

December 15, 2020

Report on Sixth SIC Meeting Held on December 15, 2020

A Sixth SIC Meeting was conducted on December 15, 2020 at 5 PM online with GoogleMeet Platform. The Director, Prof. Y. V. Joshi, The Dean Academics, Prof R. S. Holambe addressed the meeting. The CoE, Prof. A. B. Gonde coincidentally happened to be with us in the meeting and also addressed various queries related to examinations. A total of 58 members were present at the meeting.

Dr. A. R. Patil, The Dean of Students Affairs welcomed all the members and briefly explained the agenda of the meeting.

The agenda of the meeting was:

1. MidTerm Examinations related issues
2. Academic Calendar for the second semester
3. Pragya, Utsav, Zenith related issues
4. GATE related queries
5. Any other issue

Following are the minutes of the meeting:

1. Mid Term Examination related issues

- Dr. A. R. Patil informed that in case of some subjects, the subject teachers are a little busy with syllabus completion and that may cause in giving mid term marks but assured that the marks will be conveyed at the earliest. He also informed that there were some problems of opening the file which contain the subjective answers through any browser and that problem is communicated to CoE which is causing the delay in some cases.
- There was a request from some of the members to get answer keys and explanation of questions related to the mid-term examination. To this Prof Holambe informed that such instructions are already given in the previous HoD meeting and will be discussed in the next HoD meeting also. And he also suggested the students ask their teachers and teachers will certainly do the needful.
- There was a request from TY chemical members that one of the questions in PEDD- Process Equipments Design and Drawing of TY Chemical paper was wrongly assessed and then later it

was corrected but the marks have not yet been changed. Prof. A. R. Patil and Prof Holambe assured to settle the issue. Director sir suggested asking those students to contact HoD also.

- There was a suggestion from some of the members that students must receive a message from the Examination agency informing them about the successful submission of their paper after they submit their paper. Prof A B Gonde agreed with this suggestion and assured me that such an option will be made available.
- It was informed to the SIC that most of the questions of the end-term examination will be objective. More than 90 percent of teachers have agreed to go ahead with an objective question paper.
- Showing answer sheets of subjective questions: It was told in the last meeting also that students can request their teachers and get their subjective answer papers. In the case of MCQ marks, verification candidates have to come institute physically and then it can be shown due to some online data problem. Director addressed that we cannot replicate offline patterns exactly like the offline pattern. However, ours is the only institute that had subjective question patterns and also progressing well in handling the online exam with hard work from CoE and Dean academics. Both offline and online platforms are different. Answer keys can be circulated and someone has a serious objection that candidate can approach us.
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1. GATE Examination Related

- GATE examination is declared from 5th to 14th February 2021 and our semester is going to start from January 11, 2020. So in this regard, there was a request from members to get some preparatory leave period for this examination. Prof Joshi told that an individual can apply to the HoD. Because the students who are not appearing for the GATE will miss using the time. However, if all the students of some branch are appearing for GATE then in that case they can request their HoD and get such a concession otherwise not possible to grant PL for GATE.

1. PRAGYA, UTSAV, ZENITH Activities:

Prof Patil informed SIC that the new teams have been formulated and those teams will begin online activities mostly in February and March. There will not be a fixed schedule in the academic calendar as such for these activities and this will help to get more time for academic activities.

1. Any Other Issue

- There was a request from some of the students to use smart boards for the teaching of PPT's if possible. Director sir explained in detail to the SIC about the use of XP pens which are provided

to all the departments. Teachers can use XP pens which is also a good tool.

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- Prof Patil informed about the celebration of National Mathematics Day on December 22, 2020, by a lecture on Mathematics.

Meeting ended with thanks to the chair.