

**NORTH EASTERN REGIONAL INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**  
(Under the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)  
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**MINUTES**

**FOR**

**39<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL**

**Date** :: 16.03.2024  
**Time** :: 10 : 00 A.M.  
**Venue** :: Conference Hall of VVIP Guest House

**Minutes for the 39<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Academic Council**

Following members were present:

1.	Prof Narendranath S, Director, NERIST Director, NERIST	Chairman
2.	Prof. S. Gao, Dean (Academic)	Member
3.	Prof. M. Chandrasekaran, Dean (Admn.)	Member
4.	Prof. P. R. Gajurel, (Students Affairs)	Member
5.	Prof.(Mrs) Vandana Upadhyay, Deptt. of Economics, RGU.	Member
6.	Prof. Sanjeev Kumar, Deptt. of Physics, RGU.	Member
7.	Prof. P.K. Tripathy, Deptt. of Chemistry	Member
8.	Prof. Binay Singh, Deptt. of Forestry	Member
9.	Prof. S. Gao, Deptt. of Electrical Engg.	Member
10.	Prof. R.K. Prasad, Deptt. of Civil Engg	Member
11.	Prof. N. Deb, Deptt. of Chemistry	Member
12.	Prof. P.P.Dabral, Deptt. of Agri. Engg.	Member
13.	Prof. R.K. Mehta, Deptt. of Electrical Engg.	Member
14.	Prof. S.K. Shrivastava, Deptt. of Agri. Engg	Member
15.	Prof. T. Karlo, Deptt. of Physics	Member
16.	Prof. (Mrs.) M. Sharma, Deptt. of Forestry	Member
17.	Prof. M. Chandrasekaran, Deptt. of ME	Member
18.	Prof. K. Shrivastava, Deptt. of Forestry	Member
19.	Prof. S. Mahto, Deptt. of Mech. Engg.	Member
20.	Prof. A.K. Singh, Deptt. of Electrical Engg	Member
21.	Prof. B.K. Singh, Deptt. of Mathematics	Member
22.	Prof.(Mrs) N. Marchang, Deptt. of CSE	Member
23.	Prof. S. Samanta, Deptt. of ME	Member
24.	Prof. P. R. Gajurel, Deptt. of FO	Member
25.	Prof. S. S. Gautam, Deptt. of ME	Member
26.	Prof. Ajay Bharti, Deptt. of CE	Member
27.	Prof. (Mrs) Aditi Bhadra, Deptt. of AE	Member
28.	Prof. A. Bandyopadhyay, Deptt. of AE	Member
29.	Dr. Sandeep Singh, Deptt. of ME	Member
30.	Prof. M. M. Dixit, Deptt. of MA	Member
31.	Prof. Rajesh Kumar, Deptt. of ECE	Member
32.	Dr. Tripurari Sharan, Deptt. of ECE	Member
33.	Dr (Ms) Joyatri Bora Hazarika, Deptt. of ECE	Member
34.	HoD (CE)	Member
35.	HoD (CSE)	Member
36.	HoD (ECE)	Member
37.	HoD (EE)	Member
38.	HoD (ME)	Member
39.	HoD (CH)	Member
40.	HoD (MA)	Member
41.	HoD (FO)	Member
42.	HoD (PH)	Member
43.	HoC (CMS)	Member
44.	Mr. S. K. Sahu, Associate Prof. Deptt. of CE	Member
45.	Mr. Radak Blange, Associate Prof. Deptt. of EE	Member
46.	Dr(Mrs.). Yamem Tamut, Assistant Prof. Deptt. of CE	Member
47.	Dr. N. G. Sorum, Assistant Prof. Deptt. of CE	Member
48.	Controller of Examinations	Invitee
49.	Dr M.K.Camder , Registrar	Non-Member Secy.



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Following members could not attend the meeting.

SLNo.	Name	Designation
1.	Prof. S. Mishra, Dean (Planning & Development)	Member
2.	Prof. S. Ravi, Deptt. of Physics, IIT Guwahati, Assam	Member
3.	Prof. M. K. Hazarika, Deptt. of Food Engg. & Technology, Tezpur University, Napaam, Assam	Member
4.	Prof. B.P. Mishra, Deptt. of Environmental Science, Mizoram University, Aizwal,	Member
5.	Prof. Utpal Bhattacharjee, Deptt. of Computer Science & Engineering, RGU	Member
6.	Er. Talo Potom, IAS, Chief Estate Officer & Nodal Officer ,A.P	Member
7.	Prof. Md. A. Hussain, Deptt. of ECE.	Member
8.	Prof. P. Parida, Deptt. of HSS	Member
9.	Prof. K.N. Dewangan, Deptt. of Agri. Engg.	Member
10.	Prof. C.L. Sharma Dean, Deptt. of Forestry	Member
11.	Prof. A. Giri, Deptt. of Mechanical Engg.	Member
12.	Prof. S.K. Bhagat, Deptt. of Electrical Engg	Member
13.	Prof. S. Baishya, Deptt. of Civil Engg	Member
14.	Prof. S. Mishra, Deptt. of Civil Engg	Member
15.	Prof. A.K. Gupta, Deptt. of Chemistry,	Member
16.	Prof. Awadshesh Kumar, Deptt. of FO	Member
17.	Prof. Raju Barthakur, Deptt. of HSS	Member
18.	HoD (AE)	Member
19.	HoD (HSS)	Member
20.	Mr. K. Lego, Associate Prof. Deptt. CSE	Member
21.	Mr. A. K. Patra, Assistant Prof. Deptt. of CSE	Member

**AC. 39.01: To consider for confirmation of the minutes of the 38<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council held on 02.12.2023.**

[Note: The minutes of the 38<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council held on 02.12.2023 was circulated to the Hon'ble Members of Academic Council on 08.12.2023. No Comment(s) has been received from any members.

The Academic Council may like to confirm the minutes.]

**Resolution: The minutes of 38<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Academic Council was confirmed.**

**AC. 39.02: To consider the Action Taken Reports on the minutes of the 38<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Academic Council.**

[Note: The Action Taken Reports on the minutes of 38<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council is placed at **Annexure-II** for consideration.]

**AC. 38.02: 37.03:35.03 : [33.02 {32.2 {31.02 (30.02 (29.04)}}] :** To consider various essential criteria for application of EoA from AICTE for UG/PG Courses of the Institute.

**Resolution: Dean(P&D) shall submit the report of the progress to the Chairman, Academic Council at the earliest. The digitisation process through outsourcing needs to be completed at the earliest and full report needs to be submitted by the Dean(P&D) in the next Academic Council.**

**AC. 38.02: [37.03: (35.09)]:**To Consider the Various Agenda Items submitted by the Chairman, NEE.

(04): Fixing of uniform rates for Room rent/Hall rent for conducting NEE

**Resolution: Noted.**

  
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**AC. 38.02: [37.03: {35.24(01)}]** :To Consider Two courses “ES11151-Engineering Drawing” and ES21151-Engineering Graphics and Design” are in 1<sup>st</sup> Semester (July-December).

**Resolution:** *It was reported in the Meeting that the new Drawing Hall has been created and is operational now.*

*A committee has been reconstituted to examine if the students of CSE, ECE & EE departments could be taught Workshop practices through Demo version and may also explore for Minor degree/Hons Degree in the engineering and technology courses . The committee is as follows:*

1. Dean (Acad.)	- Chairman
2. CoE	- Member
3. HoD(EE)	- Member
4. HoD(ECE)	- Member
5. HoD(CSE)	- Member
6. HoD(ME)	- Member
7. HoD(CE)	- Member

*The Committee shall submit a Comprehensive Report to the Chairman, Academic Council at the earliest and the reported in the next Academic Council Meeting.*

**AC. 38.02: [37.3{35. 24 (2b)}]** : HoC(CMS) has submitted a proposal of MoU to be signed with IIM Calcutta Innovation Park (IIMCIP), Calcutta, Diamond Harbor Road, Joka, Kolkata, W.B. for North East Entrepreneurship Development Program (NEEDP) and NERIST.

**Resolution:** *Noted. It was also suggested that the provisions for all the UG students for Internships /Training may also be included in the MoU.*

**AC.3 8.02: (37.06)** : To Consider the Recruitment Drive by M/s IntelliPaat Software Solutions-early joining of our students submitted by the Prof. M. Chandrasekaran, Prof-in-Charge (Placement Cell).

[Note: A proposal received from **Prof. M. Chandrasekaran, Prof-in-Charge (Placement Cell)** regarding issuing of No Objection Certificate to Mr. Aayan Jabidur Rahman (D/19/ME/101) and Mr. Siddhartha Goswami (MBA/21/17) for the **Recruitment Drive by M/s IntelliPaat Software Solutions-early joining.**

However, the matter has been discussed with CA, HoD (ME) and HoC (CMS) and permitted to issue a NoC for the same. The draft NoC was approved by the Competent Authority and the same was issued to the students. However, the matter has been placed for further discussion, if any in Academic Council Meeting. The detailed agenda is placed at Annexure.

**Resolution:** *Noted. The matter may be included while preparing curriculum revision.*

  
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**AC.38.02: (37.08) :** To Consider for adoption of National Higher Education Qualification Framework (NHEQF)

[Note: A letter vide no DOF.No 15-2/2021(QIP) dated 11.05.2023 received from Secretary, UGC which is addressed to all the Universities and forwarded the important recommendation of NEP 2020 for the formulation of National Higher Education Qualification Framework (NHEQF). UGC has formulated the NHEQF to facilitate transparency and comparability of higher education qualifications at all levels. Copy of NHEQF has been forwarded by UGC for adoption.]

**Resolution:** *The Chairman, Academic Council has advised that in the previous Academic Council Meeting approval was accorded for the adoption of NHEQF. Dean(Acad.) may hold the meeting of all HoDs & CoE for incorporating necessary changes in the course curriculum. The revision of curriculum may be done at the earliest by including the recommendation of NEP 2020 and necessary changes may also be updated in the Academic Bye Laws . It was also suggested to hold the works on NEP 2020 and for NHEQF for the stakeholders by some external experts at the earliest .*

**AC. 38.02: (37.09) :** To Consider the Agenda Item submitted by Dr. P. K. Dutta, Coordinator, MOOCS, NERIST.

[Note: The Coordinator, MOOCS, NERIST has been submitted the requesting letter no. D.O.F.No.1-11(SWAYAM), dtd. 3<sup>rd</sup> November'2022 submitted by UGC, MoE, Govt. of India, New Delhi, regarding adoption of SWAYAM courses for credit transfer under UGC (Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through Study Webs of Active Learning for Young Aspiring Minds) regulations 2021. Since NERIST has not yet approved the transfer of credits for undergraduate courses. The detailed agenda is placed at Annexure]

**Resolution:** *It was reported in the meeting that the Institute has implemented the above and also issued a circular vide No MOOCs/01/20212024/01 dtd 22.02.2024.*

**AC. 38.02: (37.12) :** To Consider the Agenda Items submitted by HoD (EC) regarding Inclusion of a course related to Advanced Mobile Communications Technologies, particularly 5G Technology for UG degree course in Electronics and Communication Engineering.

[Note: HoD (EC) has sent a note regarding Inclusion of a course related to Advanced Mobile Communications Technologies, particularly 5G Technology for UG degree course in Electronics and Communication Engineering for discussions in the Academic Council Meeting and are placed at Annexure. The Minutes of BoS is also enclosed herewith.]

**Resolution:** *Approved .*

**AC.38.02: (37.14) :** To Consider the Agenda Item submitted by Prof. Rajesh Kumar, Institute Coordinator, Institution Industry Interaction Cell, NERIST regarding setting up of a Centre for Skill Development in NERIST with reference to letter D.O.No.3-8/2023-TS-II dated 13/03/2023 from Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship regarding Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikash Yojna (PMKVY) 4.0.

**Resolution:** Prof. Rajesh Kumar, Institute Coordinator, Institution Industry Interaction Cell, NERIST has informed in the meeting that for setting up a Centre for Skill Development in NERIST with reference to letter D.O.No.3-8/2023-TS-II dated 13/03/2023 from Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship regarding Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikash Yojna (PMKVY) 4.0 Competent Authority constituted a committee with office order dated No. EST 99/2/2020/Vol.VIII/1488 Dated 18/07/2023 for setting up Centre for Skill development and execution under PMKVY 4.0. Committee processed for willingness to become Skill Hub Under PMKVY 4.0 on 18/10/2023 in response to Letter no D.O.NO.F: 5-11/2023(Skill Hubs)/NSQF dated 22/09/2023 and got sanctioned of 240 targets for training on 09/11/2023. Subsequently got deemed status for Skill Hub on 06/12/2023 through online portal. Registration process is in progress for the following courses in consultation with the departmental co-ordinators as a member of Skill Development committee.

1. Electrical Technician (ELE/Q6301) (3.0) : EE Department
2. Jam, Jelly and Ketchup Processing Technician (FIC/Q0103) (3.0) : AE Department
3. Carpenter (FFS/Q2203) (2.0) : ME Department
4. Mason Concrete (CON/ Q0105) : CE Department
5. Forest Nursery Raiser(AGR/Q6103) : FO Department
6. Assistant Technician Computer Hardware(ELE/Q3119) : ECE Department

**AC.38.02: (37.15) :** To Consider the Agenda Item submitted by Prof. S. Samanta, Coordinator, AICTE Cell, NERIST regarding discussion and deliberation in reduction in the sanctioned intake of M.Tech (Information Technology) course under Dept of CSE as per the EoA, 2023-24 received from AICTE, New Delhi.

[Prof. S. Samanta, Coordinator, AICTE Cell, NERIST has sent a note regarding Extension of Approval (EoA) for the Academic Year 2023-24 and informed that the sanctioned Intake of Information Technology (IT) for PG Program under CSE dept. has been reduced from 18 to 9 and reason being shown as due to the admissions less than or equal to 30% of the initial "Approved Intake" for the past 5 years consistently. This matter is of concern and will affect the Institute as a whole. It is also informed that the AICTE approval of new courses in AICTE or to increase the intake for the courses, Institute need to submit various documents as well as Institute must undergo mandatory expert physical verification process, which is a troublesome process and if we fail to produce required documents it may affect the current approved intake for all engineering courses (UG/PG). Further due to decrease in the intake of any approved courses from AICTE will hamper the Institute teacher-student ratio, which will also directly affect during NBA approval process. The matter has been placed for discussions in the Academic Council Meeting and are placed at Annexure]

**Resolution:** The Academic Council has suggested to include all B.E / B.Tech ( Computer Science & Engineering , Information Technology, Electronics & Communication, Electronics and Instrumentation Engineering, Electrical & Electronics Engineering , Electronics Engineering , Electrical Engineering) including M.Sc.(Computer Science/ Electronics/Information Technology) and MCA are made eligible to apply for M.Tech(IT). Further, it is suggested to all HoDs to explore whether seats can be filled through CUET (PG) for the PG courses where intakes are less.

**AC. 38.02: [37.17 (c)] : MoU between Siddaganga Institute of Technology (SIT) & NERIST.**

**Resolution: Accepted**

**AC. 38.06 (1,2,3 & 4) : To Consider the various Agenda Items submitted by Prof. Aditi Bhadra, Coordinator, R&D Cell, NERIST.**

[Note: The Coordinator, R&D Cell, NERIST has been submitted 05 (five) number of agendas for discussions in the Academic Council Meeting and are placed at Annexure.]

**(1) Post of Dean (R&D) needs to be created.**

**[Note:** It is to report that the creation of dedicated infrastructure for the Research and Development Centre is under process. Space has already been allotted for Research and Development Centre. This centre will include all research related cells as mentioned below:

- a. Research and Development Cell (Earlier SRIC Cell)
- b. Institute Industry Interaction Cell.
- c. Skill Development Cell.
- d. Incubation and Entrepreneurship Cell.
- e. Intellectual Property Right Cell.
- f. Research Information Management Cell.

The **post of Dean (R&D)** needs to be created to monitor and guide the working of multiple cells under Research and Development Centre (RDC)]

**Resolution: It is informed in the meeting that the position of Dean(R&D) and Dean(Alumni) has been created in the Institute.**

**(2) Manpower requirement**

**[ Note:** To look after smooth running of Research and Development Centre, full time technical as well as non-technical staffs are needed immediately. As approved by Academic Council in its 24<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting held on 06.05.2017, at least one UDC and one peon for Research and Development Centre should be provided. Details are enclosed for reference.]

**Resolution: It is informed by the Registrar in the meeting that Institute is facing shortages of manpower however shall be decide administratively.**

**(3) Separate bank account for Research and Development Centre (RDC)**

**[Note:** A separate bank account should be maintained for R&D Centre (RDC) where overhead amounts of all sponsored projects/consultancy work, revenue generated under Industry Institute Interaction Cell, Skill Development Cell, Incubation and Entrepreneurship Cell will be kept. In addition, for research and development purpose, some fund should be allotted to the Centre from institute every year.

RDC should utilize that fund with the approval of RAC (Research Advisory Council) for following purposes:

  
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- a. Seed fund to young faculty members to perform research.
- b. Fund for UG/PG/PhD students to attend conference.
- c. Fund for UG/PG/PhD research project work.
- d. Conducting workshop/training on research proposal writing for faculty members.
- e. Interaction with industry experts and renowned academicians for establishing MoUs.
- f. Seed fund to NERIST students for implementation of Innovative ideas
- g. Organizing Innovation Competitions/Hackathons
- h. Conducting Session by Alumni Entrepreneurs, Startup Founders and Experts for students.

**Resolution: It is informed by the Registrar that it is not possible to open a separate bank account . However, a detailed proposal may be submitted by RDC for the above purposes.**

#### **(4) Renovation/Development of Central Research Facility (CRF)**

*[Note: As per decision made in the NITI Aayog meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> of October '2023, All Central Universities should establish a **Central Instrumentation Facility (CIF)** details enclosed. Existing Central Research Facility (CRF) of NERIST needs to be developed and renovated. Fresh requisitions from each department for the instruments to be procured at CRF should be taken. The tools and instruments now housed at CRF are very basic and most of them are very old/obsolete. These are not sufficient to do research at national/international level. We need sophisticated instrumental facilities at Central Research Facility.*

NERIST has recently been registered in the **ISTEM (Indian Science, Technology and Engineering Facilities Map) portal** for the benefit of our research scholars and R&D work. The state-of-the-art sophisticated instrumental facilities to be housed at CRF to do research in engineering and in basics sciences might be put into the ISTEM portal in the future to help researchers from other institutes to find our resources. This would also help in generating the necessary funds for instrument maintenance.]

**Resolution: Renovation of CRF shall be taken up by Dean(P&D)**

**AC. 38.06(5) : To Consider the various Agenda Items submitted by Prof. Aditi Bhadra, Coordinator, R&D Cell, NERIST.**

#### **(5) Insufficient Imprest Amount**

*[Note: Imprest amount of Rs. 5000/- has been allotted to Coordinator, R&D Cell (Earlier SRIC Cell) but is not sufficient to meet the urgent requirement of all cells under Research and Development Centre. For supporting the operation of all other cell under R&D Cell , either Imprest amount for R&D Cell should be increased to Rs. 10000/-, or separate imprest amount should be given to Coordinators of other cells as mentioned in item no. 1.]*

**Resolution: Noted**

  
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**AC. 38.07(1) : To Consider the Various Agenda Items submitted by Prof. S. K. Shrivastava, Chairman, NEPGET, NERIST.**

[Note: The Chairman, NEPGET, NERIST has been submitted 03 (Three) nos. agendas for discussions in the Academic Council Meeting and are placed at Annexure.]

**(1) To consider the proposal for swapping of the vacant seats under SC category to ST, and from OBC to general category in PG programs.**

[Note: The admission to the PG programmes has started in the year 2019 with the reservation criteria as per the extant rules of the Government of India. However, it has been observed over the years that a substantial number of seats remain vacant under the SC category whereas the number of students under the ST category tend to be more. As a result, the seats in the M.Tech. programmes do not get filled to their optimal strength.

Considering this, the NEPGET proposes a conversion of the vacant SC seats to ST category so that the vacant seats could be filled up.]

**Resolution:** *Dean(Acad) shall constitute a high-level committee and the detailed proposal may be sent to MoE for consideration.*

**AC. 38.07(3) : To Consider the Various Agenda Items submitted by Prof. S. K. Shrivastava, Chairman, NEPGET, NERIST.**

**(3) To consider the proposal to operate 200% waitlist for PG programs and introduce second round of counseling for PG programs.**

[Note: The NEPGET proposes to operate 200% waitlist in PG programs to facilitate the waitlisted candidates for admission and to optimize filling of seats in different Departments. This can be done by introducing a second round of counseling.

**Resolution:** *Noted*


**AC. 38.08 : To Consider to increase the number of Institute fellowship to the Ph.D. research Scholars.**

[Note: At present Institute is offering Institute / MoE fellowships to 2(Two) scholars per Department having valid GATE/NET score from each Department from Academic Session 2023-24 as per the Notification 3 vide No.Acad/33<sup>rd</sup> AC/ATR/2021 dtd. 18.01.2022. At present the Institute is providing the monthly fellowships of Rs. 31,000/- p.m. for JRF and Rs. 35,000/- p.m. for SRF respectively. Dean (Acad) has proposed that Institute fellowships may be provided to all the Ph.D. Scholars having NET/GATE from the next Academic Session.

**Resolution:** *Noted.*

**AC. 38.09(2) : To Consider the Agenda Items submitted by Dr Satya Jyoti Borah, HoD (CSE), NERIST.**

The HoD (CSE), NERIST has been submitted 02 (Two) number of agendas for discussions in the Academic Council Meeting and are placed at Annexure.]

  
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**(1) Providing GATE scholarship for PhD scholars with valid GATE score:**

[Note: This is to inform that under the current regulations, a Ph.D. scholar having a valid GATE score is not given the GATE scholarship unless he or she has the highest or the second highest GATE score in the department in the year of admission. This may act as a deterrent for PhD candidates to opt for pursuing PhD at NERIST. Hence, two solutions are proposed: i) GATE scholarship be provided for all PhD scholars with valid GATE score, ii) the number of seats may be increased, and information may be given while declaring the PhD entrance examination result about the students who would be getting GATE scholarship and who would not (otherwise, a student with GATE will not know whether he/she will be getting GATE scholarship).

**Resolution: Already approved in Agenda Item 38.8.**

**2. Institute Ph.D. scholarships:**

[Note: Currently, a Ph.D. scholar without a valid GATE score is not provided any scholarship. Hence, it is proposed that institute Ph.D. scholarship may be introduced to encourage students to pursue PhD who do not have any GATE scholarship. For instance, Tezpur University provides an institute scholarship of Rs. 8000/- per month.

It is informed that the matter of scholarship/fellowships to the Ph.D. Students not having valid GATE Score/NET qualification was taken up in the past and was also placed in the 24<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting and in 44<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee Meeting. Various correspondences were also made with the Ministry for providing scholarships/fellowships to the Non-GATE/NET research scholars at par with the other Institute, details attached at Annexures. It is also to inform that many ST scholars are not having GATE/NET are availing NFST from Ministry of Tribal Affairs, GoI as per the eligibility criteria of the NFST.

**Resolution: Noted**

**AC. 38.10 : To Consider the Agenda the Revision of monthly fellowship amount to the Ph.D. Scholars having NET/GATE.**

[Note: Institute is providing monthly fellowships to the Ph.D. scholars having NET/GATE as per rate as prescribed by the Ministry vide OM No F.No12-2/2019-U-1 dated 31.01.2019 . The existing emoluments rates for the monthly fellowships are Rs 31,000 p.m. for JRF and Rs 35,000/- p.m. for SRF. Ministry of Education, GoI has revised the existing emoluments rates of the monthly fellowships from Rs 31,000/- p.m. to Rs. 37,000/- p.m. for JRF and from Rs 35,000/- p.m. to Rs. 42,000/- p.m. for SRF respectively vide letter no F.No.12-2/2023-U1 dtd. 11.09.2023. NERIST Research Scholars Association (NRSA) has also submitted an application for the revision of monthly fellowships for the research scholars.

The Academic Council may like to deliberate and decide.]

**Resolution: Noted.**

  
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**AC. 38.11 : To consider for Increase in Fee Structure for all 1<sup>st</sup> year (UG/PG/Ph.D.) in entry level.**

[Note: The revision of fee structure for the session 2022-23 and 2023-24 for UG, PG & Ph.D. has been increased in 35<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting vide Agenda Item No. 35.12 as per the Academic Bye Laws which states that 'the fee structure will be increased every alternate year by 10% and any new fee may be charged as decided by the Institute Authority from time to time. 'The fee structure for all courses for the academic sessions 2024-25 & 2025-26 are due for revision in the next semester. Taking cognizance of the views of the Ministry of Education, the Competent Authority has also viewed that there is a need to increase the fee structure for all 1<sup>st</sup> year (UG/PG/PhD) at entry levels. The details are placed at Annexure.]

**Resolution:** *Dean(Acad) shall workout the increase the fee structure for all 1<sup>st</sup> year (UG/PG/Ph.D.) at entry levels at the earliest and submit the report to Chairman, Academic Council.*

**AC. 38.12 : To Consider proposal submitted by Prof. P. Parida, HoD (HSS) regarding to start a 6-month Certificate Course in Foreign Languages (German/French/Spanish)**

[Note: The Department of HSS proposes to start a 6-month Certificate Course in Foreign Languages from July 2024 onward in tune with the requirement of the NEP 2020 and provide an edge to the engineering graduates and Management postgraduates.

In the first phase, the Department plans to start a Certificate course in German Language. This course will be provided in collaboration with the Max Mueller Bhavan/Goethe Institute, New Delhi, initially on a single project basis (for the first 6 months), and depending on the enrolment, the same can be upgraded to an Institutional partner basis. The modalities for the same will be worked out from January 2024 onwards. Certificate courses in French and Spanish will be added subsequently to the programme, the proposal and are placed at Annexure.

**Resolution:** *Noted.*

**AC. 38.13 : To consider supplementary examination for M.Sc. & MBA course.**

[Note: Two letters dated 27.03.2023 and 29.03.2023 received from Devlina Sharma Bharali and Subu Sumpi student of M.Sc. Chemistry & Physics regarding to start a supplementary Examination for M.Sc. and MBA courses. The detailed agenda is placed at Annexure.]

As per the Academic Bye Laws [PG & Ph.D Programmes] there is no provision for the supplementary examinations for PG Courses.

It is also informed that the matter of supplementary examinations for PG Courses was taken up in the past and was also placed in the 31<sup>st</sup> Academic Committee Meeting vide Agenda Item No. AC.31.07 and the same were not accepted.

**Resolution:** *Noted.*

  
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**AC. 38.14 : To Consider the proposal submitted by the HoC (CMS)**

[Note: A Note received from HoC(CMS) has been submitted a note along with a minutes of the meeting held in 04.10.2023 for discussions in the Academic Council Meeting and are placed at Annexure.]

**1. Introduction of MBA (Part Time) Course:**

[Note: Due to demand from various executives working in various public sector, corporate sector, and government sectors in and around the region for starting Part -Time MBA course from CMS, NERIST.]

**Resolution: Matter deliberated with the Agenda Item AC39.5.**

**2. Introduction of BBA Course:**

[Note: The students of this region are going outside for studying Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA). Keeping the vision of the NERIST, for providing professionals at every level of manpower, CMS desires to start a BBA program at CMS, NERIST]

**Resolution: Matter deliberated with the Agenda Item AC39.5.**

**3. Introduction of MBA (Tourism & Hospitality Management) Course:**

[Note: Keeping the opportunities of tourism in this region, MBA (Tourism & Hospitality Management) desired by CMS, NERIST.

**Resolution: Matter already deliberated in 38<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting.**

**4. Other issues related to the CMS:**

**Note:** The MBA degree of the NERIST has not been acclaimed at par with other MBA degrees of other institutes outside of India. This has also been reported by the several MBA students of the NERIST.

The syllabus of the MBA has been revised in the year 2015, hence the syllabus revision may be initiated.

Upgradation of the centre to a full-fledged department as it has been 18 years the centre as a valuable part of the teaching-learning environment at NERIST.

The Academic Council may like to deliberate and decide.]


**Resolution: Matter already deliberated in 38<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting.**

**AC. 38.15 (a) : To consider the new NEE Centre at Aalo, Arunachal Pradesh to conduct NERIST Entrance Examination (NEE)-2024.**

[Note: A Note received from the Chairman of NEE regarding create a new NEE center at Aalo, Arunachal Pradesh, for providing better coverage of Lepa-Rada District, Shi-Yomi District, West Siang District and Siang District of Arunachal Pradesh.

The minutes of the meeting held on 26.10.2024 for creation of a new NEE center at Aalo, Arunachal Pradesh is approved by the Competent Authority and is placed for ratification].

**Resolution: Noted.**

  
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**AC. 39.03: To consider the minutes of the 47<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Board of Post Graduate Studies (BPGS) held on 06.03.2024.**

[Note: The 47<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Post Graduate Studies (BPGS) was held on 06.03.2024. The minutes of the meeting is placed at Annexure for consideration.]

The Academic Council may like to approve the recommendations of BPGS]

**Resolution: Approved.**

**AC. 39.04 To Consider the various Agenda Items submitted by Prof. A. Bandyopadhyay, Controller of Examinations, NERIST.**

[Note: The Controller of Examinations, NERIST has been submitted 03 (Three) number of agendas for discussions in the Academic Council Meeting and are placed at Annexure.]

**(1) Change of Course Code for PG and PhD**

[Note: At present this Institute is following five-digit Course Codes (MYSXX) M=Module, Y=Year, S=Semester followed by Course Code with prefixing Departmental Code i.e CEMYSXX, MEMYSXX etc. for UG programmes.

It is suggested that the PG and Ph.D. course codes are updated to follow the same format by prefixing 3 for M.Tech., MBA & M.Sc. and 4 for Ph.D., to maintain uniformity].

**Resolution: It was suggested that the matter should be taken up with Curriculum Revision.**

**(2) CSE practical course component marks distribution for PG**

[Note: In 2011, the marks distribution for practical component of a course was changed to 70 : 30 (Class/Viva : Exam) in both UG and PG programmes from earlier 50 : 50 distribution. However, no department other than CSE adopted that practice and continued with 50 : 50 distribution. Recently both UG and PG Bye-Laws were revised and the UG practical component marks distribution has been reverted to 50 : 50 (that automatically applies on CSE also).

However, in PG Bye-laws, it is still kept as 70 : 30 which only CSE department is following. Hence, practically, only MTech CSE practical courses have 70 : 30 distribution whereas all other courses in the institute is following 50 : 50 distribution. It is therefore suggested to rectify the Academic Bye-Laws for PG to follow the uniform marks distribution.]

**Resolution: It was suggested in the meeting that the flexibility should be given to all the Departments for practical component marks distribution . The Department should discuss the matter in the Departmental meeting and after the approval it should be submitted to the Academic Section and the CoE. The changes , if any should also be reflected in the Bye-Laws after placing the same in the Academic Council.**

  
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**(3) Ph.D. scholarship enhancement**

[*Note:* With reference to Circular No. Acad/Ph.D/Rev.Schol./285/2012/Vol-V dated 04.10.2023 (Annexure-I), it has been observed that the criteria for Ph.D. fellowship enhancement include one clause (no. 5) that says "To become eligible for enhancement of fellowship, the published works should be of the research scholar and Supervisor/Co-Supervisor". Hence any multi-disciplinary paper which has name of any other person other than the concerned Ph.D. student and the Supervisor(s) as author becomes ineligible to be considered for this purpose. Now-a-days multi-disciplinary works and multi-institutional collaborations are encouraged by the scientific community for novel innovations in science and technology and frequently high-quality papers have many authors (say, 20 or more). Further, the clause no. 4 stating that "The scholar should be the 1st author in the published and presented papers" itself guarantees that the paper is primarily of the scholar and cannot be used by others' for this purpose. Hence, it is requested to strike out clause no. 5 from the eligibility criteria.]

The Academic Council may like to deliberate and decide.

*Resolution: The Academic Council has not accepted the proposal.*

**AC. 39.5 To Consider the Minutes of BoS meeting held on 29.02.2024 and DPGC Meeting held of 01.03.2024 for introduction of BBA Course and Syllabus Revision of MBA in respect of CMS.**

[*Note:* HoC (CMS) has been submitted the minutes of BoS Meeting held on 29.02.2024 and DPGC Meeting held of 01.03.2024 along with Course curriculum of 04 years BBA and Syllabus Revision of MBA (Full-Time)/(Part-Time) in reference to the Agenda Item No38.14 of 38<sup>th</sup> AC Meeting held on 02.12.2023 and the action taken by the CMS in this regard is placed at Annexure for discussions in the Academic Council].

The Academic Council may like to deliberate and decide.

*Resolution: The Academic Council has accepted the proposal in principle. The following were also approved and suggested:*

- a) *The Intake of BBA shall be 33 Seats (including 3 seats for EWS).*
- b) *CO-PO mapping should also be reflected in the course curriculum.*
- c) *The vetting from IIM Shillong should also be taken for the above course.*
- d) *The entry of students for BBA shall be through NEE and for MBA it shall be through NEPGET.*
- e) *Approval from the Regulatory Bodies is also needs to be taken up the Centre of Management.*
- f) *The Fee Structures for BBA and MBA (Part Time) should be comparatively more than the normal courses and should be finalised by keeping in view for the generation of IRG.*
- g) *Centre for Management shall work out the total number of seats to be offered for MBA (Part Time) and also should workout the eligibility criteria for admission.*

**AC. 39.6 To Consider the Minutes of DPGC Meeting held of 16.02.2024 regarding the inclusion of date of validity on the Ph.D. Certificates**

[*Note:* Prof. S. Mahto, Chairman, DPGS of Department of Mechanical Engineering has been submitted a minutes of DPGC Meeting held of 16.02.2024 along with an application of Dr.Nabam Teyi, Asstt. Prof.(ME) regarding inclusion of validity date on

the Ph.D. degree certificates for discussions in the Academic Council Meeting and are placed at Annexure.

It is to inform that the matter was placed in the 28<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting held on 15.12.2018 vide Agenda Item No. AC:28.12 and it was approved to include the **date of notification** on the Provision Certificate of Ph.D. Degree.

The Academic Council may like to deliberate and decide.

**Resolution:** *The Academic Council has deliberated in detail and suggested that " the date of Oral Defence" may be included in the Provisional Certificate of Ph.D. Degree alongwith the " date of notification". The above proposal shall be effective from the confirmation of the minutes of the meeting.*

**AC. 39.7 To Consider the Agenda Item submitted by Prof. Raju Barthakur, Compliance Officer, International Students, NERIST.**

[Note: The Compliance Officer, International Students, NERIST has been submitted a note regarding recognition of NWAC, US Educational qualification for admission to UG courses for discussions in the Academic Council Meeting and are placed at Annexure.]

The Academic Council may like to deliberate and decide.

**Resolution:** *Dean(Acad) may constitute a committee to deliberate the matter and submit the report to the Chairman , Academic Council.*

**AC. 39.8 To Consider the Agenda Item submitted by Prof. N.Marchang & Institute Coordinator CONVERGENCE'23 (87 Batch Alumni Meet) for conferring "Annual Alumni Award of Academic Excellence" during convocation.**

[Note: The Institute Coordinator CONVERGENCE'23 (87 Batch Alumni Meet) has been submitted a note to establish an 'Academic Excellence Award' to the topper of the batch completing the bachelor's degree across all disciplines. The matter is placed for discussions in the Academic Council Meeting and is placed at Annexure. As per the proposal,

the annual award may be given to the topper of the batch completing the bachelor's degree across all disciplines. In case there is a tie, the award may be shared among the students who tie for the award. The rules for academic excellence followed for awarding a gold medal may apply here also.

The award may consist of the following three items:

a) *A certificate whose design is the same as that of the gold medal certificate except in the wording. The wording may be changed as below:*

*This Certificate of Excellence is presented to XYZ Roll No. \_\_\_\_ for securing the Alumni Award for Academic Excellence among the qualified candidates being conferred a bachelor's degree in the year \_\_\_\_.*

b) A cash prize (Demand Draft in the name of the awardee) of Rs. 25,000 (Rupees twenty five thousand only).

c) A Plaque with the following content:

- the name of the institute
- the logo of the institute
- the name of the award ("Alumni Award for Academic Excellence")
- the year of the award

The batch may be given permission to order the plaque from a vendor of its choice.

The Academic Council may like to deliberate and decide.

**Resolution:** *The Chairman, Academic Council has appreciated the noble gesture of the 87 Batch Alumni. The Institute Coordinator CONVERGENCE'23 (87 Batch Alumni Meet) has informed that the above proposal shall be for the period of 10 years. The Academic Council has suggested to include the name of the 'Student & the Department' in the Plaque beside the above content.*

*The proposal was approved.*

**AC. 39.9 To Consider the signing of 2(two) MoUs between NERIST & APIDFCL and AMTRON submitted by Dr. Madhusudan Mishra.**

[Note: Dr. Madhusudan Mishra, Associate Prof. (ECE) has been submitted two nos. of MoUs with APIDFCL and AMTRON for discussions and deliberation in the Academic Council Meeting and are placed at Annexure.]

It is inform that a 04(four) members Standing Committee was constituted for signing of all MoU's under the Chairmanship of Dean(Acad) vide the Circular No.1 according to the resolution of item No. 37.03 [35.24(2a)] (04) of 37<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Academic Council held on 02/06/2023. This matter may need the vetting of the Standing Committee and then should be placed in the Academic Council.

The Academic Council may like to deliberate and decide.

**Resolution:** *Approved in principle. It was suggested to placed the MoU for legal vetting and then go ahead with the signing of MoU.*


**AC.39.10: To consider the Enhancement of Fees for various certificates issued by Academic Section.**

[Note: The fees for various certificates /items were fixed in the 25<sup>th</sup> AC Meeting vide Agenda Items No. AC.25:11 held on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017. The Academic Section has proposed for the enhancement of fees for various items as mentioned below:

Sl. No.	Item	Existing Fee (In Rs.)	Proposed Fee (In Rs.)	Mode of Payment
1.	Migration Fees	500	700	Online as and when required
2.	Institute Leaving Certificate	250	500	-do-
3.	Duplicate Identity Card	250	300	-do-
4.	Bonafide Certificate	50	100	-do-
5.	Character Certificate	50	100	-do-
6.	Rank Certificate	0	200	-do-
7.	CGPA Conversion Certificate	0	100	-do-
8.	Deemed to be University Certificate	0	100	-do-
9.	10+2 equivalent Certificate	0	100	-do-
10.	4 yrs. equivalent Certificate	0	100	-do-
11.	Medium of Instruction Certificate	0	100	-do-
12.	Convocation fee	250	500	-do-

Academic Council may like to deliberate to consider the proposal.]

**Resolution:** *The Academic Council has approved the above proposal with modification for Sl no 12 i.e. Convocation Fee of Rs 500/- for In-person & Rs 750/- for in-absentia.*

  
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**AC.39.11 To Consider for the Creation of the Supernumerary seats for “PM CARES beneficiary”.**

[Note: The Honourable Prime Minister launched “ PM CARES for Children” on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2021 for supporting children who has lost both the parents due to COVID-19 pandemic and to extend the assistance for higher education to these children MoE, Govt of India has issued a direction to UGC and AICTE for the creation of the Supernumerary Seats in the approved Institutions to accommodate the children who has lost their parents during COVID pandemic .

In this regard, the Director has constituted a committee under the Chairmanship of Dean (Acad.) vide order no. Acad./UGC/07/22/Vol.1, dated 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024 for the creation of Supernumerary seats in the Institute for supporting the children under the “ PM CARES for Children”.

The Chairman has submitted a Minutes of the meeting held on 12.03.2024 and resolved the following :

1. Creation of **2(Two) supernumerary seats in each branch** in the **Certificate** and in the **degree module [B.Tech & B.Sc.(FO) ]** from the next Academic Session.
2. Only the children who lost both the parents or legal guardian or adopted parents or surviving parents due to Covid pandemic during the period starting from 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020 to 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023 and are issued “PM CARES CERTIFICATE” shall be eligible for admission under Supernumerary quota.
3. The Institute shall only admit the children under this scheme to whom the Certificate under PM CARES for Children Scheme are issued by the Ministry of Woman & Child Development.

The matter is placed for discussions and deliberation in the Academic Council Meeting and is placed at Annexure.]

**Resolution: Approved**

**Additional Agenda(s):**

**AC.39.12 : To Consider the proposal for Institutional Subscription for Scopus as submitted by Prof. Aditi Bhadra, Coordinator, R & D Cell.**

[Note: Prof. Aditi Bhadra, Coordinator, R & D Cell has sent a note informing the need for the **Institutional Subscription for Scopus**. It is informed that in multiple occasions for filling up institutional data and replying RTI queries, Coordinator, R&D Cell was approached for total number of publications, citation, H-index of the institute. Further , Scopus for our institute is needed for the research (find articles for R&D and find collaborators), track influence (of journals and authors) and to manage profiles (authors, institution).

The matter is placed for discussions and deliberation in the Academic Council Meeting and is placed at Annexure.]

**Resolution: It was suggested by the Academic Council that the Chairman(Library) shall submit the comprehensive proposal with financial implication through Dean(Acad) to the Chairman, Academic Council for immediate action.**

  
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**AC.39.13 : To report the request of Kuki Students' Organisation for the creation of NEE Centre at Churachandpur District, Manipur.**

[Note: The Kuki Students Organisation has submitted an application with a request for creation of a new centre for NEE 2024 at Churachandpur District, Manipur. The matter was discussed in the NEE Committee and resolved that no new centre can be created at this stage looking at the closing date of online application as well as the current situation in various parts of Manipur.

The matter is placed for ratification in the Academic Council Meeting and is placed at Annexure.]

**Resolution:** *The Registrar, NERIST shall take up the matter with the Higher authorities of Government of Manipur .*

**AC.39.14 : To consider the proposal for extension of duration for Internship/Industrial training for B.Tech and inclusion of Industry based Project Work for M.Tech students as submitted Prof Joyatri Bora Hazarika.**

[Note: Prof J.Bora Hazarika has submitted a proposal for extension of duration for Internship/Industrial training for B.Tech and inclusion of Industry based Project Work for M.Tech. She informed that the B.Tech 3<sup>rd</sup> year students undergoes 45 days Internship/Industrial training and requested to extend the training period upto 60 days. Further, she also proposed that 2<sup>nd</sup> year M.Tech students may be allowed to take one year project works in industry/organisations.

The matter is placed for discussions and deliberation in the Academic Council Meeting and is placed at Annexure.]

**Resolution:** *The matter may be incorporated during the revision of curriculum . It was advised in the Academic Council that 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> Semester for UG students may be kept for the internships /industrial training. It was also informed in the meeting that for PG students few departments allow one year project works in industry/organisations. It was also suggested that all the Department must discuss the matter thoroughly in the departmental meeting and should include industry-based training / internships to the students. The Academic Council suggested a holistic approach for revision of curriculum.*

**AC. 39.15 Any other item(s) with the permission of Chairman.**

  
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