Minutes of 82nd meeting of the Senate of Punjab Engineering College (Deemed to be University), Chandigarh

A　　　　**Brief of meeting and participants:**

Date	24.09.2019 (Tuesday)
Time	03.00 pm
Venue	Senate Hall, adjacent to Directors' Secretariat, PEC, Sector 12, Chandigarh
In-Chair	Prof. Dheeraj Sanghi, Director, PEC
List of Participants	Seen at *Flag 'A'*

B.　　　**The brief of proceedings is as follows:**

Item No.	Item	Decision
82.1	**To confirm the minutes of the 81st meeting of Senate held on 28.05.2019.**	Confirmed
82.2	**Actions of previous Senate meetings and follow-up action of 80th meeting of Senate** **71.8 (T-77.1)　To consider M.Tech- Ph.D dual degree program** The Senate members were of the view that the present report may be treated as Interim one. The Committee may also provide inputs regarding financial guidelines, admission criteria and assistantship as regard this program. **77.6 To consider refund rules for Ph.D assistantship.** In light of discussions held in BOG in this regard, the refund rules for scholarship may be deliberated upon and revised guidelines in line with guidelines of IITs/ NITs may be put to Senate in next meeting. Matter has been referred to a Committee consisting of Dr. Sanjeev Sofat HOD CSE, Dr. Sushant Samir ADPh.D & Dr. Rintu Khanna ADPG.	Recommendations of Committee have been received. Item will be placed as agenda item in next Senate meeting. Recommendations of Committee have been received. Item will be placed as agenda item in next Senate meeting.

	77.7 (6) To consider revision of Plagiarism rules according to revised UGC guidelines Case was discussed in Standing Committee of Senate held on 14.08.2018 wherein Members observed that the Institute Plagiarism policy needs to be revised in view of recently modified UGC Plagiarism policy. The points which need revision include level of plagiarism, detection/ reporting/ handling of plagiarism, penalties, similarity check for exclusion for plagiarism etc. A committee comprising Associate Dean Ph.D, Associate Dean PG, Associate Dean UG and Sr. Librarian (Prof. Seema Vashisht) may therefore be constituted for revision of Institute Plagiarism Policy in lines with UGC Plagiarism guidelines.	Recommendations of Committee have been received. Item will be placed as agenda item in next Senate meeting.
82.3	**To consider the award of BE/ B. Tech degree to UG students** 496 students have cleared all the requirements for the award of B.E./ B.Tech. Degree in various branches of engineering.	Approved as proposed
82.4	**To consider the award of ME/ M. Tech degree to PG students** 208 students have cleared all the requirements for the award of ME/ M.Tech. degree in various branches of engineering.	Approved as proposed
82.5	**To consider the award of Ph.D. degree** 26 students have cleared all the requirements for the award of Ph. D degree in various branches of engineering and sciences.	Approved as proposed. It was decided that degree may also be awarded to Ph.D students who complete all the requirements by October 04, 2019.
82.6	**To consider restart of M.Tech. Part Time programme.** It was decided by Senate in its 80th meeting held on 09.05.2019 that a Committee may examine the possibilities of restarting the part-time PG program keeping in view the decision of Senate to discontinue the program in past. Further, proposal for executive program may be prepared by CSE/ any other departments. A Committee consisting of Prof. Sanjeev Sofat HOD CSE, Prof. Tilak Thakur HOD Electrical, Prof. P S Satsangi HOD Mechanical & ADPG has been constituted for the said purpose.	Based on the recommendations of Committee, it was decided that M. Tech Part-time program may be restarted in various departments. All departments may send a proposal in this regard to Academic Section latest by 30.11.2019 for admission in July 2020 semester. The proposal would include eligibility criteria for the part-time program, admission process and number of seats. Further, it was decided that structure for M. Tech executive program may be decided by the Committee constituted for this purpose. The structure may be got approved from Chairman Senate & sent to various departments

82.7	**To consider appeal against termination of UG students.**	
	As per the rule 8.4 (b) of rules and procedure for B. Tech programme of institute, some UG students were terminated from the UG programme of institute. The appeals against terminations were considered in Standing Committee of Senate held on 14.08.2019. After due deliberations, cases of 6 students have been referred to Senate.	After detailed deliberations, Senate decided that these students may be allowed to register in 19202 semester. The current semester (19201) will be counted as semester drop for these students.
82.8	**To consider option for undertaking semester at IITs/ IISc or internship in industry during 6th semester of UG programme.**	
	A request has been received from DAPC of CSE department that students may be given an option to undertake semester internship in an industry or in any IITs/ IISc in the 6th semester.	The option to undertake full semester internship at IITs/ IISc was approved for the students of CSE department only. Students would have to earn 12-20 credits in the 6th semester. The remaining credits, if any, would have to be earned by the students at PEC in 7th and 8th semester. These courses, amounting to 20 credits, completed at IITs/ IISc/ PEC, would be counted as Open Elective.
82.9	**To consider issue of Course work completion certificate to Ph.D scholars who have completed modules of different fractal courses.**	
	As approved in the 77th meeting of Senate held on 25.09.2018, the minimum requirement of credits for Ph.D course work is as under:-

"*Ph.D scholars with M.Tech/ M.Sc degree, MA linguistics, M. Com, MBA, Master degree have to complete three/ four courses towards Ph.D course work. All modules of modular PG level course would have to taken and would be counted as single course. The credit requirement would be as per UGC regulations which require minimum of 8 credits and maximum of 16 credits*".

This decision was conveyed to all HODs/ HOCs vide Memo No. PEC/DAA/S6/ 33780 dated 13.12.2018. Despite this, some students have opted for modules of different fractal courses to complete the minimum course work credit requirement. These Ph.D scholars have now completed one year. It is, therefore, proposed that course work completion certificate may be issued to these students as they may not have informed of the Senate decision by their SRCs and conformance of earlier decision may delay their State of Art. Senate may also review the earlier decision and allow modules of different fractal courses to be taken by the students. | The course work for Ph.D scholars, admitted in academic session 2018-19, who have opted for modules of different fractal courses to complete the minimum course work requirements as per Ph.D rules was approved as a special case.

It was further decided that from current academic session 2019-20 onwards, Ph.D scholars be allowed to register in modules of different fractal courses being offered by the parent department or other departments of the institute as per the recommendations of the SRC of the candidate. However, the Ph.D course work requirements would require completion of minimum of 8 credits and maximum of 16 credits as per the rules. |

82.10	**To consider the approval of UGC listed journals for Ph.D. scholars.** As per Institute rules, a Ph.D scholar has to publish at least one research paper in a referred journal of SCI/ SCI expanded list before thesis submission. A request has been received from Head CMH that permission be granted to Ph.D students of CMH to publish a research paper in UGC listed journal in lieu of this requirement.	The request was not allowed. The existing rule of one SCI publication before submission of Ph.D thesis will be applicable to the Ph.D candidates of Humanities and Social Sciences. It was decided that in order to maintain quality of research work, CMH department may prepare a list of top 10 good quality journals in other research areas and sent them to the Senate for approval. The department may attempt to include publications in Social Sciences SCI list as far as possible.
82.11	**Items for ratification/ information** 1. **To consider revision of Credit Transfer Policy of the institute.** Currently, Institute credit transfer policy is applicable for such foreign university with which the institute has signed an MoU or the courses/ programmes of which are recognized as equivalent to those of Indian Universities by the Association of Indian Universities. In addition to this, Senate can approve other Universities with whom credit transfer can be done. In view of urgency of request, the credit transfer policy has now been extended to all IITs, IIIT Hyderabad and IIIT Delhi with the approval of Chairman Senate. *Item is placed for ratification.*	Ratified with modification that the credit transfer policy has now been extended to all IITs, IIIT Hyderabad, IIIT Delhi and IISc.
	2. **To consider appeal against termination of UG students** *Item is placed for ratification.*	Ratified
	3. **To consider eligibility criteria for being recognized as Full Ph.D supervisor** A request was received from Head CMH that currently, 02 publications in SCI Index are required as eligibility criteria for full time supervisor. They have mentioned that Science Citation Index does not include Humanities journals, especially English journals. In Humanities, the UGC maintains a regularly updated list of journals that are considered to be the best across the world. It is requested that in Humanities, faculty with at least 02 publications in **UGC listed journals** be allowed to act as full supervisor. The case was approved by Chairman Senate. *Item is placed for ratification.*	Ratified. The Senate decided that eligibility criteria regarding publications for faculty of CMH for being recognized as full time Ph.D supervisor will be the same as notified criteria for other departments. The present approval in respect of Dr. Kamna Singh had been given by Chairman Senate, on the basis of opinion given by experts, as a special case.

		4. To consider three new departmental elective courses (EEN418, EEN419, and EEN420) in Electrical Engineering department. *Item is placed for ratification.*	Ratified
		5. To consider modification in various UG & PG courses *Item is placed for ratification.*	Ratified
		6. To consider semester leave of UG student (Mr. Sidharth Walecha, SID 17105037 for 18192 semester) **as approved by IAPC.** *Item is placed for ratification.*	Ratified
		7. To consider special permission to register in 19201 semester of Shubhankar Singh, SID 16109034. *Item is placed for ratification.*	Ratified
82.12		**To consider minor change in nomenclature of UG course and Materials & Metallurgical Engineering department.** Materials & Metallurgical Engineering department of the Institute is offering a UG course with nomenclature "B.Tech (Materials & Metallurgical Engineering). The current AICTE approval for the course has nomenclature Metallurgical & Materials Engineering and NBA accreditation has nomenclature Materials & Metallurgical Engineering**.** For the accreditation purpose, NBA insists that the name should be as per AICTE approval. The department has now in the process of applying afresh for accreditation in its UG programme. They have proposed that 1. Metallurgical and Materials Engineering be adopted to replace the existing name of the UG course Materials and Metallurgical Engineering. 2. In order to maintain the unanimity between the name of the UG course and the name of this department, it is proposed that the Materials and Metallurgical Engineering department may also be renamed as Metallurgical and Materials Engineering. *Item is placed for consideration.*	Approved as proposed. The case may be sent to BOG for final approval.

Table Agenda	**Court Case of UG student Yuvraj Rana and the decision of Hon' ble High court in CWP No. 22834 of 2019.**	The case of Yuvraj Rana was discussed. After detailed deliberations, the Senate decided that it will not be possible for the student to cope with the academic load of the current semester as more than half of the semester is already over. Therefore, he is permitted to register from the next semester. Accordingly, semester fee for the current semester will not be charged while granting admission to him.

Meeting ended with the vote of thanks to Chair.

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Attendance sheet – 82nd meeting of Senate on 24.09.2019

S.NO.	NAME	Present/ Absent
1	Dr. Dheeraj Sanghi, Director	Present
2	Dr. Siby John, Deputy Director	Present
3	Dr. Sanjay Sood, Joint Director, C-DAC, Mohali	Present
4	Dr. M Rajiv Lochan, Panjab University	-
5	Dr. Harminder Kaur, HOD Applied Sc.	Present
6	Dr. Rakesh Kumar, HOD Aerospace Engg	Present
7	Dr. R R Singh, HOD Civil Engg	Present
8	Dr. Sanjeev Sofat, HOD CSE	Present
9	Dr. Tilak Thakur, HOD Electrical Engg	-
10	Dr. Neelu Jain, HOD ECE	Present
11	Dr. P.S. Satsangi, HOD Mechanical Engg	Present
12	Dr. Uma Batra, HOD MME	Present
13	Dr. M M Goud, HOD P& IE	Present
14	Dr. Asha Gupta, Applied Sc.	Present
15	Dr. Sanjeev Kumar, Mechanical Engg.	Present
16	Prof. S K Sharma, Civil Engg.	Present
17	Dr. Arun K Singh, ECE	Present
18	Er. R. K. Mahajan, MME	Present
19	Er. Tejinder Singh Saggu, Elect. Engg.	Present
20	Dr. Seema Vasishta, Library	Present
21	Sh. Sushil Kumar, Computer Centre	**-**
22	Registrar (Secretary)	Present
23	Dr. Parveen Kalra, DAA & Head CoE	Present
24	Dr. Rintu Khanna ADPG	Present
25	Dr. Sucheta, ADUG	Present
26	Dr. Sharda Kaushik, Head CMH (Dr. Anju Singla)	Present
27	Dr. Divya Bansal, Head, CSRC & CDGC	Present
28	Dr. N M Suri, Head, Centre for TQM	Present
29	Dr. Sanjeev Kumar, DSA	Present