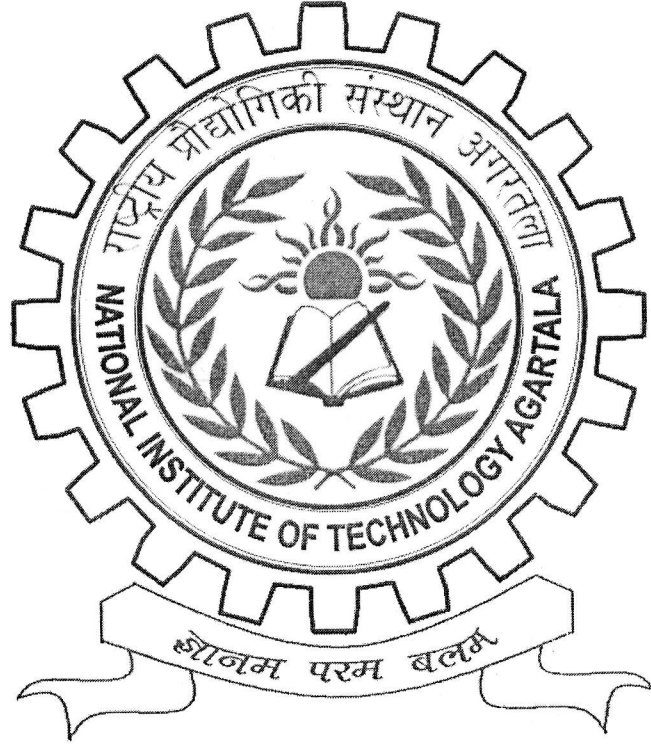


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**MINUTES OF  
THIRTY SEVENTH  
SENATE MEETING**

**HELD ON**

**28<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2022**

**AT**

**11.30 am.**

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Date: 26/04/2023

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### Minutes of the 37<sup>th</sup> Senate Meeting

The 37<sup>th</sup> meeting of SENATE of National Institute of Technology Agartala was held on 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 through online mode at 11.30 am. The following members and invitee members attended the meeting:

1.	<b>Prof. H. K. Sharma</b> Director, NIT Agartala	Chairman
2.	<b>Prof. Uday Shanker Dixit</b> IIT Guwahati, Assam	Member
3.	<b>Prof. Sukanya Sharma</b> IIT Guwahati, Assam	Member
4.	<b>Prof. Maddali L. N. Rao</b> IIT Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh	Member
5.	<b>Prof. Manish Pal</b> Professor (CE) NIT Agartala	Member
6.	<b>Prof. R. P. Sharma</b> Professor (CE) NIT Agartala	Member
7.	<b>Prof. Ratul Das</b> Professor (CE) NIT Agartala	Member
8.	<b>Prof. Sujit Kumar Pal</b> Professor (CE) NIT Agartala	Member
9.	<b>Prof. Umesh Mishra</b> Professor (CE) NIT Agartala	Member
10.	<b>Prof. Ajoy Kumar Chakraborty</b> Professor (EE) NIT Agartala	Member
11.	<b>Prof. Priyanath Das</b> Professor (EE) NIT Agartala	Member
12.	<b>Prof. Debasish Bhattacharya</b> Professor (MA) NIT Agartala	Member
13.	<b>Prof. Ajoy Kumar Das</b> Professor (ME) NIT Agartala	Member
14.	<b>Prof. Prasun Chakraborti</b> Professor (ME) NIT Agartala	Member
15.	<b>Prof. Swapan Bhaumik</b> Professor (ME) NIT Agartala	Member
16.	<b>Prof. Vipin Kumar Tripathi</b> Professor (ME) NIT Agartala	Member
17.	<b>Prof. Debasis Neogi</b> Professor (MHSS) NIT Agartala	Member
18.	<b>Prof. Ram Naresh Rai</b> Professor (PE) NIT Agartala	Member
19.	<b>Prof. Aparna Nath</b> Professor (PH) NIT Agartala	Member
20.	<b>Dr. Rajsekhar Panua</b> Dean (S W - 1)	Invitee



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21.	<b>Head of the Department</b> Bio Engineering Department, NIT, Agartala	Invitee
22.	<b>Head of the Department</b> Chemical Engineering Department, NIT, Agartala	Invitee
23.	<b>Head of the Department</b> Civil Engineering Department, NIT, Agartala	Invitee
24.	<b>Head of the Department</b> Computer Sc. & Engineering Department NIT, Agartala	Invitee
25.	<b>Head of the Department</b> Electronics & Comm. Engineering Department NIT, Agartala	Invitee
26.	<b>Head of the Department</b> Mechanical Engineering Department, NIT, Agartala	Invitee
27.	<b>Head of the Department</b> Production Engineering Department, NIT, Agartala	Invitee
28.	<b>Head of the Department</b> Chemistry Department, NIT, Agartala	Invitee
29.	<b>Head of the Department</b> Mathematics Department, NIT, Agartala	Invitee
30.	<b>Chairman CCD</b> NIT Agartala	Invitee
31.	<b>Registrar</b> NIT Agartala	Secretary, SENATE

Professor H. K. Sharma, Chairman SENATE welcomed Prof. Uday Shanker Dixit, Prof. Sukanya Sharma and Prof. Maddali L. N. Rao and other members of SENATE of NIT Agartala. Then Chairman SENATE invited them to take part in the discussion on the agenda points of the meeting. After this the Chairman SENATE invited Dean (Academic) to place all the agenda points one by one for open discussion.

The Dean (Academic) then welcomed all the members of the SENATE who were present in the meeting and requested to come forward with their valuable suggestions on the agenda points. After that he placed all the agenda points one by one. Members present in the meeting took part in the discussion and gave their considered views. After detailed discussion, the following decisions were taken:

**Item No. S/37/01**

**Confirmation of the Minutes of the 36<sup>th</sup> Meeting of SENATE held on 29/09/2021.**

The Minutes of the 36<sup>th</sup> meeting of Senate held on 29/09/2021 were confirmed.



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**Item No. S/37/02** Action taken report on 36<sup>th</sup> meeting of SENATE

The SENATE perused and considered the action taken on the item no. S/36/29, S/36/32, S/36/33, S/36/34 and S/36/35 of 36<sup>th</sup> meeting of SENATE held on 29/09/2021.

**Item No. S/37/03**

**Consideration and approval of extension of Ph.D duration of Navonita Sharma (enrolment no. 14EDEER004), full-time Ph.D scholar of Electrical Engineering Department by 6 months beyond 7 years due to availing of maternity leave.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the extension of Ph.D duration by 180 days in respect of Navonita Sharma (enrolment no. 14EDEER004), full-time Ph.D scholar of Electrical Engineering Department by 6 months beyond 7 years January 2022, as the scholar availed maternity leave.

**Item No. S/37/04**

**Consideration and approval of extension of Ph.D duration of Nikhil Debbarma (enrolment no. 12DCS005), part-time Ph.D scholar of Computer Sc. & Engineering Department by 1 year beyond 9 years and relaxation of publication.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the extension of Ph.D duration by 1 year in respect of Nikhil Debbarma (enrolment no. 12DCS005), part-time Ph.D scholar of Computer Sc. & Engineering Department beyond 9 years January 2022. The SENATE also considered the proposal of relaxation in terms publication as per memo vide F.No.5(6-Acad)/Ph.D Admn/2020-21/A-1110, dated 04/12/2019, and the scholar must submit the synopsis as well as the Ph.D thesis within 31/12/2022. No further extension will be granted.

**Item No. S/37/05**

**Consideration and approval of extension of Ph.D duration of Jayanti Nath (enrolment no. 12DMA008), part-time Ph.D scholar of Mathematics Department by 1 year beyond 9 years.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the extension of Ph.D duration by 1 year in respect of Jayanti Nath (enrolment no. 12DMA008), part-time Ph.D scholar of Mathematics Department beyond 9 years January 2022. The scholar must submit the synopsis as well as the Ph.D thesis within 31/12/2022. No further extension will be granted.

**Item No. S/37/06**

**Consideration and approval of allowing Kishore Kumar Dhar (enrolment no. 13ODCSR003), part-time Ph.D scholar of Computer Sc. & Engineering Department to submit Ph.D synopsis with relaxation of publication.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the extension of Ph.D duration by 1 year in respect of Kishore Kumar Dhar (enrolment no.



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13ODCSR003), part-time Ph.D scholar of Computer Sc. & Engineering Department beyond 9 years from January 2022. The SENATE also considered the proposal of relaxation in terms publication as per memo vide F.No.5(6-Acad)/Ph.D Admn/2020-21/A-1110, dated 04/12/2019, and the scholar must submit the synopsis as well as the Ph.D thesis within 31/12/2022. No further extension will be granted.

### Item No. S/37/07

**Consideration and approval of extension of Ph.D duration of Kamalesh Debnath (enrolment no. 12DEC002), part-time (Institute staff) Ph.D scholar of Electronics & Communication Engineering Department by 6 month beyond 10 years.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the extension of Ph.D duration by 6 months in respect of Kamalesh Debnath (enrolment no. 12DEC002), part-time Ph.D scholar of Electronics & Communication Engineering Department beyond 10 years from January 2022. The scholar must submit the synopsis as well as the Ph.D thesis within 30/06/2022. No further extension will be granted.

### Item No. S/37/08

**Consideration and approval of extension of Ph.D duration of Suresh Chandra Biswas (enrolment no. 12DCY007), part-time Ph.D scholar of Chemistry Department by 1 year beyond 9 years.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the extension of Ph.D duration by 1 year in respect of Suresh Chandra Biswas (enrolment no. 12DCY007), part-time Ph.D scholar of Chemistry Department beyond 9 years from January 2022. The scholar must submit the synopsis as well as the Ph.D thesis within 31/12/2022. No further extension shall be granted.

### Item No. S/37/09

**Consideration and approval of MoU between NIT Agartala and Durham University of UK.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the MoU between NIT Agartala and Durham University of UK.

### Item No. S/37/10

**Consideration and approval of MoU between NIT Agartala and IIT, Hyderabad, Telangana for 5 years.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the MoU between NIT Agartala and IIT, Hyderabad, Telangana for 5 years.

### Item No. S/37/11

**Consideration and approval of MoU between NIT Agartala and Samsung R & D Institute – Bangalore Pvt. Ltd (SRI-B).**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the MoU between NIT Agartala and Samsung R & D Institute – Bangalore Pvt. Ltd (SRI-B).



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**Item No. S/37/12**

**Consideration and approval of draft strategic plan for the next 10 years.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the draft strategic plan for the next 10 years.

**Item No. S/37/13**

**Consideration and approval of allowing 1 year extension to Harsha Bardhan Debbarma (enrolment no. 15UEC032), a student of B.Tech in Electronics & Communication Engineering beyond 6 years.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed 1 year extension to Harsha Bardhan Debbarma (enrolment no. 15UEC032), a student of B.Tech in Electronics & Communication Engineering beyond 6 years from July 2021.

**Item No. S/37/14**

**Consideration and approval of allowing Dharavath Paul Singh (enrolment no. 18UEC054), a student of B.Tech in Electronics & Communication Engineering to continue his course.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed that Dharavath Paul Singh (enrolment no. 18UEC054), a student of B.Tech in Electronics & Communication Engineering to continue his course till the completion of maximum duration i.e. till June 2024, to complete his course.

**Item No. S/37/15**

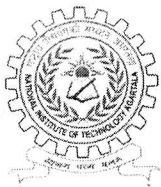
**Consideration and approval of allowing Sudhanshu Kumar (enrolment no. 18UPE053), a student of B.Tech in Production Engineering to complete his course.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed that Sudhanshu Kumar (enrolment no. 18UPE053), a student of B.Tech in Production Engineering is allowed to register himself for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> semesters by paying requisite fee and applicable fine.

**Item No. S/37/16**

**Consideration and approval of introduction of a new form regarding any change of Title of Ph.D thesis after Registration seminar.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the introduction of a modified form (13B) regarding change of Title of Ph.D thesis after Registration seminar.



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### Item No. S/37/17

**Consideration and approval of opening M.Tech in Data Science & Engineering (DSE) and M.Tech in Cyber Security under Computer Sc. & Engineering Department in lieu of M.Tech in Computer Sc. & Engineering from the academic session 2022-23.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed opening of M.Tech in Data Science & Engineering (DSE) and M.Tech in Cyber Security under Computer Sc. & Engineering Department with an intake capacity of 10 seats each, in lieu of M.Tech in Computer Sc. & Engineering. The specializations may be commenced from the academic session 2022-23.

The SENATE authorized the Chairman SENATE for approval of the course structure and detailed syllabus of the above mentioned programmes.

### Item No. S/37/18

**Consideration and approval of introduction of fellowship fee (schl. fee user charges) in fee structure of different courses run at NIT Agartala.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the introduction of fellowship fee (schl. fee user charges) in fee structure of different courses run at NIT Agartala.

Schl. fee user charges of Rs. 500/- per semester for UG and Dual Degree students and Rs. 1000/- per semester for PG and Ph.D students. This additional fee to be added in the existing fee structures of all courses run at NIT Agartala, with effect from next academic session.

The same was placed before the 41<sup>st</sup> Finance Committee (item no. 41.7) and suggested to put-up the detailed guidelines for its implementation in the forthcoming Board Meeting. But, at the time of confirmation of the minutes, the Board in its 62<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 30/01/2023 vide item no. 62.1, "decided to drop the agenda (item no. 60.6) and not to execute further as the fellowships are paid by the Government of India".

### Item No. S/37/19

**Consideration and approval of new format of Departmental and Institute level Rank certificate.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed that the new proposed formats of Departmental and Institute level Rank certificate may be issued only on request of student, by paying requisite fees. However, the house decided that the old formats of the said certificates will prevail under the normal conditions.





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### Item No. S/37/20

**Consideration and approval of academic calendar for ODD semester 2022-23 academic session.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the academic calendar for ODD semester 2022-23 academic session for intermediate students of UG, Dual degree, PG and Ph.D Programmes.

### Item No. S/37/21

**Consideration and approval of reduction of seats in of M.Tech programme under Sponsored category with inter departmental flexibility.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the reduction of seats in M.Tech programme under Sponsored category. Seats are earmarked only 2 (two) under sponsored category with the provision of inter-specialization flexibility which means that any seat can be allocated to any specialization depending upon the availability of candidates.

The house authorized the Chairman SENATE to grant admission in case number of selected candidates is more than 2, in consultation with the concerned Head of the Department and Deans.

### Item No. S/37/22

**Consideration and ratification of academic calendar for 2021-22 academic session.**

The SENATE ratified academic calendar for 2021-22 academic session for UG, PG and Ph.D Programmes.

### Item No. S/37/23

**Consideration and ratification of admission statistics of UG, Dual Degree, PG and Ph.D programme.**

The SENATE ratified the admission statistics of UG, Dual Degree, PG and Ph.D programme for 2021-22 academic session.

### Item No. S/37/24

**Consideration and ratification of allowing contractual non-teaching employees of NIT Agartala for applying in Ph.D programme.**

The SENATE ratified the proposal of issuing NOC to the existing contractual non-teaching employee(s) of NIT Agartala to apply for Ph.D programme in part-time mode only for a year from the date of issue of these minutes without any precedence at NIT Agartala only.

### Item No. S/37/25

**Nomination of Faculty Members as members of BOG.**

The SENATE approved and confirmed the following:

Prof. Ajoy K. Chakraborty, Professor, EE Department and Dr. Sumita Deb, Assistant Professor, EE Department was nominated as members





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of Board of Governors (BoG) of NIT Agartala, after expiry of the tenure of existing members.

**Item No. S/37/26**

**Information about extension of MOU with IIT Madras for more 5 years.**

The SENATE perused and considered the extension of MOU with IIT Madras for more 5 years with the existing terms and conditions.

**Item No. S/37/27**

**Information about conduction of end-term examination of 1<sup>st</sup> semester students of Material Science & Engineering under Mechanical Engineering Department before the schedule as in academic calendar.**

The SENATE perused and considered the conduction of end-term examination of 1<sup>st</sup> semester students of Material Science & Engineering under Mechanical Engineering Department before the schedule as mentioned in academic calendar, as this is a twining course between NIT Agartala and VNIT Nagpur.

**Item No. S/37/28**

**Information about online counselling and provisional admission of students of UG and PG courses through online mode, due to pandemic situation, who took admission during the academic year 2021-22.**

The SENATE perused and considered online counselling and provisional admission of students of UG and PG courses through online mode, due to pandemic situation, who took admission during the academic year 2021-22.

**Item No. S/37/29**

**Information about detailed syllabus of MBA programme as per approved course structure.**

The SENATE perused and considered detailed syllabus of MBA programme as per approved course structure.

**Item No. S/37/A/1**

**Any other item, with the permission of Chair.**

**Consideration and approval of Confidentiality Agreement with Apple India Private Limited.**

The SENATE discussed about an agreement to be signed between Apple India Private Limited and NIT Agartala to protect Apple's confidential information related to the visit of the said company in the campus for recruitment of students through CCD, NIT Agartala.



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The SENATE approved and confirmed Confidentiality Agreement between Apple India Private Limited and NIT Agartala regarding non-disclosure of confidential information.

**Item No. S/37/A/2** Regarding relaxation of publication for submission of synopsis and Ph.D thesis.

The SENATE discussed the issue of relaxation of publication in detail and decided that no case will be considered henceforth for relaxation of paper criteria except in rare circumstances.

All the decisions were taken unanimously. The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

*H. K. Sharma*  
(Prof. H. K. Sharma)  
Chairman, SENATE

*Ashish Badola*  
(Col. (Dr.) Ashish Badola)  
Secretary, SENATE