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Minutes of the 5th Academic Council Meeting

Date : 30th August, 2008
Time : 10: 00 a.m.
Venue : Board Meeting Hall, NERIST

The following Members were present:

1. Prof. Mubarak Husain, Director i/c & Dean (Academic)	Chairman
2. Prof. V.P. Singh, Retired Professor, ISM, Dhanbad	Member
3. Dr. B.K. Nath, Principal, Deomali College, Tirap, A.P.	Member
4. Prof. J. Choubey, Department of Mathematics	Member
5. Prof. S.K. Singh, Department of Civil Engg.	Member
6. Prof. Rajendra Prasad, Department of Physics	Member
7. Prof. L.S. Yadav, Dean (P&D)	Member
8. Prof. P.K. Das, HoD, Mathematics	Member
9. Prof. R.M. Pant, HoD, Humanities & Social Sciences	Member
10. Dr. Amitava Chatterjee, HoD, Physics	Member
11. Dr. (Mrs.) P. Rethy, HoD, Forestry	Member
12. Dr. O.P. Roy, HoD, Electrical Engineering	Member
13. Dr. R.A. Mishra, HoD, Electronics & Comm. Engg.	Member
14. Sh. S.K. Shrivastava, HoD, Agricultural Engineering	Member
15. Sh. Sunirmal Roy, HoD, Mechanical Engineering	Member
16. Mrs. T. Tuithang, HoD, Computer Sc. & Engg.	Member
17. Dr. M. Muralidhar, Asstt. Prof., HoC (CATRD)	Member
18. Dr. P.K. Tripathy, HoD i/c, Chemistry	Member
19. Dr. R.K. Prasad, HoD i/c Civil Engineering	Member
20. Dr. P.R. Alapati, Asstt. Prof., Department of Physics	Member
21. Dr. L. K. Arora, Asstt. Prof., Department of Mathematics	Member
22. Dr. (Mrs.) Marry P.P., Lecturer, Forestry	Member
23. Sh. M. P. Thaddeus, Lecturer, Mechanical Engineering	Member
24. Dr. A. K. Singh, Lecturer, Dept. of Electrical Engg.	Member
25. Sh. Radak Blange, Lecturer, Elect. Engg. & Instt. Engineer	Member
26. Dr. S. Mishra, Controller of Examinations i/c	Invitee
27. Dr. R.P. Bhattacharjee, Asstt. Registrar (Academic)	Invitee
28. Sh. Ashok Singh, Registrar	Non-Member Secretary

Following members could not attend:

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| 1. Prof. J.C. Soni, Dean and HoD, Rono Hills, Doimukh | Member |
| 2. Prof. R.H. Duncan, Department of Chemistry, NEHU, | Member |
| 3. Prof. T. Madhusudhan, Principal, R.G. Polytechnic | Member |
| 4. Prof. H.S. Yadav, Dean (SA) | Member |

At the outset Chairman welcomed the members and called the meeting to order. While welcoming the members present, he specially expressed his gratitude to outside members namely Prof. V.P. Singh, Retired Professor, ISM, Dhanbad and Dr. B.K. Nath, Principal Deomali College. The agenda items as circulated to the members were taken up for deliberations. The gists of the deliberations are recorded as under:

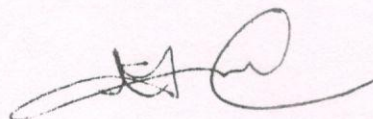
A.C.5.1 To Consider Confirmation of the Minutes of 4th Academic Council Meeting held 12th January, 2008.

[Chairman informed that the minutes of the 4th Academic Council were not accepted by 63rd Board of Management as these were not confirmed by Academic Council. The members deliberated on minutes of the 4th Academic Council Meeting of NERIST held 12th January, 2008. Agenda Item, A.C.4.8 was discussed in view of the written comments received from HoD(MA) and HoD(ME). On A.C.4.8, most of the members expressed that the 'self guide' provision is not existing in any reputed institution and it must not be allowed at NERIST. Prof. J. Choubey expressed strongly that ~~the~~ Prof. R.M. Pant being from 'Economics' stream cannot act as a supervisor for a candidate for Ph.D. in 'English'. He further observed that a person having insufficient teaching & research experience should not be allowed to be 'self guide'.]

Resolution: The ruling of the Chairman on AC 4.8 is scrapped. The minutes were approved with the above modification.

A.C. 5.2 To Consider Action taken Report on the Minutes of 4th Academic Council Meeting held on 12th January, 2008.

[Item No.4.7 (b): To propose information Brochure (PG) and guidelines for open ended admission to M.Tech.(BR) and Ph.D(PT), a committee was constituted vide No.Acad/ATR/3(AC)/2007/50 dated 20.8.2007. The chairman informed that the report (Annexure-I) was prepared after examining the status of other Institutions/Universities. After discussion, the report was accepted with a minor change "that a candidate, if he/she so wishes, may start working in the department by taking prior permission from the principal Investigator (designate) and Head of the Department but the registration will be done as per the academic calendar during the semester registration, after clearance from DRC and BPGS".]



Resolution: Approved with minor change

A.C. 5.3 To Consider discontinuation of M.Tech (By Research) from Academic Session 2009-10.

[The decision to discontinue the M.Tech.(BR) was taken in the HOD's meeting held 14.8.2008. The related portion of the minutes of the HOD's meeting is placed at Annexure-II (part-III) for consideration. The Council deliberated duly on the issue and resolved as follows:]

Resolution: The Council noted the minutes of HoD regarding discontinuation of M.Tech (By Research) from 2009-10 session and approved. However, provision for M.Tech. (Part-time) on pattern of M.Tech. (Full Time) courses and teaching will be opened from academic session 2009-10.

A.C.5.4 To Consider the award of Base, Diploma & Degree Certificate to 2005-06 and 2006-07 pass out students.

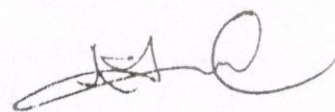
[The convocation for 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 Academic year could not be held due to various unavoidable circumstances. There have been number of requests from passed out students to issue their Certificates from time to time due to urgent requirements for getting job. A few students have already been given Original Degree due to urgent need to get or confirm their jobs. It is proposed to issue the original Base, Diploma & Degree Certificates from the Institute without the formalities of convocations.]

Resolution: It was decided to hold a simple convocation during November 2008. A Committee may be constituted to look into various requirement of the convocation.

A.C.5.5 To Consider to start (i) special Classes for Academically weak students and (ii) Coaching for NET/GATE

[To begin with, it was considered to start special classes in Physics & Mathematics for Base module students having ≤ 2.00 GPA in their first semester. The main purpose of coaching is to improve the basics of the students and so to enhance their ability to overcome deficiency in foundation courses. This agenda item was placed and discussed in HoD meeting held on 14.8.2008 to begin special classes for academically weak students at the end of their first semester. It was also agreed to start coaching for NET/GATE aspirants. In this context, a committee was constituted to frame modalities to operate these plans. The recommendation of the Committee is appended for consideration of Academic Council]

Start



Resolution: The special classes in the PCM to the Base Module students with GPA ≤ 2.00 be started from the next semester. The fee @Rs.500/- per month per student for special classes and @Rs.750/- for NET/GATE coaching as recommended by the Committee with minimum ten members of students for a course were accepted. Provision for income-tax free honorarium would be examined by Finance Section of the Institute. nu

A.C.5.6 To Consider correction in the Academic Regulation approved by Academic Committee meeting held on 24th January, 2000 & 6th August, 2001 & Board of Management held on 25th September, 2000 & 28th August, 2001 respectively.

[It is found that there is printing mistake in the Academic Regulation Clause 9.2. A

The following corrections are proposed.]

- (a) Delete 'or'.
- (b) Read as '30 credit at the end of 2nd semester of 1st year, each in Diploma, Bridge & Degree in Engineering and Technology'.
- (c) Add 'Including I-grade Component (s) credits'.]

Resolution: The Academic council noted the correction as proposed and approved it.

A.C.5.7 To Consider M.Sc. (Chemistry) syllabus as approved by BoS held on 14.2.2008 & BPGS held on 18th February, 2008. nu

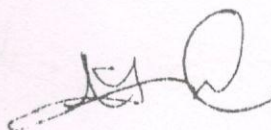
Resolution: Noted and approved.

A.C.5.8 To Consider commencement of Post Graduate courses in Physics, Mathematics and Chemistry.

[Chairman informed that prior approval of UGC is not required to start PG programmes in Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics. It was proposed to start M.Sc. (Physics), M.Sc. (Mathematics) and M.Sc. (Chemistry) from the academic session 2009-10 under intimation to UGC. The requirement of manpower, space and fund as submitted by the departments will be examined and taken up with concerned authority.]

Resolution: The Academic council noted and approved it.

A.C.5.9 To Consider provision of medals to Post Graduate courses for each Department



[In line with provision for award of medals to UG students, it is proposed to consider the award of gold medals to PG students of each department. The members discussed the issue of awarding medal to PG students in each department in detail.]

Resolution: The Council recommended to constitute the following Committee to examine the issue of awarding medals to PG students with the provision of other National level institution and submit report before next Academic Council Meeting.

Prof. S.K. Singh, Dept. of Civil Engg.	-	Chairman
Prof. R.M. Pant, HoD (HSS)	-	Member
Shri S. Ray, HoD (ME)	-	Member
Shri S.K. Shrivastava, HoD (AE)	-	Member
Smt. T. Tulthung, HoD (CSE)	-	Member

A.C.5.10 To Consider the provision of Summer term/Supplementary for Post Graduate Courses in NERIST.

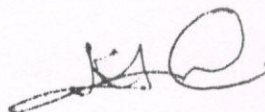
[The Chairman informed that the SUN demanded Summer Term/Supplementary examination for PG students to clear back papers similar to UG students. In this regard, a Committee was constituted and the report submitted by the Committee was deliberated upon by the members. A minor correction 'yes' in place of 'No' at the serial No.16, column-6 of the report was made.]

Resolution: It was noted and decided that sufficient provisions are available in NERIST Academic Bye Laws for the PG students and no further provision can be considered.

A. C. 5.11 To consider the AICTE recognition of various Post Graduate Courses.

[The Chairman informed that AICTE has recognized M.Tech. (IT, ESE & FT) for 2009-11 session while MBA was considered for 2005-06 only. It was proposed to invite AICTE team for recognition of the following courses. Of which courses (a-d) are being run and courses (e-f) are to be started.]

- (a) M.Tech (Computer Science and Engineering) under CSE Department
- (b) M.Tech (Farm machinery & Power) under Agri. Engg. Department.
- (c) M.Tech (Power System Engg.) under Electrical Engg. Department.
- (d) M.Tech (Computer Integrated manufacturing & Automation under Mech. Engg. Department.
- (e) M.Tech. (Thermo Fluid Engg.) Under Mechanical Engg. Department.



(I) M.Tech. (Electronics & Communication Engineering) Under ECE Department.

Resolution: It was resolved that the AICTE ~~Team~~ would be contacted to send their team for recognition of the PG and UG courses running and proposed by the Institute.

A.C.5.12 To consider Admission of Foreign Students in MBA from 2009 - 2010 session.

[A Tanzanian student has applied for admission to MBA, 2009-2010 session].

Resolution: The Academic Council noted the studentship of Tanzanian national in India in UG course and resolved that the student may be intimated that he may apply for admission. But, his admission will be subject fulfillment of admission criteria and clearance from Govt. of India.

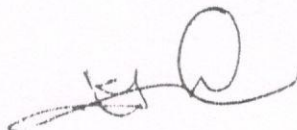
A.C.5.13 Reporting Items

- a) Post Graduate admission test was held on 23rd and 24th June, 2008 instead of 24th and 25th May, 2008 due to some unavoidable reason.
- b) The admission of M.Tech. (By Research) and Ph.D. (Part time) was held during January, 2008 and August, 2008.
- c) The fee structures of M.Tech. (By Research) and Ph.D. (Part time) were notified.
- d) Admission of Under Graduate/Post Graduate courses during 2008 - 2009 Academic Session.
- e) Results of January - May, 2008 Semester and Summer Term of July, 2008 and revised result of Forestry Department.

Resolution : Noted and ratified.

- f) The duration of mid semester examination at par with end semester examination.

[The Chairman informed that the duration of mid-semester examination was stretched from two to three hours vide notification No. ExamCell/04/2006-07 dated 14.02.2008 and since then it is in practice. The members expressed their difficulty in paper setting for Mid-Semester examination/ make up test due to extension of duration vis-à-vis course content upto the Mid-semester examination.]



Resolution: The following Committee was constituted to examine the duration of Mid-Semester examination.

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| 1. Dean (SA) | - | Chairman |
| 2. Dr. P.R. Alapati, Dept. of Physics | - | Member |
| 3. Dr. R.A. Mishra, HoD (ECE) | - | Member |

The Committee may invite two members from SUN to discuss the duration.

- g) To ratify Receipt of Book Bank fees collection of Rs.3000/- (in two instalments as per SUN's request).

[It was informed that due to some unavoidable reasons, the notification regarding library book bank caution money could not be made to all students in time. The SUN made a request to authority to consider the deposit in two installments. It was agreed and notified.]

Resolution: Noted and ratified.

- h) To ratify the Minutes of BPGS held on 18th February, 2008 and 29th July, 2008.

Resolution: The minutes of BPGS was ratified.

- i) Modification of existing courses of 2nd Year, 1st Semester of the Department of Electrical Engineering.

[The course structure for Diploma (2nd year, 1st Semester) was modified. Accordingly the total no of credits were proposed to be reduced from 30 to 27.].

Resolution: Noted and ratified the revision of total no of credits. It was also decided to implement this change of credits from July-December, 2008 semester. All the departments having more than 28 credits of regular load in a semester were advised to revise the credits accordingly to avoid any contradiction with rules.

- j) The Chairman NEE informed that the enhancement of cost of NEE admission form and fees as per AC. 3.5 has already been implemented.

Resolution: Noted and ratified.

A.C.5.14 Any other Item

(a) HoD(ME) and HOC(CATRD) proposed that measures may be taken for proper functioning of Centre for Appropriate Technology for Rural Development of the Institute.

Resolution : Noted.

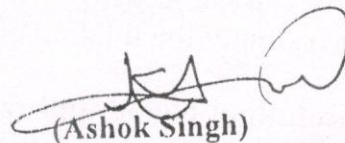
(b) Arising out of discussion, it was pointed out that the revision of under graduate syllabi of the institute could not be done since 17th August, 2002. It was discussed thoroughly in the back ground of revision of syllabi made by various boards/Universities/Technical Institutions.

Resolution: It was resolved that ~~the~~ each department will revise its syllabi without affecting the credits of other department through respective board of Studies. The proposed revised syllabi will be sent to the following committee for its consideration.

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| 1. Prof. S.K. Singh, Dept. of Civil Engineering | - | Chairman |
| 2. Dr. P.K. Tripathy, Dept. of Chemistry | - | Member |
| 3. HoD (FO) | - | Member |
| 4. HoD (EE) | - | Member |

The Committee will also suggest the uniformity of credits for all the Departments

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

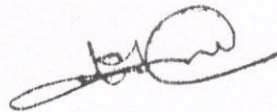


Registrar & Non-Member Secretary Academic Council

Report of the Committee constituted vide Acad./ATR/(AC)/2007/50,
dated 20.08.2007

The Committee constituted vide order no. Acad./ATR/(AC)/2007/50, dated 20.08.2007 met a number of times and revised the Course structure, course code of M.Tech. and MBA courses and also brought uniformity in the pattern of M.Tech course structures. As far as the open ended admission to Ph.D. (Part Time) is concerned, the Committee recommends that a candidate, who is working in a sponsored project in the Institute, if he/she so desires, may start working in the department by taking prior permission from the Principal Investigator and Head of the department but the registration will be done as per the academic calendar during the semester registration, after clearance from DRC and BPCS.

Sd/- (Dr. Md. Anwar Husain) Member	Sd/- (Dr. R. M. Pant) Member	Sd/- (Dr. S. K. Singh) Member	Sd/- (Dr. Mubarak Husain) Chairman
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III. Continuance of M.Tech by Research

In view of various reasons, Director-in-charge sought the opinion of the Heads of the Departments about continuing the M.Tech. (By Research) programme (being run currently) in future. It was unanimously recommended that M.Tech. (By Research) programme should be discontinued from the next academic session i.e., 2009-10. However, the students who have already enrolled, would continue till completion of their courses. Necessary amendment may be incorporated in the Academic Bye-Laws. Further, M.Tech. (Part time) based on full time M.Tech. programme courses and pattern of teaching will be started as per the provision of academic regulation in the Bye-laws.

Sd/-
PA to Director

