

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY: TIRUCHIRAPPALLI – 620015

*Minutes of the 18th Senate Meeting of the National Institute of Technology,
Tiruchirappalli held on 31st January 2011.*

The following members were present:

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| 1. Prof. Sandeep Sancheti | Chairman |
| 2. Dr.Ammasai Gounden,N | Member |
| 3. Dr.Anantharaman,N | Member |
| 4. Dr.Asokan,P | Member |
| 5. Dr.Balasubramanian,T | Member |
| 6. Dr.Bakthavatsalam, A. K. | Member |
| 7. Dr.Deivamoney Selvam,D | Member |
| 8. Dr.Gopalan,N.P | Member |
| 9. Dr.(Mrs.) Hemalatha Thiagarajan | Member |
| 10. Dr.Jayabalan,P | Member |
| 11. Prof.Joseph Newman Fernando | Member |
| 12. Dr.Kannabiran,G | Member |
| 13. Dr.Kumanan,S | Member |
| 14. Dr.Krishnan, P.A. | Member |
| 15. Dr.Meenakshisundaram,C | Member |
| 16. Dr. Moses Santhakumar | Member |
| 17. Dr.Muthupandi,V | Member |
| 18. Dr.(Mrs.)Nagamani,C | Member |
| 19. Dr.Natarajan,C | Member |
| 20. Dr. Natarajan, S. | Member |
| 21. Dr.Palanichamy, K | Member |
| 22. Mr.Parisutharaj,L | Member |
| 23. Dr.Ponalagusamy,R | Member |
| 24. Dr.Pandey K S | Member |
| 25. Dr.Prabhu,H.J | Member |
| 26. Dr.Punniamoorthy,M | Member |
| 27. Dr.Raghavan, S. | Member |
| 28. Dr.Ramdoss B | Member |
| 29. Prof. Ramprasad, V. | Member |
| 30. Mr. Rajendrakumar, M. | Member |
| 31. Dr.Sankaranarayananasamy, K. | Member |
| 32. Dr.Sarangan,J | Member |
| 33. Dr.Sastikumar, D. | Member |
| 34. Dr.Selvakumar, S | Member |
| 35. Dr.Selvaraj,T | Member |
| 36. Dr.Shanmugam,S | Member |
| 37. Dr.Srinivasa Rao, T. | Member |
| 38. Dr.Srinivas Tadepalli | Member |
| 39. Dr.Sundareswaran,K | Member |
| 40. Dr. Swaminathan, G. | Member |
| 41. Dr.Umapathy,M | Member |
| 42. Dr.Venkatasamy Reddy, A | Member |
| 43. Dr.Venkataramani,B | Member |
| 44. Dr.Arul Daniel,S | Member |
| 45. Mr.Thirumaran, K. | Member |

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| 46. Dr. Ramakalyan, A | Member |
| 47. Dr. Vinod, V.B | Member |
| 48. Dr. Mala, C | Member |
| 49. Dr. Banerjee, A.K. | Secretary |

The following members could not attend the meeting:

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| 1. Dr. Jagadeeshkumar, V. | Member |
| 2. Prof. Umapathy, S. | Member |
| 3. Dr. (Mrs.) Malathy Duraisamy | Member |
| 4. Dr. Nallaswamy, R. | Member |
| 5. Dr. Narayanasamy, R | Member |
| 6. Dr. Noorul Haq, A | Member |
| 7. Dr. Radhakrishnan, T.K. | Member |
| 8. Dr. Sivashanmugam, P. | Member |
| 9. Dr. Udayakumar, M. | Member |
| 10. Dr. Venkatesa Prabhu, G | Member |

In his opening remarks, the Chairman Senate welcomed the Senate members to the 18th Senate meeting. He also briefed the house about the activities linked to starting of IIM Trichy, NBA – Mock drill, Conduct of Convocation and also the Ph.D/MS admissions in January session. The details given in the agenda were referred to and discussions were initiated item wise.

1. To confirm the Minutes of the 17th Senate Meeting held on 5.10.2010.

Minutes of 17th meeting were approved with a minor modification for item 5 (viii) as “full time Ph.D scholars without stipend” instead of “candidates not having GATE/SLET/NET score” and 5(vi) “material” instead of “martial”.

2. Results of ODD Semester 2010 for UG & PG

The results of the semester examination held in November / December 2010 for both UG & PG were approved. It was agreed to carryout an analysis on the percentage of students in the top grade (S) and the bottom grade (F).

3. To consider and recommend the award of Ph.D Degrees for candidates who have successfully completed the requirements for the award of degree. (Annexure – III)

Approved. Further, it was decided to place all abstracts of the examiners’ report in the Senate meetings in future.

4. Report of the committee for recommending the terms and conditions of the Summer / Winter Term courses. (Annexure – IV)

Dr. K. Palanichamy presented the salient features of report. Other members of the committee also justified the grading systems introduced in the report. The recommendations were approved along with the proposed honorarium. It was decided to recommend the matter to FC and BOG for further consideration and approval. Dr. K. S. Pandey registered his reservation for the grading systems for the winter/summer courses.

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5. Representation submitted by Dr. S. Selvakumar, Professor/ CSE for grading systems for UG & PG Programmes. (Annexure – V)

Dr. S. Selvakumar presented salient aspects of his recommendations. Following committee was constituted to go through the proposal, collect additional details from other institutions and come up with a firm proposal within next two months.

Dr. Selvakumar, S. Professor, Computer Science and Engineering
Dr. Sankaranarayanan, K. Professor, Mechanical Engineering
Dr. Arul Daniel, HOD, Electrical & Electronics Engineering
Dr. Moses Santhakumar, Professor & Head, Civil Engineering
Dr. Ramakalyan, A. HOD, Instrumentation and Control Engineering
Dr. Swaminathan, G. Professor, Civil Engineering and
Dr. (Mrs.) Hemalatha Thiyagarajan, Professor, Mathematics

6. Representation for Ph.D admission by the faculty of Humanities Department (Annexure – VI)

It was decided that the proposal has to be discussed at department level and a report to be submitted to the Chairman, Senate for appropriate action in this respect.

7. Approval for Ph. D Directed Study Course (Annexure VII)

As the course has already been offered in the current semester, after detailed discussions, it was decided to grant a post-facto approval for course. However it was agreed that in future a prior approval should be taken before implementing such courses.

8. Request of Students for Senate's Consideration.

(i) Extension of Ph.D. research period

A request was made by (i) Mr. Kumar, a Part-time Ph.D scholar, Production Engg. Dept. (ii) Prof. Rajendra Babu (iii) Prof. Subbaiyan both of Architecture department for extension of research period was considered on the basis of recommendation of DC of concerned departments. The Senate approved the request for extension of Ph.D research period for above scholars.

(ii) Scheduling of Super Supplementary Examination for U.G. Final Year students

The matter was discussed in detail. It was decided not to schedule super supplementary examinations.

(iii) Request to do M.Tech. Project Work at Place of Work

It was agreed that with prior permission, a Full-Time student after completing the course work may be allowed to convert himself/herself to Part Time on



case to case basis. It was noted that the time could be twice the normal time, other modalities and type of organization will also have a bearing on such conversions. Accordingly a committee of the following members was constituted to consider the nature of employment, type of company/ organization, time frame (maximum and minimum), scholar enrolment, methodology to monitor progress, etc., while bringing out the modalities for such conversion.

(i) Dr. N. Anantharaman, Dean (Academic) - Chairman (ii) Dr. S. T Ramesh, former Associate Dean (Academic) – Member and (iii) Dr. B. Ramadoss, Professor (Computer Applications) -- Member

Committee to submit its report in next three months.

9. Any other matter with the permission of chair.

- **M.Tech. III Semester Results:**

Objections were raised by some faculty members on regarding results approved by DPEC and distribution of grades etc.

It was decided that all the M.Tech. III semester results will be referred to a committee consisting of (i) Dr.P.Jayabalan – Chairman (ii) Dr.D.Deviamoney Selvam, former Dean (Academics) - Member & (iii) Dr.N.Anantharaman, Dean (Academic) – Member for immediate consideration. The Chairman of Senate was authorized to declare the results based on the recommendations given by the above committee.

- **Indicating Specialization in MBA degree certificate:**

Request made by Coal India for indicating the specialization in the degree certificate for MBA students was discussed. It was decided that the concerned agencies may be requested to ascertain specialization based on the subject chosen from grade card itself.

- **Permission to start M.Tech Industrial Metallurgy Programme:**

The matter regarding offering a PG degree programme in Industrial Metallurgy, recommended by the Board of Studies, was discussed and approved.

It was decided to recommend it further for consideration and approval to FC and BOG.



- **Admission procedure for MBA programme for the ensuing academic year:**

The modifications suggested by MBA department for the weightage to be given to CAT score, Career Performance, Group Discussion and Personal Interview for admission to management programme were approved.

- **Request by M.Tech. (CSE) department for offering course on Cryptography:**

A request for the reintroduction of a course on Cryptography for M.Tech, CSE programme was discussed. It was noted that the course has already been offered to students from January 2011 session. It was advised that such action should not be initiated without due approval. However, as a special case, post-facto approval was granted to offer a course on Cryptography.

The meeting concluded with thanks by the Chairman, Senate.



Dr. A.K. Banerjee
Secretary, Senate &
Registrar



Prof. Sandeep Sancheti
Chairman, Senate &
Director (i/c)