



Students' Senate (2018 -19)  
Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur  
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**3<sup>rd</sup> (Special) Meeting of the Students' Senate (2018-19): Attendance Record**

Date: 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2018

Total Strength of the Senate: 36  
Total members present: 25  
Total members absent: 11  
Absent without notification: 8  
Absent with permission: 1  
Present with nominee: 2

The detailed attendance record is as follows:

| S. No. | Name                     | Post                                      | Status  |
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| 1      | Ayushya Agarwal          | Chairperson, Students' Senate             | Present |
| 2.     | Pratyush Rai             | President, Students' Gymkhana             | Present |
| 3      | Anshumali Prakash Mishra | (General Secretary, Media and Cultural    | Present |
| 4      | Rahul Shekhar            | General Secretary, Games and Sports       | Present |
| 5      | Akash Jain               | General Secretary, Science and Technology | Present |
| 6      | Ahir Sudhendu Prashant   | Finance Convener, Students' Senate        | Absent# |
| 7      | Siddhartha Srivastava    | Parliamentarian, Students' Senate         | Present |
| 8      | Aayushi Bansal           | Convener, CoSHA                           | Absent* |
| 9      | Prakhar Ji Gupta         | Senator, BT/BS Y15                        | Present |
| 10     | Shrey Agarwal            | Senator, BT/BS Y15                        | Present |
| 11     | Sohail Saifi             | Senator, BT/BS Y15                        | Present |
| 12     | Mayank Chauhan           | Senator, BT/BS Y15                        | Absent* |
| 13     | Sirsendu Sarkar          |   | Present |
| 14     | Anant Chopra             | Senator, BT/BS Y16                        | Present |
| 15     | Anmol Chaman             | Senator, BT/BS Y16                        | Absent# |



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| 16 | Navanya Sharma                     | Senator, BT/BS Y16                               | Absent*  |
| 17 | Rahul Sethi                        | Senator, BT/BS Y16                               | Present  |
| 18 | Aditya Mishra                      | Senator, BT/BS Y17                               | Present# |
| 19 | Faizan Siddiqui                    | Senator, BT/BS Y17                               | Absent*  |
| 20 | Mataria Pence Jagatkumar           | Senator, BT/BS Y17                               | Present  |
| 21 | Nikunj Kothari                     | Senator, BT/BS Y17                               | Present  |
| 22 | Risab Agarwal                      | Senator, BT/BS Y17                               | Present  |
| 23 | Yash Maheshwari                    | Senator, BT/BS Y17                               | Absent#  |
| 24 | Ankur Banga                        | Senator, BT/BS Y18                               | Present  |
| 25 | Ashutosh Bajpai                    | Senator, BT/BS Y18                               | Present  |
| 26 | Chinmay Goyal                      | Senator, BT/BS Y18                               | Present  |
| 27 | Deepankur Kansal                   | Senator, BT/BS Y18                               | Present  |
| 28 | Prince Pratap Singh                | Senator, BT/BS Y18                               | Present  |
| 29 | Shivam Rajoriya                    | Senator, BT/BS Y18                               | Present  |
| 30 | Danish Abbas                       | Senator, MTech Y16                               | Present  |
| 31 | Karanvir Singh Bhatia              | Senator, MTech Y16                               | Present  |
| 32 | Deepak Singh Attri                 | Senator, MTech Y17                               | Present  |
| 33 | Hemant Kumar Singh                 | Senator, MTech Y17                               | Present  |
| 34 | Jitendra Kumar                     | Senator, MTech Y17                               | Present  |
| 35 | Narayan Mishra                     | Senator, MTech Y17                               | Present  |
| 36 | Abhishek Verma                     | Senator, MTech Y18                               | Present  |
| 37 | Akshay Bajaj                       | Senator, MTech Y18                               | Present  |
| 38 | Somya Sharma                       | Senator, MTech Y18                               | Present  |
| 39 | Yogendra Vyas                      | Senator, MTech Y18                               | Present  |
| 40 | Vishwadeep Ojha                    | Senator, MBA, MDes and other 2-year programs Y17 | Absent#  |
| 41 | Mallidi Lakshaman<br>Sudheer Reddy | Senator, MBA, MDes and other 2-year programs Y18 | Absent#  |
| 42 | Ajay Vallabh                       | Senator, MSR                                     | Present  |
| 43 | Suraj                              | Senator, MSR                                     | Present  |



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| 44 | Panchajanya Sanyal | Senator, PhD, Y16 | Absent* |
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\* - without Notification

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| <b><u>Item no. 1</u></b> | Confirm the Minutes of the following meetings:<br><br>i) 2017-18/Joint Meeting<br>ii) 2018-19/2nd Meeting<br>iii) 2018-19/2nd (Special) Meeting |
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The Minutes were accepted with comments to incorporate the changes suggested on the mailing list.

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| <b><u>Item no. 2</u></b> | Announcements, remarks, and questions, if any |
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The following announcements and remarks were made:

- The President, Students' Gymkhana announced that Rs. 3,00,000 were collected as the part of the donation drive for the Kerala Floods and the funds were transferred to the Chief Minister Disaster Relief Fund (CMDRF). The Senate also appreciated the efforts of the CoSHA Convener for successfully organizing the donation drive.
- The President, Students' Gymkhana announced that he had requested the Director to increase the number of nominees in the PwD Cell, also stating that several new initiatives are being taken for PwD students.
- The General Secretary, Games and Sports Council was directed to provide the Udghosh Core Team Nominations list within an hour after the meeting is adjourned.

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| <b><u>Item no. 3</u></b> | To consider the reply of the different senators to the show cause notice issued against them for missing two meetings without notification. |
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The Senators defended the show cause notice issued against them, stating the reasons for their absence in two consecutive meetings. The reply was considered appropriate by the Senate and their defense was accepted with the caveat that they do not miss further meetings.



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| <b><u>Item no. 4</u></b> | To report the actions taken on the decisions on the Students' Senate (2018-19) |
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The item was deferred due to unavailability of the report.

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| <b><u>Item no. 5</u></b> | To note the decisions taken by the Senate on the mailing list |
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The decisions were duly noted by the Senate.

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| <b><u>Item no. 6</u></b> | To consider the end of the tenure of the PG Girl's Representative |
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The Senate noted the end of tenure with a vote of thanks to the PG Girl's Representative for her contributions to the Senate.

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| <b><u>Item no. 7</u></b> | To note the results of the Mid-term & By-Elections |
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The results were duly noted by the Senate and all the newly elected members were congratulated.

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| <b><u>Item no. 8</u></b> | To consider the post conduction report of the Mid-term & By-Elections |
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The item was deferred due to unavailability of the post conduction report.

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| <b><u>Item no. 9</u></b> | To consider the minutes of the 1 <sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Rules and Procedures Committee |
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The minutes were presented by the Parliamentarian, Students' Senate. The Senate noted the minutes of the committee and decided to defer the voting on Appendix B of the Constitution to allow senators greater time for consideration of the appendix.

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| <b><u>Item no. 10</u></b> | To consider the updated pre-conduction report of the General Championship'18 |
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The updated report was presented by the President, Students' Gymkhana on the floor of the Senate. The report was deliberated upon and the following comments were made:

1. The new names given to the pools were noted.
2. The inclusion of academics and green opus in the GC was deferred till the time that the logistical issues associated with the two events are cleared.
3. It was noted that the source of funding for the GC was not clear and the two proposed sources were accepted by the Senate.

The report was then accepted by the Senate.

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| <b><u>Item no. 11</u></b> | To consider the pre-conduction report of Takneek'18 |
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The pre-report of Takneek'18 was presented on the floor of the Senate by the General Secretary, Science and Technology. The Senate directed the General Secretary, Science and Technology Council to include the details of the expenditure that was to be made in the report. General Secretary, Science and Technology was also directed to include all the problem statements in the report as an appendix.

Further, the Senate suggested that Pool & Hall Captains should be selected through proper nominations and directed the executives to take note of the same.

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| <b><u>Item no. 12</u></b> | To consider a proposal for bridging gaps between the Students' Gymkhana and the General Body |
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The proposal was presented by Mr. Prakhar Ji Gupta, Senator BT/BS Y-15 & Mr. Abhishek Datta, General Body Member. The proposer offered to take charge of the construction the online



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portal as mentioned in the proposal with the help of web executives appointed by the President, Students' Gymkhana. After due discussion, the proposal was accepted.

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| <b>Item no. 13</b> | To consider the proposal to allow students completing graduation requirements early to stay back an extra semester |
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The item was presented on the floor of the Senate. The Senate underscored the importance of the point that the reason for such a stay should be a genuine academic interest which is verified by the respective DUGC. The proposal was accepted with the above comment.

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| <b>Item no. 14</b> | To consider the proposal for the establishment of minors in the Department of Economics |
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The proposal was presented by Mr. Siddhartha Srivastava, Senator BT/BS Y16. Concerns were raised on the perennial availability of the courses mentioned in the proposal. The Senate accepted the proposal in principle with the actual minors to be decided in consultation with the department.

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| <b>Item no. 15</b> | To consider the proposal for the establishment of guidelines for appeals against program termination on academic grounds |
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The item was presented on the floor by the proposer. The main reason behind the proposal was to ensure that all the rules related to the termination procedure are available in an easy format so that the students are well informed. The proposal was accepted by the Senate and would be taken forward to be put up on the DOAA website.

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| <b>Item no. 16</b> | To consider a proposal for a change in the eligibility clause for Awards and Scholarships as mentioned in the SSPC Manual |
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The proposal was presented on the floor of the Senate and accepted after due deliberation. The Senate directed the nominee to the SSPC to take it up in the committee.



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**Item no. 17**

To consider a proposal for a BS program in the Department of Biological Sciences and Biological Engineering

The proposal was presented in the Senate by Mr. Abhishek Singh, General Body Member. The Senate noted that the proposal did not account for the views of the department and the proposer was directed to bring back the proposal after incorporating the same.

**Item no. 18**

To consider a proposal for reforms in SAC operating procedures

The proposal was presented on the floor of the Senate and was accepted. The Senate directed the General Secretary, Games and Sports Council to take this matter up on priority.

**Item no. 19**

To consider abandoning the process of nominations for Hall President and Mess Secretary

The proposal was presented by the convener, COSHA. After due deliberations, the Senate concluded that the posts of President and the Mess Secretaries should only be filled by proper elections and not by nominations. In case the post remains empty after the elections, an officiating President or Mess Secretary may be appointed. Concerns were raised on the implementation process of the same and the President, Students' Gymkhana was directed to ensure the same through the relevant institute functionaries.

**Item no. 20**

To consider the proposal for the formation of the Consulting hobby group

The proposal was presented by the President, Students' Gymkhana. The Senate accepted the it was decided that the hobby group will operate under the Science and Technology Council till a better position can be found in the Gymkhana framework.

**Item no. 21**

To consider the locations for cell phone tower installation





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The item was presented by the convener, COSHA on the floor of the Senate. The Senate was informed that keeping in mind the radiation from the tower, the location near the Oxidation Pond was appropriate. The installation process is expected to be completed by December, 2018.

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| <b>Item no. 22</b> | To discuss the security issue related to halls. |
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The item was presented on the floor of the Senate by the Convener, COSHA. The Senate voiced concern over the lack of transparency in the operating procedure. The President, Students' Gymkhana informed the Senate that an institute committee is working on revising the security SOP, and once it is completed the revised SOP will be circulated to the entire campus community.

Particularly, for the issue of individuals of the opposite gender into halls the President, Students' Gymkhana was directed to look into the feasibility installing computers at all hall gates.

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| <b>Item no. 23</b> | To consider the request of Academics and Research Cell for providing office space in the New SAC |
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The Senate rejected the proposal due to lack of unallocated space in the New SAC. The Senate was informed that a long-term solution of having an additional New SAC Extension is being explored which will help overcome the problems of lack of space.

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| <b>Item no. 24</b> | To consider Festival Bill Clearance Forms |
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The item was deferred to the Joint Committee for Festival Affairs for its recommendations.

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| <b>Item no. 25</b> | To consider the proposal for initiating a Deferred Placement Program(DPP) |
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The proposal was presented by the President, Students' Gymkhana on the floor of the Senate. The Senate made the following recommendations on the item:

1. It was suggested that a trial run be conducted before initiation to estimate the number of students that may look to avail this programme, as larger numbers would require additional infrastructural support to the SPO.



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2. The Senate opined that the Deferred Placement Program should be open only to those alumni that invest their time in technical entrepreneurship activity.

The proposal was accepted and the Senate directed the President to take up the matter in the Student Placement Committee.

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| <b>Item no. 26</b> | To consider the proposal to place the National Flag in the campus premises |
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The proposal was presented by the President, Students' Gymkhana. After due deliberations, the Senate considered the area in front of the library as appropriate for placing The National Flag.

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| <b>Item no. 27</b> | To consider the updated UGSAC + PGSAC proposal and elections for the same |
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The proposal was presented by the Chairperson, Students' Senate. After due deliberations, the proposal was accepted and elections for the conveners of both the committees were held. The following senators were nominated as the conveners for the committees.

1. UGSAC Convener - Ms. Navanya Sharma
2. PGSAC Convener - Mr. Yogendra Vyas

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| <b>Item no. 28</b> | To consider the end-term reports of the different Students' Senate nominees to the different Standing Committees of the Academic Senate |
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The report was presented by Mr. Abhishek Singh, Students' Senate nominee to the SUGC. After due discussion, the report was accepted by the Senate.

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| <b>Item no. 29</b> | To consider the de-ratification of the hobby group leader of the Students' Opinion Society Hobby Group |
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The item was presented by the General Secretary, Media and Cultural Council. The same was accepted by the Senate after considering the reasons for the de-ratification.



## Additional Items

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| <b><u>Item no. 1</u></b> | To consider the formation of the review committee of the merger of the Films and Media Council and the Cultural Council |
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The Senate constituted a committee to review the merger of the Films and Media Council and the Cultural Council as directed by the Students' Senate (2016-17). The committee was mandated to review the activities of the merged council and the effects of the merger on the different clubs of the council.

The constitution of the committee was as follows:

1. Mr. Prkhar Ji Gupta (Convener)
2. Mr. Animesh Mishra (General Body Member)
3. Mr. Abhimanyu Gupta (General Body Member)
4. Mr. Swapnil Kumar (General Body Member)
5. Mr. Sohil Saifi (Senator, BT/BS Y15)

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| <b><u>Item no. 2</u></b> | To consider the list of names for ratification to the different posts in the ARC |
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The list was presented by Mr. Pranshu Garg, Overall Coordinator, ARC. The ratification was accepted by the Senate

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| <b><u>Item no. 3</u></b> | To consider the names of the Students' Senate nominees to the standing committees of the Academic Senate for the year 2018-19 |
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The names of the selected students were presented by Mr. Pratyush Rai, Convener, Nominations Committee. The names were accepted by the Senate.



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| <b>Item no. 4</b> | To consider a proposal for restructuring the Executive team of the Media and Culture Council |
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The proposal was presented by the General Secretary, Media and Cultural Council. After due deliberations, the Senate arrived at the conclusion that the Media and Cultural Council required a larger workforce for the efficient functioning of the Council and the increase in the number of posts offered by the council was accepted by the Senate. The part of the proposal to change the names of the posts offered by the council was rejected as it went against the structure of the Gymkhana.

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|  | Questions and Remarks |
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The following questions were raised:

A general body member raised the issue that the appointment of the convener, COSHA to the position of a pool captain was a conflict of interest as there could be misuse of the position to favour a particular pool by the convener, COSHA . After extensive discussion on the issue the Senate was not able to conclude on the existence of the conflict of interest.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:56 AM, 1st September 2018 due to lack of quorum.