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Minutes of the 35th Senate Meeting of IIT Mandi held on 2nd June, 2022 at 9:30 AM in Conference Room, C.V. Raman Guest House, IIT Mandi, Kamand.

The following were present:

In the Chair

Prof. Laxmidhar Behera, Director, IIT Mandi

Members:

Prof. Siddhartha Mukhopadhyay, Dept. of Electrical Engineering, IIT Kharagpur

Prof. Binay Kumar Pattnaik, Dept. of HSS, IIT Kanpur

Prof. Subrata Ghosh, Professor, SBS, IIT Mandi

Prof. Prem Felix Siril, Professor, SBS, IIT Mandi

Prof. Chayan Kanti Nandi, Professor, SBS and Dean (Resource Gen. and Alumni Relations), IIT Mandi

Prof. Pradeep C. Parameswaran, Professor, SBS, IIT Mandi

Prof. Rajeev Kumar, Professor, SE and Dean (I&S), IIT Mandi

Prof. Rahul Vaish, Professor, SE and Dean (Academics), IIT Mandi

Dr. Vishal Singh Chauhan, Dean (F&A), IIT Mandi

Dr. Venkata Krishnan, Dean (SRIC & IR), IIT Mandi

Dr. Manoj Thakur, Dean (Students), IIT Mandi

Dr. Samar, Chairperson, SCEE, IIT Mandi

Dr. Atul Dhar, Chairperson, SE, IIT Mandi

Dr. Shyamasree Dasgupta, Chairperson, SHSS, IIT Mandi

Dr. C.S. Yadav, Co-ordinator, AMRC, IIT Mandi

Dr. Prosenjit Mondal, Co-ordinator, Bio-X Centre, IIT Mandi

Dr. Deepak Swami, Associate Professor, SE, IIT Mandi

Dr. Viswanath Balakrishnan, Associate Professor, SE, IIT Mandi

Dr. Satyajit Thakor, Associate Professor, SCEE, IIT Mandi

Dr. Arti Kashyap, Associate Professor, SBS, IIT Mandi

Dr. Shyam Kumar Masakpalli, Associate Professor, SBS, IIT Mandi

Dr. Surya Prakash Upadhyay, Assistant Professor, SHSS, IIT Mandi

Dr. Rajeshwari Dutt, Associate Professor, SHSS, IIT Mandi

Mr. Rajesh Sinha, Chief Scientist & Head - Smart Machines Research Program, TCS

Dr. P. Anil Kishan, Associate Dean (Courses), IIT Mandi

Dr. Rajanish Giri, Associate Dean (Research), IIT Mandi

Dr. Tushar Jain, Head, CCE, IIT Mandi

Mr. Vivek Tiwari, Assistant Registrar (Academics), IIT Mandi

Kamal Kumar Bajre, Registrar & Secretary, Senate, IIT Mandi

Invitees:

Dr. Varun Dutt, Associate Professor, SCEE, IIT Mandi

Dr. Arnav Bhavsar, Associate Professor, SCEE, IIT Mandi

Dr. Sandip Kumar Saha, Assistant Professor, SE, IIT Mandi

Dr. Shubhajit Roy Chowdhury, Associate Professor, SCEE, IIT Mandi

Dr. Srinivasu Bodapati, Assistant Professor, SCEE, IIT Mandi

Dr. Puran Singh, Associate Professor, SHSS, IIT Mandi

Dr. Neha Kaushik, Assistant Professor, SHSS, IIT Mandi

Mr. Bhumanyu Goyal, Student Academic Affairs Secretary, IIT Mandi (Special Invitee)

Following Senate members/invitees could not attend the meeting due to prior commitments:

Prof. Sandeep Verma, Dept. of Chemistry, IIT Kanpur & Secretary (SERB)
Prof. Suman Kalyan Pal, Professor and Chairperson SBS, IIT Mandi
Prof. Satinder Sharma, Professor, SCEE, Dean (Faculty) & Co-ordinator C4DFED, IIT Mandi
Prof. Bharat Singh Rajpurohit, Professor, SCEE, IIT Mandi
Dr. Hitesh Shrimali, Associate Professor, SCEE, IIT Mandi
Mr. Hemachandra Bhat, General Manager and Practice Head, Robotics Platforms, Wipro
Mr. Naresh Singh Bhandari, Deputy Librarian, IIT Mandi
Mr. Adesh Singh, Student Research Affairs Secretary, IIT Mandi (Special Invitee)
Mr. Anirudh Singh, Student General Secretary, IIT Mandi (Special Invitee)

The Chairman Senate extended a warm welcome to all the new Senate members and Invitees attending the 35th Senate meeting of the Institute. He further appreciated and placed on records the services rendered by the outgoing members of the Senate.

Thereafter, following agenda items were taken up.

Item No. 35.1: To confirm the minutes of the 34th Senate meeting held on 15th March, 2022.

The minutes of the 34th Senate meeting held on 15th March, 2022 were circulated to members of the Senate on 31st March, 2022 (through email) for comments.

One comment was received on the Item No. 34.7 of the minutes of 34th Senate meeting. Considering the comment received with respect to minimum educational qualification for admission in MS (by Res.), the Senate approved the same as candidates with a bachelor degree in Engineering/Technology or Master degree in appropriate sciences and social sciences. For fellowship, they should fulfill the requirements of the sponsoring agency/authority.

The minutes of 34th Senate meeting held on 15th March, 2022 were confirmed with above addendum.

Item No. 35.2: To receive a report on the actions taken for the decisions taken in the 34th Senate meeting held on 15th March, 2022.

The Senate noted the actions on the decisions taken in its 34th meeting held on 15th March, 2022.

Item No. 35.3: To consider a policy across the Institute regarding Academic Dishonesty Policy.

On the recommendation of the Board of Academics, the Senate considered the proposal regarding Academic Ethics Policy/Plagiarism etc. presented by Dr. P Anil Kishan. The Senate noted that the current policy is inclined towards courses and the examination. Therefore, it was decided to have detailed guidelines for prohibiting plagiarism. Associate Dean (Research) was asked to propose the same in next Senate meeting.

After detailed deliberation, the Senate resolved to approve the proposal and name it as Academic Ethics policy, as placed at **Annexure A; Page No. 8 to 16.**

Item No. 35.4: To consider the proposal for modification in Minor in German.

On the recommendation of the Board of Academics, the Senate considered the proposal regarding modification in Minor in German presented by Dr. Rajeshwari Dutt, Course Coordinator, SHSS.

After detailed deliberation, the Senate resolved to approve the proposal, as placed at **Annexure B; Page No. 17 to 20.**

Item No. 35.5: To consider the recommendations of the Committee for Academic Organization / Structure of the Schools.

Prof. Rahul Vaish, Dean (Academics) presented a proposal / recommendations of the Committee for Academic Organization / Structure of the Schools.

After detailed discussion, the Senate resolved to recommend the proposal as placed at **Annexure C; Page No. 21** to the Board for approval.

Item No. 35.6: To consider a proposal to establish a Center on Indian Knowledge System and Mental Health (CIKSMH).

Dr. Varun Dutt and Dr. Arnav Bhavsar, presented a proposal to establish a Center on Indian Knowledge System and Mental Health (CIKSMH) at IIT Mandi.

After discussion, the Senate resolved to recommend the proposal as placed at **Annexure D; Page No. 22 to 25** to the Board for approval.

Item No. 35.7: To consider a proposal to start a new MBA programme from Academic Year 2022-23.

Dr. Manoj Thakur, Chair of the Committee, presented a proposal to start a new MBA programme from AY 2022-23.

After detailed discussion, the Senate resolved to recommend the proposal as placed at **Annexure E; Page No. 26 to 31** to the Board for approval.

Item No. 35.8: To consider the revision in fee waiver policy for UG Female students.

Prof. Rahul Vaish, Dean (Academics), presented a proposal regarding revision in fee waiver policy for UG Female students.

After discussion, the Senate resolved to recommend the proposal as placed at **Annexure F; Page No. 32** to the FC/Board for approval.

Item No. 35.9: To consider a proposal for modification in Fee Structure for AY 2022-23.

Dr. Sandip Kumar Saha, Committee Chair, presented a proposal for modification in Fee Structure for AY 2022-23.

After discussion, the Senate resolved to recommend the proposal as placed at **Annexure G; Page No. 33 to 41** to the FC/Board for approval.

Item No. 35.10: To consider the revision in the Regulations of the MS/PhD programme regarding course selection approval by Supervisor/Guide.

On the recommendation of the Board of Academics, the Senate considered the proposal revision in the Regulations of the MS/PhD programme regarding course selection approval by Supervisor/Guide presented by Dr. Atul Dhar, Chairperson, SE. After brief discussion, the following was approved by the Senate:

- The student will select the relevant courses in consultation with the thesis supervisor.

The same should also be applicable to the MS students.

Item No. 35.11: To consider the revision in the Regulations for the MS/PhD programme regarding ERP/Part-Time scholars and amendment in allotment of caretaker faculty-in-charge/ co-guide in the absence of guide.

Prof. Prem Felix Siril, Chair of the designated Committee presented the following proposals:

1. Proposal regarding revision in the Regulation for the MS/PhD programme regarding ERP/Part-Time scholars.
2. Amendment in allotment of faculty-in-charge (caretaker)/co-guide in the absence of guide from the Institute for longer duration (> 3 months).

After detailed deliberation, the Senate resolved to approve the proposal, as placed at **Annexure H; Page No. 42 to 43**.

Item No. 35.12: To consider the modified proposal regarding Exit options for IDD (Bioengineering) students after 4th year.

On the recommendation of the Board of Academics, the Senate considered the proposal regarding modification in Exit Options for IDD (Bioengineering) students after 4th year, presented by Dr. Shubhajit Roy Chowdhury, Programme Coordinator for B.Tech-M.Tech (Dual Degree (Bioengineering)).

After detailed deliberation, the Senate resolved to approve the proposal, as placed at **Annexure I; Page No. 44**.

Item No. 35.13: To consider the proposal for Second Major in Bioengineering programme.

On the recommendation of the Board of Academics, the Senate considered the proposal for Second Major in Bioengineering programme presented by Dr. Shubhajit Roy Chowdhury, Programme Coordinator for B.Tech-M.Tech (Dual Degree (Bioengineering)) programme.

After detailed deliberation, the Senate resolved to approve the proposal, as placed at **Annexure J; Page No. 45.**

Item No. 35.14: To consider revision in the curriculum for M.Tech. in VLSI programme.

On the recommendation of the Board of Academics, the Senate considered the proposal for revision in the curriculum for M.Tech. in VLSI programme presented by Dr. Srinivasu Bodapati, Course Coordinator for M.Tech. in VLSI programme.

After detailed deliberation, the Senate resolved to approve the proposal, as placed at **Annexure K; Page No. 46 to 48.**

Item No. 35.15: To consider the minor modification in FTE programme.

On the recommendation of the Board of Academics, the Senate considered the proposal for minor modification in FTE programme presented by Dr. Atul Dhar.

After detailed deliberation, the Senate resolved to approve the proposal, as placed at **Annexure L; Page No. 49 to 50.**

Item No. 35.16: To consider a proposal for Entrepreneurship Practicum.

Dr. Puran Singh, Associate Professor presented a proposal for Entrepreneurship Practicum. After detailed discussion following was resolved:

1. To run the course on an experimental basis. Accordingly, a maximum of 15 teams will be allowed to take the course in the coming semester, and only 2 financial grants of INR 50,000 each will be made by the Institute to teams selected for stage 2. Based on the feedback and the outcome of the program, further changes may be made in future, with the approval of the Chairman, Senate.
2. Dr. Varun Dutt, Project Director, iHub and HCI foundation, on behalf of the foundation, offered to extend three financial grants (*for 2022 call*) of INR 50,000 each for stage 3 teams aligned with the Human-computer interaction area.
3. A maximum of 15 teams will be allowed to take stage 1 of the course for 2 credits, and maximum 5 teams will be financially supported in stage 2 for additional 9 credits. Rest of the teams may also enroll for 9 credits practicum *without any Institute financial support.*
4. A program fee of INR 9000 per team shall be paid to the incubator.

Detailed proposal placed at **Annexure M; Page No. 51 to 55.**

Item No. 35.17: Any other agenda item with the permission of the Chairman, Senate.

None.

Item No. 35.18: To report decisions/action taken by the Chairman, Senate.

The Senate noted the decisions taken by the Chairman, Senate on behalf of the Senate, as given in the agenda.

Item No. 35.19: Issues to be discussed by the Senate without Student Members being present.

None.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair and to the Members.

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