Minutes of the 62nd Meeting of the Senate of National Institute of Technology, Tiruchirappalli held on 15th November 2023 at 3 PM in the EEE Auditorium, and through WebEx

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. RAVISANKAR
8. Dr. B. SENTHILARASU
9. Dr. C. MALA
10. Dr. C. NAGAMANI
11. Dr. C. SATHIYA NARAYANAN
12. Dr. D. SATIKUMAR
13. Dr. D. SRI RAM KUMAR
14. DR. G. ARTHANAREESWARAN
15. Dr. G. MURUGANANTHAM
16. Dr. G. SUBBAIYAN
17. DR. G. SWAMINATHAN
18. Dr. G. SARAVANA ILANGO
19. Dr. G. UMA
20. DR. J. HEMALATHA
21. Dr. J. SARATCHANDRABABU
22. Dr. K. BASKAR
23. Dr. K. DHANALAKSHMI
24. DR. K.M. MEERA S. BEGUM
25. Dr. K. MURUGESAN
26. Dr. K. MUTHUKUMARAN
27. Dr. K. MUTHUKUMAR
28. Dr. K. SUNDAREESWARAN
29. Dr. K. THIRUMARAN
30. Dr. L. CINDRELLA
31. Dr. M. ARIVAZHAGAN
32. Dr. M. ASHOK
33. Dr. M. BHASKAR
34. Dr. M. JAYABHARATA REDDY
35. Dr. M. MATHESWARAN
36. Dr. M. PREMALATHA
37. Dr. M. P. SELVAN
38. DR. M. PERUMALSAMY
39. Dr. MICHAEL AROCK
40. Dr. N. BASKARAN
41. DR. N. GOPALAKRISHNAN
42. Dr. N. KUMARESAN
43. Dr. N. RAMASUBRAMANIAN
44. Dr. N. SIVAKUMARAN
45. Dr. P. ASOKAN
46. Dr. P. J. A. ALPHONSE
47. DR. P. KALAICHEL.VI
48. Dr. P. MUTHUCHIDAMBARANATHAN
49. Dr. P. PALANISAMY
50. Dr. P. SAIKRISHNAN
51. Dr. P. SATHIYA
52. Dr. P. SIVASHANMUGAM
53. Dr. R. B. ANAND
54. Dr. R. JEYAPAUl
55. Dr. R. JOSEPHI PONNIAH
56. DR. R. JUSTIN JOSEYPHU8
57. Dr. R. KARVEMBU
58. DR. R. LEELA VELUSAMY
59. DR. R. NAGALAKSHMI
60. DR. S. ANANDAN
61. Dr. S. ARUL DANIEL
62. Dr. S. JAYALEKSHMI

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63. Dr. S.KUMARAN
64. Dr. S.MARY SAIRA BHANU
65. Dr. MUTHUKUMARAN
66. Dr. S.NICKOLAS
67. Dr. S.P.KUMARESH BABU
68. DR. SIVA PRASAD KATAKAM
69. Dr. S.P.SIVAPIRAKASAM
70. Dr. SISHAJ P SIMON
71. Dr. S. SU RESH
72. Dr. S.R.BALASUNDARAM
73. Dr. S.SUDHA
74. Dr. S.T. RAMESH
75. Dr. S. VELMATHI
76. Dr. S. VENKATA CHALAPATHY
77. Dr. S. VINODDH
78. Dr. T.N. JANAKIRAMAN
79. Dr. T. SRINIVASARAO
80. Dr. V.J.SIVAKUMAR
81. Dr. V.KUMARAN
82. DR. V. RAVICHANDRAN
83. Dr. V.SANKARANARAYANAN
84. Dr. V. SATHYARAJ
85. Dr. V. SENTHILKUMAR
86. Dr. V.VINOD BALAKRISHNAN
87. Dr. N.THAMARAISELVAN, Registrar(i/c)/(Secretary, Senate)

**SPECIAL INVITEES**

88. Dr. V. M. BIJU, HoD, Chemistry
89. Dr. S. MEKALA, HoD, Humanities and Social Sciences
90. Dr. K. PANNIRSELVAM, HoD, Mechanical Engineering
91. Dr. R. PARTHASARATHY, Associate Dean (Academic)
92. Dr. R. THILAGAVATHY, Associate Dean (Academic)
93. Dr. SHELAS SATHYAN, Associate Dean (Academic)
94. Dr. R. PERIYASAMY, Associate Dean (Academic)
The following members expressed their inability to attend the meeting:

1. DR. G.K. ANATHASURESHE (EXT. MEMBER)
2. Dr. M. THAMBAR NAIR (EXT. MEMBER)
3. DR. HARIPRIYA GUNDIMEDA (EXT. MEMBER)
4. Dr. B. VASUKI
5. Dr. G. LAKSHMINARAYANAN
6. DR. J. JERALD
7. Dr. K. SANKARANARAYANASAMY
8. Dr. M. UMAPATHY
9. Dr. M. DURAISELVAM
10. Dr. P. PARTHIIBAN
11. Dr. R. GANDHIMATHI
12. DR. R. MURUGESAN
13. Dr. S. KUMANAN
14. Dr. S. Raman Sankaranarayanan
15. Dr. T. K. RANGABRISHAN
16. Dr. R. RAGHAVAN, Associate Dean (Academic)

The following member did not attend the meeting:

1. DR. M. PUNNIYAMOORTHY
2. Dr. M. VENKATAKIRTIIGA
3. DR. N. RAMESH BABU
4. DR. V. ANANDAKRISHNAN
5. DR. D. RUBEN SUDHAKAR, DEE

The Chairperson of the Senate welcomed the members to the 62nd meeting of the Senate and having ensured a quorum, continued with the proceedings of the meeting. She reviewed the accreditation status of the master’s programmes (MTech, MSc, MA, MCA and MBA) and instructed the HoDs to commence preparations for the next accreditation during AY 2024-25.

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

1. Confirmation of the Minutes of 61st Meeting of the Senate held on 24-07-2023.

The Senate resolved to confirm the minutes of the 61st Meeting of the Senate held on 24th July, 2023.

| RESOLUTION 62/SENATE/2023/1 | RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of 61st Meeting of Senate held on 24th July, 2023 be confirmed. |

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APPROVAL ITEMS

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

The Department of Electronics & Communications Engineering (ECE) conducted the meeting of Board of Studies (BoS) for its various programmes on 18th October 2023. The HoD presented the details to the Senate.

It was observed that two NPTEL courses have been added to the list of program electives. As the HoD stated that these have been included for research scholars working under various faculty members working in the areas of wireless communication and 5G technologies, the Senate suggested that these courses shall be strictly offered to research scholars and not to be offered to MTech students as currently there is no provision in the regulations for NPTEL courses for PG programmes. Likewise, it was also noticed that VLSI SoC Design and Verification (EC687) has been mentioned as Qualcomm course, and the HoD clarified that this was not any tailored course for specific industry, but that the course shall be delivered with the help of engineers from the industry.

**RESOLUTION 62/SENATE/2023/2a**

**RESOLVED THAT** the recommendations of the BoS for the ECE department presented by the HoD be approved, subject to adhering to the above mentioned observations by the Senate.

b. Request for extension: The following student requested extension for one academic year (till July 2024) to complete the B.Tech programme of ECE.

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<td>Gautham Narayanan, 108117036 (B.Tech 2017-21 batch)</td>
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The Senate agreed to give extension to the B.Tech. student for a period of 1 year, beyond the stipulated 6 years, i.e., until the end of AY 2023-24 to complete the pending 3 courses and earn the degree.

**RESOLUTION 62/SENATE/2023/2b**

**RESOLVED THAT** the undergraduate student Gautham Narayanan (Reg No. 108117036) shall be granted an extension of 1 year until the end of AY 2023-24 be approved.

c. Requests for extension: There were requests for extension, citing medical/COVID-19 reasons, from 35 research scholars (33 Ph.D. and 2 M.S.(by Research) who have completed the stipulated maximum period of registration.

The Senate reviewed the reasons cited by various research scholars, who are mostly part-time scholars, and based on the recommendations of the respective doctoral committees agreed to grant extension of registration as per the DC recommendation.
but in any case not later than 31st May, 2024, to fulfill all the requirements for the award of degree.

RESOLUTION 62/SENATE/2023/2c
RESOLVED THAT extension of registration be granted to all those scholars, who have requested through respective doctoral committees, but in any case not later than 31st May, 2024.

3. Amendments to the regulations (a) UG, and (b) PG
Owing to some of the developments during and after the lockdown period, the O/o Dean (Academic) proposed a few amendments to the existing regulations primarily to resolve certain conflicts and administer the semesters smoothly.

The Senate opined that (i) conflicts arising on attendance/grading policies etc. shall be hereafter resolved at the department level by the HoD and the Chairperson of the PACs, and project guides in case of PG programmes, and (ii) instructed the O/o Dean (Academic) to propose a revised set of regulations at the earliest.

RESOLUTION 62/SENATE/2023/3
RESOLVED THAT (i) conflicts arising on attendance/grading policies etc. shall be hereafter resolved at the department level by the HoD and the Chairperson of the PACs, and project guides in case of PG programmes, and (ii) instructed the O/o Dean (Academic) to propose a revised set of regulations at the earliest.

4. Award of Provisional Certificates to M.S. (by Research)/ Ph.D. scholars as on 6th November, 2023.

After the 19th Convocation of NIT, Tiruchirappalli held on 28th July, 2023, till 6th November 2023 there were 14 research scholars who completed all the requirements for the award of the degree of Ph.D., and one scholar who completed all the requirements for the award of the degree of M.S.(by Research). The Senate ratified the award of provisional certificates to these students.

RESOLUTION 62/SENATE/2023/4
RESOLVED THAT the award of a total of 1 M. S. (by Research) and 14 Ph.D. provisional certificates ahead of the 20th Convocation be ratified.

The Meeting concluded with thanks to the Chair.

Secretary, Senate

Chairperson, Senate