



Minutes of the 13th Senate Meeting

The 13th SENATE meeting of National Institute of Technology Agartala was held on 17th February, 2014 in the conference hall of NIT, Agartala at 11.30 AM and the following members were present:

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| 01. | Prof. Gopal Mugeraya
Director, NIT Agartala | Chairman |
| 02. | Prof. Nilanjana Gupta
Dean, Faculty of Arts
Jadavpur University | Member |
| 03. | Prof. Kehar Singh
Department of Physics, IIT Delhi | Member |
| 04. | Prof. Subhas Chandra Saha
Professor (ME) NIT Agartala | Member |
| 05. | Prof. Umesh Mishra
Professor (CE) NIT Agartala | Member |
| 06. | Prof. Ajit Kumar Roy
Professor (HU) NIT Agartala | Member |
| 07. | Prof. R. P. Sharma
Professor (CE) NIT Agartala
& Dean (Acad) | Member |
| 08. | Prof. Kamakhya Prasad Ghatak
Professor, (ECE) NIT Agartala | Member |
| 09. | Dean R & C
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 10. | Dean P & D
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 11. | Dean SW
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 12. | Head of the Department
Civil Engineering Department
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 13. | Head of the Department
Mechanical Engineering Department
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 14. | Head of the Department
Computer Sc & Engineering Department
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 15. | Head of the Department
Electronics & Comm. Engineering Department
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |



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| 16. | Head of the Department
Electronics & Inst. Engineering Department
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 17. | Head of the Department
Production Engineering Department
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 18. | Head of the Department
Chemical Engineering Department
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 19. | Head of the Department
Bio Engineering Department
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 20. | Head of the Department
Chemistry Department
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 20. | Head of the Department
Physics Department
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 22. | Head of the Department
Mathematics Department
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 23. | Head of the Department
Humanities Department
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 24. | Faculty in-charge
School of Energy Studies | Invitee |
| 25. | Faculty in-charge
School of Seismic Science & Engg. | Invitee |
| 26. | Faculty in-charge
School of Automotive Engg. | Invitee |
| 27. | Head of School of Management
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 28. | Controller of Examinations
NIT, Agartala | Invitee |
| 29. | Sri Sumanta Chakrabarti
Registrar (I/C), NIT Agartala | Secretary, SENATE |

Before the start of the proceedings of the 13th meeting of SENATE of NIT Agartala one minute silence was observed praying for eternal peace of the departed soul of Late Asish Sarkar, Asstt. Professor of Mechanical Department who expired prematurely on 14/02/2014.



After that Prof. Gopal Mugeraya, Director & Chairman, SENATE, NIT Agartala welcomed all the members present in the meeting. He specially welcomed Prof. Nilanjana Gupta of Jadavpur University and Prof. Kehar Singh of IIT Delhi to attend the first SENATE meeting of NIT Agartala after his assumption of the office of the Director. He also welcomed all the Deans, Heads of the Departments and other members for attending the meeting. Prof. Mugeraya requested all the members present to take part in the discussion.

After the opening remarks of the Chairman, SENATE, Mr. Sumanta Chakrabarti, Secretary, SENATE welcomed Prof. Gopal Mugeraya, Director NIT Agartala for attending the first SENATE meeting of NIT Agartala after assuming the office. He also thanked Prof. P.K. Bose, the previous Director whose term was over on August 18, 2013 for his efforts to develop NIT Agartala. He also welcomed all the members for attending the meeting and initiated the agenda wise discussion. He invited Prof. R.P. Sharma (Dean, Academic Affair) to detail the agenda points placed for consideration of SENATE.

Item No. S/13/01

Confirmation of the Minutes of the 12th Meeting of Senate held on 20th May, 2013.

The minutes of the 12th meeting of SENATE held on May 20, 2013 were confirmed with the following observation on Item No. S/12/08/A:

- The guidelines for nomination of 2(two) faculty members (One from the category of Professor and the other from Associate and Assistant Professor) would be prepared by Dean (Academic) in consultation with all concerned and Dean (FW) and on approval of the Chairman SENATE the issue would be discussed in the SENATE meeting and an appropriate decision would be taken.

Item No. S/13/02

Action taken report on the decisions of 12th meeting of Senate

Action taken report on the decisions of 12th meeting of SENATE held on May 20, 2013 were perused, noted by the members and approved.

Item No. S/13/03

Ratification of result of Ph.D in Engineering, Science and Humanities & Social Science for awarding Ph.D Degree in the 6th Convocation.

Awarding of Ph.D degree to Mr. Pritam Saha, in Engineering (Civil Engineering), Smt. Papiya Dutta in Humanities & Social Science, Mr.



Mantu Kumar Das in Science (Physics) and Mrs. Lipika Dey in science (Mathematics) in the 6th Convocation of the Institute was ratified.

Item No. S/13/04

Consideration and ratification of Rules & Regulations and syllabi of BS-MS dual degree programme in Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics.

Rules & Regulations and syllabi of BS-MS dual degree programme in Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics were ratified.

Item No. S/13/05

Consideration and ratification of Rules & Regulations and syllabi of B.Tech-M.Tech dual degree programme in Engineering Physics.

Rules & Regulations and syllabi of B.Tech-M.Tech dual degree programme in Engineering Physics were ratified.

Item No. S/13/06

Consideration and ratification of registration of Mr. Kishan Choudhuri in Ph.D programme of this Institute.

The registration of Mr. Kishan Choudhuri in Ph.D programme of this Institute in Mechanical Engineering as an Institute staff for the 2nd semester in January-June, 2014 academic session after a gap of 8 (eight) semesters was ratified without any precedence.

Item No. S/13/07

Consideration and ratification of revised academic calendar for even semester of the academic session 2013-14.

The revised academic calendar of even semester of the academic session 2013-14 was ratified with the following suggestion:

- At least 2(two) Saturdays might be utilized during the period of the semester as working days in order to compensate for the loss of a good number of teaching days and to keep the number of working days in the semester at the level of 70.

Item No. S/13/08

Consideration and ratification of revised criteria for admission in Master of Business Administration (MBA).

The revised criteria for admission in Master of Business Administration (MBA) in NIT Agartala was ratified as follows:



- Candidates with degree in Engineering discipline with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent CGPA / CPI (6.5 in 10 point scale) and 55% marks or equivalent CGPA / CPI (6.0 in 10 point scale) for graduates in other disciplines with a valid CAT/ MAT/ CMAT/ GMAT score. A valid GMAT score will be applicable for foreign student only. The SC and ST candidates would however will be allowed a relaxation of 5% of marks or 0.50 in CPI/ CGPA as the case may be.

Item No. S/13/09

Consideration and ratification of awarding degree to the successful students who passed B.Tech in 2013 in the 6th convocation of NIT Agartala.

Awarding degree to the successful students who passed B.Tech in 2013 in the 6th convocation of NIT Agartala was approved as follows:

BRANCHES	CE	ME	EE	CS	ECE	EI	PE	CHE	Total
Total no of candidates appeared :	102	57	58	42	53	21	8	14	355
No. of students absents :	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No of students passed in First attempt :	93	54	53	37	52	15	8	14	326
No of students passed in Second attempt :	7	3	5	5	1	6	0	0	27
Number of students passed with First Class & Distinction :	15	11	19	13	22	8	2	3	93
Number of students passed with First Class :	55	38	29	25	26	10	6	11	200
Number of students passed with Second Class :	30	8	10	4	5	3	0	0	60
No of students with incomplete result :	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Percentage of candidates passed :	98	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	99

Item No. S/13/10

Consideration and ratification of awarding degree to the successful students who passed M.Tech in 2013 in the 6th convocation of NIT Agartala.

Awarding degree to the successful students who passed M.Tech in 2013 in the 6th convocation of NIT Agartala was approved as follows:

BRANCHES	CE	ME	EE	CS	ECE	HE	Total
Total no of candidates appeared :	25	13	21	11	10	3	83
No. of students absents :	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of students passed with First Class & Distinction :	14	6	11	8	9	2	50
Number of students passed with First Class :	10	7	10	3	1	1	32
Number of students passed with Second Class :	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No of students with incomplete result :	1	0	0	0	0	0	1

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Item No. S/13/11

Consideration and ratification of awarding degree to the successful students who passed MCA in 2013 in the 6th convocation of NIT Agartala.

Awarding degree to the successful students who passed MCA in 2013 in the 6th convocation of NIT Agartala was approved as follows:

BRANCHES	MCA	Total
Total no of candidates appeared :	7	7
No. of students absents :	0	0
Number of students passed with First Class & Distinction :	4	4
Number of students passed with First Class :	3	3
Number of students passed with Second Class :	0	0
No of students with incomplete result :	0	0

Item No. S/13/12

Consideration and ratification of awarding degree to the successful students who passed M.Sc in 2013 in the 6th convocation of NIT Agartala.

Awarding degree to the successful students who passed M.Sc in 2013 in the 6th convocation of NIT Agartala was approved as follows:

BRANCHES	Maths	CHY	PHY	Total
Total no of candidates appeared :	7	6	6	19
No. of students absents :	0	0	0	0
Number of students passed with First Class & Distinction :	2	0	0	2
Number of students passed with First Class :	5	6	6	17
Number of students passed with Second Class :	0	0	0	0
No of students with incomplete result :	0	0	0	0

Item No. S/13/13

Consideration and approval of awarding Gold Medals to the Institute toppers and Gold Plated Silver Medals to other Branch toppers in 2013 in the 6th convocation of NIT Agartala.

Awarding Gold Medals to the Institute toppers and Gold Plated Silver Medals to other Branch toppers in 2013 in the 6th convocation of NIT Agartala was approved as follows with the suggestion given below the list:

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Mechanical Engineering	09UME035	Puloma Dwibedi (Joint Institute Topper)	9.41
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Electronics & Communication Engineering	09UEC003	Abhishek Debroy (Joint Institute Topper)	9.41
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Hydro Informatics Engineering	11PHE005	Shantanu Datta (Institute Topper)	9.75
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Branch Toppers for Gold Plated Silver Medals:-

B.Tech:

Sl No.	Department	Reg. No.	Student Name	CPI
1	Civil Engineering	09UCE034	Dibyatonu Chattopadhyay	9.33
2	Electrical Engineering	09UEE001	Abhishek Kumar	9.15
3		09UEE051	Suman Bhowmik	9.15
4	Computer Sc. & Engineering	09UCS004	Amit Kumar Sarkar	9.28
5	Production Engineering	09UPE007	Pritam Dhar	9.05
6	Electronics & Instrumentation Engineering	09UEI009	Namita Beniwal	9.39
7	Chemical Engineering	09UCH001	Ankita Majumder	8.84

M.Tech:

Sl No.	Department	Reg. No.	Student Name	CPI
1	Civil Engineering	11PCE020	Antaripa Bhadra	9.54
2	Mechanical Engineering	11PME016	Menaka Attmaja Ray	9.61
3	Electrical Engineering	11PEE007	Momai Dey	9.64
4	Computer Sc. & Engineering	11PCS006	Kunal Chakma	9.49
5	Electronics & Communication Engineering	11PEC007	Debanjali Nath	9.54

M.Sc:

Sl No.	Department	Reg. No.	Student Name	CPI
1	Physics	11PPH006	Swati Singh	7.89
2	Chemistry	11PCY001	Chayanika Debnath	7.94
3	Mathematics	11PMA008	Sudip Debnath	9.33



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- An inquiry committee would be constituted to probe into the allegation of a cyber crime against Sri Avishek Debroy, a joint Institute topper of UG programme in the Department of Electronics & Communication Department. On inquiry if the allegation was found established the degree and Gold Medal to be awarded to the student would be withdrawn.

Item No. S/13/14

Review of existing programs at UG and PG Levels.

After review of all existing programmes at UG and PG levels the SENATE decided as follows:

- BS-MS and BT-MT started in the Institute from the year 2013-14 would be allowed to continue for 1(one) year. After that the matter would be reviewed and an appropriate decision on the continuance of the programmes would be taken.
- All the 4 (four) schools opened for running M.Tech and Ph.D programme would be merged immediately "i.e. before the starting of next academic session" with the Department as indicated against each below:

School of Hydro Informatics	- Civil Engineering
School of Seismic Science & Engineering	- Civil Engineering
School of Automotive Engineering	- Mechanical Engineering
School of Energy Studies	- Electrical Engineering

- The matter regarding running of some specializations in M.Tech courses would be reviewed considering the infrastructure, manpower availability and the number of students admitted, as per decision of 28th BoG meeting.

One faculty of Hydro Informatics Department, Dr. Mrinmoy Majumder, Assistant Professor would now onwards work in the Civil Engineering Department and his designation would be Assistant Professor in Civil Engineering Department.



Item No. S/13/15

Status of admission in B.Tech 1st Semester during the Academic Session 2013-14 under Home State and All India quota at NIT Agartala.

The status of admission in B.Tech 1st Semester during the Academic Session 2013-14 under Home State and All India quota at NIT Agartala was perused with the following suggestion:

- NIT Agartala would take up the matter of vacant seats of B.Tech in SC and ST Category with the State Education Department and extend necessary support for providing guidance to the SC and ST candidates aspiring for Joint Entrance Examination for their preparation and better performance.

Item No. S/13/16

Status of admission in M.Tech 1st Semester during the Academic Session 2013-14 at NIT Agartala.

The status of admission in M.Tech 1st Semester during the Academic Session 2013-14 at NIT Agartala was perused.

Item No. S/13/17

Status of admission in MCA 1st Semester during the Academic Session 2013-14 at NIT Agartala.

The status of admission in MCA 1st Semester during the Academic Session 2013-14 at NIT Agartala was perused.

Item No. S/13/18

Status of admission in MBA 1st Semester during the Academic Session 2013-14 at NIT Agartala.

The status of admission in MBA 1st Semester during the Academic Session 2013-14 at NIT Agartala was perused.

Item No. S/13/19

Status of admission in M.Sc 1st Semester During the Academic Session 2013-14 at NIT Agartala.

The status of admission in M.Sc 1st Semester during the Academic Session 2013-14 at NIT Agartala was perused.

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Item No. S/13/20

Consideration and approval of transfer of 3(three) Assistant Professors of Civil & Transportation Engineering Department to Civil Engineering Department after its abolition.

Transfer of the following 3(three) Assistant Professors of Civil & Transportation Engineering Department to Civil Engineering Department after its abolition was approved with their designation as Assistant Professor in Civil Engineering:

- 1) Dipankar Sarkar, Asstt. Professor.
- 2) Debdulal Tripura, Asstt. Professor.
- 3) Parthopratin Sarkar, Asstt. Professor.

Item No. S/13/21

Consideration and approval of allowing Prof. K.P. Ghatak to act as supervisor of a Ph.D scholar in the Department of Physics.

The proposal of Physics Department to allow Prof. K.P. Ghatak of ECE Department to act as supervisor of a Ph.D scholar in the Department of Physics was approved with the following suggestions:

- Any Department of the Institute must have supervisor(s) from the Department itself for the scholars(s).
- Any supervisor from any other Department might act as another supervisor.
- Prof. K.P. Ghatak might act as another supervisor of the Ph.D scholar of Physics Department and one faculty from Physics Department would act as Supervisor.
- Academic Departments must allot guide / supervisor to each of the scholars at the time of admission in Ph.D programme itself.

Item No. S/13/22

Consideration and approval for change of supervisor of Prasenjit Ghorai a Ph.D scholar of ECE Department.

Dr. Tarun Kumar Bandhopadhyay of Chemical Engineering Department or Dr. Biswnath Bhunia of Bio-Engineering might be allowed to act as another supervisor of Mr. Prasenjit Ghorai, a Ph.D scholar of Electronics & Communication Engineering Department with the following suggestion.



- The Electronics & Communication Engineering Department should allot one supervisor for Mr. Prasenjit Ghorai from the Department itself under whom Mr. Ghorai would do his Ph.D and one faculty from other Department might act as another supervisor.

Item No. S/13/23

Consideration and approval of curriculum and syllabus of course work of M.Sc Chemistry as an elective.

The curriculum and syllabus course work of M.Sc Chemistry as an elective was approved with the details of marks given bellow:

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| 1. Equilibrium Thermo Dynamics | - | 30 marks |
| 2. Surface Chemistry | - | 40 marks |
| 3. Analysis of Water Pollution | - | 30 marks |

Item No. S/13/24

Consideration and approval of guidelines of Summer Internship of the students of MBA.

Guidelines of Summer Internship of the students of MBA were approved.

Item No. S/13/25

Fixation of duration of nominated persons to SENATE from amongst the educationists of repute.

The SENATE approved the duration of nominated persons to SENATE from amongst the educationists of repute to the extent of 2(two) years from the date of first meeting of SENATE after nomination.

Item No. S/13/26

Consideration and perusal of Monitoring of the academic activities in NIT Agartala.

The status of Monitoring of the academic activities in NIT Agartala was perused.

Item No. S/13/27

Consideration and perusal of Status of research activities in NIT Agartala.

After the review of the Status of research activities in NIT Agartala the SENATE decided as follows:



- The quality of research in the Institute would not be compromised at all.
- Any research scholar must publish at least 3 (three) papers in international journals (SCI) before submission of the Ph.D thesis.

Item No. S/13/28

Consideration and approval of extension of assistantship to Ph.D scholars beyond 4(four) years.

The Ph.D scholars who already completed 4(four) years of research work in the Institute and were not getting scholarship from MHRD might be allowed assistantship against their absorption in projects as project staff and work for the concerned Department.

Item No. S/13/29

Consideration and amendment of formation of Doctoral Committee for research work.

The revised composition of Doctoral Committee was approved as follows:

i)	The Head of the concerned Department where the Scholar is enrolled in Ph.D programme. If the HOD of any Department does not have Ph.D degree the Chairman SENATE will select a suitable Chairman of DC (s) of their Department on case to case basis.	Chairman
ii)	The Supervisor (s)	Member
iii)	Two other faculty members of which at least one must be from the Department.	Member

Item No. S/13/30

Consideration and approval of formation of Doctoral Committee for the Ph.D scholars of CSE Department admitted in July-2013.

The formation of Doctoral Committee for the Ph.D scholars of CSE Department admitted in July 2013, as per provision of Rule 7.1.2 of Ph.D regulations of the Institute was approved with the following suggestions:



- One member of each DC of CSE Department would be nominated by the Director & Chairman SENATE.
- Status-quo in respect of existing DCs of CSE Department would be maintained.

Item No. S/13/31

Consideration and perusal of Starting of Research activities in some Departments where qualified teachers and infrastructure are not available:

No admission in Ph.D programme would be given in the Academic Departments where qualified teachers and infrastructure were not available.

Item No. S/13/32

Consideration and perusal of opening of some Centres and Schools without sufficient faculties and infrastructure.

The status of some centres and schools without sufficient faculties and infrastructure such as School of Hydro Informatics, School of Automotive Engineering, School of Seismic Science & Engineering and School of Energy Studies was perused and decision was taken against agenda no. S/13/14 to merge these with related Departments.

Item No. S/13/33

Consideration and perusal of admission of Sri Rajesh Kumar Das in Ph.D Programme.

Admission of Sri Rajesh Kumar Das in Ph.D Programme of Humanities & Social Science Department in the event of Judgment passed by Hon'ble High Court of Tripura was perused and approved. It was also decided that necessary care would be taken-up by the Academic Section to avoid any such future recurrence.

Item No. S/13/34

Consideration and perusal of moderation of question papers of NIT Agartala from other Institutions.

In regard to moderation of question papers of various academic programmes of NIT Agartala the SENATE decided as follows:

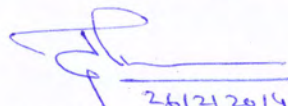
- Faculties of the Institute teaching various subjects in various programmes would submit 2(two) sets of questions for each paper:

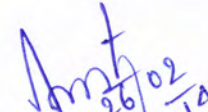


- Each Academic Department like CE, ME, EE, CSE, ECE, EIE, PE, CH, BE, PH, CY, MA, HU, M.SC, MCA, MBA etc. Departments would invite a mentor to the Institute.
- The mentor would moderate all the questions of the Department.

All decisions were taken unanimously.

The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.


26/2/2014
(Prof. Gopal Mugeraya)
Chairman, SENATE


26/02/14
(Sumanta Chakrabarti)
Secretary, SENATE