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**MINUTES
OF THE
68th Meeting of the SENATE**

Date : 29.05.2024 (Wednesday)

Time : 03:30PM onwards

**Venue : Main Seminar Hall
Main Building
N.I.T.K., Surathkal
MANGALURU
PIN - 575 025**



राष्ट्रीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान कर्नाटक, सुरत्कल

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Proceedings of the 68th Meeting of the Senate of National Institute of Technology Karnataka, Surathkal held on 29th May, 2024 (Wednesday) at 03:30PM in the Main Seminar Hall, Main Building, NITK, SURATHKAL / Through Google Meet.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

1.	Prof. B. Ravi	.....	Director and Chairman
2.	Dr. Neelima M. Gupte	.....	External Member
3.	Dr. Dwarakish G. S.	.....	Member
4.	Dr. Laxminidhi T.	.....	Member
5.	Dr. Udaya Bhat K.	.....	Member
6.	Dr. Shrikantha S. Rao	.....	Member
7.	Dr. A. Chitharanjan Hegde	.....	Member
8.	Dr. I. Regupathi	.....	Member
9.	Dr. (Mrs.) Vidya Shetty K.	.....	Member
10.	Dr. Prasanna Belur Devarabhata	.....	Member
11.	Dr. Hari Prasad Dasari	.....	Member
12.	Dr. Darshak Rameshbhai Trivedi	.....	Member
13.	Dr. A. Nithyananda Shetty	.....	Member
14.	Dr. Badekai Ramachandra Bhat	.....	Member
15.	Dr. Uday Kumar Dalimba	.....	Member
16.	Dr. Subhas C. Yaragal	.....	Member
17.	Dr. Sitaram Nayak	.....	Member
18.	Dr. Gangadhar Mahesh	.....	Member
19.	Dr. Suresha S N	.....	Member
20.	Dr. Manu Basavaraju (HoD)	.....	Member
21.	Dr. Annappa	.....	Member
22.	Dr. Alwyn Roshan Pais	.....	Member
23.	Dr. M. Shankarnarayana Bhat	.....	Member
24.	Dr. Debashisha Jena	.....	Member
25.	Dr. K Panduranga Vittal	.....	Member
26.	Dr. B. Venkatesa Perumal	.....	Member
27.	Dr. Shubhanga K.N.	.....	Member
28.	Dr. Dattatraya Narayan Gaonkar	.....	Member
29.	Dr. (Mrs.) Vinatha U.	.....	Member
30.	Dr. Geetha V. (HoD)	.....	Member
31.	Dr. Ananthanarayana V. S.	.....	Member
32.	Dr. Santhosh George	.....	Member
33.	Dr. B. R. Shankar	.....	Member
34.	Dr. Pushparaj Shetty D.	.....	Member
35.	Dr. S.M. Murigendrappa	.....	Member
36.	Dr. G. C. Mohan Kumar	.....	Member
37.	Dr. Hemantha Kumar	.....	Member

38.	Dr. Anish S.	.....	Member
39.	Dr. Srikanth Bontha	.....	Member
40.	Dr. P. Jeyaraj	.....	Member
41.	Dr. Ramesh M. R.	.....	Member
42.	Dr. Subhaschandra Kattimani	.....	Member
43.	Dr. Sharnappa Joladarashi	.....	Member
44.	Dr. Kumar G. N.	.....	Member
45.	Dr. Veershetty Gumtapure	.....	Member
46.	Dr. (Mrs.) Sathyabhama A.	.....	Member
47.	Dr. H. Shivananda Nayaka	.....	Member
48.	Dr. Arun M.	.....	Member
49.	Dr. K. Narayan Prabhu	.....	Member
50.	Dr. Jagannatha Nayak	.....	Member
51.	Dr. Karra Ram Chandar	.....	Member
52.	Dr. M. N. Satyanarayan	.....	Member
53.	Dr. Ajith Kulangara Madam	.....	Member
54.	Dr. Shashikantha Koudur	.....	Member
55.	Dr. S. Pavan Kumar	.....	Member
56.	Dr. Lakshman Nandagiri	.....	Member
57.	Dr. Manu	.....	Member
58.	Dr. Ramesh H.	.....	Member
59.	Dr. Mallikarjuna Angadi, Librarian	.....	Member
60.	Shri K. Ravindranath, Registrar	.....	Secretary

MEMBERS expressed their inability to attend the Meeting:

1	Dr. Udayakumar R.Yaragatti	.....	Member
2	Dr. Pradyot Ranjan Jena	.....	Member
3	Dr. G. Ram Mohana Reddy	.....	Member
4	Dr. Kumkum Banerjee (HoD)	.....	Member
5	Dr. Raj Mohan B.	.....	Member
6	Dr. P. Sam Johnson	.....	Member
7	Dr. U. Shripathi Acharya	.....	Member
8	Dr. (Mrs.) P. Santhi Thilagam	.....	Member
9	Dr. Hari Mahalingam	.....	Member
10	Dr. Murugan Veerapazham	.....	Member
11	Dr. P. E. Jagadeesh Babu	.....	Member
12	Dr. Aruna Mangalpady	.....	Member
13	Dr. Ritanjali Majhi	.....	Member
14	Dr. Ramesh Kini M.	.....	Member
15	Dr. Anandhan Srinivasan	.....	Member
16	Dr. Neelavarshakar V. Shet	.....	Member
17	Dr. Ravikiran Kadoli	.....	Member
18	Dr. Arun Kumar Thalla	.....	Member
19	Dr. Gururaj S. Punekar	.....	Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:

1	Dr. Rajesh Hegde	.....	External Member
2	Dr. Debashish Acharya	.....	External Member
3	Dr. Gangadharan K.V	.....	Member
4	Dr. M.B. Saidutta	.....	Member
5	Dr. Keyur Raval	.....	Member
6	Dr. Denthaje Krishna Bhat	.....	Member
7	Dr. Arun Mohan Isloor	.....	Member
8	Dr. M.C. Narasimhan	.....	Member
9	Dr. Varghese George	.....	Member
10	Dr. S. Shrihari	.....	Member
11	Dr. (Mrs.) Jayalekshmi B.R.	.....	Member
12	Dr. Bibhuti Bhusan Das	.....	Member
13	Dr. Basavaraju Manu	.....	Member
14	Dr. C.P. Devatha	.....	Member
15	Dr. Sunil B.M	.....	Member
16	Dr. K. Chandrasekaran	.....	Member
17	Dr. Shashidhar G. Koolagudi	.....	Member
18	Dr. (Mrs.) Sumam David	.....	Member
19	Dr. Ashvini Chaturvedi	.....	Member
20	Dr. A. Kandasamy	.....	Member
21	Dr. Muralidhar N.N.	.....	Member
22	Dr. Shyam S. Kamath	.....	Member
23	Dr. R. Madhusudhan	.....	Member
24	Dr. S.M. Kulkarni	.....	Member
25	Dr. Subray R. Hegde	.....	Member
26	Dr. Harsha Vardhan	.....	Member
27	Dr. M. Govinda Raj	.....	Member
28	Dr. Kartick Tarafder (HoD)	.....	Member
29	Dr. N.K. Udayashankar	.....	Member
30	Dr. Nagaraja H.S	.....	Member
31	Dr. Sheena (HoD)	.....	Member
32	Dr. K.B. Kiran	.....	Member
33	Dr. K. Varija	.....	Member
34	Dr. B.M. Doddamani	.....	Member
35	Dr. Kiran G. Shirlal	.....	Member
36	Dr. A. Mahesha	.....	Member
37	Dr. (Mrs.) Amba Shetty	.....	Member
38	Dr. Nasar	.....	Member
39	Chairman - CCC System Manager, CCC	.....	Member

At the outset of the meeting, Chairman welcomed all the members to the 68th Meeting of the Senate.

After a brief discussion, with the permission of the Chair, the Secretary Senate, began the deliberations on the Agenda Items.



Item No. 68.1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the 67th Meeting of the Senate held on Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at 03:00 PM in the Main Seminar, NITK, Surathkal/ through Google Meet – Reg.

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Resolution: The Senate resolved to confirm the Minutes of the 67th meeting of the Senate held on Wednesday, March 27, 2024.

Item No. 68.2: To consider the report on Action taken on the minutes of 67th meeting of the Senate held on Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at 03:00 PM in the Seminar Hall of LHC 'A' Block, NITK, Surathkal/ Google Meet – Reg.

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Resolution: The action taken on the minutes of the 67th Senate meeting were noted.

Item No. 68.3: To consider the items placed before the present (68th) meeting of the Senate to be held on Wednesday, May 29, 2024 at 03:30 PM in the Main Seminar Hall, Main Building, NITK, Surathkal – Reg.

Item No. 68.3.1.: Admission of students for PhD and M.Tech by Research programme (December Session) for the academic year 2023-24.

Agenda Item				Senate Resolution
The admissions to PhD & M.Tech by Research (December Session) programme have been made as per approved regulations of the Institute for the academic year 2023-24. The admission statistics of Ph.D and M.Tech by Research Programme during the academic year 2023-24 is as follows:				The Senate resolved to approve the admission of students for Ph.D and M.Tech by Research programme (December Session) for the Academic year 2023-24.
<u>Admission of students made under M.Tech (Research) and PhD programme for the academic year 2023-24</u>				
Sl. No.	Programme	Sanctioned Intake	Admissions 2023-24	
1	PhD – FT-SCH	188	31	
2	PhD – FT-SCH (July Session)			
3	PhD – FT-SCH (December Session)			
4	PhD (July Session) – FT-NSPON-NSCH	--	3	
5	Ph.D (July Session) - IR NITK / ER-SPON	--	22	
6	Ph.D (December Session) - IR NITK / ER-SPON	-	17	
7	Ph.D (QIP -Regular)	--	12	
8	M.Tech by Research - FT-SCH	63	11	
9	M.Tech by Research - FT-SCH (July Session)			
10	M.Tech by Research (July Session) -IR NITK/ER-SPON			
11	M.Tech by Research (December Session) - IR NITK/ER-SPON	--	4	

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Item No. 68.3.2: To consider the request proposed by the faculty members regarding flexible summer vacation from the Academic Year 2024-25 - Reg.

Agenda Item	Senate Resolution
<p>So far 60 days of vacation has been distributed between winter vacation (approximately 15 days) and summer vacation (approximately 45 days).</p> <p>Some of the faculty members requested for flexible summer vacation within the allotted number of days of vacation based on their academic and administrative engagements.</p> <p>However, winter vacation remains the same because less number of days of vacation.</p>	<p>The Senate resolved to approve the request proposed by the faculty members regarding flexible summer vacation from the Academic Year 2024-25.</p>

Item No. 68.3.3: To consider the request proposed by Professor In-charge Scholarship/Fellowship, Dept. for Mechanical Engineering to allow second year M.Tech students to work on Government/Industry funded projects as their major projects at NITK – Reg.

Agenda Item	Senate Resolution								
<p>It is proposed that Second year M.Tech students be permitted to work on Government/Industry funded projects within NITK as part of their major projects. Many students are doing their major projects in other Institutions such as NITs, IITs, IISc. and various industries, resulting in the cessation of their NITK stipend in favour of external stipend.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Existing Procedure</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Proposed Procedure</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>JRF selection through the open advertisement for External candidates.</td> <td>JRF selection through the open advertisement for external and internal candidates (M.Tech II Year).</td> </tr> <tr> <td>M.Tech with GATE eligibility for JRF.</td> <td>B .E with GATE eligibility for JRF based on OM released by DST on June 26, 2023.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NITK – M.Tech students allowed to do project in IIT, IISc. and Industry outside NITK with Scholarship through Career Development Centre (CDC).</td> <td>Allow the students to do the project within the Institute under funded project with fellowship.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Existing Procedure	Proposed Procedure	JRF selection through the open advertisement for External candidates.	JRF selection through the open advertisement for external and internal candidates (M.Tech II Year).	M.Tech with GATE eligibility for JRF.	B .E with GATE eligibility for JRF based on OM released by DST on June 26, 2023.	NITK – M.Tech students allowed to do project in IIT, IISc. and Industry outside NITK with Scholarship through Career Development Centre (CDC).	Allow the students to do the project within the Institute under funded project with fellowship.	<p>The Senate resolved that the matter may be reconsidered as per the prevailing rules.</p>
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Item No. 68.3.4: To consider the request proposed by the Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering - Making an entry on the grade report for any courses with either FA or FF can be dropped. Some senators requested to revisit and re-consider the Senate resolution – Reg.

Agenda Item	Senate Resolution
<p>This item was placed in 67th Senate meeting. Some Senators requested to revisit and then reconsider the Senate resolution because it may affect the other students.</p> <p>The DUGC of the Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering made a resolution stating that “Making an entry on the grade card for any courses with either FA or FF can be dropped. Only such courses wherein a student earns credits in any semester may be shown on the grade card”.</p> <p>Preamble: As per the G5.12 Description of Grades in the UG curriculum, 'FA' grades secured in any course stay permanently on the grade card. A student who obtains 'FA' grade in any course has to necessarily re-register for the course in the subsequent semesters/sessions whenever the course is offered until a passing grade is obtained. However, for an elective course in which 'FA' or 'FF' grade has been obtained, the student may either repeat the same course or register for any other elective course.</p> <p>This is leading to problems for the student placement/ higher study opportunities. And also, ruin the entire career of the student.</p>	<p>The Senate resolved that there is no change in the curriculum. However, while issuing the transcript FA/FF may not be mentioned.</p>

Item No. 68.3.5: To consider the request to condone the delay in submission of PhD thesis- Reg.

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1	165104E C16F05	Lad Kirankumar Hasmukhbhai	11-07-2016	05-04-2024							

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Item No. 68.3.6: To consider the external Referees from Foreign Universities/Institutes along with Indian Universities/Institutes to evaluate the Ph.D thesis - Reg.

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Agenda Item		Senate Resolution														
<p>For Ph.D thesis evaluation, the Referees should be selected from Indian Institutes/Universities as well as Foreign Universities/Institutes. Also requested to increase the remuneration of Referees.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Existing</th> <th>Proposed</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Any 10 Referees</td> <td>7 from India and 3 from Foreign Universities.</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Select referees from higher ranking Institutes only (Higher than NITK Surathkal)</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>As far as possible select Professors or Senior Associate Professors</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>If possible one women referee out of 10 referees</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rs. 5,000/- for Indian Referees</td> <td>Rs. 10,000/- for Indian Referees</td> </tr> <tr> <td>USD 400</td> <td>USD 800</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Existing	Proposed	Any 10 Referees	7 from India and 3 from Foreign Universities.		Select referees from higher ranking Institutes only (Higher than NITK Surathkal)		As far as possible select Professors or Senior Associate Professors		If possible one women referee out of 10 referees	Rs. 5,000/- for Indian Referees	Rs. 10,000/- for Indian Referees	USD 400	USD 800	<p>The Senate resolved to consider 3-4 External Referees from reputed Foreign Universities/Institutes along with 6-7 reputed Indian Universities/Institutes/Industry with rank of Professors or Associate Professors from immediate effect.</p> <p>The Senate also resolved that Indian referees may be paid the remuneration amount of Rs. 6,000/- and Foreign referees may be paid USD 600.</p>
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Item No. 68.3.7: To consider and approve the list of foreign dignitaries who will be invited for the 11th IEEE International Conference on Power Electronics, Drives and Energy Systems organizing by E & E Engg. Dept. during Dec. 18-21, 2024 - Reg.

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Agenda Item	Senate Resolution
<p>The Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering will be organizing the 11th IEEE International Conference on Power Electronics, Drives & Energy Systems: IEEE PEDES 2024 during Dec 18-21, 2024. They will be inviting 15 Foreign dignitaries for delivering Keynote lectures and Tutorial lectures.</p>	<p>The Senate resolved to approve the list of foreign dignitaries who will be invited for the 11th IEEE International Conference on Power Electronics, Drives and Energy Systems organizing by Electrical and Electronics Engineering Department during Dec. 18-21, 2024.</p>

Item No. 68.3.8: To consider the Overall vacancy matrix - Reg.

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Agenda Item	Senate Resolution
<p>As proposed by the Chairperson, ACoFAR, the Overall vacancy matrix is placed for approval of the Senate.</p>	<p>The Senate resolved to approve the overall vacancy matrix for the next round of Faculty Recruitment.</p>

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Item No. 68.3.9: To consider the Departmentwise panel of experts - Reg.

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Agenda Item	Senate Resolution
As proposed by the Chairperson, ACoFAR, the Departmentwise panel of experts is placed for approval of the Senate.	The Senate approved the proposed list of experts from the departments to the Selection Committee for the recruitment of Faculty positions in NITK Surathkal. Further, the senate authorized the Chairman Senate (Director, NITK Surathkal) to select from the list any two as expert members to the respective selection committees and also to nominate any other expert to the committee in case the experts listed in the approved list are not available on the date of interview.

Item No. 68.3.10: To consider the the Area of specialization – Reg.

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Agenda Item	Senate Resolution
As proposed by the Chairperson, ACoFAR, the Area of specialization is placed for approval of the Senate.	The Senate approved the proposed area of specialization desirable for the next round of faculty recruitment. Further, to have uniformity across the departments, the Senate authorized the ACoFAR to modify suitably in consultation with the respective heads of the departments.

Item No. 68.3.11: To consider the list of Senate nominees for the selection committee - Reg.

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Agenda Item	Senate Resolution
As proposed by the Chairperson, ACoFAR, the list of Senate nominees for the selection committee is placed for approval of the Senate.	The Senate approved the proposed list of experts as Senate Nominees to the Selection Committee for the recruitment of Faculty positions in NITK Surathkal. Further, the senate authorized the Chairman Senate (Director, NITK Surathkal) to select from the list as senate nominee for the selection committee and also to nominate any other expert as Senate nominee in case the experts listed in the approved list are not available on the date of interview.

Item No. 68.3.12: Any other matters.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.



**(Ravindranath K.)
Registrar and
Secretary – Senate
NITK, Surathkal.**



**(B. Ravi)
Director and
Chairman – Senate
NITK, Surathkal.**