

**THE XXXIII<sup>rd</sup> MEETING  
OF  
SENATE**

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY  
MEGHALAYA**

**MINUTES**

*Day: Wednesday*

*Date: 07.06.2023*

*Time: 2:30 PM*

*Venue: Conference Room*

*Mode: Hybrid Mode (online and offline)*

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MEGHALAYA****Minutes of the XXXIII<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Senate held on 07.06.2023**

The XXXIII<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Senate of NIT Meghalaya was held on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2023, at the Conference Room of the Institute through hybrid mode (online as well as in person) from 2:30 PM onwards. The following members attended the meeting:

1. Prof. G. Panda, Director, NIT Meghalaya	- Chairman
2. Prof. N.C. Shivaprakash, IISC Bangalore	- Member
3. Prof. N. Tripathy, IIM, Shillong	- Member
4. Prof. H. C. Das, Professor, NIT Meghalaya	- Member
5. Prof. A. Bhattacharjee, Professor, NIT Meghalaya	- Member
6. Dr. A. Banerjee, Dean (AA), NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
7. Dr. C. Marthong, Dean (P&D), NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
8. Dr. G. Dutta, Dean (R&C), NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
9. Dr. P. S. Mangang, HoD, HS, NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
10. Dr. D. S. Roy, HoD (i/c), CS, NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
11. Dr. P. Saha, HoD, EC, NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
12. Dr. S. Debbarma, HoD, EE, NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
13. Dr. H. Kalita, HoD, CE, NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
14. Dr. K. Debnath, HoD, ME, NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
15. Dr. B. Kumbhakar, HoD, MA, NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
16. Dr. K. Senthilkumar, HoD, PH, NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
17. Dr. N.K. Nath, HoD, CY, NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
18. Dr. R. Roy, PIC-UG (AA), NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
19. Dr. B. K. Balabantaray, PIC-PG&R (AA), NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
20. Mrs. A. Rai, Asst. Registrar (AA), NIT Meghalaya	- Spl. Invitee
21. Dr. R. N. Mahapatra, Registrar, NIT Meghalaya	- Secretary

An external Senate member, Prof. M. Panda, NIT Rourkela, could not attend the meeting due to prior commitments and leave of absence was granted to him.

At the outset, the Chairman, Senate welcomed the members and the special invitees to the thirty third meeting of the Senate. Thereafter, the agenda items of the day were taken up.

**Item No.1: Confirmation of Minutes of the XXXII<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Senate of NIT Meghalaya held on 29.03.2023.**

The Thirty second meeting of the Senate of the Institute was held on 29.03.2023 in the Conference Room of the Institute through hybrid mode (online and in person). The minutes of the meeting were circulated amongst the distinguished members of the Senate for their comments/observations. However, no comments were received from the members.

**R1/SENATE-XXXIII/23:** *The Senate **Resolved to Confirm** the minutes of the XXXII<sup>nd</sup> Senate Meeting held on 29th March 2023.*

**Item No.2: Actions Taken Report on the Decision of the XXXII<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Senate.**

The actions taken on the decision of the XXXII<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Senate were presented during the meeting and the Senate members noted the actions taken by the Institute.

**R2/SENATE-XXXIII/23:** *The Senate **Noted and Confirmed** the actions taken on the*

resolutions of the XXXIInd Senate Meeting after recommending to complete the upcoming Curriculum Development Workshop by June 2023 so that the same can be implemented from the AY 2023-24 onwards.

### **Items for Approval**

#### **Item No.3: Early Submission of Thesis by a Ph.D (Part Time) Scholar**

The Senate was briefed about an application received for early submission from a part-time scholar, Mr. J.R.K. Dabbakuti, who is working under the supervision on of Dr. P. Rangababu, Asst. Prof, EC Dept, NIT Meghalaya and under the Co-Supervision of Dr. A. Kiran Kumar, Prof. EC Dept, KLEF (Deemed to be University, Andhra Pradesh.) The Senate discussed the matter and on finding that the scholar satisfies the criteria for early submission of thesis, resolved to approve the same.

**R3/SENATE-XXXIII/23:** *The Senate **Resolved to Approve** the Early Submission of Thesis by the above mentioned scholar.*

#### **Item No.4: Appointment of Adjunct Faculty in the EE Department**

For appointment of an Adjunct Faculty in the EE department of the Institute, the recommendations of the Department Academic Committees (DAC), EE was forwarded by the Chairman, ACoFAR, for approval of the Senate:

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Dept</b>	<b>Adjunct Faculty</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>Remarks by ACoFAR</b>
1.	EE	Dr. Tarlochan S. Sidhu	Professor, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, Ontario Tech University, CANADA	Recommended (New Appointment)

The CV of Dr. Tarlochan S. Sidhu was presented during the meeting. The Senate deliberated on the matter and agreed to approve the proposal for appointment of Dr. Sidhu as an Adjunct Faculty in the EE Department for a period of three (3) years from the date of issue of the offer of appointment letter.

**R4/SENATE-XXXIII/23:** *The Senate **Resolved to Approve** the proposal for appointment of Dr. T. S. Sidhu as an Adjunct Faculty in the EE Department for a period of three (3) years from the date of issue of the offer of appointment letter.*

#### **Item No.5: MoU under INUP i2i Program with IIT Guwahati**

The Senate was briefed about an email received from the Head of Centre, Centre of Nanotechnology, IIT Guwahati for signing of MoU between IIT Guwahati and NIT Meghalaya and how the MoU would be helpful for the scholars working under INUP IIT Guwahati as well as the faculties working in device fabrication and characterization. The Senate appreciated and recommended to go ahead with the signing of MoU under INUP i2i Program with IIT Guwahati with approval of the BoG.

**R5/SENATE-XXXIII/23:** *The Senate appreciated the initiate and **Resolved to Recommend** the same for approval of the BoG.*

### **Item No.6: Results, Spring 2023 (excluding UG 2nd Semester)**

The Senate was briefed that the results for Spring 2023 (excluding UG 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester) was scheduled to be declared on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June, 2023 as per the Academic Calendar. The UG, PG & Ph.D results were presented before the Senate and after a brief discussion, the Senate resolved to approve the results for declaration.

**R6/SENATE-XXXIII/23:** *The Senate Resolved to Approve the results of Spring 2023 (excluding UG 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester) for declaration.*

### **Item No.7: Proposal to Improve M.Tech Admission 2023**

The APC in its XXVIIth meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2023 unanimously opined on allowing Self-Sponsored Non-GATE candidates for admission to M.Tech Programme through Institute Entrance Exam (for vacant seats after CCMT Admissions), so as to improve M.Tech admissions from the AY 2023-24 onwards. Thus, the matter was placed once again before the Senate for appropriate decision. During discussion, the Senate was also briefed that for such candidates, all the selection criteria would remain the same, except for GATE qualification and they would also not be entitled for the Institute Scholarship which is issued to GATE qualified students as per the MoE norms.

After thorough brainstorming on this matter, the Senate resolved to allow Non-GATE candidates, along with GATE qualified candidates, to apply for the vacant seats after the CCMT admissions are over. The Senate clarified that Non-GATE Self Sponsored candidates would be allowed to apply for the M.Tech Programme initially for the AY 2023-24 under trial mode, after which the Institute should conduct a review on its progress and present the report before the Senate. Further, the Senate also suggested that the total number of Non-GATE candidates selected through the Institute Entrance Examination should not be above 50% of the total sanctioned strength.

**R7/SENATE-XXXIII/23:** *The Senate Resolved to Approve the proposal for AY 2023-24 admission and based on the review, the same may be placed for future decision.*

### **Item No.8: Special Exam for PG Final Year Students**

The Senate was briefed about the provision of Special Examination which is offered to the UG final year and UG passed out batches with backlog course(s), provided the students have already secured marks in the internal assessments and the mid-term examination. It was proposed to allow eligible final year PG students with backlog course(s) also to appear for the Special Exam so that the duration of their course do not extend by another semester or a year.

The Senate discussed on the matter and resolved to allow eligible PG final year students to appear for the special exam with immediate effect.

**R8/SENATE-XXXIII/23:** *The Senate Resolved to Approve Special Exams for the eligible PG final year students with immediate effect.*

### **Items for Ratification:**

#### **Item No. 9: Increase in Mess Advance Amount from Autumn 2023.**

The Senate was briefed that the Hostel Management Committee had proposed to increase the Hostel Mess Advance amount collected from all the hostellers during course registration from ₹.21,000/- to ₹. 25,000/- from Autumn 2023. This was proposed in order to avoid the collection of additional mess dues at the end of the semester, against the extra mess expenditure incurred, which is currently prevalent.

The Senate resolved to ratify the increase of the Hostel Mess Advance to ₹. 25,000/- for all the hostellers with effect from Autumn 2023.

**R9/SENATE-XXXIII/23:** *The Senate **Resolved to Ratify** the increase in mess advance amount from Autumn 2023 as proposed.*

#### **Item No.10: Early Submission of Thesis by a Ph.D (Part Time) Scholar**

The Senate was appraised about an application received for early submission of Ph.D Thesis from a part-time scholar, Mr. Sanjoy Choudhury, who is working under the supervision on of Dr. D. S. Roy, Assoc. Prof, CS Dept, NIT Meghalaya and under the Co-Supervision of Dr. Manoranjan Kumar, Scientist-D, S.N. Bose National Centre for Basic Sciences, Kolkata. As the scholar fulfills all the required criteria for Early Submission, the same was approved by the `Chairman, Senate.

**R10/SENATE-XXXIII/23:** *The Senate **Resolved to Ratify** the early submission of thesis by the part time scholar from CS Department.*

#### **Item No.11: Course Registration Request of Gyandeep Das, B20CS013**

The Senate was briefed about an application received from a student who has a backlog in PH151 due to medical conditions and which ideally bars him from registering in the 6<sup>th</sup> Semester. The DAC had recommended that the student may be allowed to register for PH151 with the 2nd Sem students in Spring 2023 (for which the results are scheduled to be declared on 28th July 2023) and his 6<sup>th</sup> semester courses as part of Spring 2023 registration may be provisionally considered (result of 6<sup>th</sup> semester courses are scheduled to be declared on 7th June 2023) so that the student does not lose a year. The Competent Authority provisionally allowed the student to appear for the 6<sup>th</sup> semester exams.

The Senate after a brief discussion recommended that the 6<sup>th</sup> Semester results of the student may be declared only if he clears PH 151 during July 2023.

**R11/SENATE-XXXIII/23:** *The Senate **Resolved to Ratify** the request of the student to register for the backlog course PH 151 and provisionally register for the 6<sup>th</sup> Semester courses during Spring 2023, after recommending to declare his 6<sup>th</sup> semester results only if he clears PH 151.*

#### **Item No.12: Revised DASA Seat Matrix**

The revised Seat Matrix for DASA, AY 2023-24 was placed before the Senate after approval of the Chairman, Senate.

UG/PG	Programme	Total CIWG seats	Total General seats	Total seats (CIWG+Gen)
UG (B. Tech)	B. Tech in Civil Engineering	1	3	4
	B. Tech in Computer Science and Engineering	1	4	5
	B. Tech in Electronics and Communication Engineering	1	4	5
	B. Tech in Electrical and Electronics Engineering	1	3	4
	B. Tech in Mechanical Engineering	1	4	5
PG (M. Tech)	M. Tech in Structural Engineering	0	3	3
	M. Tech in Computer Science and Engineering	0	3	3
	M. Tech in VSLI & Embedded Systems	0	3	3
	M. Tech in Power & Energy Systems	0	3	3
	M. Tech in Fluid & Thermal Engineering	0	3	3
PG (M.Sc.)	M. Sc. in Physics	0	3	3
	M. Sc. in Chemistry	0	3	3
	M. Sc. in Mathematics	0	3	3

**R12/SENATE-XXXIII/23:** The Senate **Resolved to Ratify** the revised seat matrix for DASA as presented.

#### Item No.13: ICCR Seat Matrix

The ICCR Seat Matrix for AY 2023-24 was placed before the Senate after approval of the Chairman, Senate.

UG/PG	Programme	Total seats
<b>UG (B. Tech)</b>	B. Tech in Civil Engineering	10
	B. Tech in Computer Science and Engineering	10
	B. Tech in Electronics and Communication Engineering	10
	B. Tech in Electrical and Electronics Engineering	10
	B. Tech in Mechanical Engineering	10
<b>PG (M. Tech)</b>	M. Tech in Structural Engineering	5
	M. Tech in Computer Science and Engineering	5
	M. Tech in VSLI & Embedded Systems	5
	M. Tech in Power & Energy Systems	5
	M. Tech in Fluid & Thermal Engineering	5
<b>PG (M.Sc.)</b>	M. Sc. in Physics	5
	M. Sc. in Chemistry	5
	M. Sc. in Mathematics	5

**R13/SENATE-XXXIII/23:** The Senate **Resolved to Ratify** the seat matrix for ICCR as presented.

#### Reporting Items:

#### Item No.14: Institute Day 2023

The Senate was informed that like every year, the National Institute of Technology Meghalaya celebrated its Institute Day event on the 1st day of April, 2023 in its present campus at Bijni Complex, Laitumkrah, Shillong.

The opulent event was graced by Dr. S. P. Aggarwal, Director, NESAC, as the Chief Guest, Shri Naveen Kumar Bansal, Chief Engineer, CPWD, Shillong was the Guest of Honor of the Program and the event was presided over by Prof. Gayadhar Panda, Director, NIT Meghalaya. The event included two extramural lectures by Prof. Soumitro Banerjee (Professor, Dept. of Physics, IISER Kolkata) and by Dr. Suvrokamal Dutta (renowned political, economic and foreign policy expert). During the program, several achievements by employees and students were recognized and awarded. The Institute also recognized and felicitated twenty-one (21) regular employees for their continuous service of 10 years and above at NIT Meghalaya

**R14/SENATE-XXXIII/23:** *The Senate **Noted and Appreciated** the celebration of Institute Day on 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2023.*

As there were no other items to discuss, the meeting concluded with thanks to and from the Chair.

Sd/-

Registrar and Secretary (i/c)