

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SILCHAR

MINUTES OF 79TH EMERGENT MEETING OF THE SENATE

The Seventy Ninth (79th) emergent meeting of the Senate was held on 25.02.2023 at 03.00 PM in the Conference Hall of the New Administrative Building. The following Senate members attended the meeting.

1. Prof. Rajat Gupta, Director and Chairman, Senate
2. Prof. S. Baishya, Professor, ECE Deptt., NIT Silchar
3. Prof. R.D. Misra, Professor, ME Deptt., NIT Silchar
4. Prof. A.K Barbhuiya, Professor, CE Deptt., NIT Silchar
5. Prof. B K Roy, Professor, EE Deptt., NIT Silchar
6. Prof. N B Dev Choudhury, Professor, EE Deptt., NIT Silchar
7. Prof. S. Choudhury, Professor, EE Deptt., NIT Silchar
8. Prof. P.K. Patowary, Professor, ME Deptt., NIT Silchar
9. Prof. U. Kumar, Professor, CE Deptt., NIT Silchar
10. Prof. Parthajit Roy, Professor, CE Deptt., NIT Silchar
11. Prof. Brinda Bhowmick (Shome), Professor, ECE Deptt., NIT Silchar
12. Prof. A.K. Goswami, Professor, EE Deptt., NIT Silchar
13. Prof. S.S. Dhar, Professor, Chemistry Deptt., NIT Silchar
14. Prof. P. Barman, Professor, Chemistry Deptt., NIT Silchar
15. Prof. Sathans, Professor, EE Dept., NIT Kurukshetra
16. Prof. K.L. Baishnab, Registrar i/c & Secretary Senate, NIT Silchar

The following special invitees also attended the meeting.

1. Dr. S.K. Biswas, HoD, CSE
2. Dr. M.K. Bera, HoD, EIE
3. Dr. S. Pati, HoD, ME
4. Dr. G. Ramesh, HoD, Maths
5. Dr. N.B. Singh, HoD, HSS
6. Dr. S. Panja, HoD, MS
7. Dr. K. Guha, Assoc. Dean (Acad)
8. Dr. T. Khan, Assoc. Dean (Acad)

At the outset, the Director & Chairman Senate welcomed all the Senate members and special invitees who attended the meeting.

The Senate then initiated the discussion on the agenda item and the following resolution was adopted.

S-79/23/01: To consider the request of few UG 1st sem students to allow them to attend the launch event of Siemens Scholarship Program during the end sem exam

10 (ten) students of UG 1st sem (2022 entry batch) have informed that they have been selected for the Siemens Scholarship Program 2023 and it is mandatory to attend the launch event of the Program to be held on 04th March 2023 at Mumbai. Since the event is during the end sem exam as such these students have requested to look into the matter & provide a solution. The application submitted by these students is placed at **Annexure-I**. The email correspondence along with the list of students with respect to the Siemens Scholarship Program as received from Smile Foundation is placed at **Annexure-II**.

It may be noted that the end semester exam for the UG 1st semester is scheduled during the period 25th Feb to 04th March 2023.

In accordance to the proviso of Clause 15 of the B.Tech. Ordinances & Regulations, a student passes the course if he/she gets any grade in the range of AA to DD, but fails if he/she gets the F/W grade. Attending end semester exam is a must to be eligible for a pass grade. Irrespective of performance in all other components, an F grade is automatically awarded to an absentee in the end semester examination in a given course. In addition, there shall be one transitional incomplete grade called **I Grade**, eligible for one repeat end semester examination. I grade may be awarded in specific cases as explained below.

I grade may be awarded to a student if the student was compelled to remain absent from the end semester examination on account of (i) Illness or accident which disabled him/her from appearing the examination, (ii) A calamity in the family at the time of the examination, which, in the opinion of the Institute/course coordinator, required the student to remain away from the campus. A student will be eligible for the award of grade 'I' only if his/her attendance at classes and performance in other components of assessment are complete and satisfactory in the opinion of the course instructor. An awarded I grade must be converted by the concerned course instructor to an appropriate letter grade and communicated to the Academic Section within the prescribed date. Any outstanding 'I' grade after the prescribed date will be automatically converted to 'F' grade

The Senate is requested to kindly deliberate on the matter & take a decision accordingly.

Decision:

After detailed discussion, considering the benefit of the students and Industry-Academia linkage, the Senate felt that the students be allowed to attend the launch event of Siemens Scholarship Program during the end semester examination. However, as the provision of awarding I Grade is not there in our regulations under such conditions, the Senate decided to amend the clause no 15.2(a) of the B.Tech. Regulations by incorporating another additional point mentioning that if a student was compelled to remain absent from the end semester examination on account of attending events organised by reputed company/organisation for award of scholarships and other academic related activities etc., the student will be eligible for the award of I Grade provided he/she fulfils other provision for I Grade as mentioned in the B.Tech. Regulations. However, the reputation of a company/organisation and other academic related activities will be decided by the Chairman, Senate on case to case basis.

Accordingly, the students will be allowed to attend the events organised by Siemens and for the missed end semester examination the students will be awarded I Grade in the concerned subjects.

The Senate confirms the minutes on the table.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.


Registrar i/c & Secretary, Senate


Director i/c & Chairman, Senate