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MINUTES OF FORTY FOURTH SENATE MEETING

HELD ON

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Minutes of the 44th SENATE Meeting

The 44thmeeting of SENATE of National Institute of Technology Agartala was held on 24th May 2024 at 10.00 am. The following members and invitee members attended the meeting:

1.	Prof. Sarat Kumar Patra	Chairman
	Director, NIT Agartala	·
2.	Prof. Uday Shanker Dixit	Member
	IIT Guwahati, Assam	
3.	Prof. Snehashish Chakraverty	Member
	NIT Rourkela, Odisha	(Attended through VC)
4.	Prof. Seema Sharma	Member
	IIT Delhi, New Delhi	(Attended through VC)
5.	Prof. Swapan Bhaumik	Member
	Professor (ME) & Dean (AA) NIT Agartala	
6.	Prof. Umesh Mishra	Member
	Professor (CE) NIT Agartala	
7.	Prof. R. P. Sharma	Member
	Professor (CE) NIT Agartala	
8.	Prof. Prasun Chakraborti	Member
	Professor (ME) NIT Agartala	
9.	Prof. Sujit Kumar Pal	Member
	Professor (CE) NIT Agartala	
10.	Prof. Ajoy Kumar Das	Member
	Professor (ME) NIT Agartala	
11.	Prof. Ratul Das	Member
	Professor (CE) NIT Agartala	
12.	Prof. Priyanath Das	Member
	Professor (EE) NIT Agartala	
13.	Prof.ArdhenduSaha	Member
	Professor (EE) NIT Agartala	
14.	Prof. Manish Pal	Member
•	Professor (CE) NIT Agartala	
15.	Prof. Debasish Bhattacharya	Member
	Professor (MA) NIT Agartala	
16.	Prof. Aparna Nath	Member
	Professor (PH) NIT Agartala	
17.	Prof. Debasis Neogi	Member
	Professor (MHSS) NIT Agartala	
18.	Prof. John Deb Barma	Member
	Professor (ME), NIT, Agartala	
19.	Prof. Mrinal Kanti Deb Barma	Member
	Professor (CSE), NIT, Agartala	
20.	Prof. Sima Ghosh	Member
	Professor (CE), NIT, Agartala	
21.	Prof. Deb Dulal Tripura	Member
	Professor (CE), NIT, Agartala	
22.	Prof. Rajib Saha	Member
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23.	Prof. Apu Kumar Saha	Member
	Professor (MA), NIT, Agartala	



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24.	Prof. Partha Pratim Sarkar	Member
	Professor (CE), NIT, Agartala	
25.	Prof. Baby Bhattacharya	Member
	Professor (MA), NIT, Agartala	
26.	Prof. Rajsekhar Panua	Member
	Professor (ME), NIT, Agartala	
27.	Prof. Dibyendu Ghoshal	Member
	Professor (EE), NIT, Agartala	
28.	Prof. Uttam Kumar Bera	Member
	Professor (MA), NIT, Agartala	
29.	Prof. Mitali Saha	Member
	Professor (CY), NIT, Agartala	
30.	Prof. Paritosh Bhattacharya	Member
	Professor (MA), NIT, Agartala	
31.	Prof. Tarun Kumar Misra	Member
	Professor (CY), NIT, Agartala	
32.	Prof. Arvind Kumar Jain	Member
	Professor (EE), NIT, Agartala	
33.	Head of the Department	Invitee
	Bio Engineering, NIT Agartala	
34.	Head of the Department	Invitee
	Chemical Engineering, NIT Agartala	
35.	Head of the Department	Invitee
	Electronics & Comm. Engineering, NIT Agartala	
36.	Head of the Department	Invitee
	Mechanical Engineering, NIT Agartala	
37.	Head of the Department	Invitee
	Production Engineering, NIT Agartala	
38.	Head of the Department	Invitee
	Management, Humanities and Social Sciences,	
	NIT Agartala	
39.	Col.(Dr.) Ashish Badola	Secretary
	Registrar, NIT Agartala	

Prof. Sarat Kumar Patra, Chairman SENATE welcomed all the new members including external members of SENATE of NIT Agartala who attended the meeting through online. Then, the Dean (Academic) welcomed Chairman SENATE, External Members, all the members, Secretary SENATE and invitees. Then he invited all to take part in the discussion on the agenda points of the meeting. The Chairman SENATE initiated the discussion and invited Dean (Academic) to place all the agenda points one by one for open discussion and decision.

The Dean (Academic) 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 decisions were taken unanimously:

Item No. S/44/1 Confirmation of minutes of the 43rd meeting of SENATE held on 06/02/2024.

The Minutes of the 43rdmeeting of SENATE held on 06/02/2024 were confirmed.





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Item No. S/44/2 Consideration and approval for waiving criteria of a SCI paper in lieu of the Patent published in respect of supervising Ph.D scholar.

The house perused the proposal and decided that the existing criteria of supervision of first Ph.D scholar by faculty member at NIT Agartala will continue. SENATE approved and confirmed the proposal for waiving criteria of a SCI paper in lieu of the Patent published in respect of supervising Ph.D scholar by existing faculty member of NIT Agartala.

Item No. S/44/3 Consideration of honorarium to faculty member serving as additional responsibility in administrative positions.

The SENATE dropped the item and suggested to place before the FC and BoG of the Institute, as this is a policy decision and not related to academics.

Item No. S/44/4 Proposal of amendment in the admission procedure of Institute Project Staff and full-time MoE scholarship category for Ph.D admission.

The SENATE resolved to continue with the existing procedure of admission in Ph.D programme to candidates working as Project Staff in the Institute in various Academic Departments.

Further, the House also approved and confirmed that fulltime MoE scholarship candidates having GATE/ NET/ Equivalent National level examination qualification will be exempted from appearing in the Institute level written test. The amended weightage format is also approved, annexed at **ANNEXURE-A**.

Item No. S/44/5 Ratification of enhancement of seats in MBA programme from 38 to 60.

The SENATE ratified and confirmed enhanced number of seats for the MBA programme from 38 to 60 which is effective from the academic year 2024-25.

Item No. S/44/6 Continuation of honorarium to the External Examiners for conducting Grand Viva/Project Viva for final year UG and PG student.

The SENATE approved and confirmed the following:

- i. Honorarium of Rs. 5000/- per day to the External Examiners for conducting Grand Viva/Project Viva for final year UG/ Dual Degree/ PG students.
- ii. For UG/ Dual Degree programmes, a maximum 30 students may be examined per day as per Sl. no. i.
- iii. For PG programmes (each specialization), maximum of 10 students may be examined per day as per Sl. no. i.

Item No. S/44/7 Proposal for rationalization of tuition fee for various categories of students in Dual Degree programmes and implementation of tuition fee remission/waiver at par with B.Tech programme.

The House perused and decided to constitute the following committee for exploring the proposal of implementation of fee waiver and remission to various categories of students in terms of the annual family income to Dual Degree programmes at NIT Agartala at par with B.Tech norms of fee remission/waiver:



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i. Dean (Academic)

- Chairperson

ii. HoDs (Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics) - Members

iii. Asst. Registrar (Academic Affairs)

- Convener

The committee will submit a report to the Chairman SENATE for further decision and implementation.

Item No. S/44/8 Proposal for internal branch change of BS-MS dual degree programme.

The SENATE approved and confirmed that students of BS-MS may be offered for branch change/ internal sliding, subject to the limitation that the strength of a branch should not fall below the existing strength by more than ten percent and should not go above the sanctioned strength by more than ten percent, in 2nd year among the BS-MS programmes (Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics Departments) only. The existing regulation of the Institute regarding branch change will apply in this case also.

This will be applicable for the students of BS-MS in 3rd semester in the Academic Year 2024-25.

Item No. S/44/9 Proposal for inclusion of an elective course titled "AI & ML in Chemical Engineering" in the curriculum of B.Tech in Chemical Engineering.

The SENATE approved and confirmed for introduction of "AI & ML in Chemical Engineering" as elective course into the 6th/7th semester of the B.Tech curriculum of Chemical Engineering, effective from A.Y 2024-25.

The House authorized the Chairman SENATE for approval of the detailed syllabus of the course.

Item No. S/44/10 Proposal of enhancement of intake admission capacity of BS-MS Dual Degree Programmes of Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics Departments from the academic session 2025-26.

The SENATE approved that the intake admission capacity of BS-MS (Dual Degree) programme in Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics Departments to be enhanced to 40 (Including Female Supernumerary seats), from existing 25 seats, for admission through JoSAA/ CSAB from A.Y 2025-26.

Department		Intake from A. Y. 2026- 27
(BS-MS programme)	(Including Female	(Including Female
(DS-MS programme)	Supernumerary)	Supernumerary)
Chemistry	40	60
Mathematics	40	60
Physics	40	60



Further, the SENATE suggested that such intake may be increased to 60 from the A.Y 2026-27 based on the availability of resources at the Institute.



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Item No. S/44/11 Proposal of introduction of new degree courses in B.Tech in Biomedical Engineering and Bachelor of Design (B.Des).

The House perused the existing number of seats in B.Tech programmes offered for admission through JoSAA/ CSAB by NIT Agartala along with the vacancy for the last 3 (three) academic years in department-wise.

After threadbare discussion, the SENATE approved and confirmed the following number of seat capacity for admission for the Bachelor programmes of the Institute, tentatively applicable from A.Y. 2025-26. The SENATE also approved introduction of new programmes "B.Tech in Biomedical Engineering" and "Bachelor of Design (B.Des)" from tentatively A.Y. 2025-26. The numbers of seats indicated below will be Including Female Supernumerary seats for admission through JoSAA/CSAB.

Programme	Department / Branch	Admission Intake from A.Y.2025- 26 (Including Female Supernumerary)
B.Tech	CE	120
	ME	120
	EE	120
	CSE	180
	ECE	120
	PE	90
	EIE	90
	CHE	90
	BE	60
	Biomedical Engineering	60
B. Des	Bachelor of Design	60
	Total	1110

However, Chairman, SENATE appealed to all the HoDs to develop the detailed plan for its implementation in phase wise and take necessary action accordingly. This rationalization of intake capacity will help enhancement of GER for Vikshit Bharat.

Item No. S/44/12 Proposal for enhancement of intake capacity in M. Tech. programmes.

The House perused the existing number of seats in M.Tech programmes offered for admission through CCMT by NIT Agartala along with the vacancy for the last 4 (four) academic years available in department and specialization-wise.

After threadbare discussion, the SENATE approved and confirmed the following number of seat capacity for admission for the M.Tech programmes of the Institute, effective from A.Y. 2025-26 considering the decisions of earlier SENATE to provide scholarship to Non-Gate qualified Students and enhancement of GER for Vikshit Bharat:

Name of the Department	Specialization (CCMT code)	Admission Intake from A.Y. 2025- 26
Civil Ence	Geotechnical Engineering (GE)	15
Civil Engg.	Structural Engineering (SU)	15





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	Environmental Engineering (EV)	15
	Transportation Engineering (TE)	15
	Water Resources Engineering (WR)	15
	Hydro Informatics Engineering (HI)	15
	Seismic Science & Engineering (SA)	15
	Thermal Science & Engineering (TC)	15
	Manufacturing Technology (MF)	15
Mechanical Engg.	Machine Design (MD)	15
	Automotive Engineering (AU)	15
	Material Science & Engineering (MS)	15
	Power Electronics & Drives (PD)	15
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Electrical Engg.	Instrumentation Engineering (IE)	15
	Integrated Energy System (IJ)	15
Electronics &	VLSI Design (VN)	15
Communication Engg.	Communication Systems & Signal Processing	15
	Artificial Intelligence (AI)	15
Computer Sc. &	Data Science	15
Engg	Cyber Security	15
Production Engg.	Computer Integrated Manufacturing (XI)	15
Chemical Engg.	Chemical Engineering (CE)	15
Bio Engg.	Biotechnology & Biochemical Engineering (BH)	15
	Total	360

Further, the SENATE suggested a committee consisting of following members to explore the availability of large sized classrooms in the CE Department and utilizing such class rooms as Exam halls and Seminar halls:

i. Dean (Planning & Development) — Chairman
ii. Dean (Academic) — Member
iii. HoD, Civil Engineering — Member

The committee shall report directly to the Director, NIT Agartala for further course of action for effective resource utilization.

Item No. S/44/13 Proposal for increasing intake admission capacity of M. Sc. programmes of Institute.

The SENATE approved that the intake admission capacity of M.Sc. programmes in Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics Departments are to be enhanced to 30 from present strength of 13 for admission through CCMN, effective from A.Y 2025-26.



Department (M. Sc. programme)	Admission Intake from A. Y. 2025- 26
Chemistry	30
Mathematics	30
Physics	30



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Item No. S/44/14 Proposal for amendment in Regulations of Institute for allowing students of M.Tech and MCA programmes to continue project & thesis work if employed on or after 2nd semester.

After threadbare discussion, the SENATE approved the cases of 3 (three) students viz., Samiran Nayak, Biswajit Das, Amit Kumar Sharma of M.Tech programmes in the CE, BE and CSE Departments respectively, are allowed to complete their PG degree at NIT Agartala within a maximum duration of 5 (five) years from the date of admission in the programme.

Further, the house decided that the students have to produce Acceptance/ NOC from his/ her employer for continuation of project & thesis work at NIT Agartala. Regular progress of project work by the student to be assessed by the supervisor on monthly basis and subsequently recommended by DPPC. Such student shall not be eligible for any financial assistance from the NIT Agartala during the project work. Such student has to attend examination/presentation/seminar etc., as and when scheduled by the department.

Further, the SENATE has constituted a committee of following members for recommendations on amendment required in such cases in the existing PG Regulations and curriculums:

i. Dean (Academic)

- Chairperson
- ii. Prof. R. P. Sharma, Professor-in-Charge (Curriculum)
- Member

iii. HoDs (BE, CE, CSE)

- Members

iv. Dy. Registrar (Academic Affairs)

- Convener

The house suggested to issue the notice of committee immediately after the publication of this minutes.

Item No. S/44/15 Proposal for consideration and approval for offering a new Open Elective course titled 'Entrepreneurship and Innovation' at NIT Agartala to be executed for the CBDE program.

The SENATE approved and confirmed offer of a 2- credits Open Elective course entitled 'Entrepreneurship and Innovation' for the UG, Dual Degree, PG and Ph.D. programmes of the Institute, effective from A.Y 2024-25.

The House authorized the Chairman SENATE for approval of the detailed syllabus of the course.

Item No. S/44/16 Proposal for consideration and approval of regulation for financial assistance for Paper Presentations at Conferences, Seminars, and Symposium, Workshop, etc.

The House perused the proposal and suggested that B.Tech students, M.Tech students will be allowed to present 1(one) paper in their whole tenure, with the reimbursement of the TA/DA and registration fees paid.

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However, Ph.D scholars may be allowed to present 2 (two) papers in the Conference. Scholar may be allowed one in India and 1 (one) abroad, or two in



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India during his whole tenure of programme. For presentation of paper by PhD Scholar in India, full reimbursement of the TA/DA and registration fees will be made. For presentation of paper by PhD Scholar in abroad, 50% of the total cost (TA/DA and registration fees) will be borne by the Institute and the remaining expense may be borne by the scholar/ any funding agency.

Further, the SENATE has constituted a committee consisting of following faculty members to look into the proposal further and place recommendations on the regulation and type/ category of conferences:

i.	Prof. Umesh Mishra, Professor, CE	- Chairperson
ii.	Asso. Dean (PG)	- Member
iii.	Dr. Biswajit Saha, Assoc. Professor, PH	- Member
iv.	Dr. Jayanta Rakshit, Assoc. Professor, EIE	- Member
v.	Dr. Biswanath Bhunia, Asst. Professor, BE	- Member
vi.	Dy. Registrar(Acad)	-Convener

The house suggested to the issue of the notice of committee immediately after the publication of this minutes, with a request to the committee to submit a report within 30 days from the issue of notice.

Item No. S/44/17 Proposal of introducing Mandatory Additional requirement (MAR) ((Non Credit) for earning Degree (UG, Dual Degree, PG and Ph.D)) in NIT Agartala w.e.f. 2024- 25 A.Y.

The SENATE approved in principle, the proposal of introduction of Mandatory Additional Requirements (MAR) in the academic curriculum of UG, Dual Degree, PG and Ph.D programmes.

Further, the House has constituted the following committee for review of the proposal and place further recommendation to the Chairman, SENATE for further decision:

i.	Dean (Academic)	- Chairperson
ii.	Dean (Students' Welfare- 1)	- Member
iii.	Dean (Students' Welfare- 2)	- Member
iv.	Chairman, CRTD, NITA	- Member
v.	Chairman, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, NITA	- Member
vi.	NSS Officer, NITA	- Member
vii.	NCC Officer, NITA	- Member
viii	SAS Officer, NITA	- Member
ix.	Asst. Registrar (Academic Affairs)	- Convener

The house suggested to issue the notice of committee immediately after the publication of this minutes.

Item No. S/44/18 Proposal of MHSS Department to offer Ph. D coursework of Research Methodology and Research and Publication Ethics courses from MOOC/NPTEL.

The agenda point was subsequently discussed in the 46th meeting of SENATE and the following modifications in the regulation have been taken:





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- i. After admission in Ph.D programme, Part-time scholar will be provided choice by the Department whether the scholar is interested to take the mandatory courses of course work in Physical mode in the Institute or from MOOCs/ NPTEL platform.
- ii. The course in MOOC/ NPTEL to be chosen by the DC of the scholar as per equivalent credit to the course credit of NIT Agartala for these courses
- iii. The grades/ marks of MOOC/ NPTEL will be mapped and transferred directly to NIT Agartala by the DC to the Associate Dean (Examinations).
- iv. Mandatory course works related to Ph.D program offered by MHSS Department will be offered through online mode also in view of the inservice PhD candidates. Candidates may give their choice of attending these courses as Physical or Online mode. Exams shall be organized in physical mode.
- v. All the categories of Ph.D scholars are to attend Examinations (Mid-term and End-term) in Physical mode only at the Institute, except the cases of MOOCs/NPTEL.
- vi. This will be effective for all scholars from the academic session 2025-26.

Item No. S/44/19 Consideration and approval of attendance regulations of NIT Agartala.

The house perused the proposed draft Attendance Regulations of students of NIT Agartala being prepared by a committee formed by SENATE and discussed in details. The SENATE suggested that after modification of the draft regulation, the same to be approved by the Chairman, SENATE.

Item No. S/44/20 Proposal for introducing a 1 (one) Credit Course- by Industry people about Present Trends in Industry.

The SENATE approved in principle for introduction of a 1(one) Credit course by industry people about the present Trends in Industry. Further, the House offered some views on the proposal as following:

- 1. Institute may enhance the basket of 1- Credit/2- Credit elective courses.
- 2. Such courses may be conducted in physical or online modes.
- 3. Courses may be conducted by Guest faculty/ Industry experts/Alumni.
- 4. Evaluation of such 1- Credit courses to be done through assignments, quizzes and/ or presentation/ seminars.
- 5. Evaluation of such 2- Credit courses to be done through one examination and assignments, quizzes, in proportion of 70% and 30% weightage respectively.

The SENATE has also constituted the following committee for framing guideline/ regulation for offering open elective courses, to be placed before the SENATE for decision:

i. Prof. Baby Bhattacharya, Professor, MA

Chairman

ii. Prof. Mrinal Kanti Debbarma, Professor, CSE

Member

iii. Prof. Sima Ghosh, Professor, CE

Member





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Item No. S/44/21 Proposal for relaxation in the credit of course work needed to enroll in the PhD program in Bio Engineering for candidates with a B.Tech/BE/B.Pharm, or Master of Science (M. Sc.) degree.

The SENATE upheld the decision in its 43rd meeting.

Also, the House suggested that departments to implement the decision of the SENATE before placing for any amendment in the immediate subsequent meeting, unless and otherwise any exception.

Item No. S/44/22 Proposal for relaxation in additional eligibility criteria of the M. Tech programme in the Bio Engineering Department.

The SENATE dropped the agenda and suggested to continue with the existing criteria.

Item No. S/44/23 Proposal for revising Clause 7.10 of existing Ph.D. regulations 2018 of NIT Agartala.

The SENATE perused the proposal and approved and confirmed the following amendment in the clause 7.10 of the Ph.D Regulations 2018 of NIT Agartala.

The amended clause 7.10 to be read as below:

"One faculty member will not be allowed to supervise more than 4 Ph.D scholars of Full-time with Scholarship (under MoE and Institute), QIP and Visvesvaraya schemes as Supervisor and 8 Ph.D scholars as Co-/Joint- Supervisor for same categories. However, in exceptional case the faculty member can guide more than 4 Ph.D scholars with Institute fellowship provided it is approved by the SENATE."

Item No. S/44/24 Proposal of MoU between NIT Agartala and IISER, Kolkata.

The SENATE discussed the draft MoU placed in the meeting and approved for signing it with IISER, Kolkata.

Item No. S/44/25 Consideration and ratification of MoU between NIT Agartala and MDS IndoCan Inc., Canada.

The SENATE ratified and confirmed the MoU signed between NIT Agartala and MDS IndoCan Inc., Canada.

Item No. S/44/26 Proposal for consideration of signing MoUs with IIT Bhubaneswar, IIT Mandi and NIT Rourkela.

Considering the prospect of NIT Agartala, the SENATE advised and approved that Chairman, AA & IR to start process of signing MoUs with Institutes of National Importance of the country.



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Item No. S/44/27 Proposal for consideration of signing MoUs with Centrally funded Technical Institutions/ Central Govt. Organizations within the North-East Region of India.

The House discussed in detail and suggested the following:

- (i) MoUs may be signed with Universities/ Institutes/ Colleges (Central/ State/ Private) of Tripura by NIT Agartala, from the perspective of social and educational responsibility towards the state of Tripura.
- (ii) MoUs may be considered with Universities/ Institutes/ Colleges under Central/ State Governments and Private Universities having NIRF Ranking below 200 for the last 5 (five) years, pan India.

The Chairman AA & IR, NIT Agartala has been suggested to look into the prospects of signing MoUs with such Institutions.

Item No. S/44/28 Proposal for consideration of signing MoUs with Govt. Engineering/ Technology Institutions/ Colleges within the North-East Region of India.

The decision vide item no. S/44/27 is to be followed.

Item No. S/44/29 Proposal for consideration of signing MoUs with Tripura State Govt. Organizations.

The SENATE advised and approved that Chairman, AA & IR to look into the prospect of signing MoUswith Tripura State Govt. Organizations, such as State PWD, RD, TSECL etc.In this case, all HoD may also find the departmental opportunities and may be acted accordingly to co-operate Chairman, AA & IR

Item No. S/44/30 Request for clarification regarding issuance of NOC to faculty members of the Institute to supervise UG/ PG/ Ph.D students of outside the Institute.

The SENATE reviewed the decision and clarified that NOC is to be issued directly by the Dean (Faculty Welfare) with due recommendation of the concerned department, except any special case.

Item No. S/44/31 Regarding the policy for Scrapping of Answer Scripts.

The SENATE approved the following in relation to scrapping of answer scripts of NIT Agartala:

- (i) The answer scripts are to be retained for 1 (one) academic year from the session of examination, by concerned faculty member, to facilitate any academic audit.
- (ii) After expiry of the 1 (one) academic year, the Department shall retain few answer scripts and laboratory reports of each course of students scoring highest, lowest and average marks in the class for at least 3 (three) years for exhibiting before NBA team visit in any department.
- (iii) The first page of answer scripts and laboratory reports will be torn off by concerned faculty member, where the student details and marks are entered and to be destroyed.

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- (iv) The rest of the pages of answer scripts and laboratory reports will be auctioned/ disposed to any vendor of paper disposal/ recycling, after being notified by the Office of the Registrar, NIT Agartala, from time to time.
- (v) The copies of students failed in any course (theory and/ or laboratory) are to be retained till the student passes the course.

The answer scripts to be scrapped be disposed off for recycling.

Item No. S/44/32 Proposal for modification of Leave Rules for NIT Agartala.

The SENATE perused that the modifications in the Leave Rules has been brought for consensus of the SENATE in view of the academic leaves by the faculty members in terms of vacation, that is included in the Academic Calendar of the Institute.

It was suggested to put modifications proposed in case of faculty members availing vacation and deduction of EL. Vacation can be availed by faculty members at their discretion during the period permitted by the SENATE.

- i. Within 60 days of vacation period, for two days leave; one day EL will be deducted.
- ii. Beyond 60 days of availed vacation; every one day leave will attract one day EL deduction even it is within vacation period.

The SENATE suggested that the proposal may be placed before the BoG along with a compiled form of Leave rules that are applicable to the employees of NIT Agartala, as per Govt. of India.

In this context, the SENATE has constituted a committee for recommendation and placing a proposal before the ensuing BoG for consideration and decision:

(i) Dean (Faculty Welfare)

- Chairperson
- (ii) Dean (Planning & Development)
- Member
- (iii) Prof. Debasish Bhattacharya, Professor, MA Deptt.
- Member

Item No. S/44/33 Nomination of member of BoG as per clause (f) of section 11 of the NIT's Act-2007.



The nomination of Dr. Prasenjit Dutta, Assistant Professor (Gr-I), Production Engineering Department, NIT Agartala has been accepted by the SENATE, as a member of BoG, for 2 (two) years, w.e.f. 07/05/2024 to 06/05/2026.

Item No. S/44/34 Ratification of Result of Even Semester Examination of NIT Agartala.

The SENATE acknowledged the results presented before it and ratified the results published on 22/05/2024 of Even Semester Examination of NIT Agartala.

A brief of the results (as on the date of SENATE meeting) of final year students of UG & Dual Degree programmes are highlighted below:



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S.No.	Programme	No. of students appeared	No. of students passed
1.	B. Tech.	862	854
2.	BS-MS (8 th sem.)	53	46
3.	BT-MT (8 th sem.) (Physics only)	20	17
4.	BS-MS (10 th sem.)	39	39
5.	BT-MT (10 th sem.) (Physics only)	05	05

Further, the SENATE decided to hold a meeting in physical/online/ hybrid mode before publication of result.

Some agenda items were placed on the table with the permission of the Chair.

S/44/T/01 Engagement of 'Professor of Practice; Visiting Faculty and Adjunct faculty' at NIT Agartala.

Dean (AA) informed that NITA needs engagement of "Professor of Practice; Visiting Faculty and Adjunct faculty" for greater interest of the Institute. The house perused that the BoG in its 62nd meeting vide item no. 62.12 recommended engagement of Visiting Faculty/ Adjunct Faculty/ Honorary Professor at NIT Agartala. It has been recommended to consider "Professor of Practice". Engagement of such position will be done as per procedure ascertained in due course of time.

S/44/T/02 Proposal of introduction of 'Distinguished Alumni Award' at NIT Agartala.

The SENATE discussed on the proposal initiated by Prof. Swapan Bhaumik, Professor, NIT Agartala, who also happens to be the President of the NIT Agartala Alumni, the organization of Alumni of NIT Agartala. The house acknowledged the proposal and constituted the following committee for recommendation and report on the proposal:

- i. Chairman, AA & IR, NIT Agartala Chairperson
- ii. An Alumni from Institute at the level of Professor Member nominated by the Director, NIT Agartala
- iii. An Alumni from Industry nominated by the Member President of the NIT Agartala Alumni

This committee shall submit the report within 1 (one) month, from the date of issue of this memo, to the Chairman, SENATE for further consideration of the authority.





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S/44/T/03

Consideration for approval of the case of Dhruv Kumar, a student of BS-MS programme in the Department of Physics, NIT Agartala.

An application received from Mr. Dhruv Kumar (21DSPH004) a student of BSMS Physics 3rdyear (6thSemester) to allow him to takeup a 6 months project at the Australian National University, Australia. In this regard, the following observations were discussed:

- 1. According to institute rules, the minimum credit requirement for a BS degree is 140.
- 2. In the instant case, the student will earn 132 credits after successful completion of 6th semester. According to the institute rule, he will require 08 more credits to get the BS degree.
- 3. However, according to the revised existing BS-MS curriculum there are 38 credits (20 credits in 7thsemester and 8thcredits in 8thsemester) in the 4thyear.
- 4. The student has applied for permission to undergo a 6 months internship/project at ANU in the 7th semester from July 2024 to January 2025 that may extend depending on his performance.

The SENATE perused the proposal and resolved the following:

- 1. Students visiting foreign University/ Institute of QS Rank below 500 can be permitted.
- 2. Credit to be transferred from the host University/ Institute as per the norms of NIT Agartala.
- 3. DUPC, in consultation with the Faculty Advisor to act on replacement of the core courses at the host University/ Institute and courses from MOOCS/NPTEL.
- 4. Student(s) must meet the minimum credit requirements for the programme in order to be conferred degree at NIT Agartala.
- 5. Such students will not be entitled for any financial assistance from NIT Agartala, for his/ her entire duration at the foreign University/ Institute.
- 6. He/ She have to continue his/ her semester registration at NIT Agartala as per regulations of the Institute followed for students in Exchange programmes. Else, his/ her enrollment at the Institute will be cancelled.

The case of Dhruv Kumar is approved by the SENATE.DUPC of Physics Department may do the needful for mapping of his credits for conferring degree after his return from Australian National University, Australia.

S/44/T/04 Consideration of offering Ph. D programme under the CRTD.

The SENATE perused that a committee was constituted in its 43rd meeting for running and functioning of Centres at the Institute.

Further, the House also suggested that any academic degree is to be given by an Academic Department/ Centre only.





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S/44/T/05

Consideration and ratification of GATE paper 'Data Science and Artificial Intelligence (DA)' eligible for M. Tech admission in CSE course as per eligibility criteria of CCMT- 2024.

Prof. Mrinal Kanti Debbarma, the Centre In-charge of NIT Agartala for CCMT 2024 informed that this year, GATE authority introduced new subject as GATE in Data Science and Artificial Intelligence with GATE paper code 'DA'. Further, CCMT 2024 allowed the Centre In-charges of all the Participating Institutes (PIs) about permission to participate in any PG course with the qualification of GATE in DA. He also informed that permission to allow such students will prosper the admission of good numbers in CSE Department and accordingly, the authority has also permitted to map and freeze the seat matrix with GATE in DA in specializations of CSE Departments.

The same matter was discussed in detail and the SENATE ratified the decision of the Chairman, SENATE.

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

(Prof. Sarat Kumar Patra) Chairman, SENATE (Col. (Dr.) Ashish Badola)
Registrar & Secretary, SENATE



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