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Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Senate held on April 16, 2024, Tuesday at 2.00 pm in the Board Room

Members Present:

1.	Prof. Santanu Chattopadhyay, <i>Director, IIIT Kalyani</i>	Chairman
2.	Prof. Prabir Kumar Biswas, <i>Deptt. of Electronics &amp; Electrical Communication Engg; IIT Kharagpur</i>	External Expert nominated by the BoG
3.	Prof. Dipanwita Roy Chowdhury, <i>Deptt. of Computer Science &amp; Engineering, IIT Kharagpur</i>	External Expert nominated by the BoG
4.	Dr. Amit Ranjan Azad, <i>Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani :</i>	Member
5.	Dr. Dalia Nandi, <i>Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani</i>	Member
6.	Dr. Debasish Bera, <i>Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani</i>	Member
7.	Dr. Imon Mukherjee, <i>Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani</i>	Member
8.	Dr. Oishila Bandyopadhyay, <i>Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani</i>	Member
9.	Dr. Pratik Chakraborty, <i>Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani</i>	Member
10.	Dr. Rinky Sha, <i>Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani</i>	Member
11.	Dr. Sanjay Chatterji, <i>Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani</i>	Member
12.	Dr. Anirban Lakshman, <i>Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani</i>	Member
13.	Dr. Sanjoy Pratihar, <i>Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani</i>	Member
14.	Dr. SK Hafizul Islam, <i>Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani</i>	Member
15.	Dr. Uma Das, <i>Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani</i>	Member
16.	Dr. Bhaskar Biswas, <i>Assistant Professor, IIIT Kalyani</i>	Member
17.	Dr. Kaoushik K Mukherjee, <i>Registrar, IIIT Kalyani</i>	Secretary

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**Welcome note:** At the outset, the Chairman welcome all the members and especially the external experts to the 9<sup>th</sup> Senate meeting of the institute. Due to health issue, external expert, Prof. Dipanwita Roy Chowdhury participated in the meeting online, via Google Meet.

Then agenda items were then taken up and the following resolutions were adopted.

**Item No. 1: Confirmation of minutes of the 8<sup>th</sup> Senate Meeting held on October 4, 2023.**

*Resolution:* There being no comments made on the minutes of 8<sup>th</sup> Senate Meeting, the same was confirmed.

**Item No. 2: Academic Calendar for Spring 2023-24.**

*Resolution:* The Senate approved the academic calendars for Spring Semester 2023-24 session for the B.Tech in CSE and ECE, Executive M.Tech and PhD courses.

**Item No. 3: Achievements of the faculty members and students of IIIT Kalyani.**

*Resolution:* The Senate noted and appreciated the achievements of the faculty members and students of the institute. Successful completion of PhD guidance by Dr. Sanjoy Pratihar and Dr. SK Hafizul Islam for two students at NIT Meghalaya and IIT(ISM) Dhanbad, respectively, were also noted.

**Item No. 4: To consider credit overloading in pre-final semesters for students with a good academic record.**

*Resolution:* The Senate noted that the institute allows the final semester students with internship cum placement offers to study in self-study mode for the semester and only appear for the examinations physically. To assist the students to concentrate more on their 8<sup>th</sup> semester internship, the Senate approved the proposal of taking the 8<sup>th</sup> semester elective papers in their 6<sup>th</sup> semester. Also, taking such 8<sup>th</sup> semester electives in the 7<sup>th</sup> semester would be considered on a case to case basis. To be considered for such credit overloading in pre-final semesters, students with CGPA 7.5 and higher would only be considered. The policy will be available for the students reaching their 5<sup>th</sup> semester in July 2024 and onwards.

**Item No. 5: Changing the course PHC201: Engineering Mechanics to Physics-II.**

*Resolution:* The Senate approved changing the course PHC201 from Engineering Mechanics to Physics-II highlighting quantum physics. Experts felt that it may be difficult to accommodate the portion on "Quantum Computing" into the course and suggested to modifying the proposed syllabus (noted in Annexure-I) accordingly. The suggestion was approved by the Senate.

**Item No. 6: To consider branch change options for B. Tech programs.**

*Resolution:* The Senate approved the branch change option for B. Tech programs with the following conditions:

- Branch change option to be made available to the students based on the result of the first semester.
- At most 5% of the number of students registered in a program may be allowed to change branches, subject to vacancy in the destination branch.
- Vacancy in a branch will be decided based upon the number of seats available considering the total sanctioned seats in the branch.
- Selection will be made on descending order of CGPA among all students applied for branch change within a program.





**Item No. 7: To consider reservation policy in Ph.D. admission.**

*Resolution:* The Senate agreed to the proposal of the committee constituted for the purpose with the following salient points:

- No reservation for part-time and project category as there is no upper-limit on the number of such candidates.
- For full-time scholars receiving fellowships/TA, each semester the number of vacant seats will be decided based on the seats available with each faculty member. The seats will be distributed into different categories as per the existing reservation norms. Advertisement for posts will be made accordingly.
- Ph.D. seats will not be carried forward across semesters, as the number of advertised posts in a semester is dependent on the number of regular faculty members on roll at that time.

**Item No. 8: To consider Ph.D. Defence viva.**

*Resolution:* The Senate approved the award of the Ph.D. degree of the following students.

Sl. No.	Roll/Enrolment No.	Name	Supervisor(s)	Status	Date of Viva
1.	PhD/ECE/18019/000 0423	Nayan Ranjan Das	Dr. Imon Mukherjee	Awarded	-
2.	PhD/Sc./190006/000 0508	Sharmistha Rakshit	Dr. Anirban Lakshman, & Dr. Kshitish Ch. Mistri (Co- Supervisor, RMVC College, Rahara)	Defended	03.01. 2024
3.	PhD/Sc./180022/000 0426	Subhajit Debnath	Dr. Uma Das	Defended	16.02. 2024
4.	PhD/R/ECE/18010/0 000309	Susmita Das	Dr. Dalia Nandi	Defended	19.03. 2024

**Item No. 9: Leave rule for Ph.D. scholars.**

*Resolution:* Senate resolved that 15 days' casual leave and 30 days' medical leave be provided to full-time Ph.D. scholars of the institute. Leaves for project scholars will be guided by rules of their respective sponsoring agencies.

**Item No. 10: Semester fee waiver application of two Ph.D. students admitted under Visvesvaraya Scheme.**

*Resolution:* Senate approved the requests of Sri Suvojit Mukhopadhyay and Sri Nilkantha Garain two Ph.D. students admitted under Visvesvaraya Scheme for fee waiver of one semester. Further resolved that this not be shown as precedence.

**Item No. 11: Cancellation of Ph.D. enrolment.**

*Resolution:* The Senate approved cancellation of Ph.D. enrolment of the following students:

Roll/Enrolment No.	Name	Remarks/Reasons
PhD/CSE/18009/308	Suparna Karmakar	Didn't appear in the meeting, the DSC recommended cancellation of enrolment
PhD/CSE/20002/625	Bavrabi Ghosh	Appeared in the meeting and later sent a mail expressing discontinuation of Ph.D work

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Ph.D/CSE/19017/519	Syed Zahir Hasan	Appeared in the meeting and later sent a mail expressing discontinuation of Ph.D work
PhD/22004/851	Pramod Kumar	The candidate emailed to discontinue the Ph.D. work

**Item No. 12: Introducing new B. Tech. program in Mathematics and Computing.**

*Resolution:* The proposal to introduce the new B.Tech. program, with course details in **Annexure-II**, was approved. Experts further suggested to include "Optimization Techniques" with good coverage in some subjects in the course.

**Item No. 13: Eligibility criteria for online/executive M.Tech. students to integrate into the Ph.D. program.**

*Resolution:* After a threadbare discussion the Senate resolved that online/executive M. Tech. students of IIT Kalyani may get admitted into the Ph.D. program of this institute subject to the followings:

- Students on-roll in the M.Tech program may apply for integration into the PhD in their final semester when all subjects, excepting major dissertation and comprehensive viva have been cleared.
- The application has to be for the immediately succeeding session and there should not be any gap year in the process.
- Must have CGPA of at least 8.5 at the time of application.
- Must have identified a supervisor and drawn a thesis proposal in consultation with the proposed supervisor.
- If approved, the student will be allowed to carry out the Ph.D. as part-time scholar only.
- The facility will be available to the online M.Tech students admitted in the institute, in 2021 and executive M.Tech students in the later years.

**Item No.14: Transcript and degree certificate formats for the online/executive M.Tech. students.**

*Resolution:* Senate approved the transcript and degree certificate formats for the online/executive M.Tech students. The Registrar was requested to get the Hindi format of the certificate approved by the members of the Senate by circulation. It was further resolved that for the students admitted in the year 2021, the word "EXECUTIVE" will be dropped from the certificate and transcript, as those students were admitted to the M.Tech. program, instead of "Executive M.Tech." program.

**Item No. 15: To consider modification of codes of elective subjects in the CSE curriculum.**

*Resolution:* Senate approved the modification of codes of 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> semester elective courses in the CSE in parity with that of ECE courses and be read as CSE/ECE7XX and CSE/ECE8XX

**Item No. 16: To renumber course HUC401 to HUC404 in the ECE curriculum.**

*Resolution:* Senate approved renumbering the course of "IPR Law: Concepts and Applications" from HUC 401 to HUC 404 in the ECE curriculum.

**Item No. 17: Ratification of results of Autumn semester 2023-24.**

*Resolution:* Senate ratified the results of B.Tech. CSE and ECE (Semesters 1, 3, 5, 7) along with backlog/re-enrolled candidates, Executive M.Tech. and Ph.D. students.

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**Item No. 18: Ratification of results of round 2 supplementary examination 25.9.23 – 4.10.23.**

*Resolution:* Senate ratified the results of round 2 of supplementary examinations conducted separately for some students and took place during 25.9.23 to 04.10.23 owing to the delay in commencement of Spring semester in the 2022-23 session.

**Item No. 19: Ratification of re-enrolled students list for the Spring semester 2023-24.**

*Resolution:* Senate ratified the list(s) of re-enrolled students for the Spring semester 2023-2024. In view of the fact that one backlog elective subject *CS604: Cognitive Science and Technology* is no more being offered in the revised curriculum, four students with registration numbers 539, 549, 551 and 554 of the 2020 batch, having backlog in this elective, was allowed to register for the elective subject *CS604: Cryptography and Network Security*, with the permission of Chairman Senate. The Senate ratified the same as well.

**Item No. 20: Correction in results of Sri Gunit Kandhway (Regn. No. 697, Roll No. CSE/21037).**

*Resolution:* Senate approved the correction in the results of Sri Gunit Kandhway for three subjects while noting that his grades in those subjects would actually be F. Senate also allowed the student for supplementary examinations without grade degradations on medical grounds.

**Item No. 21: Publication of Grade Sheets and Certificates in Digilocker.**

*Resolution:* Senate noted that the institute has registered in the NAD Digilocker portal and is using the following templates for various documents:

- Semester Grade Sheet: DGMST2
- Transcript: TRTMP5
- Provisional Degree Certificate: PRVCR1
- Certificate: DGCER6

The same was approved.

**Item No. 22: Any other matter with the permission of the chair.**

**a.) To discuss on cancellation of enrolment of the continuing students of Executive M.Tech programme:**

*Resolution:* Senate noted that Seven (7) students from the admission batch July, 2021, Three (3) students from the admission batch July, 2022, and One (1) student from the admission batch July, 2023 as per list provided by the CEP coordinator have been discontinuing since long. Resolved that candidature of such students who have not responded even after getting 15 days' notification from the institute may be treated as cancelled. The two students namely Shreya Banerjee and Nilanjan Sen who have shown absenteeism in the recent past may also be sent with similar notice and in case of no response even after a lapse of 15 days, their candidature be also treated as cancelled.

**b.) To consider a request of readmission to CSE course third semester made by Shri Ayan Sarkar(CSE/22029/0883):**

*Resolution:* Senate was apprised by the Batch Mentor Dr. Debasish Bera that the candidate though has obtained FR in two subjects in second semester, could successfully complete the course till then. For medical reasons despite full payment of third semester fees, the candidate could not attend classes and appear in 3<sup>rd</sup> semester examination. The Senate noted the appeal and approved the request of the student for readmission to the upcoming third semester (2023-2024 admission year) and continued classes.

c.) To ratify re-joining to B.Tech Programmes of the following two (2) students:

Name of the Student	Registration Number	Programme of Study	Permitted to Join from	Date of permission
Aryan Choudhary	543	CSE	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester/2023-24	11.05.23
Abhigyan Bhattacharya	968	ECE	With the first year students/2023-24	10.04.23

Senate ratified re-joining of the students w.e.f. dates as mentioned above.

The meeting ended with thanks to and from the Chairman.

  
(Prof. Santanu Chattopadhyay)  
Director, IIIT Kalyani- Chairman

  
(Dr. Kaoushik K Mukherjee)  
Registrar, IIIT Kalyani- Secretary