# Minutes of the 36th meeting of the PGC held on 18th April 2019

#### Following were present:

- 1. Dr. A.V. Subramanyam- Chairman
- 2. Dr. Anubha Gupta
- 3. Dr. Mayank Vatsa
- 4. Dr. Sriram K
- 5. Dr Sneh Saurabh
- 6. Dr. Ganesh Bagler
- 7. Dr Gaurav Arora
- 8. Dr Tanmoy Chakraborty
- 9. Dr Aasim Khan
- 10. Dr Rajiv Ratn Shah
- 11. Dr Anuradha Sharma
- 12. Dr Pushpendra Singh
  13. Dr Donghoon Chang
  14. Mr. K P Singh
  15. Special invitee
  16. Academic In-charge
- 15. Ms. SheetuAhuja Manager (Academics)
- 16. Ms. Priti Patel AM(Academics)

At the outset, Chair PGC welcomed all the members/special invitees to the meeting. Thereafter the agenda items were taken up for discussions and the following decisions/recommendation were made.

# 1. Minutes of the 35<sup>th</sup> meeting of the PGC held on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2019 were confirmed.

The PGC was also informed of the action taken on the decisions/recommendations made in its previous meeting.

# 2. To discuss about guidelines for allowing admission in Part Time PhD program (for IIIT Staff) through migration from part time MTech

Chair PGC apprised the members about the application of Mr. Abhijeet Mishra (IIITD Staff Member, who is presently pursuing Part Time MTech(ECE) program) for admissions to Part Time PhD program through migration and also informed f that this application can be considered under PG regulation clause 6, "Change from one program to another". After discussion the PGC has recommended for migration from MTech to Ph.D. provided the applicant fulfils all the minimum requirements as applicable for regular students i.e. CGPA 8.0 and completion of 20 credits of coursework. Since Abhijeet's current CGPA is less than 8.0, hence he is not eligible for migration to Ph.D. program.

## 3. To discuss about the draft MoU with Korea University for Joint PhD program.

Chair PGC apprised the members of the background. Dr. Anubha Gupta, ADOAA also added some additional information related to this case. Thereafter, Dr Dognhoon Chang who was specially invited for this item presented the case and answered the queries made by the members. The committee raised some pertinent questions and after detailed deliberations recommended that this MoU should be prepared in line with QUT MoU which is currently operational and is

acceptable to the Institute. Also the MOU should be reviewed by Mr Amit Shukla. During the course of discussions Dr Dognhoon also made some suggestions to make the MoU in student's name which was not agreed to and the committee observed that the MoU should be a general one and not student specific. The committee further requested Academic Section to prepare a draft MoU in line with QUT MoU and share it with all concerned members for their inputs and suggestions. The committee also requested Dr. Sriram K and Chair PGC to add a suitable line in the MoU which may provide for relaxation to a candidate on merit of the case as a special case.

# 4. To consider PhD regulation for HCD students.

HoD(HCD), Dr Pushpendra Singh presented the item and explained the salient features of the proposal. He also answered the queries made by the members. After brief discussion, the PGC requested to prepare a revised document for Ph.D.(HCD) regulations, in the light of the discussions held at the meeting. He was requested to consider/ include the below points:

- In eligibility criteria: To clarify that the listed UG degree of 4 years will be considered eligible.
- To list MCA degree under eligibility criteria
- To add relevant subjects of MA program
- To review CGPA/ percentage criteria
- To decide if percentage criteria will be applicable only in the previous degree or all previous degrees
- To add suitable constraints in place, so that only candidates relevant to department are considered in admission process.

Also, Academic section was asked to share the PG regulation template of SSH department with HCD department for the above purpose.

The committee further suggested that since this needs more deliberation, final document should be discussed again in PGC and hence the item should not be taken for discussion in upcoming Senate.

#### 5. To discuss about Master (Research) program of Dept of HCD.

HoD(HCD), Dr Pushpendra Singh presented the draft proposal for starting MS(Research) program. He also briefly explained the salient features of the proposal. The committee appreciated the proposal put forward. The committee also discussed the possibility of starting such a program across all the disciplines on campus. The committee raised some concerns about mandatory publication in Tier 1 conference etc. It was noted that the program will focus more on research and therefore will be considered different than M.Tech. program. It will not have the component of Scholarly paper /Capstone project/Industrial project. Dr Pushpendra was also requested to find out funding options for students admitted to this program. After detailed deliberations, the PGC requested to modify the proposal in the light of the discussions held at the meeting and circulate the revised document to all department for their comments..

# 6. To consider refund policy of PhD registration fees.

Chair PGC apprised the members of the background of the proposal. After detailed deliberations the PGC has recommended as under:

Registration fees for a new PhD Student–should be Rs.30,000/- which will be converted to Security Deposit after the registration.

- a. In case of withdrawal before registration process Rs.29,000/- will be refunded.
- b. In case of withdrawal after registration process, before completion of PhD Rs.25,000/- will be refunded.

With regard to point b above, the PGC was of the view that many PhD students who withdraw their registration before completion of PhD program, avoid getting no dues clearance from the institute and disappear from the system without information. If the refundable amount of security deposit is more, the concerned students may come forward and we may be able to track these students easily.

7. To consider updattion of existing PG regulation with regard to migration from M.Tech. to Ph.D.

Chair PGC informed the members that the Senate at its 16<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> August,2011 had taken the following decision regarding CGPA/policy for admitting students from M.Tech. into Ph.D.:

## "The CGPA/policy for admitting students from MTech into PhD.

The senate had earlier agreed to allow students in our MTech program who are performing well to move to PhD, while getting their MTech on the way. It is desirable to also build a policy on admitting students directly from the MTech.

After some discussions, it was decided that a student with above 8.0 CGPA in IIIT-Delhi (with a minimum of 20 credits) with the recommendation of two faculty members may be offered direct admission into the PhD program."

After a brief discussion the PGC has recommended to update the existing PG regulation by suitably incorporating the above Senate decision except that the highlighted portion in the bracket shall be replaced by '(with a minimum of two semesters and 20 credits)'.

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