

कार्यवाहक कुलसचिव कार्यालय

IISERBPR/SENATE/2019-1/6
April 25, 2019

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Sub: Minutes of the 2019-1/6th Meeting of the Senate, IISER Berhampur.

Kindly find herewith enclosed a copy of the Minutes of the 2019-1/6th Senate Meeting of the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Berhampur held on March 29, 2019 at 1100 hrs in the Board Room, IISER Berhampur for your kind perusal.

Comments, if any, may please be communicated within a fortnight from the date of this letter for necessary consideration of the same by the Senate at its next meeting.

सादर,

भवदीय,



(Dr. Jose Sebastian)

कार्यवाहक कुलसचिव एवं सचिव, सेनेट

प्रतिलिपि:

अध्यक्ष, सेनेट /Chairperson, Senate.

एवं सभी सदस्य / विशेष आमंत्रितगण

सेनेट, आई आई एस ई आर बरहमपुर/All Members/ Special Invitees, Senate, IISER Berhampur

(संलग्न सूची के अनुसार/As per enclosed list)

April 23, 2019

**Minutes of the 2019/1/6th Meeting of the Senate held at 1100 Hrs on
March 29, 2019 in the Board Room, IISER Berhampur**

2019 1/6th meeting of the Senate IISER Berhampur has been held at 1100 Hrs on March 29, 2019 and the following members were present.

1. Prof. K V R Chary, Chairman, Senate
2. Dr. Jose Sebastian, Secretary
3. Dr. Mukund Ramakrishnan
4. Dr. Rakesh Kumar Pathak
5. Dr. Malay Kumar Rana
6. Dr. Thirupathi Barla
7. Dr. Santanu Bhattacharya
8. Dr. Rohit Soni
9. Dr. Ajay Perumal
10. Dr. Shashi Bhushan Singh
11. Dr. Victor Mukherjee
12. Dr. Sandeep Chatterjee
13. Dr. Md. Nasim
14. Dr. Ritabrata Sengupta
15. Dr. Senthil Raani K S,
16. Dr. Prem Prakash Pandey,
17. Dr. Kashi Viswanadham Gopajosyula
18. Dr. Punyashree Panda
19. Prof. R.K. Panda, (through Skype)
20. Shri Mallikarjun Dora

1. Dr. Yogendra Sharma,
 2. Prof. Venu Gopal Achanta
 3. Dr. Adi Narayana Doddi
 4. Mr. Parul Kumar Sharma
 5. Mr. Harish Kumar Senapati
- } Special Invitees

1. **Announcements by the Chairperson, Senate, if any.**

The chairperson, Senate welcomed the members present in the 2019-1/6th Meeting of the Senate, IISER Berhampur. The Senate noted the recent developments made in transit campus, as well as at permanent campus and announcements made by the Chairperson. Chairperson conveyed his appreciation to all those who have received honors, awards, distinctions and special recognitions

2. **Confirmation of the minutes of the 2018-2/5th Meeting of the Senate held at 1100 Hrs on November13, 2018.**

The minutes of the 2018-2/5th Meeting of the Senate held at 1100 Hrs on November 13, 2018 were circulated to all the members of the Senate vide letter No. IISERBPR/SENATE/2018/2/5th dated December13, 2018. The Senate resolved to confirm the minutes as there has been no disagreement from any of the member.

3. **To consider the Action Taken Report on the decisions of 2018-2/5th Meeting of the Senate held at 1100 Hrs on November13, 2018.**

The Senate resolved to take on record the Action Taken Report on the decisions of the 2018-2/5th Meeting of the Senate held at 1100 Hrs on November13, 2018

4. **To ratify the grades/results of End–Semester examination for the 2018-19 Sem-I and announcement of topper(s) from each batch.**

The Senate resolved to ratify the results of End–Semester examination for the 2018-19 Sem-I submitted by Coordinator, Academic Affairs and Senate appreciated the topper(s).

5. **To take on record and expression of token of appreciation to Faculty who scored $\geq 4.5/5$ in SRS.**

The Senate noted the list of Faculty members who scored $\geq 4.5/5$ in SRS for 2018-19 Sem-I and conveyed its appreciation to them.

6. **To adopt the revision of emoluments to PhD scholars on Institute fellowship as per MHRD's guidelines.**

The Senate noted the revised emoluments paid to Ph.D. scholars on Institute fellowship at Rs. 31,000/- per month w.e.f January/2019, duly approved by FC/BoG.

7. **To ratify the Minutes of meeting held on January 18, 2019 for adopting new grading system for awarding grades to Ph.D. students.**

The Senate resolved to ratify Minutes of meeting held on January 18, 2019 for adopting new grading system for awarding grades to Ph.D. students. The details of which will be included in the new PhD manual.

8. **(a) To adopt the grant of annual contingency amount to Ph.D. scholars on Institute fellowship.**

The Senate noted that an amount of Rs. 10,000/- has been granted as Contingency to PhD scholars on Institute fellowship. This has been duly approved by FC/BoG.

Mr. Paul Kumar Sharma, Student Senate representative (PhD) has requested to hike the amount to Rs. 20,000/-, but Chairman Senate assured that the really deserving candidates will be considered on case to case basis.

(b) To ratify Guidelines for Institute Contingency for Ph.D. scholars on Institute fellowship.

The Senate resolved to ratify the proposed guidelines of Contingency by PhD scholars on Institute fellowship. Mr. Paul Kumar Sharma, Student Senate representative (PhD) has requested to include foreign travel under the contingency but Chairman Senate replied that assisting foreign travel to deserving candidates will be considered on case to case basis.

9. To report the number of students admitted in PhD programme during December/ 2018.

The Senate resolved to ratify the number of students admitted in Ph.D. programme during December-2018 session.

10. To report the number of students who have withdrawn from the programmes of BS-MS & PhD.

The Senate noted that details of BS-MS (Dual Degree) and PhD students who have withdrawn from the respective programmes and taken on record.

11. Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

List of items discussed in the meeting with the permission of the Chair:

- Chairperson, Senate thanked Dr. Punyashreee Panda for conducting five days' Workshop on technical writing during December-2018 and requested to conduct one more workshop in the coming period and Dr. Panda conveyed her acceptance for the proposal.
- Director/ Senate Chairman placed the modifications submitted by Department of Physical Sciences in core & professional course curriculum in the Senate for approval. Director/Chairman Senate requested all other departments to check the possibility of restructuring the 1st Semester lab experiments on a similar line. Director/ Chairman Senate stated that this will be discussed in the next IAAC meeting.


List of items placed by Senate Student representative (BS-MS), Mr. Harish Kumar Senapati.

S No	Issue	Deliberations in the Senate
1	A new course/training workshop on Machine Learning and other related stuffs. Such discipline specific workshops should also be held for getting hands on exposures.	Will be executed as per feasibility in coming semesters.
2	Too much statistics and facts in EES course of Batch 2017. The course is also too big and hence also a huge burden.	Coordinator Academic Affairs will look into this matter in consultation with EES faculty for appropriate outcome.
3	Institute should design its own course structure as per the requirements and expertise of faculties. It should be more flexible so as to keep space for improvements.	Already under process.

4	Equipment in Physics Lab are not in sufficient numbers.	Director will review the experiments being conducted by Dept. of Physical Sciences and discuss to find the appropriate solution
5	Courses should be offered on Diverse topics like Astrophysics and Astronomy. Hence Student community requested that Faculties from diverse fields should be appointed.	FIC, Dept. of Physical Sciences informed that these courses are going to be offered in 4 th year.
6	Interdisciplinary electives like Neuroscience -(combination of mathematical, biological and physical concepts) should be offered so as to break the disciplinary boundaries.	Will be considered as per feasibility.
7	Board for Curiosity and Interdisciplinary discussion sessions and subjects related to it.	Approved and considered positively.
8	Involvement of our Institute in different citizen science projects like eBird so as to be a part of Global Research going on Worldwide.	Will be considered as per feasibility.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.


Dr. Jose Sebastian
 Acting Registrar
 Secretary, Senate

Approved

Prof. KVR Chary
 Chairperson, Senate