

**राष्ट्रीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान मिजोरम**  
**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MIZORAM**  
 (An Institution of National Importance under Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)

**MINUTES OF THE 16<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE SENATE, NIT MIZORAM**  
**HELD ON 24<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2021 AT 11:00 AM**  
**through Video Conferencing**

**Members present:**

1	Prof. Saibal Chatterjee Director (T/C), NIT Mizoram.	Chairman
2	Prof. A. T. Khan, Department of Chemistry, IIT Guwahati	Member
3	Prof. Sukumar Nandi, Department of CSE, IIT Guwahati	Member
4	Prof. Sudeshna Purakayastha, Department of History, Assam University, Silchar	Member
5	Prof. Biswajit Mahanty, Industrial and Systems Engineering , IIT Kharagpur	Special Invitee
6	Prof. Saibal Chatterjee, Professor (EEE) and Dean (Acad)	Member
7	Dr. Lalthanchami Sailo, Registrar, NIT Mizoram	Secretary
8	Dr. Alok Shukla, Associate Professor, BS&HSS (Physics) & Dean (SW), NIT Mizoram	Invitee
9	Dr. K. Gyanendra Singh, Associate Professor, BS&HSS (Economics) & Dean (FW), NIT Mizoram	Invitee
10	Dr. Ajmal Koya Pulikkal, Associate Professor, BS&HSS (Chemistry) & Dean (R&C), NIT Mizoram	Invitee
11	Dr. Pabitra Kumar Biswas, Asst. Professor & HoD, Deptt. of EEE, NIT Mizoram	Invitee
12	Dr. Anumoy Ghosh, Asst. Professor & HoD, Deptt. of ECE, NIT Mizoram	Invitee
13	Dr. Ranjita Das, Asst. Professor & HoD, Deptt. of CSE, NIT Mizoram	Invitee
14	Dr. H. Lalhmingsanga, Asst. Professor & HoD, Deptt. of ME, NIT Mizoram	Invitee
15	Dr. Sanasam Vipej Devi, Asst. Professor (CE) & HoD i/c, Dept. of CE, NIT Mizoram	Invitee
16	Dr. Shuchi, Asst. Professor (English) & HoD, Deptt. of BS & HSS, NIT Mizoram	Invitee
17	Dr. Surender Ontela, Asst. Professor (BS&HSS-Math) & Faculty I/C, Examinations	Invitee

Prof. Saibal Chatterjee, who has recently taken over the charge as Director (Temporary Charge) and the Chairman, Senate welcomed all the members present in the meeting. He expressed gratitude to the previous Director, Prof. Rajat Gupta for his contribution all through the years. The Director also congratulated all the faculty members, officers and staff for the timely publication of the results of the final year UG and PG in spite of the difficult conditions at Aizawl due to COVID-19. The Director paid tribute to the late Dr. Abhijit Sinha, Asst. Professor of Department of Mechanical Engineering who left for his heavenly abode on the 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

With this, discussion of the meeting commenced as follows:

<b>SNT 16.1</b>	<b>Welcome address by the Chairman</b>  <b>As above</b>
<b>SNT 16.2</b>	<p><b>Confirmation of the minutes of the 15<sup>th</sup> Senate Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 by video-conferencing.</b></p> <p><b>Background:</b></p> <p>This is to place before the Senate the proposal for confirmation of the minutes of the 15<sup>th</sup> meeting of Senate held on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 at NIT Mizoram, Aizawl through video-conferencing. Copy of the meeting minutes is placed at <b>Annexure- I of SNT 16.2 at page no. 23-35.</b></p> <p><b>Approval to be sought:</b></p> <p>The minutes of the 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Senate held on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 by video-conferencing may be approved and confirmed.</p>
	<p><b>Decision of the Senate:</b> <b>Minutes of the meeting is confirmed.</b></p>
<b>SNT 16.3</b>	<p><b>Confirmation of the action taken on the resolution of 15<sup>th</sup> meeting of Senate held on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 by video-conferencing.</b></p> <p><b>Background:</b></p> <p>On the basis of the resolution taken during the 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Senate held on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 by video- conferencing, the action taken by the Institute is placed at <b>Annexure - I of SNT 16.3 at page no. 36 - 49.</b></p> <p><b>Confirmation to be sought:</b></p> <p>The Senate may note the action taken by the Institute against the resolution of 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Senate held on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.</p> <p><b>Decision of the Senate:</b></p>

	<p>Noted the actions taken against the decision of the 15<sup>th</sup> Senate which was read out one after another.</p> <p>However, to the representations received against SNT 15.15, 15.16 &amp; 15.17, since it was not brought to the Senate as fresh agenda, it was consensually agreed to discuss the matter under Any Other Business.</p>
<b>SNT 16.4</b>	<p><b>Ratification of the approval of Chairman, Senate for Academic Calendar for the Odd Semesters of 2020 and Even Semester of 2021</b></p> <p><b>Background:</b></p> <p>This is to place before the Senate the approval of the Chairman, Senate for the Academic Calendar for the Odd Semester (July-December 2020) and Even Semester (February-June 2021). As approved by the Senate, these Semesters have been successfully conducted on Online Mode with mid Semester and end Semester Examination concluded in time. Copy of the Academic Calendars for the two Semesters are placed at <b>Annexure-I and Annexure-II of SNT 16.4 at page no. 66-75.</b></p> <p>It is hereby proposed that the Senate ratify the approval of the Chairman, Senate.</p>
	<p><b>Decision of the Senate:</b></p> <p>Ratified as proposed.</p>
<b>SNT 16.5</b>	<p><b>Ratification of the publication of results for B.Tech and M.Tech Programmes.</b></p> <p><b>Background:</b></p> <p>This is to place before the Senate, the proposal for ratification of the approval of the Chairman, Senate for publication of the following Results of the Institute as below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Results of B.Tech 4<sup>th</sup> Semester &amp; 6<sup>th</sup> Semesters (Regular and Backlogs) and M.Tech 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester of Even June 2020-21 Session. Tabulation charts are placed at <b>Annexure-I of SNT 16.5 at page No. 76-176.</b></li> <li>2. Results with Practical Courses of Even Semester of June 2019-20 session (B.Tech) which are added back for mark entry in the Even June 2020-21 Session. This was excluded in the Results declared as practical examinations could not be conducted in the corresponding semester due to lockdown/pandemic. The details are as follows:</li> </ol>

<b>ECE 2018-19</b>	2007 EEP 1402	Measurement Lab
<b>EEE 2018-19</b>	2088 EEP 1401	Electrical Machine Lab-I
	2089 EEP 1402	Electrical & Electronics Measurement Lab

3. Results with practical courses of Odd Semester Nov 2020-21 Session (B.Tech) which are added back for mark entry in the Even June 2020-21 Session. Similar with the above case, practical examinations were not conducted in the corresponding semester due to lockdown/pandemic. The details are as follows:

<b>EEE 2018-19</b>	2268 EEP 1501	Electrical Machine Lab-II
	2669 EEP 1502	Power Systems Lab-I
	2270 EEP 1503	Control Systems Lab-I
<b>ECE 2019-20</b>	2286 EEP 1307	Circuit Theory Laboratory
	2288 EEP 1308	Electrical & Electronics Measurement Lab
<b>ECE 2019-20</b>	2295 EEP 1302	Electrical & Electronics Measurement Lab
	1992 CHP 1101	Engineering Chemistry Lab
	2380 CHP 1101	Engineering Chemistry Lab
	2379 EEP 1101	Basic Electrical Engineering Lab

The following practical courses are yet to be conducted and processed. These are expected to be completed in the upcoming semester.

#### Even Jun 2019-20 Session

<b>Civil Engg 2018-19</b>	2136 CEP 1404	Concrete Laboratory
	2137 CEP 1405	Hydraulics Lab
<b>1st Year 2019-20</b>	2142 MEP 1201	Engineering Drawing
	2145 MEP 1202	Workshop
	2150 ECA 1201	Extra Curricular Activity

#### Odd Nov 2020-21 Session

<b>Mech Engg 2020-21</b>	2327 MEP 2104	Fluid-Thermal Lab
<b>Civil Engg 2019-20</b>	2178 CEP 1301	Strength of Materials
	2179 CEP 1302	Surveying Lab
	2180 CEP 1303	Fluid Mechanics Lab.

<b>1st Year 2020-21 (withheld)</b>	2375 MAL 1101	Engineering Mathematics - I
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	<b>Decision of the Senate:</b>  The Director invited Faculty i/c Examination to present the results of B.Tech and M.Tech, which was appreciated.  Publication of the results stand ratified as proposed.																										
<b>SNT 16.6</b>	<b>Report of award of Ph.D Degree after the last Senate Meeting.</b>  <b>Background:</b>  This is to inform the Senate of the development which has taken place after the last Senate meeting regarding award of Ph.D degrees. There are 7 candidates who have been awarded Ph.D degree and whose names, department and title of the thesis are given below:																										
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	6	Ms. Remika Ngangbam	ECE	Studies on performance of wireless sensor network based on cluster based protocol
	7	Mr. Lalrinpua Tlau	Math	Mixed Conception Nanofluid Flow in Microchannels; Homotopy Analysis Method

In line with Clause 26 of the Ph.D Regulations (2018), Provisional Certificates have been issued to the above candidates.

The Senate may take note of it and the proposal for awarding the degrees shall be placed when the Institute organizes the Convocation

**Decision of the Senate:**

Noted. The members opined that detailed record may be prepared showing the Enrolment Numbers, Supervisors, Examiners, Date of conducting the Viva Voce etc.

**SNT 16.7 Information regarding Hindering publication of B.Tech first year result Background:**

**Background**

The Senate is informed of the End Semester Examination conducted for the 1st year B.Tech programme during February 2021. The Results prepared through ERP were placed for approval.

It was found that out of the results of 144 students in MAL1101 (Engineering Mathematics), 4 students failed (FF grade), 2 students got AB grade (grade point 9) and the rest 138 students got grade AA (grade point 10). Hence, in view of the discrepancies and the similar grading given to all the students, the competent authority made the following decisions:

1. That, result of MAL1101 Engineering Mathematics shall be withheld.
2. That, Academic Audit shall be conducted by the Dean (Acad) & Faculty i/c Examination. The report shall, further, be audited by the Academic Audit Committee constituted by the 15th Senate meeting under SNT 15.20(2).
3. The Committee requested the Course Coordinator Dr. Vinay Singh to submit the details of the answer scripts and the assignments

	<p>and the marks submitted in the Mid, End Semester and Internal Marks.</p> <p>The faculty submitted the Mid Semester and End Semester answer scripts as well as assignments through Google Drive on 26.03.2021. It was however, found that there are discrepancies in the number of students as shown below:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Examination</th><th>No. of Students</th><th>No. of students as per ERP record</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Mid Sem</td><td>132</td><td rowspan="2">144</td></tr> <tr> <td>End Sem</td><td>134</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>This is brought to the Senate for information. Details are placed at <b>Annexure-I of SNT 16.7 at page no 177-200.</b></p>	Examination	No. of Students	No. of students as per ERP record	Mid Sem	132	144	End Sem	134
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	<p><b>Decision of the Senate:</b></p> <p>The Senate members considered the matter very serious and deliberated on the following points:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the marks are not given in proper manner. This needs to be looked into in detail.</li> <li>2. Grading given needs to be checked and corrected. A faculty or team of faculty as constituted by the Chairman, Senate to be assigned for re-evaluation.</li> </ol> <p>The effect of non-publication of marks for the above course in the Branch Change was also discussed. A student would be qualified for Branch Changing only if he pass in all the subjects offered in the 1<sup>st</sup> year. To this, the Senate decides is to exclude MAL 1101 this time in determining the eligibility criteria for Change of Branch.</p> <p>All the members felt that the action of the faculty is not at all acceptable. Hence, a strong Warning letter be issued to the faculty and report the case to the Board. Negligence in academic should be incorporated in letter and be recorded in the Service Book.</p>								
<b>SNT 16.8</b>	<p><b>Approval for conducting Online Classes in the coming Autumn Semester (July - December 2021)</b></p> <p><b>Background:</b></p> <p>Due to the continuing COVID surge and the impending third wave anticipated around October 2021, it is hereby proposed that online mode be continued for conducting all the academic activities of the Institute. This would further, entail the automatic application of waiver of fees already approved by the Senate/ BoG.</p>								

	Senate may deliberate on the continuity of conducting classes and other academic activities in online mode for another Semester.
	<p><b>Decision of the Senate:</b></p> <p>Looking at the current situation, the proposal for conducting the Autumn Semester in online mode is agreed to. Necessary revision shall be incorporated in the proposed time table (SNT 16.4).</p>
<b>SNT 16.9</b>	<p><b>Presenting to the Senate the list of Gold Medalist of B.Tech 2017-18 batch</b></p> <p><b>Background:</b></p> <p>This is to place before the Senate the list of Department-wise Gold Medalists of B.Tech 2017-18 Batch and the UG/B.Tech Institute Gold Medalists.</p> <p><b>Department of Civil Engineering:</b>  <b>Name of the student/Gold Medalist:</b> Kumar Aditya Prakash  <b>Enrol No.:</b> BT17CE021  <b>CGPA:</b> 8.95</p> <p><b>Department of Computer Science &amp; Engineering:</b>  <b>Name of the student/Gold Medalist:</b> Ankur Vishwakarma  <b>Enrol No.:</b> BT17CS017  <b>CGPA:</b> 9.79</p> <p><b>Department of Electrical &amp; Electronics Engineering:</b>  <b>Name of the student/Gold Medalist:</b> Aditya Raj Mangalam  <b>Enrol No.:</b> BT17EE010  <b>CGPA:</b> 8.77</p> <p><b>Department of Electronics &amp; Communication Engineering:</b>  <b>Name of the student/Gold Medalist:</b> Ayush Srivastava  <b>Enrol No.:</b> BT17EC005  <b>CGPA:</b> 8.99</p> <p><b>Department of Mechanical Engineering:</b>  <b>Name of the student/Gold Medalist:</b> Anish Kumar  <b>Enrol No.:</b> BT17ME003  <b>CGPA:</b> 8.84</p> <p><b>UG/BTech Institute Gold Medalists:</b>  <b>Department of Computer Science &amp; Engineering:</b>  <b>Name of the student/Gold Medalist:</b> Ankur Vishwakarma  <b>Enrol No.:</b> BT17CS017  <b>CGPA:</b> 9.79</p>

	<p>The Branch-wise Merit List is placed at <b>Annexure-I of SNT 16.9 at page no. 201-224</b>. The proposal is therefore, placed before the Senate for approval.</p>
	<p><b>Decision of the Senate:</b></p> <p>Presentation of the detailed list of B.Tech Gold Medalist Department-wise for 2017-18 Batch was made by the Faculty i/c Examinations.</p> <p>The Senate noted and approved the proposal.</p>
<b>SNT 16.10</b>	<p><b>Presenting to the Senate the list of Gold Medalist of M.Tech 2019-20 batch</b></p> <p><b>Background:</b></p> <p>This is to place before the Senate the list of Department-wise Gold Medalists of M.Tech 2019-20 Batch.</p> <p>It may be mentioned that as per the M.Tech Program Curricula 2016-17 under Clause 21.1 (ii) goes as – “For the award of a Gold medal for any programme, a candidate must have a minimum CGPA&gt;=8, irrespective of the number of students graduating from the Department/ Programme”.</p> <p>Further, as decided by the 12<sup>th</sup> Senate meeting under SNT 12.17 and the 15<sup>th</sup> Senate meeting under SNT 15.13 – “for the award of PG Institute Gold Medal for students passing out from 2020-21 onwards, the minimum number of students passing out would be 30% of the total strength”.</p> <p>In view of the above rules, there would be <u>only one</u> M.Tech Department Gold Medalist i.e. in the Electrical and Electronics Engineering Department. Further, since no student secured the minimum CGPA&gt;=8, there is no Gold medalist from the Department of CSE (MTech) and since there is only one student from the Dept of ECE (MTech), there is no Gold medalist from the Department of ECE (MTech).</p> <p>The details of the Department Gold medalist in M.Tech (EEE 2019-20 batch)</p>

	<p><b>Name of the Student: Saswati Chatterjee</b></p> <p><b>Enrol. No.: MT19EE003</b></p> <p><b>Dept. : EEE</b></p> <p><b>CGPA: 8.30</b></p> <p>Branch-wise list is placed at <b>Annexure-I of SNT 16.10 at page no. 225-227.</b></p> <p>The matter is placed before the Senate for information and approval.</p>
	<p><b>Decision of the Senate:</b></p> <p>Presentation of the detailed list of M.Tech Gold Medalist Department-wise for 2019-20 Batch was made by the Faculty i/c Examinations.</p> <p>The Senate noted and approved the proposal.</p>
<b>SNT 16.11</b>	<p><b>Information relating to Plagiarism issue in the Synopsis submitted by a Ph.D student of NIT Mizoram.</b></p> <p><b>Background:</b></p> <p>Dr. Rudra Shankar Dhar, Assistant Professor, NIT Mizoram and co-supervisor of Mr. Pragati Singh, PhD scholar having enrolment No. DT16EC001 submitted the application on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021 for conducting the Synopsis Seminar on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2021. Dean Academics after going through the proposed synopsis found that as per the PhD regulations of NIT Mizoram, the PhD student fulfils the criteria of submission of thesis as far as publication is concerned. However, Dr. Amitabh Chatterjee through his email submitted that ("Physics &amp; Modeling of Ambipolar Snapback Behavior in Gate Grounded NMOS") by Pragati Singh, Rudra Shankar Dhar, and Srimanta Baishya in the journal "Silicon" (Springer), article that is submitted as one of the publications from the thesis is identical to the manuscript JCEL-D-20-00240R1 where he was forced to withdraw his work which was submitted in Journal Of Computational Electronics (Springer). Dr. Amitabh Chatterjee further informed that he had intimated to the respective journals for an investigation of the same and the co-editor of one of the concerned journal have communicated that "I would also suggest that you refrain from resubmitting to JCEL the original article, JCEL-D-20-00240R1, for the time being. Until the issue will have not been resolved, we would find ourselves in the awkward situation of handling a manuscript identical to a published article. From our</p>

	<p>JCEL perspective there is nothing we can do, since the manuscript JCEL-D-20-00240R1 was formally withdrawn before its duplicate copy was submitted to "Silicon". Still, I understand your frustration and disappointment and sympathize with you. I will do all I can to assist you in this matter."</p> <p>The issue was communicated to the DC of the student through Dr. R. S. Dhar (email) by Dean Academics to which the DC has sent a report on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021. Dean Academics submitted the same to Director for his direction. Director has referred the issue as an agenda to the ensuing Senate for the decision of the Senate.</p> <p>The matter is placed before the Senate for decision. The details are placed in <b>Annexure I of SNT 16.11 at page no 228-309.</b></p>
	<p><b>Decision of the Senate:</b></p> <p>The claim of Prof. Amitabh Chatterjee as sent through the mail and the meeting minutes of the Doctoral Committee on the issue was read out by the Dean (Academic).</p> <p>After a long deliberation, the members unanimously decided that the context of the email sent by Prof. Amitabh on 04.10.2020 could not be ascertained i.e not visible in the email copy regarding removal of his name from the research paper, the Institute may seek authentication from Prof. S. Baishya, Supervisor (NIT Silchar).</p> <p>Based on the authentication, the Chairman, Senate is authorised to take appropriate decision whether the Research Scholar may be allowed to present the Synopsis Seminar as requested.</p>
<b>SNT 16.12</b>	<p><b>Proposal for change of Supervisors for Ph.D Scholars on account of the sad demise of the Supervisor- the Late Dr. Abhijit Sinha.</b></p> <p><b>Background:</b></p> <p>The Senate is hereby informed of the sad demise of Dr. Abhijit Sinha, Assistant Professor of the Department of Mechanical Engineering on the 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. There are 7 Ph.D Scholars (3 Full-time regular and 4 Part-time) who worked under his supervision. With the departure of the Supervisor, the Department Level Meeting on 28.06.2021 recommended the names of Supervisor from the Department of Mechanical Engineering taking the students' preference of Supervisor based on the field of research. Copy of the meeting minutes is placed at <b>Annexure-I of SNT 16.12 at page no. 310-313.</b></p>

**Recommendation of the Department for the proposed Supervisor for the following Ph.D Scholars:**

Name of the Scholar	PhD area	Proposed Supervisor
Mr. Laxman Mishra (DT16ME002) Full-Time regular	Drying	Dr. H. Lalhmingsanga
Mr. Prasanta Majumder (DT17ME003) Full-Time regular	Drying	Dr. Bachu Deb
Mr. Dipankar Saha (DT17ME006) Full-Time regular	Drying	Dr. Bidesh Roy
Mr. Sukanta Das (DT19ME001) Part-Time	Drying	Dr. Bidesh Roy
Mr. Abhijit Saha (DT19ME004) Part-Time	Drying	Dr. H. Lalhmingsanga
Mr. Dibakar Ghosh (DT19ME005) Part-Time	Drying	Dr. Bachu Deb
Mr. Dipanjan Paul (DT19ME002) Part-Time	Drying	Dr. H. Lalhmingsanga

The initiative taken by the Department in view of the academic interest and welfare of the Ph.D Scholars of their late colleague and their willingness to shoulder the responsibility in addition to their own students is noted and appreciated.

In this regard, as per the Institute's norm (SNT 9.19, Senate Meeting held on 03.07.2019), one faculty can supervise a maximum of 3 full time regular Ph.D students at a time. This being the rule, the matter is brought to the Senate that in the situation faced by the Mechanical Engineering Department, in view of the sad demise of Dr. Abhijit Sinha, the faculty members may be allowed to supervise more than 3 full time regular PhD students as a special case.

**Decision of the Senate:**

The Senate agreed to the proposal as a special case.

SNT 16.13	Any other business with the permission of Chair.																
SNT 16.13.1	<p><b>Proposal for ratification of the approval of the Chairman, Senate for publication of the Result of three B.Tech students of 2017-18 batch</b></p> <p><b>Background:</b></p> <p>On account of the late registration of the students of 2017-18 Batch to the final semester of B.Tech Programme, the results of the following 3 students had been withheld. With the completion of registration, the results have been approved by the Chairman, Senate and published. Hence, the matter is placed for ratification of the Senate.</p> <p>Particulars of the students are:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Sl. No</th><th>Name of the student</th><th>Enrolment Number</th><th>Result</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td><td>Neeraj Kumar Verma</td><td>BT17CE022</td><td>Shown at page 2 of the Result of <b>CE Department</b></td></tr> <tr> <td>2</td><td>Manish Kumar</td><td>BT17CE023</td><td></td></tr> <tr> <td>3</td><td>Pritish Thapa</td><td>BT17EC020</td><td>Shown at page 2 (2<sup>nd</sup> last) of Result of <b>ECE Department</b></td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>Department of Civil Engineering :</b>Result of examination conducted for Semester VIII during the month of June 2021 is placed at <b>Annexure-I.</b></p> <p><b>Department of Electronics &amp; Communication Engineering:</b> Result of examination conducted for Semester VIII during the month of June 2021 is placed at <b>Annexure-II.</b></p> <p>The Senate may ratify the approval for publication of the result of the above B.Tech students.</p>	Sl. No	Name of the student	Enrolment Number	Result	1	Neeraj Kumar Verma	BT17CE022	Shown at page 2 of the Result of <b>CE Department</b>	2	Manish Kumar	BT17CE023		3	Pritish Thapa	BT17EC020	Shown at page 2 (2 <sup>nd</sup> last) of Result of <b>ECE Department</b>
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	<p><b>Decision of the Senate:</b></p> <p>Ratified. The Senate also advised for improved registration process to avoid recurrence of similar incident in the future.</p>																

SNT 16.13.2	<p><b>Representations submitted by the faculty members against the decision of the 15<sup>th</sup> meeting of Senate</b></p> <p>As agreed by the members under SNT 16.3, representations submitted by the student and faculty members are taken up as agenda under the Any other business.</p> <p><b>Representation against SNT 15.15:</b> Before taking up the representation of the faculty, the mail received from the student Rohit Kumar was read out. He apologized for his action and request not to consider the particular paper as backlog.</p> <p><b>Senate decision:</b> The leniency showered on the student for not suspending him but allowing only 1 subject as backlog will stand.</p> <p>The faculty Dr. Sanasam Vipej Devi, AP (CE) who was present in the meeting as HoD i/c for CE Department was allowed to air her grievance over the decision of the Senate. She reported how the warning letter has mentally affected her when she gave her best and left no stones unturned to complete the course before the Odd Semester Examination in December 2021. She, therefore, requested retracting the Warning Letter and instead give an advisory letter like other faculty members issued under matter discussed under SNT 15.16.</p> <p><b>Senate decision:</b> The members highlighted the need for giving extra effort by the teaching fraternity as online classes never take lesser time than offline classes. The decision already taken by the Senate cannot be retracted when the representation submitted is conditional. If the faculty apologizes unconditionally, the matter to be reported in the next meeting.</p> <p>While discussing the first representation, one member suggest the installation of Best Teacher Award to encourage the teaching fraternity to give their best for academic advancement.</p> <p><b>Representation against SNT 15.16:</b> Representations received from Dr. Ricky Lalthazuala, Dr. Bidesh Roy &amp; Dr. Bijayananda Mohanty against the decision under this agenda were read out while Dr. Shuchi who attended the meeting was allowed to speak out. To this, the Dean (Acad) reported the receipt of documents from 3 faculties - Dr. Ricky Lalthazuala, AP (CE), Ms. Esther Temporary Faculty (CE) and Mr. Saurav Suman, TT(ME) within 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. Dr. Shuchi reported that her submission of the required document on 1<sup>st</sup> April</p>
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2021 was not recorded. This representation was noted.

Dean (Acad) also reported that Dr. Bijayananda Mohanty submitted the report on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021. Dr. Vinay Singh and Dr. Bidesh Roy had not submitted any documents regarding the course till date.

**Senate decision:** As highlighted above, the Senate decision shall not be retracted. The Senate is the highest authority for all academic matters and therefore, the decision taken is for safeguarding the interest of the Institute.

To Dr. Bidesh Roy's report of the information destroyed by virus, the Senate opined that multiple copies (for online repository) be maintained by the faculty members so that no information is lost.

To Dr. Bijayananda Mohanty's report along with requirement of RTI information, the Senate took a serious view of his action and felt that this may be reported to BoG.

It was reported in the meeting that Dr. Vinay Singh has not complied with the decision. He neither submit the documents nor reacted through any means. The Senate took a serious view of his action together with the issues discussed under SNT 16.7. It accounts to insubordination and this may be reported to the BoG.

**Representation against SNT 15.17:** This are representations submitted by Dr. H. Lalhmingsanga, AP (ME) and Dr. Bidesh Roy, AP (ME). Dr. H. Lalhmingsanga, AP (ME) contended that similar cases of non-conduct of progress report for 2/3 Semesters have not been given similar treatment while the faculties of ME Department have been given an advisory and charged with negligence over their academic responsibilities. Hence, request for re-consideration in the Senate.

**Decision of Senate:** The matter was discussed in details and as highlighted in the above cases, the decision of the Senate shall stand.

With this, the meeting came to an end with thanks from the Chair.

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