

# Minutes of the 16<sup>th</sup> meeting of the PGC of IIIT-D held on 07<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 at 3.00 p.m.in the Director's meeting Room, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, IIIT-D Campus, Okhla Industrial Estate, Phase-III, New Delhi

## Following were present:

1. Prof. Samaresh Chatterji - Chairman

2. Dr. Rahul Purandare

3. Dr. Md. S. Hashmi

4. Dr. SaketAnand

5. Dr. VenkataM. Vishwanath Gunturi

6. Dr. Sriram K

7. Dr. Anuradha Sharma

8. Dr. Ganesh Bagler

9. Dr. Sneh Sourabh

10. Mr. K P Singh - Academic Incharge
11. Mr. Ashutosh Brahma - JM(Academic)
12. Ms. Priti Patel - JM(Academic)

At the out set Prof. Samaresh Chatterji welcomed all to the meeting of the PGC. Thereafter, the agenda items were taken up for discussions and the following decisions/ recommendations were made:

# 1. To approve the minutes of the previous meeting (15th) of the PGC held on 24.08.2016.

Chair PGC apprised the members of the minutes of the previous meeting (15<sup>th</sup>) of the PGC held on 24.08.2016 placed on the table. Dr. Anuradha sharma was requested to mention in the next FM the aspect of starting M.Phil (Maths) at IIITD. She also clarified certain points with regard to timeline for comprehensive examination. Thereafter, the PGC, after making some changes, approved the minutes of the PGC (15<sup>th</sup>) meeting as per **Appendix**.

Arising out of discussions it was noted that minutes of the 14<sup>th</sup> meeting of the PGC held on 11<sup>th</sup> May,2016 were not yet confirmed. Since the new PGC has started only from Augut,2016, it was decided to first circulate the minute amongst the members for information and comments, if any. If there are no comments the minutes may treated as confirmed.

#### 2. To consider the Ph.D. course work requirement for CSE students

Chair PGC apprised the members of the discussions held in the previous meeting with regard to making of Object Oriented Programming & Design (OOPD) and Scientific Communication course of 2 credits each for PhD (CSE) students, as is the case for MTech students. After deliberations, the PGC recommended the following for further discussions in the FM:

- (i) The course on Scientific Communication course should be made compulsory for all PhD students including ECE & CB. The grade obtained in this Scientific Communication course should be considered for the CGPA calculation but the credits should not count for the coursework credit requirement.
- (ii) Instead of making OOPD compulsory, PhD students should be required to take any two bucket courses (one each from theory bucket and system bucket). The grades obtained should be counted in CGPA and the credits should be counted for the graduation course credit requirement. Furthermore, students need to secure a minimum of 'B' grade in each of the courses to fulfill the requirement.
- (iii) However, the student's supervisor can recommend waiver of the above requirements to the Chair-PGC.

## 3. To consider the requirement for IS for Ph.D. students

Consideration of this item was deferred to the next meeting.

#### 4. To update on the status of career counselling session for Ph.D. students

Consideration of this item was deferred to the next meeting.

#### 5. To review the rules for Best M.Tech. Thesis Award

It was decided to refer the matter to the FM.

Arising out of discussions it was felt that in the case of students getting M.Tech. on the way to Ph.D. including migrating M.Tech. students, there is a need to check if there is any overlap between thesis work of M.Tech. and Ph.D.. The student concerned should be asked to give a written statement that he will not include the work done for M.Tech. thesis in the Ph.D. thesis. The Ph.D. monitoring committee should also see the M.Tech. thesis to avoid overlap. The Supervisor of the students who forwards the final thesis for evaluation should ensure that there is no overlap.

# 6. To discuss the case of Amit Semwal, M.Tech. student (special case of Medical leave)

Dr. Rahul Purandare, Advisor of the student, Amit Semwal, an M.Tech. student, apprised the members of the background of the case including prevailing health problem of the student. He informed that despite medical problem the student has been regularly in touch with him and has shown keen interest to complete his program. After detailed deliberations

the PGC agreed to allow the student to do IS/IP from home as a special case on medical and humanitarian grounds.

7. To discuss the case regarding fellowship payment to PhD Student who is entering in 6th year of PhD in next academic year (received fellowship for 1st year from Institute and then for next 4 years from external agency).

Chair PGC apprised the members of the background of the case. After detailed deliberations the PGC did not agree to allow payment of fellowship to Ph.D. students beyond 5 years.

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