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NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, ROURKELA

105th (Emergency) MEETING OF THE SENATE
[Through MS TEAM]

Date : 5th August, 2021 (Thursday)
Time : 05:30 PM

MINUTES

Senate-105[2021]-01: Welcome to the members and invitees by the Chairman, Senate.

The Director and Chairman, Senate welcomed all members and invitees to the 105th (Emergency) meeting of the Senate conducted in online mode through MS-Team.

A. RULES, PROCEDURES, CURRICULA AND POLICY MATTERS : NIL

B. UNDERGRADUATE AND POSTGRADUATE STUDIES:

Senate-105[2021]-02: Conducting Supplementary Examination-2021 for other than final year students:

After publication of the results of Autumn and Spring semesters 2020-21 it was observed that a large no. of students (UG & PG) were not eligible to continue their studentship due to poor academic performance. Moreover, due to outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic, neither the Summer courses nor the Supplementary Examination could be conducted in 2020 to facilitate students to improve their CGPA.

In view of the above, it was proposed to conduct Supplementary Examination-2021 for other than final year UG & PG students.

The Senate deliberated on the proposal and decided the following:

- Supplementary Examination – 2021 for UG & PG students to be conducted between 11-14 August, 2021.
- Since there is no supplementary examination for Lab courses, students for whom Lab reports/assignments could not reach their course teachers due to internet/technical issues, concerned teachers can complete evaluation of Lab courses for such students afresh by 9th August, 2021 and apply for mark change.
- Mark change portal for the students will be opened till 9th August, 2021 for students and till 14th August, 2021 for faculty/DAC.

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Senate-105[2021]-03: Starting of classes for Autumn 2021-22:

In view of the Supplementary Examination-2021, the time schedule for starting of classes for Autumn 2021-22 except that for 1st Semester UG students was again deliberated with modification. It was proposed that the registration will be done on 19/08/2021, classes will start on 23/08/2021 and the End-Sem exam will be closed by 12/12/2021.

The Senate approved the proposal. Further the Senate decided that Mid-Semester Examination of Autumn 2021-22 will be conducted centrally and the date for the same will be intimated by Academic Office later.

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C. RESEARCH STUDIES: NIL

D. DISCIPLINE, ENDOWMENT AND STUDENT AFFAIRS: NIL

E. MISCELLANEOUS

Senate-105[2021]-04: Any other matter with permission of the Chair.

Item-1: Procurement of Proctored software:

As regards to the Senate resolution no. Senate-104[2021]-05 (v) for Procurement of Proctored software, after detailed deliberation the Senate decided not to go for Proctored software.

Item-2: Registration Seminar of Ms. Geetikamayee Padhi, Roll No. - 518CH8003

Ms Geetikamayee Padhi, Roll No.- 518CH8003 has enrolled into PhD program on 26/07/2018. As per the regulation, she should have given Registration Seminar on or after 26/01/2020. However, she gave her Registration seminar 12 days early i.e., on 15/01/2020. As per Senate decision, she was communicated by the Academic Office on 06/07/2021 to repeat her Registration Seminar. Due to late communication, the student got delayed by one and half years and therefore HOD(CH) requested to accept her original date of Registration.

The Senate accepted her original Registration date i.e 15/01/2020.

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Item-3: Comprehensive Examination for Spring 2020-21:

As per Regulation, Comprehensive Examination for Spring Semester 2020-21 is supposed to be completed on 10th August, 2021. However, considering the COVID-19 pandemic and the fact that students are not in the campus, Senate decided that Comprehensive Examination for Spring Semester 2020-21 to be completed and mark to be uploaded by 31st August, 2021.



Item-4: Case of Shri Reyshav Chaurasia, Roll No - 116MN0003

Shri Reyshav Chaurasia, Roll No - 116MN0003 taken admission in the year 2016 and was under the old curriculum. He was awarded punishment of UR status in all courses of 5th semester due to examination malpractice. He registered for all courses of 5th semester while in 9th semester (Autumn 2020-21) as per the new curriculum which is in force w.e.f. 2017 admission batch. But due to difference of one course between old and new curriculum in the 5th semester, one course MN393: Special Laboratory in Mining Engineering – I

for him in the online portal is showing UR. He has requested to graduate him deleting the said course of 5th semester. DAC(MN) has also recommended for the same.

The Senate deliberated on the issue. Since the student has completed full set of courses meant for 5th semester in the new curriculum and the old curriculum is not offered by the department, Senate decided to declare him as graduated deleting the course MN393 in the old curriculum with UR status in the 5th semester.

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Item-5: Case of Shri Ashreya Kumar Khatua, Roll No. – 115ME0434.

Shri Ashreya Kumar Khatua, Roll No. – 115ME0434 taken admission in the year 2015 and was under the old curriculum. He repeated the First year and at present has two courses of 4th semester ME6237: Production Planning and Control and ME2171: Machine Drawing and Solid Modelling with UR status. As per DAC(ME), due to change in curriculum w.e.f. 2017 admission batch he completed similar courses in higher semesters without any replacement of courses in his 4th semester. He has requested to graduate him deleting those two course of 4th semester. DAC(ME) has also recommended for the same.

The Senate deliberated on the issue and decided that since Shri Khatua has not completed two courses of 4th semester as per curriculum, he has to register for two courses in Autumn 2021-22 in lieu of two UR courses of 4th semester and on completion, he will be graduated subject to satisfying graduation requirements as per Regulations.

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Item-6: Capping on permitting Institute regular Non-teaching employees to take admission in Executive PhD programme:

Some regular Non-teaching employees of the Institute have requested to take admission in Executive PhD programme considering 15% of the employees restriction to be imposed at the Institute level instead of department level since there is no sanctioned strength at department level for non-teaching employees.

The Senate referred it to the Deans & Heads Committee as the matter is administrative in nature.



Item-7: Capping on the maximum no. of PhD students to be allotted to a faculty for supervising:

Prof. G K Panda (MA) submitted a representation proposing a scheme for allotment of maximum no. of PhD students under one supervisor.

The Senate deliberated on the issue and decided to continue with the provisions as per present PhD Regulations.

[Annexure – A6, Page No.]

Item-8: Autumn 2021-22 Semester Fee exemption to Research students on submission of thesis during Autumn 2021-22:

Due to COVID-19 pandemic situation and suffering of self and/or supervisor from COVID-19, some research students could not submit thesis during Spring 2020-21, but expecting to submit thesis very soon. They have requested for exemption of Autumn 2021-22 semester fee.


The Senate decided that Autumn 2021-22 Semester fee will be waived to all those research students who will be submitting thesis by 30/9/2021.

Item-9: Admission of Shri Kumar Ram, applicant of Executive PhD in MN department:

HOD(MN) submitted that one applicant Shri Kumar Ram applied for admission to Executive PhD programme in MN Department, but could not be given offer of admission due to non-matching of academic eligibility as per advertisement and desired to consider his candidature by changing academic eligibility.

The Senate advised HOD(MN) to propose the change in academic eligibility for admission to PhD/Executive PhD programmes of the department through DRC for approval of the Senate. However, the proposed change in academic eligibility will be effective after approval by the Senate, and not for the cases of current advertisement.


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