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Nomination Form

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Agendas and Declaration Form

Post contesting for: Vice President , Student Gymkhana Council

Name: Shakti Panchal

Nick Name.: Sunny

Tagline (Punch line): Reform, Perform and Transform

Agendas:



Agenda for Vice President

Shakti Panchal

Vision:

In the last 25 years the Students Gymkhana has been functioning with the aim of redressing the challenges faced by the students via the genesis of proactive structures. The Institute and the Gymkhana have deliberated solutions to most of our problems. Starting now I believe the student gymkhana should adopt the motto of

“ Reform. Perform.Transform”.

As a Vice President of the Students Gymkhana I wish that not only me but also every student of the campus should work upon new opportunities and try to take a step ahead on the path of progress. Once we start working as a cohesive unit where every individual is playing his or her part in the betterment of the Student Life in this campus, we shall reach the status of a flourishing ecosystem where the faculty, staff and students come together to live a life enriching for all.

Mission:

The Students Gymkhana plays the role of an administrative body, an advocate of our rights and a helping hand all at the same time. Over time the Gymkhana has functioned progressively to develop sufficient systems for the prevalent issues in the campus. I believe it has now become imperative for the Gymkhana to not only build on what it has achieved in the last 25 years but take bold and decisive steps securing our place among the top universities, not just in India, but all around the world . I feel the need of the hour is not only the creation of solutions but also to enhance its efficacy. It's time that we show heightened focus on bridging the gap between our aspirations and the manifestations of our collective efforts towards achieving them. The focus of my tenure as the Vice President, Students Gymkhana will be to not only propose new ideas but also to work upon the existing ones in an efficient and progressive manner. To work cohesively with all the executives towards achieving “smaller miracles” at ground level. If I am able to follow up the work started by my predecessors and bring them to life, I am confident that we can create and pass on a momentum that generations to come will cherish.

IITG25

As our college is stepping into its 25th year, our institute has been successful in providing an ambience in which new ideas, research and scholarship flourish, and from which the leaders and innovators of tomorrow emerge.

The Institute is committed to excellence in all spheres of its activities, and through internal and external reviews, shall work towards continuous improvement.

Proposal: Celebration of Silver Jubilee, and Institute Wide Celebration

Plan of Action:

1. Exhibition cum Decoration of New SAC that showcases and records the fascinating history and legacy of IITG.
 2. To organise a Silver Jubilee Alumni Meet.
 3. Establishment of Souvenir Shop
 4. The vice president along with the gymkhana members will form a planning committee that will define the principles, scope, central events, and theme of the celebration.
 5. The planning committee will comprise of faculty members, students representing the Students Association, and staff with related expertise or administrative responsibilities.
 6. This will include a celebration that will be distinctive, participatory, focus on demonstrating the values of IITG, celebrating the past and envisioning the future.
 7. The top priorities in programming events and activities are to be reflective of history, look to the future and cement science and engineering as the cornerstones of the IIT Guwahati saga.
 8. There will be two branches to the planning going forward: programming and operations. A steering committee will guide and advise active programming and operations subcommittees that will execute all stages of planning.
 9. A website that will assist the other groups in planning associated activities will be developed and will be made available to the community as earliest as possible.
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Domain: Career Development & Student Welfare

Agenda 1: Setting up of a Career Cell in IIT Guwahati

Proposal: To set up a Career cell and its portal to guide students about the opportunities available and help them make an informed & wise choice with regards to their career.

Possible Solutions:

An independent cell and portal where one can navigate through and get specific set of solutions and details of Alumni working in real field with similar interests. A team of career cell will contact the alums and will extract the best data available for the students. This will be a go-to-resource for students especially freshers to familiarize themselves about all the opportunities available at the Institute. The cell will conduct seminars, workshops, talks & lectures and Summer & Winter school for interested students.

Its aim will be: Informed students, Wise choice & Bright careers.

Career cell is NOT here to help you get a job but rather help you decide which one you want to take up

Plan of Action:

1. Setting up a portal where students can get information about plethora of career opportunities and how to achieve them.
 2. A guiding system to help them decide about the type of job, research or business that may interest them.
 3. Coordinators will work in close association with SAIL and CCD to help make the portal.
 4. Salient Features of Career Cell:
 - Course Rank portal(course review by peers)
 - Placement Resume Repository
 - Personality Development session
 - GRE/GMAT/ TOEFL/CAT Preparation guidance
 - Internship experiences
 - Interview Experiences
 - Placement Guide
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Domain: Directly to Campus Junta

Agenda 1: To work for solving issues pertaining to women

Proposal:

1. Availability of sanitary napkins in every ladies washroom.
2. Regular feedback and suggestion of Girls Helpline will be taken from girl representatives.
3. Hiring female trainers for swimming and gym to address the needs of the girls.

Possible solution/Plan of Action:

1. Sanitary napkin for emergency use will be available in every ladies washroom including academic area and SAC.
2. With the help of General Secretary Sports Board, the sports board will be contacted for the appointment of special female trainers.

Agenda 2: Appointment of a Dermatologist.

Proposal: To work for the prevention of skin related problems which are one of the biggest concern of students in IITG.

Possible Solution:

Appointment of a Dermatologist full-time in our hospital. Due the hot and humid weather of IITG, many students suffer from skin rashes and many other skin related problems.

Plan of Action:

1. For the appointment of a dermatologist, the Gymkhana would contact the Hospital administration and discuss the other terms of agreement
2. Most of the people are unaware of these problems and ignore them so awareness regarding these issues would be the first major step.

Agenda 3: Formation of Media Body.

Proposal : To present different views about campus events and activities and thus give voice to a wide range of issues relevant to the institute community through a media body.

Possible Solutions:

We have to make a body which will throw light upon important and relevant news which is often overlooked and which, unfortunately, has no means to reach the general public. This new medium aims to address the aforementioned issues in the form of a online/offline bulletin.

Plan of Action :

1. Media Body will have a team structure consisting of an overall head chosen by an interview process.
2. There will be editors who will have qualitative control and coordinators for proper day-to-day functioning of the body.
3. Conducting of surveys and interviews to find out the problem requiring immediate attention.

Agenda 4 : Infrastructure Development

Proposal: To develop campus infrastructure for students' welfare by introducing various new measures.

Possible Solution:

1. To start a Night Canteen and Stationery & Xerox Shop in a strategic location of the campus. They will remain open 24x7 and easily accessible to the community of the institute.
2. MultiPurpose Complex in hostel area comprising of a fruit shop, a tailor shop, mobile repair shop and a general market store.
3. General Drainage Problem

Plan of Action:

1. Contacting the engineering section and forming a senate team to keep a regular follow up on the progress.
 2. Covering of Drainage near MSH area, also will ensure that Drainage flow is not in the lake.
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Academic Affairs

Agenda 1: Minor in Entrepreneurship

Proposal: To introduce a new minor degree in Entrepreneurship where interested students can learn about thinking, mindset, modus operandi and legality related with Startups.

Possible Solutions:

Coordinating with faculty and DOAA to set up new course resources with very interactive attributes. It will provide students with a solid academic background and hands-on practical experience. This will bust several myths associated with Entrepreneurship and will help realize a need felt by the student community.

Plan of Action:

1. Faculty will be requested to help SAB in creating a detailed report and recommendations for the above proposal.
2. The drafting committee will discuss the possible ways to open up this new course under an optional academic curriculum mentioned above.
3. With the help of the concerned faculties, a proper course curriculum will be developed, with taking references from other esteemed institutes in the country.

Agenda 2: SA 2nd Semester Trials

Proposal:

I propose a system where students can give trials for other sports for the 2nd time and if they're found to be good, would be allowed to change their SA course.

Problem:

Many 1st year students wish to change their SA after a semester to something they're better at or which they wish to learn. Since SA courses are given on the basis of 1st come 1st serve basis many students miss the opportunity of getting SA of their choice or the SA course in which they are good at.

Possible Solution/Plan of Action:

After approval of the proposal in senate, I will coordinate with Sports Board to implement the aforementioned proposal.

Agenda 3: Introduction of Video Lectures

Proposal : To improve the facilities of moodle by introducing filmed lectures, problem sets, videos of the laboratory in the academic curriculum .

Problems:

1. In some laboratories, the laboratory equipment is less or not equipped so it becomes difficult for all the students to get deep knowledge in the case of large strength of batch.
2. No means for students to revise their lectures before exams
3. There are many courses which require some prerequisite knowledge of some other courses, not available to students easily at one place.

Possible Solution:

1. Mainly Concerning first year students, all the lectures shall be videotaped which will be linked to the web pages of the concerned subject on the moodle and be archived for future reference by the students.
2. Well detailed videos shall be made of all the laboratory experiments for first yearites which will illustrate proper working of the instruments and the principles behind the experiments.

Plan of Action :

1. The professor in charge of all laboratories will coordinate with the a team for videography of their respective laboratories.
 2. The team will coordinate with the professor in charge for filming lectures.
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Hostel Life:

Agenda 1: Special Maintenance Cell for hostel

Proposal: Formation of a special wing under the maintenance section, exclusively dedicated to hostel matters.

Possible Solution:

The slow and delayed response of the maintenance section concerning hostel affairs has led to a lot of dissent amongst the boarders. To tackle this prevailing issue, a special

body under the maintenance section ,specifically for Hostel Maintenance should be established.

Plan of Action:

1. Setting up of a committee convened by General Secretary Hostel Affairs Board(HAB).
2. This committee shall consist of concerned faculties and student representatives as its members

Agenda 2: Numbering of cycles and creating its database

Proposal: Creation of a proper online indexing system for all the cycles in the campus.

Possible Solution: A Proper centralised numbering system containing the information of each cycle in all of the hostels. The database of the same should be available at the HAB portal.

Plan of Action:

1. At the time of the registration of the cycles purchased by the students (at any time of the semester, the registration number provided to the student shall be fed/updated at the HAB portal along with the general student details.
2. This would help in the maintenance of the cycles campus-wide and also in the identification of the cycle in case of lost-and-found cases and redistribution of cycles

Domain: Cultural

Proposal:

To promote and improve participation of freshers in cultural clubs and to better the all round output of the cultural board.

Possible Solution:

- 1.A weekend long exclusive event for freshmen(Fresher's League) will be organised.
- 2.To improve upon the already existing website of the cultural board.
- 3.To reduce the excessive work load on the club secretaries.

Plan of Action:

- 1.In association with all the club secretaries and the club members, a "Fresher's league" could be organised, after all the club orientations. Its a convergence

point of all genres of art forms consisting of a number of workshops, competitions, activities etc. with a dual purpose of providing a platform for the freshers to get in touch with their “inner artist” as well as inspire team work.

2.The “new and reformed” site shall include an online calendar, which would have the date and details of all the cultural events spread throughout the year. Another salient feature shall be an online inventory of all the clubs.

3.An events team shall be formed under the cultural secretary and the events manager (excluding the club secretaries) dedicated to videography, photography, branding and over all smooth conduction of the club events.

Domain: Sports

Agenda 1: Inter IIT Sports Meet Conduction in the Campus

Proposal: To ensure the proper conduction and additional initiatives to be taken up by Gymkhana to enrich the experience of everyone attending Inter IIT Sports Meet

Possible Solution:

To add on to the mere conduction of events and other obligatory ceremonies, make changes so that the participants from all the participating institutes and the campus residents get the best of this year’s competition. I intend to organise talks, camps to give people information about certain topics and make proper administrative framework for the organization of this pan-IIT event.

Plan of Action:

1. Organise expert talks and workshops on conditioning, injury prevention, game temperament building and nutrition to ensure the repeat of the golden glory at 53rd Inter-IIT sports meet.
2. Summers camps duration should be increased for candidates to allow for proper practice time for the contingent.

Agenda 2: Hall of Fame

Proposal: To have a 'Hall of Fame' awarded to recognise excellent performance by students and faculty in competitions like inter IITs.

Solution : Celebration of the achievements of our athletes and sportspersons by bestowing special recognition. This will serve to promote sports and increase the participation by the students and enhance enthusiasm with regards to these competitions among the student community.

Plan of Action:

1. The rules and procedure to select the hall of fame honoree will be decided by the senate committee.
 2. Plaques recognising these extraordinary efforts would be awarded to the distinguished honorees
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Domain: Gymkhana

Agenda 1: Gymkhana Awards

Proposal: Introduction of special awards to be given by the Gymkhana to student achievers with non-managerial posts.

Possible Solution:

To recognize the outstanding contribution by the active members serving different boards of the gymkhana, we plan to introduce 'Tokens of Appreciation' to commemorate their efforts.

Plan of Action:

1. The awards will be presented by the senate under the following categories :
 - Outstanding Freshman
 - Cultural Excellence Award
 - Technology Excellence Award

- Welfare Excellence Award
- Gymkhana Community Service Award

The senate may include more categories as they deem fit.

2.The rules and procedure to select the awards honoree will be decided by the senate committee.

3.The award shall consist of a memento and a certificate.

Agenda 2: Mid-Semester Review of Gymkhana

Proposal: The Vice President and General Secretaries of Gymkhana will submit a report post mid semester about their progress on their proposals and all the work done and decisions taken by them in the semester.

Need:

The Vice President and General Secretaries of the Gymkhana are elected by the students and they hold a large amount of responsibility and accountability towards the students who put faith in them.

A lot of students grow unaware of what had been proposed initially, and what progress has been going on. This review will encourage the Vice President and General Secretaries to work harder to achieve their targets, and the students can really analyze who exactly are the people they are being led by and how their promises are being upheld for whom the student community has voted.

Plan of Action:

1. All the Vice President and General Secretaries must submit a report at the end of each semester.

2. The report must include every aspect of the work done in the respective semesters.

Following points are proposed to be reported:

- Targets Planned vs Achieved
- Details of operations utilised to achieve each target
- New initiatives and decisions taken
- Funds and resources used per target/project
- Reasons for delays and non-achievements of targets

3. All the reports will be verified by the President, Students' Gymkhana and concerned authorities before making it available to the students. These reports must be available for the students to read and take inferences from.

4. A GBM will be conducted where Campus junta being adequately informed can put up their questions and Executives will get proper feedback.

Post Graduate Welfare:

Agenda 1: Reallocation of Alumni Funds for Assistance to Students for attending Conferences and Competition

Proposal: To set up a system of relocating alumni funds for providing travel assistance to students for attending non-technical conferences and competition.

Possible Solution:

A committee to be set up to decide case-by-case basis of students to help with funds in attending technical as well as non-technical conferences and competition.

Plan of Action:

1. To set up or increase the already allocated funds for such assistantship(STAF).
2. To set up a committee to decide case-by-case basis of students for travel Assistance.
3. To set up a method of using Alumni donated money for this purpose.

Agenda 2 : Measures to inculcate Mandatory Skills for PhD

Proposal: Encourage conducting workshops in the subjects of

1. Technical communication
2. Research methodologies and
3. Technical writing on a regular basis.

Plan of Action:

1. Workshops can be conducted by faculty members of IITG and also by reputed institutions in and around Guwahati.
2. Encourage workshops on tools available for technical writing: Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Latex etc.

4. Encourage interactive sessions for the assessment and improvement of a student's technical communication/technical writing/maturity of understanding research methodologies.

5. Support from Faculty members: Faculty members from various Departments/Centers can be requested to deliver lectures on a regular basis. All activity of the Technical Communication club is to be regulated at the New SAC building.

Your Valuable Suggestions are invited.

Thank You!

Shakti Panchal

Experiences (Credentials if any):

- Events Manager, Saathi Counselling Club (2017-18)
- Participated in 51st and 52nd Inter IIT Sports Meet, Cricket Team (2016, 2017)
- Cultural Secretary , Manas Hostel (2015-16)
- Marketing Executive Alcheringa (2015-16)
- Active Member of Xpressions - The Dramatics Society (2015-Present)

Declaration by the candidate:

I hereby declare that the above information is to the best of my knowledge. I do not have any disciplinary probation by the Institute and will abide by the rules and regulations laid for Gymkhana Election. I do not have any active backlogs to be cleared.

I know that any false information in this nomination form will lead to cancellation of my nomination and disciplinary action.

Signature of candidate with date:

Signature of CEO