INDIAN INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, ALLAHABAD
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Minutes of the 24th Meeting of the Senate of Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad held on 08/08/2022 from 03:00 pm onwards in the Boardroom of IIIT-Allahabad

The following members were present in the meeting: -

1.	Prof. R.S. Verma, Director (Acting) IIITA	-	Chairman Senate
2.	Prof U.S. Tiwary, Dean (Faculty Affairs)	-	Member
3.	Prof Shekhar Verma, Dean (Special Development Affairs)	-	Member
4.	Prof. Anupam, Dean (Alumni Affairs)	-	Member
5.	Prof. Neetesh Purohit, Dean (Academic)	-	Member
6.	Prof. Manish Goswami, Dean (R&D)	-	Member
7.	Prof. O.P. Vyas, Dean (Technology Development)	-	Member
8.	Prof. Pritish Varadwaj, Dean (Infra., IWD, Estate)	-	Member
9.	Prof. Madhvendra Misra, Dean (International & National Relations)	-	Member
10.	Prof. Vrijendra Singh, Dean (Student Affairs)	-	Member
11.	Prof. Pavan Chakraborthy, HoD(IT)	-	Member
12.	Dr. Rajat Kumar Singh, HoD(ECE)	-	Member
13.	Dr. Ratan Kumar Saha, HoD (AS)	-	Member
14.	Dr. Shailendra Kumar, HoD (MS)	-	Member
15.	Prof. Tapobrata Lahiri, Professor	-	Member
16.	Prof. Ranjit Singh, Professor & Chairman (CoW)	-	Member
17.	Prof. Vijaishri Tewari, Professor & Acting Registrar	-	Member and Secretary Senate

External Members (Online):

18.	Prof. Ganesh Ramakrishnan, Deptt. of CSE, IIT-Bombay	-	Member
19.	Prof. A. G. Ramkrishnan, Professor, Deptt. of Electrical Engineering, IISc-Bangalore	-	Member
20.	Dr. Santanu Dasgupta, Senior Vice President Reliance, Mumbai	-	Member

Special Invitees included:

21. Dr. Akhilesh Tiwari, HoD (First Year)
22. Dr. Suneel Yadav, Chairman SUGC
23. Dr. Asheesh Kumaar, Joint Registrar (AAA)
24. Mr. Varun Bhardwaj, President Student's Gymkhana

Prof. G.C. Nandi, IIIT-Allahabad, Prof. K. Chindananda Gowda Ex-VC, Kuvempu University, Prof. Prof. Laxmidhar Behera, IIT Kanpur and Prof. Siddhartha Panda, IIT Kanpur could not attend the meeting owing to their preoccupation and so they were granted leave of absence.

The Secretary Senate welcomed all the members present in the 24th meeting of the Senate. The Chairman Senate welcomed all the members and after a brief exchange of pleasantries thereafter, the agenda items were taken up as follows: -

AGENDA ITEM NO. 24.01

To receive the Minutes of the 23rd meeting of the Senate of the Institute held on 02.02.2022

The Minutes of the 23rd Meeting of the Senate held on 02.02.2022 were received by the Senate.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 24.02

To receive the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 23rd meeting of the Senate of the Institute held on 02.02.2022

The Action Taken Report the Minutes of the 23rd Meeting of the Senate held on 02.02.2022 was noted and received by the Senate. The Senate expressed satisfaction on it. Particularly,

(i) as per ATR on Agenda Item no. 23.02 starting a new Multidisciplinary M.Tech Program on 'Artificial Intelligence and Cognitive Computing' (under self-finance mode) in the admission process together with 'Data Science and Analytics' was accepted

(ii) as per ATR on Agenda Item no. 23.03 the restructured M.Tech Program and starting Dual Degree M.Tech-PhD programs was accepted

(iii) as per ATR on Agenda Item no. 23.14 [S2] Flexible Academic Program implementation w.e.f. A.Y. 2022 was accepted.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 24.03

To receive the updates about admissions in various programs offered by the institute during Academic year 2022-23

The Senate ratified the seat matrices communicated to CCMT2022, CSAB 2022, DASA 2022, and the MBA2022 admissions. Further, under the 'Study in India' program the same seat matrices as communicated last year were approved for admissions for the academic year 2022-23.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 24.04

To consider and approve the modified curriculum and procedures for various M. Tech. programs

(A) The Senate approved the proposed curriculum for all MTech programs. The HOD(IT) suggested that the "Systems Group" should be renamed. While agreeing in principle, the Senate asked that the IT department should thoroughly discuss it and submit the new title of the 'Systems Group' to the Chairman Senate. Further, the Senate authorized the Chairman Senate to take a decision thereon for implementation w.e.f. 2023- batch.

(B) The Senate ratified the decision of the Chairman Senate. It also accepted the SPGC's recommendations that once any course is approved by the Senate for offering in any program running at IIITA then, whenever needed, the DPGC/DUGC may decide to offer it to any other program running at IIITA; the AAA section should accordingly allow the course registration and reflect the same in the mark award sheets of the students.

AGENDA ITEM NO.24.05

To consider and approve the revisions in the CCLCAA UG and PG Ordinance

The Senate considered the suggestions of SUGC's and SPGC's for revisions in CCLCAA UG and PG Ordinance. Some Senators suggested a few more revisions and hence, after deliberations thereon it was decided to send this agenda item back to SUGC/SPGC for more comprehensive discussions on all provisions of the UG/PG ordinances. The fresh recommendations of SUGC/SPGC may be placed before the Senate in its next meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO.24.06

To consider and ratify the amendments in the CCLCAA Ordinance for Ph.D.

After discussions, this agenda was referred to SPGC for further deliberations and submitting its comprehensive recommendations to the Senate.

The Senate authorized the Chairman Senate to decide the signatory in place of Dean (AR), as mentioned in the PhD ordinance, for the interim period. Fresh recommendations of the SPGC may be placed in the next Senate meeting.

On the recommendations of Prof. Gowda's Subcommittee, the following inputs/comments were received from few Senate members: -

1. The 12 points-based PhD program, recommendation of the committee shall be applicable to all existing PhD scholars also.
2. The SSCI list of journals recommended by DoMS is not mentioned in the list of accepted Journal categories. In the existing Ph.D. ordinance SSCI is already mentioned as a category accepted for Ph.D. submission which is missing from the submitted subcommittee report.
3. Submission received from Hon'ble Senator Prof. Tapobrata Lahiri.

It was resolved that Prof. Gowda's Subcommittee should consider the above inputs and submit fresh recommendations which should be placed as an agenda item in the next Senate meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO.24.07

To consider the joint initiatives of CFIIITs

The Dean (Academics) apprised the senate about various joint initiatives of CFIIITs like Synchronization of Academic Calendars, Jointly Conducting the Orientation Camp for new entrants, conducting joint admissions in PhD programs, Introducing FAP at all CFIIITs, and considering the proposal of offering electives to all CFIIITs students of 6th/7th semester in ONLINE mode with their current status.

The Senate appreciated these efforts and suggested that the comprehensive guidelines for conducting joint admissions in the PhD program of CFIIITs should be presented in the next meeting. The proposal of offering electives to all CFIIITs students in 6th/7th semester in ONLINE mode was approved.

AGENDA ITEM NO.24.08

To consider the Academic Calendar and receive regular updates from RDS/ AAA Section/ SPGC

(A) The Academic Calendar as placed before the Senate was approved after suitable incorporation of received inputs.
(B) The Change of Supervisor for Ms. Priyanka Kumari (RSS2020503) as proposed was approved.
(C) Elective course for M. Tech. BI program was approved. The Senate further decided that now onwards the new elective courses of any Program would be approved at the level of DPGC/SPGC for PG and DUGC/SUGC for UG, which may be placed before the Senate for information.
(D) The Senate noted the proposal of restarting the dual degree BTech-MTech/BTech-MBA program and decided that a full proposal including curriculum and financial implications etc. would be put up before the next Senate meeting for consideration.

AGENDA ITEM NO.24.09

To consider and approve the Appointment of Professor Krishna Mishra as the Honorary Professor

The Senate approved the appointment of Prof. Krishna Mishra as per the provisions mentioned in the 4-tier flexi structure. However, it was noted that the said appointment would be made to improve the research and academic as advisory only. No course should be allotted to her.

AGENDA ITEM NO.24.10

(A) To consider and approve the title of degrees to be awarded along with eligibility conditions, curriculum and other guidelines for the students admitted under the FAP framework

Prof. Neetesh Purohit briefed the proposal regarding the title of degrees to be awarded along with eligibility conditions, curriculum and other guidelines for the students admitted under the FAP framework. After deliberations the Senate changed the 'Bachelor of Computer Applications' title to the 'Advanced Diploma" and approved the proposal.

(B) To receive the developments on FAP at other institutes/universities and to allow IIITA faculty members to offer courses under FAP framework to other institutes/universities.

Prof. Neetesh Purohit informed that the institute's initiative of implementing NEP2020 through FAP has been applauded by many institutes and universities. Many of them are actively considering to initiate programs under FAP framework. The Senates of other CFIIITs have also given in principle agreements and accordingly they are taking it forward. Among technical universities the AKTU Lucknow is the front runner, it has constituted a committee for FAP implementation w.e.f. the year 2022-23.

The Senate received the information and applauded the efforts of the Institute.

The proposal of submitting an agenda to IIIT Council for FAP implementation at all IIITs and allowing IIITA faculty members to offer courses/modules to the students of other institutes/universities under FAP framework were accepted.

AGENDA ITEM NO.24.11

To ratify the formats for various certifications to be issued under the implementation of CCLCAA Ordinance 2018.

Senate perused the formats for various certifications to be issued under the implementation of CCLCAA Ordinance 2018. A suggestion was received regarding a typographical error that instead of 'regular degree' only 'degree' should be used. All formats were approved by the Senate.

AGENDA ITEM NO.24.12

To consider and approve the proposal for amendment in Gymkhana Constitution.

After deliberations, the Senate asked the Dean (SA) to collect the inputs from all Senators and after incorporating all received inputs the modified version may be placed before the Chairman Senate for approval. The following inputs were received from few Senate members: -

1. *The internal elections for both UG and PG should be done separately. PG students having TA duties may influence the elections.*

2. To ensure a fair representation of all PG students in Gymkhana following point may please be included in the modified Gymkhana Constitution:

   "Equal representation of M.Tech and MBA in the presidential council: If the Vice President is from MBA then the PG council member should be from M.Tech and vice versa, to ensure fair representation of both"

3. Eligibility criteria for Speaker: The Speaker candidate should be from Ph.D. 2nd year, as 1st Year students do not have enough knowledge of the functioning of Gymkhana, and 3rd and 4th-year students need to focus on their Thesis.

   Moreover, PhD students should not be a part of Gymkhana. They may have a different platform.

Dean (SA) was requested to supervise the Student Gymkhana for incorporating all above inputs and the modified version may be placed before the Chairman Senate for approval.

AGENDA ITEM NO.24.13

To consider starting the MTech in Biomedical Engineering program

In principle, the Senate accepted the proposal. The department of AS was suggested to include the involved financial implications and place it before the institute's Finance Committee and then the matter may be placed before BOG.

AGENDA ITEM NO.24.14

Any other item with the permission of the Chair

No Senator requested to discuss any matter.

The meeting then ended with a vote of thanks.

Prof. Vijaishri Tewari
Secretary Senate

Prof. R.S. Verma
Chairman Senate