

Minutes of the 61st Meeting of the Senate of National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli held on 24th July 2023at 9 AM in the EEE Auditorium, and through MS Teams

The following members were present in the meeting:

- 1. Dr.G.AGHILA, Director, Chairperson
- 2. Dr.RAMAKALYAN AYYAGARI, Dean (Academic Programs)
- 3. Dr.A.CHANDRABOSE
- 4. Dr.A.K.BAKTHAVATSALAM
- 5. Dr. AR. VEERAPPAN
- 6. Dr. B. KARTHIKEYAN
- 7. Dr.B.SENTHILARASU
- 8. Dr.C.MALA
- 9. Dr. C. SATHIYA NARAYANAN
- 10. Dr.D.SRIRAMKUMAR
- 11. Dr.G.LAKSHMINARAYANAN
- 12. Dr. G. MURUGANANTHAM
- 13. Dr.G.SUBBAIYAN
- 14. DR. G. SWAMINATHAN
- 15. Dr. G. SARAVANA ILANGO
- 16. Dr. G. UMA
- 17. Dr.K.BASKAR
- 18. DR. K.M. MEERA S. BEGUM
- 19. Dr.K.MURUGESAN
- 20. Dr.K.MUTHUKKUMARAN
- 21. Dr. K. MUTHUKUMAR
- 22. Dr. K. SUNDARESWARAN
- 23. Dr.L.CINDRELLA
- 24. Dr.M.ARIVAZHAGAN
- 25. Dr.M.ASHOK
- 26. Dr.M.BHASKAR
- 27. Dr.M.DURAISELVAM
- 28. Dr. M. MATHESWARAN
- 29. Dr.M.JAYABHARATA REDDY

- 30. Dr. M. P. SELVAN
- 31. DR. M. PERUMALSAMY
- 32. Dr. M. UMAPATHY
- 33. Dr.MICHAELAROCK
- 34. Dr. M. VENKATAKIRTHIGA
- 35. Dr. N. BASKARAN
- 36. Dr. N. KUMARESAN
- 37. Dr. N. RAMASUBRAMANIAN
- 38. DR. N. RAMESH BABU
- 39. Dr. P. ASOKAN
- 40. Dr.P.MUTHUCHIDAMBARANATHAN
- 41. Dr.P.PALANISAMY
- 42. Dr. P. PARTHIBAN
- 43. Dr.P.SAIKRISHNAN
- 44. Dr. P. SATHIYA
- 45. Dr.P.SIVASHANMUGAM
- 46. Dr.R.B.ANAND
- 47. Dr. R. GANDHIMATHI
- 48. Dr. R. JEYAPAUL
- 49. DR. R. JUSTIN JOSEYPHUS
- 50. Dr. R. KARVEMBU
- 51. DR. R. LEELA VELUSAMY
- 52. DR. R. MURUGESAN
- 53. DR. R. NAGALAKSHMI
- 54. DR. S. ANANDAN
- 55. Dr.S.ARUL DANIEL
- 56. Dr.S.JAYALEKSHMI
- 57. Dr.S.KUMANAN
- 58. Dr.S.KUMARAN
- 59. Dr.S.MARYSAIRA BHANU
- 60. Dr.S.MUTHUKUMARAN
- 61. Dr.S.NICKOLAS
- 62. Dr.S.P.KUMARESH BABU

- 63. DR. SIVA PRASAD KATAKAM
- 64. Dr.S.P.SIVAPIRAKASAM
- 65. Dr. SISHAJ P SIMON
- 66. Dr. S. SURESH
- 67. Dr.S.R.BALASUNDARAM
- 68. Dr.S.RAMANSANKARANARAYANAN
- 69. Dr.S.SUDHA
- 70. Dr. S.T. RAMESH
- 71. Dr.S.VELMATHI
- 72. Dr.S. VENKATACHALAPATHY
- 73. Dr. S. VINODH
- 74. Dr.T. SRINIVASARAO
- 75. DR. V. ANANDAKRISHNAN
- 76. Dr.V.J.SIVAKUMAR
- 77. Dr.V.KUMARAN
- 78. DR. V. RAVICHANDRAN
- 79. Dr.V.SANKARANARAYANAN
- 80. Dr. V. SENTHILKUMAR
- 81. Dr.N.THAMARAISELVAN,Registrar(i/c),(Secretary,Senate)

 SPECIAL INVITEES
- 82. Dr. V. M. BIJU, HoD, Chemistry
- 83. DR. D. RUBEN SUDHAKAR, DEE
- 84. Dr.S.MEKALA, HoD, Humanities and Social Sciences
- 85. Dr. K. PANNIRSELVAM, HoD, Mechanical Engineering
- 86. Dr.R. PARTHASARATHY, Associate Dean (Academic)
- 87. Dr.R. THILAGAVATHY, AssociateDean(Academic)
- 88. Dr.P.SENTHIL, Associate Dean (Academic)
- 89. Dr.R.RAGHAVAN, Associate Dean (Academic)
- 90. Dr.R.PERIYASAMY, Associate Dean (Academic)

The following members expressed their inability to attend the meeting:

- 1. DR. G.K. ANATHASURESH (EXT. MEMBER)
- 2. Dr.M.THAMBANNAIR (EXT. MEMBER)
- 3. DR. HARIPRIYA GUNDIMEDA (EXT. MEMBER)

- 4. Dr. B. VASUKI
- 5. Dr. C. NAGAMANI
- 6. Dr. D. SASTIKUMAR
- 7. DR. J. HEMALATHA
- 8. Dr. J. SARATCHANDRABABU
- 9. Dr.K. DHANALAKSHMI
- 10. Dr. K. SANKARANARAYANASAMY
- 11. Dr. K. THIRUMARAN
- 12. Dr. M. PREMALATHA
- 13. DR. N. GOPALAKRISHNAN
- 14. Dr.N.SIVAKUMARAN
- 15. Dr.T. K.RADHAKRISHNAN
- 16. Dr. T.N. JANAKIRAMAN
- 17. DR. P. KALAICHELVI

The following member did not attend the meeting:

- 1. Dr. B. RAVISHANKAR
- 2. DR. G. ARTHANAREESWARAN
- 3. DR. J. JERALD
- 4. DR. M. PUNNIYAMOORTHY
- 5. Dr. P.J.A. ALPHONSE
- 6. Dr.R.JOSEPHPONNIAH
- 7. Dr. V. SATHYARAJ
- 8. Dr.V.VINODBALAKRISHNAN

The Chairperson of the Senate welcomed the members to the 61st meeting of the Senate and having ensured a quorum, continued with the proceedings of the meeting. Homage in the form of one-minute silence was paid to two young faculty members' untimely death – Dr. J. Karthikeyan, Associate Professor of the Dept of Civil Engineering and Dr. T. Sivanesan, Assistant Professor of the Dept of Mathematics – who have been contributing richly to the institute. The chairperson conveyed heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.

Foremost, she expressed her satisfaction that the institute continues to be in the first position among the NITs in the NIRF ranking, with 9th in the engineering category. Secondly, she mentioned that all the 9 BTech programmes were freshly accredited and efforts were underway for the BArch and PG programmes.

Next, the chairperson mentioned about the progress in line with NEP 2020 in terms of applying for the B.Sc.-B.Ed. programme, uploading all the PhD theses in Shodhganga portal, and on-boarding the institute in the Academic Bank of Credits (ABC), despite several challenges faced in each of these processes. She has also indicated that the institute is

continuously tracking information from the Ministry and other institutes of higher education regarding the implementation of NEP 2020.

The chairperson placed on record the excellent services of Dr. R. Ponnalagusamy, Professor of the Department of Mathematics who retired from the services on superannuation on 30th June, 2023, and wished him a happy and peaceful retired life with his family.

Next, the chairperson briefly mentioned about the preparations for the 19th convocation scheduled on 28th July, 2023 in which 2150 students are to receive degrees in various programmes.

The chairperson concluded her remarks with a quick preview of the next academic year AY 2023-24, which in principle started with first year MBA classes on 17th July and first year MCA classes scheduled during the first week of August. She informed the Senate that the class work for higher semesters commence on 31st July 2023, while all the first year undergraduate programmes and rest of the postgraduate programmes are scheduled to commence their class work from 23rd August 2023.

Following the welcome address by the Chairperson, the Registrar (i/c) opened the deliberations on the agenda items.

1. Confirmation of the Minutes of 60th Meeting of the Senate held on 22-05-2023.

The Senate resolved to confirm the minutes of the 60^{th} Meeting of the Senate held on 22^{nd} May, 2023.

RESOLUTION	RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of 60th Meeting of Senate hel	d
61/SENATE/2023/1	on 22 nd May, 2023 be confirmed.	

APPROVAL ITEMS

2. Approval of the recommendations of the BoS for the Departments:

The Department of Computer Applications conducted the meeting of Board of Studies (BoS) for its various programmes during June 2022: (i) MCA for batch 2022-23 onwards, (ii) MSc (CS) for batch 2022-23 onwards, (iii) MTech (DA) for batch 2022-23 onwards, and (iv) Online MTech(AI and DS) for batch 2023-24 onwards. The HoD presented the details to the Senate.

It was observed that the BoS has been conducted more than a year ago but was not brought to the Senate until now. Further, the first years of the respective programmes have already been offered the new curricula. Hence, the recommendations of the BoS have been ratified by the Senate.

The chairperson of the Senate informed that a detailed brochure for the launch of the online MTech (AI and DS) is yet to be submitted for a discussion, and deliberations on this can be deferred further.

RESOLUTION	RESOLVED THAT the recommendations of the BoS for the
61/SENATE/2023/2	MCA (2022-23 batch onwards), MSc (CS) (2022-23 batch
	onwards) and M.Tech. (2022-23 batch onwards) of the

department of Computer Applications as presented by the HoD be ratified.

Further, it is also resolved that the department shall furnish the information brochure and regulations, if any, along with the modus operandi for MTech (AI & DS) to the next Senate be approved.

Further, it is also resolved that any recommendations of the Boards of Studies, of any department, shall be offered to the students only after presenting them for an approval to the Senate be approved. Accordingly, it is also resolved that meetings of the BoS must be scheduled by the departments so that the recommendations are implemented from the beginning of academic year, post Senate's approval be approved.

3. Request for extension: The following students requested extension for one more academic year (till July 2024).

Sl.No.	Department	Student name with Roll number	Request details
1,	Civil Engineering	M. Vignesh, 1031 11 090 (B.Tech 2011-15 batch)	Extension beyond 6 years- Medical reason
2		P. Kavitha, 4039 16 002 (PT –PhD student)	Extension beyond 7 years – Medical reason
3		K. Manikandan, 4039 13 052 (PT-PhD student)	Extension beyond 7 years - Research supervisor passed away and guide change

The Senate agreed to give extension to the B.Tech. student for a period of 2 years, i.e., until the end of AY 2024-25. However, in the case of part-time PhD students the Senate instructed that the students shall submit their requests again at a later date with recommendations from the respective doctoral committees.

RESOLUTION	RESOLVED THAT the undergraduate student M. Vignesh
61/SENATE/2023/3	(Reg No. 103111090) shall be granted an extension of 2 years
	until the end of AY 2024-25 be approved.
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	Further it is also resolved that the requests by the part-time
	PhD students Ms. P. Kavitha (403916002) and Mr. K.
	Manikandan (403913052) shall be considered at a later date
	upon their submission of requests with recommendations from
	the respective doctoral committees be approved.

4. UG 6th (batch 2020-2024) semester results of ICE department for Jan 2023 session

The results of UG 6th Semester B.Tech., including ICED, for the Jan 2023 session of AY 2022-23 were circulated over email for consideration by the members of the Senate. However, no senator commented on the results, although it was mentioned on the slides

that the instructor Mr. Goldin R Bennet violated the B.12.0 of B.Tech. Regulations 2019. During the 60th senate meeting it was minuted that such violation and practices cannot be repeated in future.

The Senate has given its consent to publish the results for the 6th Semester ICE students as they were. Further, as there was a V grade in Section B, the Senate suggested that a suitable decision may be taken by the Dean Academic if the student makes an appeal based on the results. This decision shall be deemed as a one-time measure, and the departments are instructed to take necessary action in the beginning of the semester itself should there arise similar cases of violation of regulations in future.

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RESOLVED THAT the results of B.Tech. in ICE branch, 6th semester for the January session of the AY 2022-23 as approved by the PAC be approved, as one-time measure. The students who was awarded V grade may make an appeal to the Dean (Academic) if required.

5. Award of UG / PG / M.S. (by Research)/ Ph.D. degrees and Award of medals during the 19th Convocation, 2023

The 19th Convocation of NIT, Tiruchirappalli is scheduled to be held on 28th July, 2023. As on 24th July 2023, a total of 1129 UG, 868 PG (M.Tech, M.Sc, MBA, MCA & MA), 11 M. S. (by Research) and 142 Ph.D. graduands shall receive the degree during the convocation. Out of these, 50 students shall receive B.Tech. (Honors) degree, 42 medal winners in UG and PG, including one president medal for overall highest CGPA in B.Tech.

The Senate approved the award of degrees to all the eligible graduands. The Senate authorized the Chairperson, Senate to approve the award of degrees and medals for the students who will complete the degree requirements up to 5 days prior to the forthcoming Convocation.

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RESOLVED THAT the award of a total of 2150 UG / PG / M. S. (by Research) and Ph.D. degrees in the 19th Convocation be approved. The Senate authorized the Chairperson, Senate to approve the award of degrees and medals for the students who will complete the degree requirements up to 5 days prior to the forthcoming Convocation.

The Meeting concluded with thanks to the Chair.

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