

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
ROURKELA**

Minutes

93rd Meeting of the Senate



MEETING No: 93rd Senate Meeting
DATE : 15.06.2020 (Monday)
TIME : 10:30 AM
VENUE : B. B. Auditorium

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MINUTES

Senate-93[2020]-01: Welcome to the members and invitees by the Chairman, Senate.

The Chairman welcomed all the Senators and Invitees to the meeting. He also welcomed the members who joined the meeting through online mode.

Senate-93[2020]-02: Publication of results of 2nd, 4th, 6th & 8th semesters B.Tech., 2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th and 10th semesters B.Arch., Dual degree B.Tech. & M.Tech, and Five years Integrated M.Sc., 2nd & 4th semesters M.Tech., M.Sc., MBA and MA Spring 2019-20 examinations and approval of the list of graduating B.Tech., B.Arch., Dual degree B.Tech. & M.Tech. Integrated M.Sc., M.Tech., M.Sc., MBA and MA students.

The Spring 2019-20 results as recommended by the UGPEC and PGPEC were put up on the table by PIC, Examinations for approval of the Senate. Since all students were asked to leave the institute due to Covid-19 pandemic within a short notice period in March, many of the students could not submit leave applications. Moreover, attendance is also not available for the entire semester. So it was proposed not to prepare any debar/grade back list with incomplete attendance and leave data.

- The Senate approved the above results except the eight subjects namely CE2704: Surveying Field Work, CH476: CAD Laboratory, CY478:Product development Laboratory-II, CY594: Seminar and Technical Writing-II, CH676:Software Laboratory – IV, CR6172: Advanced Ceramic Processing Laboratory, and MM698: Computational Modeling of Physical behavior of Materials because all the students registered in each of these subjects were given the same grade. The Senate decided to get the grades revised by the concerned teachers and then publish.*
- The Senate also approved the proposal of not preparing any debar/grade backlist for the current semester as a special case which is not to cited as precedence in future under any circumstances.*

- *The Senate advised all faculty to retain a copy of all the grades/marks whenever they marked on the records/notebooks of students so that in future even if students leave the institute midway during any semester like that happened in the recent Covid-19 pandemic situation, the teacher would be able to finalize the grade, even if students cannot submit his records at the end of semester.*

Senate-93[2020]-03: Any other matter with permission of the Chair.

(1) To confirm the minutes of 92nd meeting of the Senate held on 26.05.2020.

The draft minutes of 92nd meeting of the Senate, provisionally approved by the Chairman, Senate were circulated to all members. No comments/ suggestions on the correctness of the recording of the minutes were received from any member. Senate may confirm the minutes.

The Senate confirmed the Minutes of the 92nd meeting of the Senate with the following amendments:

- Senate-92[2020]-03(2): a) The branch change for 1st year students will be done as per the academic regulations. The results of Special End Semester examination which is meant for improvement of grades and is planned to be conducted after the institute reopens, shall not be considered for branch change. b) The students who are supposed to be terminated may be allowed to register for next semester with undertakings from him and his parents to leave the institute if he does not secure requisite grades even after appearing at the above mentioned Special End Semester Examination for improvement of grades.*
- Senate-92[2020]-03(5): There will be online examination of 2 hour duration accounting towards 50 marks for end semester Supplementary exam. The mark obtained in this exam shall be extrapolated to 80 marks for mid semester and end semester examinations taken together in case of students who have registered for Summer courses. This procedure of marking shall be applicable for students of all years and all programmes appearing for supplementary/ summer examination of AY 2019-20.*
- Senate-92[2020]-03(11): If thesis is not submitted within 15 days after reopening of institute, the student has to register for the next semester with zero credit paying. If the student has already presented synopsis seminar, tuition fee shall be waived off as per existing rule.*



(2) Online Seminars of PhD and MTech (Research) students.

In view of uncertainty in allowing students to come back to institute to resume their work, all Ph.D and M.Tech(Research) students shall be allowed to present all their seminars like registration, enhancement, synopsis, conference return etc. through online mode preferably using MS Team application.

(3) Appeal of Mukti Mandavi on her termination due to poor academic performance.

Mukti Mandavi Roll 117CS0224 was terminated in accordance with academic regulations due to non-registration of two consecutive semesters. Senate vide its resolution No. Senate-89[2019]-06 dated 3rd Jan, 2020 had advised her to submit all relevant medical documents for consideration of her appeal to reinstate her studentship Accordingly, she had submitted all documents.

After detailed discussion, the Senate permitted her to reinstate studentship with undertaking from her and her parents.

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(4) Appeal of Bharat Ku. Rai & other Students and S. Adabala who were awarded ISDC punishments.

Vide resolution No. Senate-92[2020]-10 dated 26-05-2020, the Senate had awarded punishment of social work, grades back, UR, semester back, cancellation of unauthorized leaves to Bharat Kumar Rai Roll 417PH5056 and 61 other students against ISDC case no. 02/2019-20 and expulsion from institute to Snehith Adabala Roll 419CY 5022 for the charges of false information and impersonation against ISDC case no. 03/2019-20. All the students had appealed to reduce the punishment.

- a) *Case No. 02/2019-20: Since at present, the students are not allowed to enter into the campus due to Covid-19 and some of those students have already graduated and are about to join their jobs, it is not feasible for those students to work in the library for 1 month. So, the Senate condoned the punishment of social work in library for the students who have already graduated. Senate retained all other punishments like grade backs, UR and semester back. However, Senate waived off the additional punishment to all students i.e. cancellation of their reported leaves which were already approved in the last semester and consequences thereof.*
- b) *Case No. 03/2019-20: The Senate upheld its earlier decision to expel Snehith Adabala from the institute.*



(5) Discrepancies in recommendation of Prof. B. K. Nanda Committee.

Prof. S. Bhattacharya, CR dept made a PPT slide presentation on few discrepancies in the recommendations of Prof. B. K. Nanda Committee with the existing academic regulations, the details of which are enclosed in Annexure. These recommendations have been approved earlier vide resolution numbers 2017-69-Senate-19 dated 28-02-2017 & 01-03-2017 and 2017-71-Senate-07 dated 16-06-2017.

The Senate resolved to withhold the implementation of recommendations of Prof. B. K. Nanda committee and to constitute a committee consisting of Dean (AA), Asso. Dean (AA) and Prof. S. Panigrahi of PH dept to examine the discrepancies.

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