

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY TIRUCHIRAPPALLI

Minutes of the 24th Senate Meeting of National Institute of Technology Tiruchirappall,
held on 4.00 PM, 12.09.2012 in A11 Hall.

The Following Members were Present

- 1.Dr.S.Sundarrajan
- 2.Dr.Ammasai Gounden, N
- 3.Dr.N.Anantharaman, N
- 4.Dr.Asokan P
- 5.Dr.Arun Daniel S
- 6.Dr.Banerjee A K
- 7.Dr.Balasubramanian,T
- 8.Dr.Bhaktavatsalam A K
9. Dr.Cindrella,L
10. Dr.D.Deviamoney Selvam
11. Dr.Jayabalan,P
- 12.Dr.Janakiraman, T.N.
13. Dr.Kannabiran,G
14. Dr.Kumanan,S
15. Dr.Krishnan, P.A
16. Dr.Krishnan, P.A
- 17.Dr.Meenakshisundaram,C
- 18.Dr.Muthupandi,V
- 19.Dr.Murugesan, K
- 20.Dr.Nallaswamy,R
- 21.Dr.Narayanasamy,R
- 22.Dr.Natarajan,C
- 23.Dr.Pandey, K S
- 24.Dr.Punniamoorthy,M
- 25.Dr.Radhakrishnan,T.K
- 26.Dr.Raghavan, S
- 27.Prof.Ramprasad,V
- 28.Dr.Raman Sankaranarayanan
- 29.Dr.Sankaranarayanan,K
- 30.Dr.Sarangan,J
- 31.Dr.Sastikumar,D
- 32.Dr.Selvaraj,T
- 33.Dr.Shanmugam,S
- 34.Dr.Sivashanmugam,P
- 35.Dr.Srinivas Tadepalli
- 36.Dr.Sundaeswaran,K
- 37.Dr.Umapathy,M
- 38.Dr.Sarat Chandra Babu, J
- 39.Dr.(Mrs.)G.Thamarai Selvi
- 40.Dr.Samson Mathew
41. Dr.Venkatasamy Reddy, A

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42.Dr.Venkatesa Prabhu , G
43.Dr.Venkataramani, B
44.Dr. Kumaresan, N
45.Dr. Thamarai Selvan, N
46.Dr.Ramakalyan, A
47.Dr.Swaminathan,G
48.Dr.Nickolas, S
49.Dr.Chandra Bose, A
50.Dr.Karvembu ,R
51.Dr.Mala, C
52.Dr.G.Swaminathan

The following external members could not attend the meeting

- 1.Dr.Malathy Duraisamy (IIT Madras)
- 2.Dr.V.Jagadeeshkumar (IIT Madras)
- 3.Dr.S.Umapathy (Iisc Bangalore)

The external members of the senate were sent the communication about the convening of emergency meeting of the senate invoking the Clause 7(7), Senate of First Statute of NIT.

The three external members expressed their inability in attending the senate meeting .

Chairman Senate in his introductory remarks explained the circumstances that has led to convening the emergency meeting of the senate invoking the Clause 7(7), Senate of First Statute of NIT. The Chairman Senate also mentioned that the senate would decide only one single agenda Ph.D./M.S. admissions , which was put on hold(Item b),any other matter page 5,Minutes of 23rd meeting of senate of NIT Tiruchirappalli).The Chairman also mentioned that the senate had discussed extensively in its 22nd and 23rd meetings, the subject matter. The move is mainly to help the younger faculty who need to have qualified candidates for Ph.D. guidance. There is a big gap between the requirements from the faculty and available students through full time Ph.D. selection process. The Chairman senate emphasized, that quality of research at any cost will not be diluted and requested the Dean (Academic) to move three resolutions and to go for division vote to decide without any further discussions.

The Dean (academic) moved the three resolutions

Resolution 1

The hold on Admission to Full-time Ph.D. & M. S. Programmes is lifted

It was accepted unanimously

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Resolution 2

The hold on Part time Ph.D. (External) programme offered for professionals from organizations with adequate research facilities is lifted.

Some of the senate members emphasized for discussions and opined that a serious lapse would be there on the quality of Ph.D degrees .

The Chairman senate explained that there would not be any compromise on the quality norms in vogue in NIT Tiruchirappalli and suggested the modification that, in addition to the committee members who assess the research facilities of the external agencies ,members of Departmental Advisory Committee(DAC)of the Departments would also participate in the assessment processes. The decision of DAC of the Departments concerned would be binding and final in the selection process.

When put to vote for assessing disagreement only 6 did not agree to the resolution.

Resolution : 3

The hold on Part time Ph.D. (On-campus) for professionals from organizations with insufficient research facilities is lifted.

Some of the senate members emphasized for discussions and the Chairman Senate reiterated that the Departments concerned would decide the candidature of the selected candidates, after thorough discussion and analysis in DAC , with utmost concern for the quality of Ph.D. degree .The selection will be strictly on the compliance of the candidate duly ensured by the proposed guide

When put to vote for assessing disagreement only 5 did not agree to the resolution.

The meeting concluded with the Chairman stating that all the resolutions are primarily oriented towards facilitating faculty members to have industry oriented research areas and with utmost care is to be ensured in selection processes of candidates taking into consideration the concerns of the senate members



Dr.G.Swaminathan
Officiating Registrar &
Secretary Senate



Dr.S.Sundarrajan
Chairman,Senate