



Minutes: 1st (Special) Meeting of the Students' Senate, 5th April, 2015

The 2015-16/1st (Special) Meeting of the Students' Senate was held on Sunday, 5th April in the Senate Hall, New SAC. It was called to order by the Chairperson, Students' Senate at 2:40 PM.

The Agenda items were taken up for consideration.

Item No. 1	To confirm the Minutes of the following meetings:
	• 2014-15/9 th Meeting
	• 2014-15/8th Special Meeting
	• 2014-15/9th Special Meeting
	• Joint Meeting, 2015
	• 2015-16/1st Meeting

The Chairperson, Students' Senate presented the minutes for confirmation. The following modifications were made to the minutes:

 Under Item No. 6 of the 2015-16/1st Meeting the composition of PGSAC was changed from

PGSAC	Leeladhar Nagdeve	Senator, PhD
	Anand Prakash Dwivedi	Senator, PhD
to		
PGSAC	Jeetendra Katiyar	Senator, PhD
	Amarjit Kene	Senator, PhD

Under Item No. 13 the composition of the committee was changed from

"The Senate then elected the following members to the committee:

• Richa Agarwal (Convener) (UG Girl's Representative)

Sagar Rastogi (Senator, UG Y13)
 Aditya Raj Somani (Senator, UG Y12)

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 Gaurav Seth (Senator, UG Y14)
 Anand Prakash Dwivedi (Senator, PhD)"

Item No. 2	Announcements and Remarks, if any

The following announcements were admitted by the Chairperson, Students' Senate:

- The Chairperson Students' Senate announced that the Inter IIT Student Council meet was successfully organized at IIT-Madras from 28th to 29th March, 2015.
- The President Students' Gymkhana announced that the Gymkhana Day will be held on 9th April, 2015.

Item No. 3	To consider the Action Taken Report

The Chairperson, Students' Senate (2015-16) presented the Action Taken Report on behalf of the Chairperson, Students' Senate (2014-15). He presented the report along with the recommendations. The Senate discussed the report and made some decisions based on the recommendations. The ATR with the final decisions and updates is presented under Annexure-1 of the minutes.

The General Secretary, Films and Media Council presented the proposal for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate accepted the proposal as presented

Item No. 5	To consider the recommendation of the various panels for the
	Gymkhana Awards

The President, Students' Gymkhana presented this item for the consideration of the Senate. The various panels for the Gymkhana Awards had recommended the following names:

Gymkhana Blues	Karthik Balasundaram	
Gymkhana Leadership Award	Srijan R. Shetty	
Gymkhana Community Service Award	Karn Vohra	
Science and Technology Excellence Award	Abhishek Attal	
Cultural Excellence Award	Iffat Siddiqui	
Films and Media Excellence Award	Rohit Choudhary	





Outstanding Freshman Award	Srishti Jain
	Simrat Singh
	Rishabh Goyal

The Senate accepted the recommendation of all the panels.

Item No. 6	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the
	Games and Sports Council.

The General Secretary, Games and Sports Council presented the list of names of students for the Games and Sports Council for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate ratified the list of names as proposed by him.

Item No. 7	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the
	Presidential Council.

The President, Students' Gymkhana presented the list of names for the Presidential Council and Presidential Committee for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate ratified the list of names as proposed by him.

Item No. 8	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the Films
	and Media Council.

The General Secretary, Films and Media Council presented the list of names for the Films and Media Council for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate ratified the list of names as proposed by him.

Item No. 9	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the
	Science and Technology Council.

The General Secretary, Science and Technology Council presented the list of names for the Science and Technology Council for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate ratified the list of names as proposed by him.

Item No. 10	To consider for ratification, the list of names of students for the post
	of Secretary, Students' Senate.

The Chairperson, Students' Senate had submitted the following names for the post of Secretary, Students' Senate for 2015-16:





Secretary, Students' Senate	Ayushya Agarwal	14168
	Pooja Yadav	14469
	Mohammad Ashraf	14389

The Senate ratified the above names for the post of Secretary, Students' Senate.

Item No. 11	To consider the resignation of a Students' Senate Nominee from the
	Senate Education Policy Committee (SEPC).

The Chairperson, Students' Senate presented this item for the consideration of the Senate. He informed that one of the Students' Senate Nominees to the Senate Education Policy Committee (SEPC), Mr. Anurag Sahay has submitted his resignation from the post. He further informed the Senate that the nominations committee has recommended the name of Mr. Shubham Atreja (12689) for this post, in case the resignation is accepted by the Senate. The Senate then accepted the resignation as well as the recommendation of the nominations committee and directed the Chairperson to submit a letter to the Chairman, Senate & Director regarding the same.

Item No. 12	To consider the resignation of a Festival Coordinator of Techkriti'15.
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The Chairperson, Students' Senate presented this item for the consideration of the Senate. He informed that one of the Festival Coordinators of Techkriti'15, Mr. Shivyansh Tandon has submitted his resignation citing personal reasons. The Senate discussed the issue at length and after due deliberation, the Senate accepted the resignation with the caveat that he will still be accountable for any issues related to the conduction of Techkriti'15 that may arise at a later stage.

Item No. 13 To consider the post conduction repo	ort of Josh'15
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The General Secretary, Games and Sports Council presented this item for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate discussed the report. The Chairperson pointed out that the recommendations made in the report regarding the scheduling of Josh'16 cannot be accepted since the Gymkhana Calendar has already been presented and accepted by the Students' Senate in its 2014-15/1st Meeting.

Keeping this in mind, the Senate accepted the report as presented without the recommendations.





Item No. 14	To consider the p	oost conduction repo	ort of Inferno'15
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The General Secretary, Games and Sports Council presented this item for the consideration of the Senate. He pointed out that the event of Cricket could not be organized in due time because of bad weather and the event was eventually scrapped.

The Senate then accepted the report as presented.

Item No. 15	To consider the post conduction report of Takneek'14
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The General Secretary, Science and Technology Council presented the report for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate discussed the report and the recommendations as presented by him. After due deliberations, the Senate accepted the report as presented.

Item No. 16	To consider the post conduction report of Green Opus
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The President, Student's Gymkhana presented the report for the consideration of the Senate.

The Senate accepted the report as presented by him.

Item No. 17	To consider the post conduction report of Academics in GC
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The President, Students' Gymkhana presented this item for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate discussed the report and the recommendations as presented by him. One of the recommendations was to review the importance of Academics in GC, if it is having the desired effect and whether it can be incorporated in some other manner. After due deliberation, the Senate decided to constitute a committee to review the incorporation of Academics in GC. The Senate then elected the following members to the committee:

- Mr Gautam Pratap Singh (President, Students' Gymkhana)
- Mr Shubham Atreja (Chairperson, Students' Senate)
- Kunal Kapila (Senator, Y14)
- Shubham Pandey (Senator, Y14)
- Mohammad Ashraf (General Body Member)

The committee was directed to submit its report before the pre conduction report of the General Championship'15-16 is presented in the Senate.

Item No. 18	To consider the post conduction report of General Championship
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The President Students' Gymkhana presented the report for the consideration of the Senate. The Senate discussed the report and the recommendations as presented by him. One of the recommendations was to review the implementation of providing funds to the pools for the General Championship. After due deliberation, the Senate decided to refer this item to the COSHA to suggest any changes in the system.

Item No. 19	To consider the proposed names for the faculty members of the	
	Festival Advisory Committee (Antaragni).	

The item was deferred to the next meeting.

Item No. 20	To consider the proposed names for the faculty members of the
	Festival Advisory Committee (Udghosh).

The Chairperson, Students' Senate presented the names for the consideration of the Senate. The President, Students' Gymkhana pointed out that the Festival Coordinators of Udghosh'15 had started working with their Festival Chairman without informing the Senate. The Senators raised concerns over this conduct of the Festival Coordinators, bypassing the Students' Senate. After much discussion, the Senate directed the Festival Coordinators to submit an apology in writing and copy the same to the Dean, Students' Affairs, Associate Dean, Student Activities and the Festival Advisory Committee, once it is formed.

The Senate then accepted names as proposed by the Festival Coordinators and directed the Chairperson to request the Patron, Students' Gymkhana to constitute the FAC with the proposed composition.

em No. 21 To consider the Hall Allocation Policy (2015-16)
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The Chairman, COSHA and President Student's Gymkhana presented the Hall Allocation Policy for the year 2015-16 for the consideration of the Senate. The president announced that around 140 new rooms will be developed in new RA by the end of June, 2015 which might reduce the issue of space crunch to some extent.

After much discussion and deliberation the Senate accepted the report as presented.

Item No. 22	To consider the quorum requirements for the UGSAC and the		
	PGSAC.		





The Chairman, SAC presented this item for the consideration of the Senate. He pointed out that since the UGSAC and PGSAC are standing councils of Students' Senate, their quorum requirement is by default half of the total strength. He stated that the UGSAC (PGSAC) comprises of Students' Senate nominees to SUGC (SPGC), the student representatives in DUGC (DPGC) and the two Senators nominated by the Students' Senate. Given this, he proposed that the quorum requirements be changed to following:

"at least one student representative from each department, at least one Students' Senate nominee to SUGC (SPGC in case of PGSAC) and at least one Senator should be present."

The Senate after discussion, accepted the proposal as presented. Since the proposal required a constitutional amendment the Senate decided to send this proposal to the Rules and Procedures Committee for its opinion.

Item No. 23	To consider the post conduction report of Techkriti'15.
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The Festival Coordinator, Techkriti'15 informed the Senate that the post conduction report could not be prepared on time. Hence the Senate deferred this item on the request of the Festival Coordinator, Techkriti'15 for consideration in the next meeting.

Item No. 24	To consider the interviews for the post of Festival Coordinator,
	Techkriti'16.

The interviews for the post of Festival Coordinator, Techkriti'16 were conducted from 6:30 PM onwards according to the following schedule:

Abhishek Khandelwal (12023)	6:30 PM
Abhishek Sharma (12031)	7:00 PM
Harsh Faujdar (12283)	7:30 PM
Prakhar Jain (12494)	8:00 PM
Rishi Gupta (12578)	8:30 PM

The interview panel for the post was:

- Chairperson, Students' Senate (2014-15) (Convener)
- President, Students' Gymkhana (2014-15)
- General Secretary, Science and Technology Council (2014-15)
- Festival Coordinator(s), Techkriti'15





Item No. 25	Questions and Remarks, if any.			
No Questions were raised by the members of the Senate.				
	Any other item, with the permission of the Chair			

No other items were introduced

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 AM by the Chairperson, Students' Senate.





Attendance Record

Total Strength of the Senate : 37
Total number of Senators present : 25
Total number of Senators absent : 12
Absent without notification : 9
Absent with permission : 3

The detailed attendance record is as follows:

S. No.	Senators	Name of the Post	Attendance
1.	Shubham Atreja	Chairperson, Students' Senate	Present
2.	Gautam Pratap Singh	President Students' Gymkhana	Present
3.	Ashish Aggarwal	General Secretary, Cultural Council	Present
4.	Chirag Jha	General Secretary, Science and Technology Council	Present
5.	M. Surya Prakash	General Secretary, Games and Sports Council	Present
6.	Prateek Mishra	General Secretary, Films and Media Council	Present
7.	Anand Prakash Dwivedi	Senator, PhD	Absent#
8.	Amarjit P. Kene	Senator, PhD	Absent*
9.	Jitendra K. Katiyar	Senator, PhD	Present
10.	Leeladhar Nagdeve	Senator, PhD	Absent#
11.	Manoj Chahal	Senator, PhD	Absent#
12.	Shashi Kant	Senator, PhD	Absent#
13.	Sudhir Yadav	Senator, PhD	Absent#
14.	Vijay Kumar Pal	Senator, PhD	Absent#
15.	Vikram Kumar	Senator, PhD	Absent#
16.	Aakash Jain	Senator, MSc (2 Year) Y14	Absent#





17.	Kshitij Sareen	Senator, MBA, MDes and Other Eq. Programmes Y14	Present
18.	Abhishek Singh	Senator, UG Y11 (5 Year)	Present
19.	Rishikesh Mishra	Senator, UG Y11 (5 Year)	Present
20.	Aditya Raj Somani	Senator, UG Y12	Absent#
21.	Harsh Toshniwal	Senator, UG Y12	Absent*
22.	Navdeep Singh	Senator, UG Y12	Present
23.	Rishabh Bansal	Senator, UG Y12	Present^
24.	Sabyasachi Verma	Senator, UG Y12	Present
25.	Abhimanyu Yadav	Senator, UG Y13	Present
26.	Ashutosh Ranka	Senator, UG Y13	Present
27.	Sagar Rastogi	Senator, UG Y13	Present
28.	Samyak Jain	Senator, UG Y13	Present
29.	Sparsh	Senator, UG Y13	Present
30.	Vedant Goenka	Senator, UG Y13	Present
31.	Ayushya Agarwal	Senator, UG Y14	Present
32.	Gaurav Seth	Senator, UG Y14	Present^
33.	Kunal Kapila	Senator, UG Y14	Present
34.	Nikhil Bansal	Senator, UG Y14	Absent*
35.	Shubham Kumar Pandey	Senator, UG Y14	Present
36.	Simrat Singh	Senator, UG Y14	Present
37.	Richa Agrawal	UG Girls' Representative	Present

^{* –} Absent with permission

^{# –} Absent without notification

^{^ –} Present (Nominee)

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN

On the decisions taken by the Students' Senate from 2012 to 2015

2012-13/4th Meeting of the Students' Senate

Sl. No	Item No.	Title	Decision of the Senate and the responsible Functionary	Action Taken by the referred Functionary
1	2	3	4	5
1	16	Discussion on the proposal to have an Ayurvedic consultant at the Health Centre.	The proposal was presented in detail, and accepted by the Senate. The student nominee to the HCUC was requested to pursue the proposal with the HCUC and the Chief Medical Officer.	The matter was referred to the HCUC nominee. The letter sent by the Ex-Chairman, Students' Senate to the Chairman, HCUC, didn't reached the concerned authorities. Hence the President, Students' Gymkhana forwarded the letter again. The Senate appointed (vide the Minutes of the 2014-15/5th Meeting) Mr. Samyak Jain, Senator, UG Y13 to pursue the proposal to have an Ayurvedic consultant at the Health Centre on behalf of the Senate. The President Students' Gymkhana informed the Senate that the HCUC has suggested that it may not be possible due to limited resources and recommended that the Action be dropped. The Senate then accepted the recommendation and decided to drop this action. Action Dropped.
				Action Dropped.

2012-13/12th Meeting of the Students' Senate

1 2 3 4 5

3	6	To consider the proposal for keeping a section of the Library open for 24 hours.	It was decided that the Chairman would forward the proposal to the administration.	It has been conveyed that the Library cannot be kept open 24 hours unless more staff is provided to the Library. The Senate is requested to reconsider the issue. After some deliberation, the Senate
				decide to drop this agenda item Action Dropped.

2014-15/1st Meeting of the Students' Senate

S1. No	Item No.	Title	Decision of the Senate and the responsible Functionary	Action Taken by the referred Functionary
1	2	3	4	5
5	6	To note the updated Constitution and to consider the action to be taken thereof.	The Senate noted the updated Constitution. Further, the Senate noted that the appendices of the Constitution need to be rewritten. The Senate constituted a committee for this purpose. The committee shall also look into the various aspects of the SAC, the COSHA and the Festivals, and shall come up with the appendices for the same.	The committee was constituted (vide the Minutes of the 2014-15/1st Meeting) with the following members: • Avish Rana (Convener) • Samyak Jain • Kush Gupta • Sabyasachi Verma • Naman Kumar Rawal • Sarthak Chandra The report of the committee is awaited. The committee was re-constituted with the following members: • Vedant Goenka (Convener) • Samyak Jain • Ayushya Agarwal • Sabyasachi Verma • Kunal Kapila • Jitendra K Katiyar The report of the committee is awaited. Action Pending.
	1			Action Fending.

2014-15/2nd Meeting of the Students' Senate

	2014-15/2" Meeting of the Students Senate				
1	2	3		4	5
6	3	To report of action taken.	on	The following decisions were taken on the basis of the report:	The ad-hoc subcommittees were constituted (vide the draft Minutes of the 2013-14/2nd Meeting):
				The committee to audit and monitor the items purchased through the Golden Jubilee fund was reconstituted.	 Members: Sarthak Chandra (Chair) Anurag Sahay Balendu Shekhar Shridhar Agarwal The report of the committee is awaited. The President, Students' Gymkhana informed the Senate that an audit to this effect had been carried out by the competent authorities and hence recommended that the agenda be dropped. The Senate then accepted the recommendation and dissolved the committee. Action Dropped.

8	11	To consider the issue of appointments to various posts in the Students' Gymkhana	The Chairman proposed that to counteract this problem, the appointments made by the Senate, after ratification, shall be notified to the appointed student and the General Body as a whole through an Office Order. Furthermore, the Office Order shall be kept in the New SAC Office and the DOSA Office for record purposes and shall be used for verification later. The DOSA Office will ensure that the student satisfies the academic eligibility criteria. The proposal was discussed and accepted by the Senate.	The Chairperson shall present an update on the floor of the Senate. The Chairperson, Students' Senate (2014-15) recommended that the proposal could not be implemented due to various logistic issues and it may not be possible to release an office order for each and every post. Hence he recommended that the action be dropped. The Senate after deliberations accepted the recommendation. Action Dropped.
9	13	To consider the issue of washrooms in the Library.	The Senate agreed with the issue as presented, and directed the President, Students' Gymkhana to write a letter to the Deputy Director regarding this.	The letter has been sent by the President. The reply is awaited. The President, Students' Gymkhana informed the Senate that the library is going to be renovated soon and hence the issue will automatically be resolved. Given this, the Senate decided to drop this agenda item Action Dropped.
11	15	To consider the issue of sheds over footpaths.	The Senate accepted the proposal and directed the President to forward the proposal to the Deputy Director for consideration.	The letter has been sent by the President. The reply is awaited. The President, Students' Gymkhana informed the Senate that the letter had been sent but the concerned authority has expressed its' inability to carry out any new major infrastructural development keeping in mind the projects that are currently under construction. Given this, the Senate felt that the agenda is not very urgent and can be taken up at a later stage and hence decided

	to drop this agenda item.
	Action Dropped.

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1	2	3	4	5
12	7	To formulate the student opinion on the Student Feedback taken after every course.	The item was referred to a joint meeting of the SAC for consideration.	The Chairperson informed the Senate that the committee constituted by the Director in this regard has almost formulated its report and the committee no longer desired to address the SAC. After discussion, the Senate felt that there is no need to consider this item in a joint meeting of the SAC. However, the Senate directed the Chairperson to provide an update to the Senate when the committee submits its final report. Action Pending.

2014-15/4th Meeting of the Students' Senate

1 2 3 4 5 22 17 To consider the issue of Gymkhana Forms. The Senate discussed proposed changes in the forms and decided that The Chairperson and President will review all Gymkhana forms and will recommend possible changes to the Senate in the next meeting. Senate that all the Gymkhana Forms have been updated Gymkhana Forms have been updated on the website of the Students' Senate. In particular, there were two SG-12 forms and no SG-13 form. The Chairperson proposed that one of the forms be renumbered to 13 keeping rest of the forms as such. The Senate accepted the proposal.
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Action Completed

2014-15/5th Meeting of the Students' Senate

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				Action Pending.
				The Convener of the committee informed that the committee has completed its work and the final recommendations will be placed before the Senate in the next meeting.
				 Sohil Bansal Gaurav Kumar The committee submitted its interim report in the 2014-15/6th Meeting of the Students' Senate.
			automated.	Ajay SharmaManikanta Reddy
			Students' Gymkhana and suggest mechanisms by which they may be	Gautam Pratap Singh (Convener)
30	8	To consider automation in the processes of the Students' Gymkhana.	After discussion, the Senate decided to constitute an ad-hoc subcommittee to look into the processes of the	The committee was constituted (vide Minutes of the 2014-15/5 th Meeting) with the following members:
				Action Dropped.
				The Chairperson informed that the Chair of the committee had recommended that the committee he dissolved since after some deliberations the committee felt that there is not much to be done. The Senate accepted the recommendations.
				• Himesh Anand The report of the committee is awaited.
			reconstituted.	Alok RanjanYajur Kumar
			consider the status of contingency funding of PG students was	Arun Karthik B (Chair)V. Srinivasan
			• In Item No. 11 of the ATR, the committee to	201314/5 th Meeting) with the following members:
		Report.	were taken on the basis of the report:	was reconstituted (vide the draft Minutes of the
28	3	To consider the Action Taken	The following decisions	The ad-hoc subcommittee

2014-15/4th (Special) Meeting of the Students' Senate

1	2	3	4	5
33	2	Announcements and Remarks	The following announcements were admitted by the Chairperson: The President, Students' Gymkhana announced that a Users' Committee has been constituted for a Students' Lounge under the Lecture Hall Complex. In that regard, he requested that a committee be constituted to assist him for the work related to the Users' Committee.	The following ad-hoc subcommittee was constituted (vide Minutes of the 2014-15/4th (Special) Meeting) by the Senate: • President, Students' Gymkhana (Chair) • General Secretary, Films and Media Council • Samyak Jain • Sabyasachi Verma The report of the committee is awaited. The ad-hoc subcommittee was reconstituted by the Senate with the following members: • Gautam Pratap Singh (Chair) • Prateek Mishra • Shubham Atreja • Chirag Jha The report of the committee is awaited. Action Pending
37	9	To consider the proposal to expand the usage of mailing lists for official purposes by the Institute.	The Senate accepted the proposal as presented. The Senate directed the Chairperson to compile a list of all bodies for which such a mailing list would be useful and decided that a letter shall be sent by the Chairperson to the Director requesting for this facility. Later, a committee was made to	The Chairperson, Students' Senate (2014-15) informed that the work could not be carried by an individual and recommended that a committee be constituted to carry out this work. The Senate accepted the recommendation and constituted a committee with this mandate and the following members: • Richa Agarwal (Chair)

	assist the Chairperson in the task.	 Sparsh Grover Jitendra Katiyar Kshitij Sareen Ashish Aggarwal
		Report from the committee is awaited.
		Action Pending.

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1	2	3	4	5
44	12	To consider the proposal to change the method of elections.	After discussion, the Senate decided that the proposal shall be deferred, in view of the upcoming General Elections'15, and the Senate may reconsider the proposal in more depth at a later date.	The Chairperson informed the Senate that the proposer of this item has requested to withdraw this item. Action Dropped.
46	15	To consider the issue pertaining to locked toilets in the Institute, particularly in the New SAC.	 The Senate discussed the issue in detail, and decided the following: All toilets in the New SAC will be kept open as far as possible. The President, Students' Gymkhana shall enquire about the reasons for toilets being locked at night in the Academic Area, and other such areas on campus, and update the Senate in its next meeting. 	The President, Students' Gymkhana informed the Senate that it is not possible to keep all the toilets open at all the times due to limited availability of workers in New SAC, particularly during the night. Action Dropped.