NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SILCHAR

MINUTES OF 84TH MEETING OF THE SENATE

DATE: 20.12.2023 TIME: 11.00 AM

The Eighty Fourth (84th) meeting of the Senate was held on **20.12.2023** at **11.00** AM in the Conference Hall of the New Administrative Building. The following Senate members attended the meeting:

- 1. Prof. D.K. Baidya, Director and Chairman, Senate
- 2. Prof. F.A. Talukdar, Professor, ECE Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 3. Prof. S. Baishya, Professor, ECE Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 4. Prof. P.S. Choudhury, Professor, CE Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 5. Prof. P.K. Patowari, Professor, ME Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 6. Prof. M.A. Ahmed, Professor, CE Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 7. Prof. Parthajit Roy, Professor, CE Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 8. Prof. U. Kumar, Professor, CE Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 9. Prof. N.B. Dev Choudhury, Professor, EE Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 10. Prof. S. Chaudhury, Professor, EE Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 11. Prof. Brinda Bhowmick (Shome), Professor, ECE Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 12. Prof. Asim Roy, Professor, Physics Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 13. Prof. M. Sen, Professor, Maths Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 14. Prof. S.S. Dhar, Professor, Chemistry Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 15. Prof. P. Barman, Professor, Chemistry Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 16. Prof. A.K. Goswami, Professor, EE Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 17. Prof. L.C. Saikia, Professor, EE Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 18. Prof. B. Purkayastha, Professor, CSE Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 19. Prof. J.P. Mishra, Professor, EE Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 20. Prof. S.H. Laskar, Professor, EIE Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 21. Prof. N.B. Singh, Professor, HSS Deptt., NIT Silchar
- 22. Prof. K.L. Baishnab, Registrar i/c & Secretary Senate, NIT Silchar

The following special invitees also attended the meeting.

- 1. Dr. Pinki Roy, HoD, CSE
- 2. Dr. S. Pati, HoD, ME
- 3. Dr. Ashim Kr Das, HoD i/c, MS
- 4. Dr. T. Khan, Assoc. Dean (Acad)
- 5. Dr. A. Nandi, Assoc. Dean (Exam)

The Senate noted the leave of absence in respect of Prof. R. Gupta and Prof. S.K. Roy.

At the outset, the Director & Chairman Senate welcomed all the Senate members & the special invitees who attended the meeting. The Senate then initiated the discussion on the agenda items and the following resolutions were adopted.

S-84/23/01: To consider confirmation of the minutes of the 82nd & 83rd meetings of the Senate held on 13.10.2023 & 31.10.2023

Draft minutes of the 82nd & 83rd meetings of the Senate were circulated to all the members of the Senate (**Annexure-I**) & (**Annexure-II**). No comments have been received from any of the members on the circulated minutes.

The Senate may confirm the minutes.

Decision:

The Senate confirmed the minutes of the 82nd & 83rd meetings of the Senate.

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S-84/23/02: To consider actions taken on the decisions adopted in the 82nd & 83rd meetings of the Senate

The Senate may note the action taken report on the decisions adopted in the 82nd & 83rd meetings of the Senate at **Annexure-I & Annexure-II**.

Decision:

The Senate noted the actions taken on the decisions adopted in the 82^{nd} & 83^{rd} meetings of the Senate.

S-84/23/03: To consider the concept of introducing supplementary examination for the UG program after end semester exams for clearing the backlog subjects

The matter was placed in the 82nd meeting of the Senate under agenda item no. S-82/23/04 wherein the Senate decided that a committee be constituted in this regard and authorised Chairman, Senate to constitute a committee. Subsequently a committee was constituted and the report submitted by the committee is placed at **Annexure-III.**

The Senate is requested to kindly deliberate on the matter & take a suitable decision accordingly.

Decision:

The Senate have gone through the report of the committee and after detailed discussion resolved the following:

- (i) Supplementary Examination be introduced for the UG & PG courses after declaration of the even semester result for clearing backlog courses, during the summer vacation. A student can register for a maximum of 5 subjects of any semester. The examination will be conducted for 80 marks covering the full syllabus. The 20 marks for sessional will be carried forward from already secured sessional marks of that course registered last as a regular course. The examination will be of three hours duration. The modalities for conducting the supplementary examination be notified by the Dean (Academic). Further, Summer Semester will be conducted only for the 1st year courses provided the number of student registered should be more than 10.
- (ii) Regarding 'W' Grade cases, the Senate agreed with the recommendation of the committee to evaluate the answer scripts of end semester examination for UG 2nd Semester and Summer Semester 2023 and declare the results as a one-time measure.

S-84/23/04: To consider the proposal of the Dept. of Chemistry for issuance of Equivalence Certificate in respect of M.Sc in Chemistry

The Dept. of Chemistry has submitted a letter vide dated 05.12.2023 for issuance of Equivalence Certificate mentioning that M.Sc in Applied Chemistry offered by the Dept. of Chemistry should be treated at par with M.Sc in Chemistry. Copy of the said letter is placed at **Annexure-IV**.

The Senate is requested to kindly deliberate on the matter & take a suitable decision accordingly.

Decision:

The Senate deliberated on the agenda item and decided that the Equivalence Certificate can be issued. Further, considering the scenario, the Senate also recommended that from next academic year onwards, the nomenclature of M.Sc in

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Applied Chemistry & M.Sc in Applied Physics be changed to M.Sc in Chemistry and M.Sc in Physics.

S-84/23/05: To consider the proposal of the Dept. of Management Studies for incorporating changes in the EMBA program Regulation

The Dept. of Management Studies has submitted a proposal for incorporating some changes in the EMBA program regulation. Copy of the said proposal is placed at **Annexure-V.**

The Senate is requested to kindly deliberate on the matter & take a suitable decision accordingly.

Decision:

After threadbare discussion, the Senate decided that the minimum graduation marks to be eligible for admission in the EMBA program should be 45% in any discipline. The classes can be held online however the examination assessment procedure should be at par with the existing other PG courses.

S-84/23/06: To ratify the approval accorded in respect of the proposal of the Dept. of ECE for inclusion of new elective subjects in the UG syllabus

The matter was placed in the 82nd meeting of the Senate wherein the Senate asked HoD, ECE to conduct an inter-departmental meeting & place the proposal in the said meeting. Further, the revised proposal be submitted accordingly to the Dean (Academic) for further course of action.

The Dept. of ECE have submitted a revised proposal to include some new elective subjects in the 6th & 8th semester. Details of the same is furnished below.

Subject Code	Subject Name	Semester 6 th	
EC-389A	IOT and Applications		
EC-496A	Computer Vision	8 th	
EC-496B	Deep Learning and Applications	8 th	
EC-496C	Electronic Waste Management	8 th	
EC-496D	Green Electronics and Green Energy	8 th	
EC-496E	Pattern Recognition and Applications		
EC-496F Digital Speech Processing		8 th	
EC-496G	EC-496G Robotic Electronics		
EC-496H	196H Fundamentals of 5G Communications		

The said proposal is duly approved by the competent authority.

The Senate is requested to ratify the action taken in this regard.

Decision:

The Senate ratified the action taken in this regard.

S-84/23/07: To ratify the Academic Calendar for the even semester (Jan-June 2024)

A committee was constituted to frame the Academic Calendar for the even semester (Jan-June 2024). The Academic Calendar is placed at **Annexure-VI**. The same is approved by the competent authority.

The Senate is requested to ratify the Academic Calendar for the even semester (Jan-June 2024).

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Decision:

The Senate ratified the Academic Calendar with a minor modification that the end semester examination for theory subjects should start from 06th May 2023 i.e. Monday.

S-84/23/08: To take a note on the punishment sanctioned to 04 students due to adoption of unfair means during Mid Sem Examination held in Oct 2023.

04 B.Tech. students adopted unfair means during the Mid Sem examination held in Oct 2023. Depending upon the quantum of offence, recommendation of the Examination Disciplinary Committee and approval of the competent authority, the following punishments were awarded to them:

SN	Name of the Student / Regn. No.	Sub Code / Name of the Subject & Name of Coordinator	Nature of offence	Punishment Sanctioned
1	Sanni Kiran 2112085	CS 303 Operating System	Kept paper cheat on desk	For all the cases, mid- semester answer script of the concerned subjects are cancelled and 'F' Grade is given in the concerned subjects for the current semester examination. The concerned students are allowed to register the respective subjects in the summer semester or in the appropriate regular semester. The grade which will be obtained by all these students when they appear for the concerned subject in the appropriate semester be reduced by one grade.
2	Amartya Ahmed 2112005	CS 304 Software Engineering	Written note found in geometry box	
3	V. Vinay Kumar 2212145	CH 101 Chemistry	Copying from written paper	
4	Banoth Samba 2213113	EC 101 Basic Electronics	Caught with paper cheat	

The Senate may note the same.

Decision:

The Senate noted the punishment imposed.

S-84/23/09: Any other matter with the permission of the Chair

(A) To discuss & decide on the punishment to be imposed for adoption of unfair means during the End Sem Examination held in Nov-Dec 2023

Few students were caught for adopting unfair means during the End Sem Examination held in Nov-Dec 2023. Accordingly, meeting of the Examination Disciplinary Committee (EDC) was held in the office of Dean (Acad) to decide on the quantum of punishment to be imposed to these students. The minutes of the meeting of the EDC is placed at **Annexure-VII**.

The Senate is requested to discuss on the recommendation of the EDC & decide accordingly.

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Decision:

The Senate have gone through the minutes of the meeting of the EDC and after detailed discussion, it was resolved that in respect of the student at S. No. 1 viz. Nenavath Mukesh (2214055), the subject MA 201 be de-registered in the current semester and he can register the concerned subject only in the appropriate semester as a regular course, in addition to the other punishment recommended. For the remaining students, the Senate agreed with the punishment recommended by the EDC.

The Senate also resolved that as a policy for imposing punishment due to adoption of unfair means in the examination for repeated offenders, the entire courses of the semester in which the concerned student is caught for the malpractice will be deregistered. Further, from next semester onwards if a student is caught for adoption of unfair means in the examination, the concerned subject in which he/she is caught will be de-registered and the student can register the subject only in the appropriate semester as a regular course. The Senate requested the Dean (Academic) to notify the decision taken accordingly.

(B) To note on the review of punishment imposed to 04 UG students for gross violation of discipline and misconduct in connection to the incident happened on 27/07/23 at NIT Silchar (Boys Hostel-4)

04 UG students were rusticated for 02 semesters (July-Dec 2023 & Jan-June 2024 sessions) with expulsion from the hostel for the same period in connection to the incident happened on 27/07/2023 at Boys Hostel-4. The matter was reported for noting in the 82nd meeting of the Senate.

However, based on the advice of the higher authority a committee was constituted to review the penalty imposed. The copy of the order dated 08.11.2023 notifying the penalty imposed on the 04 UG students after review is placed at **Annexure-VIII**.

The Senate is requested to note the same.

Decision:

The Chairman, Senate apprised that a committee was constituted to review the punishment imposed and based on the recommendation of the committee the decision was taken.

The Senate noted and ratified the action taken.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Registrar i/c & Secretary, Senate

Director & Chairman, Senate

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