

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KANPUR

Record of discussions of the IAC meeting

held on 22.11.2018 at 1600 hrs in FB212

Members Present:

Professors Abhay Karandikar, Manindra Agrawal, S. Ganesh, P. Shunmugaraj, Achla Raina, Y. N. Singh, A. K. Ghosh, D. S. Katti, A Ghatak, Amalendu Chandra, Animesh Das (Acting Head, CE), J. N. Malik, P. Kulshreshtha (Acting Head, Eco Sc), AR Harish, Shikha Dixit, RN Sengupta, Monica Katiyar, Nandini Nilakantan (Acting Head, Maths), P. Venkitanarayanan, R. Vijaya, Bishakh Bhattacharya, S. Bhattacharya, H Wanare, Rajeev Gupta, Gouthama, A. Karkare, J. K. Singh, Nandini Nilakantan, Nitin Kaistha, Pankaj Wahi (Acting, SUGC), R. Gurunath

Special Invitee: Professors Vimal Kumar, T. V. Prabhakar, Arnab Bhattacharya

Agenda 1. CCC Report: Prof. Vimal Kumar, Chairman, CCC presented the CCC report. Earlier the report was circulated to HoDs, and their comments were sought. The comments received from Mathematics and Statistics, BSBE and Chemistry Departments. The course MSO 201 is suggested to be made optional, and this issue was discussed. The BSBE head requested to reduce BSBE's TA load for MSO 201 to 0. The IAC suggested putting the request to Maths head. If math is not able to provide one more TA, the BSBE will have to provide 1 TA for this course.

Agenda 2. Administrative Reforms Committee Report: Prof. Manindra Agrawal, Deputy Director presented the report of Administrative Reforms Committee to the IAC. The Committee proposed for the creation of two new Dean positions, Dean of Administration (who would look after Stores and Purchases Section, REO, non-academic units like health center, Campus School etc.) and Dean of International Relations (who will look after international relations).

The committee also suggested a rejig of Associate Dean positions, guidelines were suggested for selection of Dean and Associate Deans and issue of honorarium for Deans, Associate Deans, HODs of Departments and IDPs was also discussed. The suggestions provided by 14 Departments and IDPs were also discussed. Need for defining clear roles for Associate Deans was expressed. Also, it was suggested that Associate Dean and Dean selection might follow a similar process with the exception that concerned Dean should participate in selection of Associate Dean. The creation of a new Dean for Digital Infrastructure was also suggested.

Agenda 3. Restructuring of CDTE: Prof. Jayant Singh made a presentation on the restructuring of CDTE. The following points were discussed:

- a) A new structure for IITK outreach activities was discussed.
- b) The current outreach activities like CDTE, TEQIP, NPTEL, MOOCs, etc. were discussed.
- c) The activities of CDTE like QIP and CEC (Continuing Education Program) were discussed.

- d) The current structure and current challenges and also the courses it offered both online and offline were discussed.

It was also suggested that a new centre called Centre for Distance and Continuing Education (CDCE) should come into force and PIs can join and coordinate their programs for three years. The PIs would be provided all administrative support by the CDCE. The Director has mentioned that the CDCE will also have an advisory committee.

Agenda 4. Proposal on Online Academic Program: Prof. T. V. Prabhakar presented a proposal on online academic programmes at IIT Kanpur to be known as "IIT Konnect".

Agenda 5. Electric Bus in Campus: Prof. Arnab Bhattacharya (CSE) suggested for a bus transport around the campus in collaboration with NTPC who run these buses in their campus and can help run such buses for our campus. It was decided to constitute an advisory committee for this purpose.



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