



MINUTES OF THE 78th MEETING OF THE SENATE

Date: June 24, 2020

Time: 3.30 pm

**Venue: Through Videoconferencing hosted at Conference Hall,
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Members Present:

1.	Dr. Sivaji Chakravorti, Director & Chairman
2.	Lt Col Pankajakshan.K (Retd) Registrar & Secretary
3.	Dr. Saly George, Dean (Academic)
4.	Dr. Rowena Robinson, Professor, IIT Bombay
5.	Dr. B. R. Jagirdar, Professor, IISc Bangalore
6.	Dr. Sathidevi P S, Professor, ECED
7.	Dr. P. V. Indira, Professor, CED
8.	Dr. Jeevamma Jacob, Dean (AA&IR)
9.	Dr. Ashok S, Dean (R&C)
10.	Dr. Chandrasekharan K., Dean (FW)
11.	Dr. Madhu Kumar S D, Dean (SW)
12.	Dr Joy M L., Professor, MED
13.	Dr. Sobhan C B, Professor, SMSE
14.	Dr. Anaul Kabir, Professor, SBT
15.	Dr. Sameer S M, Professor, ECED
16.	Dr. Satyananda Panda, Professor, MAT
17.	Dr. Vineeth Paleri, Professor, CSED
18.	Dr. J. Sudha Kumar, Professor, CED
19.	Dr. Jessy John C, Professor, MAT
20.	Dr. G. Unnikrishnan, Professor, CHY
21.	Dr. A Shaija, Professor, MED
22.	Dr. C. Muraleedharan, Professor, MED
23.	Dr. R. Sridharan, Professor, MED
24.	Dr. Jacob M J, Professor, MAT
25.	Dr. M K Ravi Varma, Professor, PHY
26.	Dr N Sandhyarani, Professor, SMSE
27.	Dr. Deepthi P P, Professor, ECED
28.	Dr. Aji Anappara, Associate Professor, HoD, Physics- Invitee
29.	Dr. Priya Chandran, Professor, CSED
30.	Dr. R. Manu, Professor, MED
31.	Dr. Sunil Jacob John, Professor, MAT
32.	Dr. Abdul Nazeer K. A., Professor, CSED
33.	Dr. Saleena N., HoD,CSED- Invitee
34.	Dr. Suchithra T.V., Associate Professor, HoD SBT - Invitee
35.	Dr. Krishnamurthy K, Professor, CED
36.	Dr. A. P. Shashikala, Professor, CED
37.	Dr. T. Radha Ramanan, Associate Professor, HoD, SOMS, Invitee
38.	Dr. P. K. Rajendrakumar, Professor, MED
39.	Dr. C. K. Ali, Professor, ECED
40.	Dr. Rijil Ramchand, Professor, EED
41.	Dr. T.K. Suresh Babu, Professor, SOMS
42.	Dr. Lity Alen Varghese, Professor, HoD, CHED
43.	Dr. P. P. Anilkumar, Professor, HoD, DAP
44.	Dr. Naseer M. A., Professor, DAP



45.	Dr. Jose Mathew, Professor, HoD, MED
46.	Dr. Shiny Joseph, Professor, CHED
47.	Dr. Sivasubramanian, Professor, CHED
48.	Dr. Parameswaran P., HOD, CHY, Invitee
49.	Dr. V. Madhusudanan Pillai, Professor, MED
50.	Dr. Raghu C, Professor, PHY
51.	Dr. Lilykutty Jacob, Professor, ECED
52.	Dr. Lakshmi C., Professor, CHY
53.	Dr. Sajith V., Associate Professor, HOD, SMSE - Invitee
54.	Dr. Sindhu T K, Associate Dean (Academic) - Invitee
55.	Dr. George K. Varghese, Associate Dean (Academic) – Invitee
56.	Dr. Ashish Awasthi, First year Coordinator - Invitee

The Secretary welcomed the members present to the 78th meeting of the Senate of the National Institute of Technology Calicut and the Chairman called the meeting to order at 3.30 P.M.

Based on proposal from the Chair, the Senate placed on record its heartfelt appreciation and sincere thanks of the Senate to Dr. Ghulam Jilani, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, NIT Calicut and Dr P C Subramaniam, Department of Electronics and Communication, NIT Calicut for their services rendered to the Institute.

S.78.1: Passing of the Minutes of the 75th Meeting of Senate

The Senate resolved to approve the minutes of the 75th meeting of the Senate held on February 11, 2020, except for Agenda item S.75.9.2 regarding the number of courses the students can credit from SWAYAM platform.

S.78.2: Passing of the Minutes of the 76th Meeting of Senate

The Senate resolved to approve the minutes of the 76th meeting of the Senate held on March 13, 2020 at 11.00 AM in Chanakya hall, NIT Calicut.

S.78.3: Passing of the Minutes of the 77th Meeting of the Senate (Emergency, online) of National Institute of Technology Calicut held on March 20, 2020

The Senate resolved to approve the minutes of the 77th meeting of the Senate held on March 20, 2020.

S 78.4: Ratification of the decision based on the proposal circulated on 21/04/2020

Arising out of the discussions, the committee formed as per office order NITC/8-1/2017-RO dated 15th April, 2020 to work on the proposals for academic continuity in view of the situation evolving due to Covid-19 pandemic was ratified by the Senate.

The senate resolved to ratify the decisions based on the proposal circulated on 21/04/2020.

S 78.5: Ratification of the decision based on the proposal circulated on 08/05/2020

The senate resolved to ratify the decisions based on the proposal circulated on 08/05/2020. Dr. Vineeth Paleri and Dr. T.K. Suresh Babu expressed their dissent in relation to conducting online examination.



S 78.6: Ratification of the decision based on the proposal circulated on 29/05/2020

The senate resolved to ratify the decisions based on the proposal circulated on 29/05/2020.

S 78.7: Ratification of the decision based on the proposal circulated on 09/06/2020

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S 78.8: Recommendations of the 46th Meeting of Board of Academic Council

S 78.8.1: Consideration of the Request from HoD (MED) to relax R 18.9 of PG Regulation

The Senate resolved to waive the condition of the requirement of a publication for the award of S grade for PG major project for the academic year 2020-21 considering the prevailing situation.

S 78.8.2: Consideration of the Proposal from HoD (MED) for evaluation of students other than final years.

The item was discussed under agenda S 78.10.

S 78.8.3: Consideration of the Request from HoD (SOMS) regarding modified syllabus of 3 Ph.D level courses

The Senators were of the opinion that the contents were not mentioned clearly in the syllabi (e.g. only names of books and authors were found in the syllabus of one subject) and also there is a mismatch between the course outcomes and the contents. Hence, the Senate resolved to refer the syllabi back to the School for revision in the light of the senate discussions.

S 78.8.4: Consideration of the Request from HoD (Arch & Planning) to swap the Internship semester of B.Arch (2016 admission) and B.Arch (2017 admission) students

It was observed that for students of 2016 admission, the proposed change will cause a rearrangement of courses in 9th and 10th semesters. With the proposed change, a student will be registering for Thesis I of 9th semester, Thesis II of 10th semester and the 2 theory courses of the 10th semester of the 2010 Curriculum, in the Monsoon semester 2020-21. Senators observed that the department should ensure that it is reflected in their transcript/mark list properly.

For the 2017 admission students, it is swapping of VII and VIII semesters and for this also Senators observed that the Department should ensure that it is reflected in their transcript/mark list properly.

Senate resolved to accept the proposal for the academic year 2020-21 only.

S 78.8.5: Consideration of the Recommendation from HoD (Arch & Planning) to allow Mr. Marri Shravan (B151026AR) to register for AR 5003 Construction Site Study as a contact course

The senate resolved to recommend the proposal.



S 78.8.6: Consideration of the Recommendations from HoDs regarding SWAYAM courses to be offered by NITC faculty.

The Senate resolved to accept the proposal of BoAC to set up a committee for formulating guidelines for offering courses through SWAYAM platform. Chairman Senate informed that the committee will be formed and its recommendations will be placed in a subsequent Senate meeting.

S 78.8.7: Consideration of the request from HoDs to reconsider the Senate decision regarding the number of credits the students can earn from SWAYAM online courses.

The Senate resolved to accept the proposal of BoAC that the number of courses that a student can earn from SWAYAM platform shall be limited to 2 elective courses and those can be in place of the 2 Global Electives of the curriculum.

S 78.8.8: Consideration of the Submission from HoD (CHED) of syllabus of 5 UG Electives and one PG Elective

Chairman Senate apprised the meeting that a decision has already been taken in the meeting with Deans and HoDs to reduce the number of electives for the current academic year. Hence, it was resolved to defer the agenda item.

S 78.8.9: Consideration of the Submission from HoD (SMSE) for change of syllabus of CE2095D Strength of Materials Lab in third semester

It was resolved to recommend the change of syllabus with the observation that in the prerequisite, concurrent registration cannot be given. It was advised to rewrite the condition appropriately.

S 78.8.10: Consideration of the Submission from HoD (Maths) of the revised syllabus of 4 UG core courses

The Senate resolved to defer the syllabus revision and suggested that the Department of Mathematics can have discussions with the Departments where the courses are being offered and make suitable modifications. Department advisory board suggestions are to be sought only if there are major changes in the syllabus after incorporating suggestions from various departments. Then it can be placed in the Senate directly.

S 78.8.11: Consideration of request from HoD(SBT) to change the Ph.D admission criteria in the School of Biotechnology

Chairman Senate ruled that since there was a change in the admission criterion for the current academic year as approved in the 75th Senate meeting held on 11 Feb 2020, another change again for this academic year itself is not permitted.

S 78.9: Evaluation for lower semester subjects of outgoing batch students who have failed courses

The Senate resolved to approve Plan B of the proposal, i.e. for the outgoing batch of students, separate examination for lower semester registered courses and supplementary examinations shall be conducted in the first and second week of July 2020.



S 78.10: Mode of end semester Evaluation of lower semester students

The Senate resolved to approve the following proposal for conducting online examinations (regular, make up and supplementary) for lower semester students in the Month of **August, 2020**.

- (i) Online end semester examinations for all students other than the students in their final year of study to be conducted from 03.08.2020 to 14.08.2020 and the results to be declared on **25.08.2020**.
- (ii) Make up examinations to be conducted from 17.08.2020 to 24.08.2020.
- (iii) Supplementary examinations are to be conducted from 28.08.2020 to 1.09.2020 and the results of supplementary examination to be declared on **05.09.2020**.

S 78.11: Registration of UG/PG/PhD students to higher semesters

The Senate resolved to approve the following proposal for the 2020-21 monsoon semester.

- (1) Pre-registration of courses: from 01.07.2020 to 04.07.2020.
- (2) Payment of fee for students on roll: from 17.08.2020 to 24.08.2020.
- (3) Registration for higher semesters: on 25.08.2020 and 26.08.2020.
- (4) Online Classes for all semesters to be commenced from 02.09.2020.
- (5) Last date for late registration/ add or drop courses to be on 10.09.2020.

Regarding the registration of PhD students for 2020-21 monsoon semester, the Senate resolved that Doctoral Committee meeting is not mandatory for registration to the 2020-21 monsoon semester. However, the DC shall be conducted, if it is deemed necessary for any other purpose.

S 78.12: Extension of date of comprehensive examination of PhD students by 3 months

The senate decided to give extension by 3 months after reopening of the institute for PhD students, for completing comprehensive examination. This is to enable the students to complete the required part of research work for comprehensive examination.

S 78.13: Thesis submission date extension for M Tech students who would like to submit theses after institute reopening without late fee and with the current registration

The Senate resolved to give approval for extension by 2 months from the date of reopening of the institute for any final year PG student, if the student gives written request for extension for completing laboratory part of their thesis work. For all other PG students, the results will be declared on July 30, 2020.



S 78.14: Any other matter with the permission of Chair

The senate resolved to extend the time for submission of thesis upto September 30, 2020 for PhD students who have completed 9 years.

The meeting concluded at 6.30 PM with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Registrar & Secretary