Acd) / Director and the honorarium payable for conduct of Summer Term Courses shall be Rs. 10,000/-.

S 17.19 As regards registration in Interdisciplinary Board of Studies it was resolved to place the item afresh in next Senate meeting, for deliberation and discussion.

S 17.21 It was resolved that for conduct of M.Tech. (Project) examinations, only local examiners or the faculty having similar specialization across the department within the Institute be invited. The Heads of the Department may review the other factors pertaining to M.Tech. Project Reports and forward the suggestions for consideration of Senate in the next meeting.

*NO SUGGESTION  
IN EITHER OF THE  
ITEMS*

**PART - A**

**S 18.03 Institution of Awards.**

**(i) Institution of cash awards in memory of Late Shri Hemant Karkare.**

Approved.

**(ii) Institution of cash prize sponsored by Dr. A. G. Keskar, Professor of Electronics & Communication Engineering.**

Senate approved the proposal with appreciation for a gesture shown by Dr. A. G. Keskar. Awards to students will be known as Academic Excellence Award instituted by Dr. A. G. Keskar. Respective Heads of the Departments shall identify the name of the subject in the beginning of the next academic session and intimate the same to the student and academic section.

**S 18.04 To consider the simplification of academic processes.**

The Senate approved the proposal with the following suggestions :

1. Mapping of the courses should to be decided by the Institute.
2. First year shall be de-linked from the remaining semesters. — *NOTED for the*
3. The slot for core subjects, D.E. and open courses from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> semester shall be worked out at departmental level. — *NOTED for the*
4. In-semester evaluation of the Audit Course shall be at the discretion of student / teacher. — *NOTED for the*

*The respective  
heads must  
be informed  
in writing  
before the  
next meeting  
of the Senate*

*Noted for the  
respective heads to be  
informed to take  
implement the  
suggestions*



**S 18.05 To consider the time period for submission of Ph.D. / M.Tech. research / M.Arch. Research thesis.**

*M.D. done implemented*  
The Senate resolved that the period of submission of Ph.D. shall be six months from giving pre-submission seminar. However, if 6 monthly seminar scheduled before submission of the thesis, the scholar will not be exempted from giving the seminar.

**S 18.06 To consider revised attendance rules.**

*Implemented*  
The Senate resolved that the minimum attendance shall be 75%. The evaluation shall be same for theory and practical classes. It was further resolved that the actual number of attendance out of total number of classes conducted, shall be shown on the grade card as against percentage.

**S 18.07 Waving off the credit requirement.**

*M.D.*  
Approved.

**PART-B**

**S 18.08 To consider recruitment qualifications for teaching posts in VNIT.**

The Chairman apprised the Senate that the Institution is required to frame its own Recruitment Rules. The Senate requested all the Heads of the Departments to prepare a concrete proposal in consideration of norms to all the departments with reference to,

- (1) Educational qualifications, years of experience in particular cadre, age criteria etc. should be same across all academic departments.
- (2) Number of publications, quality of work, guidance to Ph.D. scholars and M.Tech. Programmes shall be decided by the individual department.
- (3) Norms of R&D activities, testing - consultancy work, patents, writing of books and administrative experience etc. will be decided by individual department.
- (4) The recruitment norms for direct appointment shall not be lower than that of CAS.

The proposal shall be forwarded to the Director by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2010.

**S 18.09 To consider induction of new M.Tech. programme in Construction Technology & Management.**

**S 18.10 Induction of new PG programme in Architecture.**

**S 18.11 Induction of M.Tech. programme in Power Electronics & Drives.**

*Proposed name for PG programme in Architecture*  
The Senate resolved that the concerned Head of the Department shall review the above proposals (S18.09, S18.10, & S18.11), put up to their respective Board of Studies and re-submit in the next Senate for consideration along with minutes of the meeting of the BoS. It was also pointed out that the departments would have to run the courses with the existing faculty for some time.

**S 18.12 Induction of electives in Chemical Engineering programme.**

The Senate requested the Head of the Department of Chemical Engineering to place the proposal before the Board of Studies and re-submit in the next Senate meeting for consideration.

**S 18.13 Dropping of M.Tech. Programs.**

The Senate resolved to empower the Chairman Senate to take necessary action after re-mapping the issue.

**S 18.14 Trimming of intake in certain disciplines.**

Approved.

**S 18.15 Any other item(s) with permission of the Chair.**

**18.16.1. Examination reforms in NITs for admission.**

Approved.

**18.16.2 Setting up of Technology Incubation Centre (TICE).**

Approved.

**18.16.3 Permission to carry out M.Tech. project work in R&D labs / industry.**

Approved with following suggestions;

1. The guide shall take the total responsibility to monitor the work.
2. The Department shall forward the cases along with all details and specific remarks to the Dean (R&D).

**18.16.4 Duration for completion of Ph.D. (Full time / Part time) & M.Tech. (by Research).**


The Senate approved that the duration for Ph.D. (Part Time) – 4 years, Ph.D. (Full Time) – 3 years and M.Tech. / M.Arch. (by Research) – 2½ years.

**18.16.5. Item for information. Observations / suggestions for next CCB for 2010 admissions.**

The Senate noted the information.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

  
**(B. M. Ganveer)**  
**SECRETARY**

  
**(O. G. Kakde)**  
**Dean (Acd)**

  
**(S. S. Gokhale)**  
**CHAIRMAN**