

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SIKKIM**  
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**Minutes of the 35<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Senate**

The 35<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Senate was held on 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2026 at 4:30 PM under the Chairmanship of Prof. Mahesh Chandra Govil, Director and Chairman Senate in the conference room of the Institute through virtual mode. The following members were present in the meeting:

S.No	Name	Designation
1.	<b>Prof. Mahesh Chandra Govil</b>	Director and Chairman, Senate
2.	<b>Prof. Lalit Kumar Awasthi</b>	Vice Chancellor, SPU Mandi, (HP) Member
3.	<b>Prof. Adrijit Goswami</b>	Member Professor, IIT Kharagpur
4.	<b>Prof. Virendra Singh</b>	Member Professor, IIT Bombay
5.	<b>Prof. Nupur Tandon</b>	Member Professor, MNIT Jaipur
6.	<b>Prof. Sandeep Choudhari</b>	Member Professor, IIT Indore
7.	<b>Dr. Ravi Srivastava</b> , Registrar I/C	Secretary
8.	<b>Dr. Aurobinda Panda</b> , Dean Academic	Member
9.	<b>Dr. Ranjan Basak</b> , Dean Student Welfare	Member
10.	<b>Dr. Taraknath Kundu</b> , Dean R&C	Member
11.	<b>Dr. Sourav Mallick</b> , Dean P&D	Member
12.	<b>Dr. Achintesh Narayan Biswas</b> , Dean AIIR	Member
13.	<b>Dr. Anjan Kumar Ray</b> , Dean Faculty Welfare	Member
14.	<b>Dr. Sumit Saha</b> , HoD Chemistry	Member
15.	<b>Dr. Jai Gopal Gupta</b> , HoD, ME	Member
16.	<b>Dr. Dhananjay Tripathi</b> HoD, HSS	Member
17.	<b>Dr. Md Sarfaraj Alam Ansari</b> , HoD, CSE	Member
18.	<b>Dr. Nimai Charan Patel</b> , HoD, EEE	Member
19.	<b>Dr. Om Prakash</b> , HoD Mathematics	Member
20.	<b>Dr. Ankit Bhardwaj</b> , HoD, CE	Member
21.	<b>Mr Ram Nepal</b> , Assistant Registrar, Academic	Invited Member

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all the members in the meeting. The agenda items were placed for discussion and after due deliberations, the following decisions were taken:

**Item No.35.01: To confirm the Minutes of the 34<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Senate held on 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2025.**

The minutes were circulated amongst the members, no comments were received. The minutes of the 34<sup>th</sup> Senate were unanimously confirmed.

**Item No.35.02: Academic Report & Action Taken Report.**

The Senate noted the academic reports and the action taken by the Institute. The actions taken by the Institute were appreciated by the members.

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**Item No.35.03: To consider and approve the proposal to allow final-year students to register for both odd and even semester courses in the supplementary examination conducted after the odd semester.**

The Senate approved the agenda. The final final-year students who are not involved in any indisciplinary activities will be permitted to appear in odd semester supplementary examinations and can register for backlog courses of odd and even semester to take up the examinations.

**Item No.35.04: To consider and approve the amendment to Clause No. 20 of the Rules and Regulations for Ph.D. Programs pertaining to grant of medical leave.**

The Senate has approved the amendment to Clause No. 20 of the Rules and Regulations for Ph.D. Programs as follows:

The Ph.D. students can be granted a maximum fifteen (15) days of medical leave in a calendar year subjected to hospitalization. Such leave must be supported by a medical certificate issued by a competent medical authority.

Further, in case of a requirement for additional medical leave beyond 15 days, the Chairman, Senate has been empowered to take an appropriate decision.

**Item No.35.05: To consider and approve the issuance of PG Diploma Certificate to Ms. Abigail Iarisa (M240031) under National Education Policy.**

The Senate has approved the award of a PG Diploma Certificate in Electrical Engineering (Specialization in Power and Energy Systems) to Ms. Abigail Iarisa (M240031) under the Multiple Exit Policy. The certificate will be conferred in the next convocation.

**Item No.35.06: To consider and approve the nomination of faculty member in the BoG as per the statutes.**

The Senate nominated Dr. Pratayay Kuila, Associate Professor, Department of CSE, on the Board of Governors (BoG) of the Institute.

**Item No.35.07: To consider and approve the inclusion of additional courses and the revision of course codes for previously approved Ph.D. coursework in the Department of Mechanical Engineering.**

The Senate has approved the following courses as PhD coursework of Mechanical Department:

S. No.	Course Title	Code	Credit
1	Introduction to Machine Learning	ME31130	3
2	Fundamentals of Additive Manufacturing Technologies	ME31131	3
3	Materials Science and Engineering	ME31132	3
4	Alternative Fuels for IC Engines	ME31133	3
5	Application of Optimization Technique	ME31134	3
6	Rapid Manufacturing	ME31135	3

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**Item No.35.08 To consider and approve the inclusion of additional elective courses in the B.Tech. Curriculum of Mechanical Engineering Department.**

The Senate has approved the inclusion of following elective courses in the B.Tech. Curriculum of Mechanical Engineering Department:

S. No.	Course Name	Code
1	IC Engines: Combustion and Emissions	1*149
2	Alternative Fuels for IC Engines	1*150

**Agenda Items for Ratification**

**Item No.35.09: To ratify the revision of the B.Tech. course structure of 2025-2029**

The Senate ratified the following:

- (i) Revision of the L-T-P-C structure of the Engineering Physics theory course PH12101 from 3-0-1-4 to 3-1-0-4 for first year of Civil Engineering and Mechanical Engineering.
- (ii) Dropping of the Engineering Physics laboratory course PH12201 (0-0-2-1) for first year of Civil Engineering and Mechanical Engineering.
- (iii) Inclusion of Mechanical Workshop (ME12201) for the Civil Engineering and Mechanical Engineering in second semester curriculum from 2025 batch onwards.
- (iv) The L-T-P-C structure of English Language and Literature (HS11102) changed from 1-1-0-2 to 2-0-0-2.

**Item No.35.10: To ratify the proposal to drop the course “Design Thinking” from the course structure of B.Tech. program applicable for 2025-2029 batch.**

The Senate ratified the same.

**Item No.35.11: To ratify the seat matrix for UG, PG programs for academic year 2026-27.**

The Senate ratified the same.

**Item No.35.12: To ratify the academic fees structure for the Academic Session 2026-27.**

The Senate ratified the same.

**Item No.35.13: To ratify the semester withdrawal of students from the Institute.**

The Senate has approved the semester withdrawal of the following students for Even Semester 2025-26:

Roll. No.	Name	Program
B250100EE	Dev Vijay Pandit	EEE
B250012AI	Kolli Charan	AIML

**Item No.35.14: To ratify the cancellation of enrolment of students from the Institute.**

The Senate has approved the cancellation of enrolment of the following students from the Institute:

Roll. No.	Name	Program
M240031EE	Anip Aanand Shah	M.Tech.
B230135ME	Samridh Tamang	B.Tech.
B240152ME	Bogara Saeeswara Chaitanya Dora	B.Tech.

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**Item No.35.15: To ratify the Grade Mapping of students continuing their final year at IIT Hyderabad.**

The Senate ratified the same.

**Agenda for Reporting:**

**Item No.35.16: To report the changes in the Joint Supervisor(s) of Ph.D. Scholars in the Mechanical and Chemistry Department.**

The Senate noted the following changed in the PhD. Supervisor(s):

- i. Dr. Chetankumar Patel, Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, IIT Patna, as Joint Supervisor of Mr. Md. Shadab Reza (PHME230037), Research Scholar, Department of Mechanical Engineering,.
- ii. Dr. Suvanjan Bhattacharyya, Assistant Professor, BITS Pilani, as Joint Supervisor of Ms. Moumita Roy (PHME230012), Research Scholar, Department of Mechanical Engineering.
- iii. Prof. Sriram Kanvah, Professor, IIT Gandhinagar, as Joint Supervisor of Mr. Gunturu Prabhakar (PHCH230013), Research Scholar, Department of Chemistry.
- iv. Dr. Anil Lal S will continue as sole Supervisor of Mr. Mannu Yadav (PHME230011), Research Scholar, Department of Mechanical Engineering.

**Item No.35.17: To report the tentative schedule of Academic Audit**

The Senate noted the same.

**Item No.35.18: Any other items with the permission of the Chair.**

The Chairman, Senate placed before the members the decisions taken by the Institute Disciplinary Committee (IDC) on various cases of student misconduct. The Senate deliberated on the matter and advised that, in addition to the punishments recommended by the IDC, students found involved in misconduct may also be assigned additional courses of study through online platforms, as recommended by the respective departments - as corrective measures.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

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*P. S. Suresh*  
**Registrar (I/c)**

**Director & Chairman**

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