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Indian Institute of Technology Jodhpur  
**Senate**

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**Minutes of  
Fifth Meeting**

15 April 2015 (Wednesday)  
4:30pm – 9pm  
Board Room, IIT Jodhpur



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The following were present:

1. C. V. R. Murty, Director, IIT Jodhpur	Chairman
2. H. P. Khincha, Chairman, Karnataka State Innovation Council, Bangalore	Member
3. Sanjeev Mishra, Director, AIIMS, Jodhpur	Member
4. Deepak M. Fulwani, Coordinator (Faculty), IIT Jodhpur	Member
5. V. Narayanan, Coordinator (R & D), IIT Jodhpur	Member
6. Atul Kumar, Coordinator (Academics), IIT Jodhpur	Member
7. V. Harinarayanan, Coordinator (Students),	Member
8. Sushmita Jha, Head, Department of Biology, IIT Jodhpur	Member
9. Rakesh Kumar Sharma, Head, Department of Chemistry, IIT Jodhpur	Member
10. B. Venkata Ramana, Head, Department of CSE, IIT Jodhpur	Member
11. Anil K. Tiwari, Head, Department of Electrical Engineering, IIT Jodhpur	Member
12. Vidya Sarveswaran, Head Department of HSS, IIT Jodhpur	Member
13. Kirankumar R. Hiremath, Head, Department of Mathematics, IIT Jodhpur	Member
14. B. Ravindra, Head, Department of Mechanical Engineering, IIT Jodhpur	Member
15. Subhashish Banerjee, Head, Department of Physics, IIT Jodhpur	Member
16. Samanwith Pal, Chairman, Wardens Committee, IIT Jodhpur	Member
17. Satyajit Sahau, Chairman, Library Committee, IIT Jodhpur	Member
18. Rahul Chhibber, Laboratory In-Charge, Workshop, IIT Jodhpur	Member

The following member regretted his inability to attend the meeting:

1. Pratap Bhanu Mehta, President, Center for Policy Research, New Delhi	Member
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The following are the decisions of the Senate on the Agenda:

S.No.	Item
<b>5.1</b>	<b>Welcome by the Chairman</b> The Chairman welcomed the Members. At the outset, he explained the re-constitution of the Senate due to formation of Department Structure at the Institute. Then, he briefed them on the Agenda of the Meeting.
<b>5.1.1</b>	<b>Confirmation of Minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Senate held on 13 October 2014</b> The Minutes of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Meeting were confirmed as circulated, as no comments were received.
<b>5.1.2</b>	<b>Report on Action Taken</b> The Senate noted the Action Taken Report on the various decisions taken during the 4 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Senate.
<b>5.2</b>	<b>Discussion Items</b>
<b>5.2.1</b>	<b>Start admissions in July 2015 to M.Tech. Programs in Electrical Engineering and Mechanical Engineering</b> The Senate admitted the proposal with the following changes and suggestions: (1) In the M.Tech. (EE) Program, a Mathematics elective may be included; (2) In the M.Tech. (ME) Program, another elective may be added in the II Semester; (3) Upto 15 students may be admitted to the Program each year; and (4) The minimum academic qualifications may be clearly spelt out for admissions to the M.Tech. (EE) and M.Tech. (ME) Programs.
<b>5.2.2</b>	<b>Starting admissions in July 2015 to M.Sc. Program in Mathematics</b> The Senate admitted the proposal with the following changes and suggestions: (1) Upto 10 students may be admitted to the Program each year; and (2) The elective course BL755 Complex Networks be withdrawn from the list of electives, and MA554 Complex Networks be included.

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<b>5.2.3</b>	<b>Regulations for administering M.Sc. Programs at the Institute</b> The Senate admitted the proposal with minor textual changes.
<b>5.2.4</b>	<b>Appeal of Onkar Krishna (PG201282006) for reinstating him in the Ph.D. Program</b> The Senate noted the matter with concern, and suggested that the Academic Committee should receive correct and complete information and communications, before recommending to Senate for any action. Also, the Senate was informed that a communication was received from Onkar Krishna seeking withdrawal from the Program; the Senate noted with deep regret the withdrawal of the student from the Program.
<b>5.2.5</b>	<b>Approval of New Courses of B.Tech., M.Tech., and Ph.D. Programs</b> The Senate admitted the proposals of four new courses.
<b>5.2.6</b>	<b>Request to Institute a Silver Medal at the Convocation for Meritorious Lady</b> The Senate admitted the request of the donor. It advised the Institute to seek from the donor precise information on the specific purpose for which the donation is proposed, before placing the matter before the Board of Governors for its consideration.
<b>5.2.7</b>	<b>Opening branch of Indian School of Mines or starting Mining Engineering at IIT Jodhpur</b> The Senate discussed the matter in detail. It observed that the Institute is operating from a Temporary Campus with severe space crunch, and has shortage of Faculty Members. Hence, the Senate suggested that the matter may be considered, when the Institute moves to its Permanent Campus.
<b>5.2.8</b>	<b>Reserving slots for German students in Master's Programs at IIT Jodhpur under the 'Sandwich System'</b> The Senate admitted the proposal, including the Tuition Fee waiver to the Visiting German Students.
<b>5.2.9</b>	<b>Waiver of compulsory courses to B.Tech. students, otherwise meeting all other requirements for graduation in July 2015.</b> The Senate discussed the matter, and sought detailed and correct information from the Academic Committee to take an informed decision.
<b>5.2.10</b>	<b>Inviting Students Representatives as observers in Senate Meetings</b> The Senate discussed the matter in detail. The Act and Statutes of the Institute do not have provision for Student Members in Senate. It observed that the inputs of the students are received formally at the Academic Committee. But, to bring in students into the informed decision making process, it may be important to consult students on specific matters that may arise in the floor of the Senate. For this reason, the Senate admitted the request of students with the following conditions: (1) Two students will be Special Invitees to Senate Meetings, namely General Secretary and Secretary handling academic matters of the Students Gymkhana; (2) They shall present the students view when requested by Chairman, Senate; (3) They will be present during Part A of the Senate Meetings, when only general and non-sensitive Agenda items are discussed, and not during Part B of the Senate Meeting; and (4) They shall maintain the decorum of the Senate.
<b>5.2.11</b>	<b>Provision for Deferred Placement to Graduates</b> The Senate admitted the proposal.
<b>5.2.12</b>	<b>Guidelines for Ph.D. Thesis Examiners</b> The Senate decided the following additional guidelines: (1) The examiners shall have at least 6 years Post-Ph.D. experience; (2) No two proposed examiners shall be from the same organization; and (3) They can be Faculty Members or Scientists, of standing and repute. The Senate clarified that the list provided by the Ph.D. Thesis Supervisor is not binding on the Chairman, Senate. In special instances, the Chairman, Senate, may identify examiners beyond in the list.
<b>5.2.13</b>	<b>Suitability of AMIETE and ALCCs with Certificates Holders for admissions to M.Tech. and Ph.D. Programs</b> The Senate sought more information from the Academic Committee, related to the Laboratory work done during the said two programs. In particular, it sought information on whether or not the marks sheet of the Certificate Programs clearly record the Laboratory work done. Further, the Senate sought a report on the practices adopted by other IITs, including the Mentor IIT, i.e., IIT Kanpur.

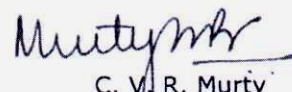


<b>5.2.14</b>	<b>Organising Convocation 2015</b>
	The Senate authorized Chairman, Senate, to take necessary decisions in consultation with the Board of Governors.
<b>5.3</b>	<b>Procedural Items</b>
<b>5.3.1</b>	<b>Fee to be charged to students of M.Sc. Programs</b>
	The Senate admitted the proposal and recommended the same to the Finance Committee and the Board of Governors.
<b>5.3.2</b>	<b>Grade Change Request</b>
	The Senate noted with great concern the request for Grade Change. It asked the Academic Committee to advise Faculty Members to be very careful while awarding a grade, and eliminate such possibilities in future by putting in place needed systems. The Senate admitted the current request for grade change as an exception.
<b>5.4</b>	<b>Reporting, Adopting and Noting Items</b>
<b>5.4.1</b>	<b>Restructuring of Academics System at IIT Jodhpur with Departments</b>
	The Senate noted the same.
<b>5.4.2</b>	<b>Reconstitution of Senate</b>
	The Senate noted the same.
<b>5.4.3</b>	<b>Reconstitution of Academic Committee</b>
	The Senate noted the same. It suggested that Coordinator (Students) be included in the Academic Committee, and that Coordinator (Faculty) be invited to meetings wherein specific matters related to Faculty Members are being discussed.
<b>5.4.4</b>	<b>Stop admissions to M.Tech (E), M.Tech. (ICT) and M.Tech. (SS) Programs from July 2015</b>
	The Senate noted the same.
<b>5.4.5</b>	<b>Stop admissions to B.Tech. (SS) and B.Tech. (BISS) Programs from July 2015</b>
	The Senate noted the same.
<b>5.5</b>	<b>Ratification Items</b>
<b>5.5.1</b>	Approvals accorded by the Chairman, Senate
	<b>(a) Late registration for Semester II of Academic Year 2014-15</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(b) Grades in courses offered during Semester I of Academic Year 2014-15</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(c) New course 30010 Electrical Machines</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(d) Semester Drop for Siddharth Talesra (UG201210034) for Semester I of Academic Year 2014-15</b>
	Ratified as Proposed
	<b>(e) Academic Calendar for the Calendar Year 2015</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(f) Branch Change Result for B.Tech. Students</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(g) Ph.D. admissions for Semester II of Academic Year 2014-15</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(h) New course code generated as per old scheme for Semester I of Academic Year 2014-15</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(i) Withdrawal of admission from Ph.D. Program by Prachi Budania (PG201382002)</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(j) Astha Tyagi (PG201372004) to work in collaboration with ST Microelectronics as part of her M.Tech. Thesis</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(k) Provisional B.Tech. degree to Khuseeram Meena (UG201010011)</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(l) Allowing Raj Prajapat (B14SS013) to register as a day-scholar</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(m) Name change of B.Tech. student, Rochika (UG201213031)</b>
	Ratified as proposed



	<b>(n) Fee Structure for Semester II of the Academic Year 2014-15</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(o) Leave to Sibani Bisoyi (PG201182001) on submission of Ph.D. Thesis</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(p) Inclusion of Akhilesh Mohan (IIT Kharagpur) as Co-Supervisor for Shrivishal Tripathi (PG201182506)</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(q) Academic Calendar for Summer of Academic Year 2014-15</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(r) Appeal by Siddharth Talesra (UG201210034) allowing him to formally register in the ongoing Semester</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(s) Implementation of revised assistantship to Ph.D. Students</b>
	Ratified as proposed
	<b>(t) Payment of arrears for revised assistantship to Ph.D. Students</b>
	Ratified as proposed
<b>5.6</b>	<b>Any other item with the prior permission of the Chairman</b>

The Meeting ended with thanks to all Members of the Senate.

  
C. V. R. Murty  
Chairman, Senate  
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