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OF THE 10th MEETING OF THE SENATE POSTGRADUATE COMMITTEE (2024-25)
HELD ON JULY 9, 2025 (Wednesday) AT 03:15 PM
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Members Present: Prof(s): P M Mohite (AE), Gourabananda Pahar (CE), Ark Verma (CGS), Basker Sundararaju (CHM), Debadatta Mishra (CSE), Sukumar Vellakkal (ECO), Imon Mondal (EE), Animesh Mandal (ES), Rajarshi Sengupta (HSS), Subhankar Mukherjee (DoMS), Anikesh Pal (ME), Sudhanshu S Singh (MSE), Pritam Chakraborty (MSP), Sudhanshu Shekhar (MATH), Sagar Chakrabarty (PHY), Laltu Chandra on behalf of Prabodh Bajpai (SEE), Ketan Rajawat (DIS)

Members Absent: Prof(s): Suresh Kumar (BSBE), Dipin S Pillai (CHE), J Ramkumar (DES), Pankaj Wahi (NET), Sapam Ranjita Chanu (PSE), Kunal P Mooley (SPASE), Mahendra Verma (KSS)

Senate Nominee: Prof. Abheejeet Mohapatra, Prof. Naveen Tiwari

Student representatives: Mr. Kartik Rout, Mr. Anubhav Jain (Absent), Ms. Harsha Prasad

(A) Confirmation of minutes of 9th SPGC meeting held on June 13, 2025

The minutes is confirmed

(B) To ratify the approval given by the Chairman, SPGC for transfer from M. Tech to M. Tech (with Project) degree

The following students had submitted a request for transfer from M.Tech to M.Tech (with Project) degree to SPGC with recommendations from supervisor and DPGC. The SPGC ratified the approval given by Chairperson, SPGC for transfer from M.Tech to M.Tech (with Project) degree to the students listed in the Table below.

S. No.	Roll No.	Name	Dept.	Prog.	Request
1	22111024	Gunj Mehul Hundiwala	CSE	MTech	Request for MTech (with Project)
2	231020025	Potta Sai Chaitanya	CHE	MTech	Request for MTech (with Project)
3	231120014	Shashank Nigam	MSP	MTech	Request for MTech (with Project)
4	231040011	Amit Chaneja	EE	MTech	Request for MTech (with Project)
5	231040064	Devrat Saran	EE	MTech	Request for MTech (with Project)
6	231010026	Gokul Raj S	AE	MTech	Request for MTech (with Project)

(C) To note the recommendation/approval of the following items by SPGC through email.

(a) Revised admission criteria for MSc programme of Department of Economics	Recommended by SPGC
(b) Qualifying degree for admission and template of Department of Intelligent Systems (IS)	Approved by SPGC

(D) Item requiring SPGC Approval:

a) Conversion from MSR/MTech to PhD Program

SPGC discussed the requests of the students (Table below) as per clause 4.6 of the PG manual. Since the requests were made at the end of 2024-25-2, the conversion is being considered for 2025-26-1.

S.No	Roll No	Name	Dept	Prog	Supervisor & DPGC Recommendation	Remark	SPGC Recommendation/ Decision
1.	241010071	Umesh Chandra	AE	M TECH	Recommended	CPI = 9.00 CU = 72 Last Qual.: BTech	After due deliberation, SPGC did not approve the request. However, the student can reapply for the change of program from MTech to PhD (as external

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S.No	Roll No	Name	Dept	Prog	Supervisor & DPGC Recommendation	Remark	SPGC Recommendation/ Decision
							student) after arrangement of external thesis supervisor from his parent organization, which is necessary for the external PhD student.
2.	241040034	Kuldeep Chaudhary	EE	M TECH	Recommended	CPI = 8.57 CU = 63 Last Qual.: BTech	Approved

b) New course approval:

Course No	Title	Credits	Instructor	SPGC Decision
PHY686	Function Spaces for the Formalism of Quantum Mechanics	3-0-0-0-9	Dr. Kaushik Bhattacharya	Approved
MTH645	Theory of Hardy Spaces	3-0-0-0-9	Dr. Muthukumar P	Approved

c) Change of registration from Full-Time to Part-Time

SPGC discussed the requests of the students (Table below) as per clause 4.8 of the PG manual.

S.No	Roll No	Name	Dept	Prog	Supervisor and DPGC Recommendation	Remark	SPGC Decision
1.	21219261	Arti Agarwal	DES	PhD	Recommended	CU=54/TU=234 CPI=9.17 NOC -NA Comp.date:21-02-2023 SOTA date:21-04-2023	Since NOC was not provided, SPGC recommended that student can take semester leave. In the meantime, if the student can provide NOC, then conversion from full-time to part-time is approved.
2.	241050028	Dheeraj Kumar Shukla	ME	MTech	Recommended	CU=72/TU=N/A CPI=8.00 NOC - attached	Approved
3.	20123269	Muhammed Shamil V T	ES	PhD	Recommended	CU=54/TU=315 CPI=9.67 NOC - attached Comp.date:27-01-2022 SOTA date:22-08-2022	Approved

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E) Items requiring SPGC recommendation for Senate/Senate Chairperson considerations

a) Appeal for reinstatement:

S. No.	Roll No	Name	Dept	Prog	Supervisor/Course Instructor, recommendation	DPGC Recommendation	SPGC Recommendation for reinstatement
1.	231050067	Puneet Srivastava	ME	MTech	Recommended	Recommended	The student has not completed the thesis credit yet. It is not clear on how the student is going to complete the thesis credit while on job. The SPGC requested DPGC to consult the student and get clarification.
2.	22103077	Sachin Kumar Prajapati	CE	MTech	Pending	Recommended	The student has not completed coursework. It was not clear on how the student is going to attend classes while in job. SPGC requested DPGC to consult the student get clarification on the same before it can be considered.
3.	19111084	Shashank	CSE	MTech	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended. This matter will be sent to the Senate for consideration.

b) Exit from PhD programme with MTech/MS-Research/MA-Research Degree

S. No.	Roll No.	Name	Dept	Prog	Supervisor and DPGC Recommendation	SPGC Recommendation
1	22101262	Amal M S	AE	PhD	Recommended	Recommended exit from PhD programme with MSR degree.
2	231000610	Md Asif Uzzaman	HSS	PhD	Recommended	Recommended exit from PhD programme with MAR degree.
3	242230603	Sukanya Mandal	ES	PhD	Recommended	Recommended exit from PhD programme with MTech degree.
4	19105269	Himanshu Giria	ME	PhD	Recommended	Recommended exit from PhD programme with MTech degree.

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c) Request to appoint External co-supervisor

S. No	Roll No	Name	Dept	Prog	Supervisor and DPGC Recommendation	Details of Co-supervisor	SPGC Decision
1	241030057	Pitchika Rudra Sai Praveen	CE	MTech	Recommended	Dr. Gaurav Pandey Associate Professor (TEXAS A&M University)	Recommended. It will be sent to Chair Senate for consideration
2	241040607	Chiranjit Majumder	EE	PhD	Recommended	Dr. Basudev Majumder Associate Professor (IIST, Thiruvananthapuram)	Recommended. It will be sent to Chair Senate for consideration

F) Any other item with the permission of chair:

S. No.	Item Description	SPGC Recommendation/Decision
1.	Admission cancellation of Rishiraj Ray_242120001_MSP_MTech	Based on the recommendation of DPGC, SPGC recommended the cancellation of admission. It will be sent to Senate Chair for consideration.
2.	Request for course (AE663) drop, Dipendra K. Dewangan (241010021), AE/M.Tech	After due deliberation, SPGC did not approve the course drop request of the student as the application was initiated beyond the deadline. Furthermore, SPGC members opined that he can be referred to counselling service.
3.	Request for Re-admission: Shiwali (241230613), ES/PhD	The student successfully completed one semester and DPGC has strongly supported the readmission of the student. After due deliberation, SPGC recommended the readmission of the student. It will be sent to Chair Senate for consideration.
4.	Request for Medical Leave: Pokala Naresh (20105285), ME/PhD	Medical leave of the student is approved
5.	To consider changes in clause 4.2.2 and 7.6.3 of the PG manual for inclusion of X grades	After due deliberation, SPGC recommended the changes in the clause 4.2.2 and 7.6.3 of the PG manual (Annexure A). The recommendation will be sent to the Senate for discussion and approval.
6.	To consider the inclusion of a clause in the PG manual for Endsem and make-up examinations	After due deliberation, SPGC recommended the inclusion of clause 7.6.9 in the PG manual (Annexure B). The recommendation will be sent to the Senate for discussion and approval.
7.	To consider the modification in clause 6.1 of the PG manual for MSc (2-Year) programmes	After due deliberation, SPGC recommended the modification of clause 6.1 of the PG manual for MSc (2-year) programmes (Annexure C). This matter will be sent to the Senate for discussion and approval.
8	To consider the proposed modification in the PG manual for MSc (2-Year) and MSc-PhD (Dual Degree) Programmes	After due deliberation, SPGC recommended the modification in the PG manual for MSc (2-year) and MSc-PhD (Dual degree) (Annexure D). This matter will be sent to the Senate for discussion and approval.

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9	To consider the removal of 18 credits requirements through research for PG Diploma (DIIT) – proposal of SRC	SPGC will inform SRC chair that it can be sent to the Departments for feedback.																								
10	Request for Re-admission: Tanzeem Husain (242070623), CHM/PhD	The DPGC has not recommended the application. The student was contacted several times by the Department as well as PG office; however, there was no communication from the student even after last date of document verification (even till March 30, 2025). After due deliberation, SPGC did not approve the re-admission of the student.																								
11	To consider the revision of clause 11.1.9. of the PG manual – proposal of SRC	SPGC agrees with the proposal of SRC. SPGC also suggested that the sentence “In case a supervisor resigns/retires or otherwise ceases to be a faculty member” should be changed to “In case a supervisor ceases to be a faculty member” to avoid confusion. The suggestion will be communicated to SRC chairperson by the SPGC chairperson.																								
12	To consider the discrepancy in ordinance 7.9 and current practice for awarding I grade	Since there is discrepancy in the ordinance (7.9) and clause 7.6.2 of PG manual, after due deliberation, SPGC suggested that SRC can review it and then recommend the changes to the Senate for consideration. SPGC further recommended that the current practice of awarding I grade (i.e., missing Endsem examination) can be retained.																								
13	Co-supervisor appointment of Annesha Deb (22108265), MTH/PhD	Since two supervisors of the student is on leave for more than a year, SPGC approved appointment of Co-supervisor (Prof. Neeraj Misra).																								
14	Proposal for revision in Thesis credit requirements for Ph.D. programme (SEE)	<p>The SPGC approved the proposal for revision in thesis credit requirements for Ph.D. programme in Sustainable Energy Engineering Dept. from 2025-26 Sem I.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Highest Degree qualified</th> <th>Min. Course Credits</th> <th>Current Min. Thesis Credits</th> <th>Proposed Min. Thesis Credits</th> <th>Current Min. Total</th> <th>Proposed Min. Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>B.Tech.</td> <td>72</td> <td>126</td> <td>144</td> <td>216</td> <td>216</td> </tr> <tr> <td>M.Sc.</td> <td>72</td> <td>126</td> <td>144</td> <td>216</td> <td>216</td> </tr> <tr> <td>M.Tech.</td> <td>54</td> <td>90</td> <td>144</td> <td>144</td> <td>198</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Highest Degree qualified	Min. Course Credits	Current Min. Thesis Credits	Proposed Min. Thesis Credits	Current Min. Total	Proposed Min. Total	B.Tech.	72	126	144	216	216	M.Sc.	72	126	144	216	216	M.Tech.	54	90	144	144	198
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15	Request for conversion from Sponsored to External PhD Programme: Ankit Patel (241010608), PhD/Aero	After due deliberation, the SPGC approved the conversion from Sponsored to External PhD Programme.																								
16	Request to waive off DES888: Yogesh Kumar Singh Solanki (232190604), PhD/DES	The SPGC did not approve the request of waiving off DES888 as it is mandatory to complete this course, as per the Senate decision. The Department is allowed to conduct the PG Seminar/professional and communication skills courses in the modes other than offline (as per clause 7.1.4 of PG manual).																								
17	Request to start MSc-PhD (Dual Degree - MSPD) program in Department of Chemistry	The SPGC requested the DPGC, Department of Chemistry to bring a proposal along with course template for further discussion in SPGC.																								
18	Migration from MSc-PhD (Dual Degree – MSPD) program to PhD program from 2025-2026-I Semester. (Annexure-E).	The SPGC approved the Migration from MSc-PhD (Dual Degree – MSPD) program to PhD program from 2025-2026-I Semester.																								

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19	Request from Department of Civil Engineering for inclusion of M.Tech Specialization in Degree/Marksheet Titles	After due deliberation, SPGC did not recommend the inclusion of specializations in the Degree certificate. However, for the benefits of students, SPGC recommended that specializations can be mentioned in the transcript/grade sheet. This matter will be placed in the Senate for discussion.
20	Guidelines for Co-supervisor allocation for Inspire and Ramanujan Faculty Fellows	After discussion, SPGC agreed that Inspire and Ramanujan Faculty Fellows may be allowed to supervise PG students. The SPGC recommended that the existing clause 11.1.3 of the PG manual can be applicable for faculty fellows. In addition, SPGC recommended that faculty fellows be allowed to supervise both masters as well as PhD students without any restriction in number. The changes recommended by SPGC in the clause 11.1.3 is provided in Annexure F. This matter will be placed in the Senate meeting for discussion and approval.

Annexure A

Existing	Proposed
<p>4.2.2. A student may be permitted to repeat or substitute courses in which he/she has obtained D+, D, E or F grades. Permission to repeat/substitute a course will be governed by the guidelines laid down in Section 7.6. The request for repeat or substitution of a course must be given in writing duly endorsed by the DPGC to the Academic Section at the time of registration.</p> <p>7.6.3. A student getting an E or a F grade in a course must either repeat it or substitute it by another course as suggested by DPGC.</p>	<p>4.2.2. A student may be permitted to repeat or substitute courses in which he/she has obtained D+, D, E, F or X grades. Permission to repeat/substitute a course will be governed by the guidelines laid down in Section 7.6. The request for repeat or substitution of a course must be given in writing duly endorsed by the DPGC to the Academic Section at the time of registration.</p> <p>7.6.3. A student getting an E, F or X grade in a course must either repeat it or substitute it by another course as suggested by DPGC.</p>

Annexure B

7.6.9. It is mandatory to conduct End Semester Examination in a course, unless the instructor has already informed DPGC(s) of the department(s) offering the course as well as students registered in the course at the beginning of the course. If a student fails to appear in the End Semester Examination of a course for medical reasons, s/he may submit a request for make-up examination in the prescribed form for the approval of Chairperson, SPGC after recommendation from the DPGC of the department concerned. A passing grade cannot be awarded, if a student fails to appear in the End Semester Examination or Make-up Examination of a course. However, in such a scenario, an appropriate grade based on zero marks in the End-Semester Examination may be awarded only after the recommendation of SPGC and approval of Chairperson, Senate. If a student fails to appear in the Mid Semester Examination of a course for medical reasons, s/he may apply for make-up examination on the dates of such examinations for the modular courses. For the approved cases, the course instructor may opt to prorate marks in the mid-semester examination.

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Annexure C

For MSc programme, the changes in clause 6.1 below of the PG manual are in red color.

6.1. Permission to Proceed to Other Academic Institutions as Non-Degree Students

In order to help-students broaden their horizons and enrich their cultural and academic experience, provision to proceed to other academic and research institutions in India or abroad as nondegree students is available. Rules and procedures to be followed for availing this provision are as follows:

- i) An M.Tech./M.Des./M.S. by Research/MSc/Ph.D. student who satisfies the minimum conditions laid down in para below may proceed to another academic institution in India or abroad with prior permission of the SPGC on the recommendation of the DPGC. A MSc student is permission to spend time as a non-degree student elsewhere up to one semester and/or one summer term.
- ii) ~~Only those postgraduate~~ PG students who have spent at least two semesters and have a CPI of at least 8.0 are eligible to proceed as non-degree students elsewhere except in the case of MSc students. For a MSc student, the minimum CPI and credits through coursework are 7.0 and 100, respectively.
- iii) For permission to spend time as a non-degree student elsewhere, an eligible student will make an application to the SPGC through the DPGC, duly supported by a statement of purpose to undertake the proposed work and sufficient information about the department/institution for the purposes of para (iv) below.
- iv) The DPGC will consider the student's application and will determine if the proposed programme of work is of such a nature that waiver for at least 18 credits per regular semester or 9 credits per summer term is possible. The SPGC may approve the application on the recommendation of the DPGC. In all such cases, the student will be informed about the requirements he/she must fulfill to apply for academic credit on his/her return.
- v) Permission to proceed to an institution as a nondegree student does not imply that the student will automatically get any waiver from the academic requirements of IIT Kanpur.
- vi) The student after completion of the work, will apply for waiver from requirements of his/her programme at IIT Kanpur supported by an official transcript of the grades obtained and whatever material the DPGC may require for the purpose given in para (vii) below.
- vii) The concerned DPGC will evaluate the work done by the student and will make recommendations to the SPGC after determining by whatever means it deems fit, the equivalent IIT Kanpur courses/requirements for which the student may be given a waiver.
- viii) On the recommendation of the DPGC, the SPGC may allow the waiver for a maximum of 36 credits for M.Tech./M.Des./M.S. by Research/Ph.D. student and 60 credits for MSc student. Against each requirement for which a waiver is granted, a W would appear on the transcript with an explanatory note that W stands for waiver for work done at the Institution concerned. All such requirements will be deemed to carry zero weight for SPI/CPI calculations.
- ix) The minimum residence requirement for the students who avail this provision will remain unchanged for Ph.D. students but may be reduced by one semester for M. Tech./M.Des./M.S. by Research students/MSc, provided they spend at least one semester of 16 weeks duration or two quarters of at least 11 weeks duration (not applicable for MSc students) each as non-degree students elsewhere with prior permission.
- x) Those students who are selected by the Institute using a Senate-prescribed procedure to proceed on any institutional exchange programme, except for the students going under the DAAD fellowship programme, will also have to go through the procedure and rules for the transfer of credits as outlined in paras (vi), (vii), (viii) and (ix) above.

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Annexure D

(A) To consider the proposal that short and medical leave guidelines of MSc students be same as other PG students

Currently, MSc students can be granted five days short leave in a semester. In addition, MSc students can be granted medical leaves of 10 days (in semester) and 5 days (in summer), which are different than other PG students. SPGC recommended that the duration of short and medical leaves for MSc students can be same as other PG students. In this view, SPGC recommended that existing clause 5.1.2 (for casual leave) and 5.2 (for medical leave) of the PG manual should be valid for MSc students as well. Clause 5.1.2. and 5.2. of the PG manual are provided below.

5.1.2. In addition, a student may be allowed casual leave for up to 6 days during a semester and 4 days during the summer term. The casual leave cannot be carried over.

5.2. Leave on medical ground, duly supported by a medical certificate, may be granted to a student for up to 8 days per semester and 4 days during the summer term. Leave not availed may be carried over to the next semester/term up to a maximum of 8 days in the case of carry over to semester and 4 days in the case of carry over to term. However, at a stretch, the medical leave shall not exceed 15 days during a semester and 8 days during the summer term. Such leave shall not entail any loss of financial assistantship.

(B) To consider the inclusion of de-registration clause of Master of Science 2-Year and Master of Science-Doctor of Philosophy (Dual Degree) manual in the PG manual

Currently, an instructor is allowed to de-register a student in the course. This has already been mentioned in the MSc-MSPD manual (clause 6.1.4). Although de-registration of a PG student from the course, by instructor, is already in practice, this has not been mentioned in the PG manual. SPGC recommended that this be included in the PG manual. SPGC recommended that following changes in the clause 4.5.2 of the PG manual.

Existing	Proposed
4.5.2. A student may be required to drop a course at any stage if it is determined that he/she does not fulfil the prerequisites for the course, or if a timetable clash exists which does not permit him/her to attend all the meetings of the course, or any rule in this manual which forbids him/her to take the course(s) that he/she has registered for.	4.5.2. A student may be required to drop a course at any stage if it is determined that he/she does not fulfil the prerequisites for the course, or if a timetable clash exists which does not permit him/her to attend all the meetings of the course, or any rule in this manual which forbids him/her to take the course(s) that he/she has registered for. A course instructor may also recommend de-registration of a student in the course for reasons such as unauthorized absence from classes.

(C) Changes in PG manual for MSc (2-Year) and Master of Science-Doctor of Philosophy (Dual Degree) Programmes

The Table below provides existing guidelines in MSc-MSPD manual (left column), action to be taken (middle column) and changes in the PG manual (right column). Texts highlighted in blue colored are to be added in the PG manual from MSc-MSPD manual. Red colored texts are the changes in the existing clause of PG manual to incorporate clauses from MSc-MSPD manual. Green colored texts are the proposed changes for MSc students.

Note: MSc (2-Year) is referred to MSc and Master of Science-Doctor of Philosophy (Dual Degree) as MSPD

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MSc-MSPD Manual clause	Action to be taken	Modified clause in PG Manual
Chapter 1 - Introduction	Already exists in PG manual (Annexure I)	NA
Chapter 2 - Programmes of Study	Add clause 1.1.7. and 1.1.8. in PG manual	1.1.7. Programmes leading to the Master of Science 2-Year (MSc) in Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics, Statistics, Economics. 1.1.8. Programmes leading to the Master of Science-Doctor of Philosophy (Dual Degree) (to be referred to as MSPD).
Chapter 3- Admission Procedure and Rules		
3.1.1 MSc 2-Year and MSPD Programmes (For departments detailed at 2.1.1 above)	Clause 2.2.1 to be modified	2.2.1. The admissions to the M.Tech./M.Des./M.S. by Research and Ph.D. programmes may be made in either or both of the two regular semesters. Admission to the D.IIT. programme may be made once in a year but in either semester. The Head of the Department concerned may take the decision in this regard. Admissions to MBA / MSc / MSPD programme are made once a year in the first semester.
3.1.2 MSc 2-Year (For departments detailed at 2.1.2 above)	Add clause 2.3.12 in PG manual	2.3.12. MSc and MSPD programme The applicant should have a valid JAM score.
3.1.2 Reservation	Already exists in PG manual	NA
3.2 Validity of Admission and Its Cancellation	First paragraph need not be included in PG manual Second paragraph already exists in PG manual (Clause 2.4.8., 4.b.)	NA
Chapter 4 Academic Session		
4.1 Dates	Already exists in PG manual (clause 2.1)	NA
4.2 Duration	Not required in PG manual as it is already in ordinance 2.1	NA
4.3 Academic Calendar	Not required in PG manual	NA

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Chapter 5 List of Courses	Not required in PG manual as these information are provided in Department and course templates pertains to Departments	NA
Chapter 6 Registration		
6.1 Academic registration; 6.1.1 Pre-Registration; 6.1.2 Final Registration	Already exists in PG manual (clause 4.a.)	NA
6.1.3 Add-Drop of Courses	It already exists in PG manual (clause 4.5)	NA
6.1.4 Cancellation of Registration in a Course	Modify clause 4.5.2. in PG manual	4.5.2. A student may be required to drop a course at any stage if it is determined that he/she does not fulfil the prerequisites for the course, or if a timetable clash exists which does not permit him/her to attend all the meetings of the course, or any rule in this manual which forbids him/her to take the course(s) that he/she has registered for. A course instructor may also recommend de-registration of a student in the course for reasons such as unauthorized absence from classes.
6.1.5 Academic Load in Regular Semesters	First paragraph already exists in PG manual (Annexure III)	NA
6.1.6 Academic Load in Summer Term	Add clause 4.3.5 in PG manual Add a sentence in clause 4.4 of PG manual	4.3.5. Notwithstanding the provisions of 4.3.1, a normal semester load is defined as equivalent of 50 credits for a MSc/MSPD student. For a well-merited case, the SPGC may permit a student to register for a maximum of 65 credits and a minimum of 35 credits. 4.4. A student is required to register in the summer term for up to a maximum of half the normal semester load except in the case of a MSc student. A MSc student may choose to register for a maximum of 27 credits. The students in the external registration program and the students who are waiting for the defense of their thesis are not required to register for the summer term. Part time students may apply for waiver for summer term registration. The request should be duly recommended by the supervisor and DPGC, Convenor. A waiver be granted upon an explicit request by the individual.
6.1.7 Cancellation of Registration	Change title of clause 5.6 and add a new clause as second paragraph in clause 5.6	5.6 Absence for less than a semester/term Except in the case of MSc students, if a registered student is absent on sanctioned leave for a period of 4 weeks or more during a semester or 1 week or more during the summer term at a stretch, SPGC may decide to convert the leave to a semester/term leave, or reduce the thesis credits (in blocks of 9 credits) appropriately, in case the student is registered only for thesis credits. For MSc students, absence from all academic activities for more than 20 working days (not necessarily contiguous) in a semester, with or

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		without sanctioned leave. will result in the cancellation of registration from all courses in that semester (i.e., semester leave) on the recommendation of the DPGC and approval of SPGC. The corresponding number of days of absence for a summer term is 10.
6.2 Administrative Registration	Already exists in PG manual (clause 4.a.)	NA
6.3 Late Registration	Already exists in PG manual (clause 4.1.)	NA
Chapter 7 Teaching and Evaluation		
7.1 Teaching		
7.1.1 Medium of Instruction	No need to add in PG manual	NA
7.1.2 Offering a New Course	Addition of a sentence in first paragraph of Annexure III of PG manual	Each postgraduate course will have a unique number consisting of two parts. The first part will consist of a code to identify the department/programme which will be of 1 to 3 characters of English alphabet and identical for all courses of a particular Department/Programme. In the case of Humanities and Social Sciences separate identification codes will be used for each of the approved disciplines. The second part will be a three-digit number beginning with 6, 7, 8 or 9 unless the course is offered by the departments having MSc programmes. For such departments, the second part will be a three-digit number beginning with 4 and 5 also. To ensure active participation of the identified department to run a IDP, the nomenclature of the individual courses offered under the programme shall reflect the identity of the department offering the course.
7.1.3 Courses Offerings for a Given Semester	No need to add in PG manual	NA
7.1.4 Duration of Courses	No need to add in PG manual	NA
7.1.5 Conduct of Courses	No need to add in PG manual	NA
7.1.6 Attendance in Class	First paragraph already included in modified clause 4.5.2 and 4.5.3 (see above)	NA
	Second paragraph already included (see above)	NA
	Third paragraph – add the following clause as second paragraph in clause 5.7 of PG manual	Except in the case of MSc students, absence without sanctioned leave will entail loss of financial assistantship for the period of absence and may result in the termination of the student's programme on the recommendation of the DPGC and approval of SPGC. For MSc students, absence from all academic activities for more than 30 working days contiguously in a semester without sanctioned leave

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		or absence from end-semester exams in all the courses in which s/he is registered, without compelling reason, will result in the termination of the student's programme on the recommendation of the DPGC and approval of SPGC.
7.1.7 Work-Week and Class Timings	No need to include in PG manual	NA
7.2 Evaluation and Performance Feedback		
7.2.1 Examinations	No need to include in PG manual	NA
7.2.2 Quiz, evaluated assignments.	No need to include in PG manual	NA
7.2.3 Make-up Examination	No need to include in PG manual	NA
7.2.4 Results of Examinations and Quizzes	No need to include in PG manual	NA
7.2.5 Letter Grades and Weightages	Already exists in PG manual (clause 7.6)	NA
7.2.6 Semester Performance Index	Already exists in PG manual (clause 7.6.8)	NA
7.2.7 Cumulative Performance Index	Already exists in PG manual (clause 7.6.8)	NA
7.2.8 Declaration of the Final Result	No need to include in PG manual	NA
7.2.9 Withholding of Grades	No need to include in PG manual	NA
7.2.10 Change of an already awarded grade	No need to include in PG manual (Form already exists in SPGC forms tab in DoAA website)	NA
Chapter 8 Academic Requirement and Degree Eligibility		
8.1 Minimum and Maximum Duration	Add in Table 7.1	The minimum and maximum duration allowed in MSc programme is 4 semesters and 6 semesters, respectively.
8.2 Minimum Academic Requirement	This is added in clause 7.7.6.	NA
8.3 Graduation	No need to include in PG manual	NA

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8.4 Award of Degrees	No need to add in PG manual	NA
8.5 Withdrawal of the Degree	No need to add in PG manual	NA
Chapter 9 Inadequate Academic Performance		
9.1 Mechanism to Address Inadequate Performance, 9.2 The criteria for categorization of students, 9.3: Programme Termination	This is to be added as clause 7.7.6 in the PG manual	7.7.6. In the case of MSc students, clauses 7.7.1 to 7.7.5 shall not apply. An MSc student has to only complete prescribed number of credits as per department template for graduation. Such students will be counselled by the ACG (Academic Counselling & Guidance) in case their CAR score falls below 40, where CAR represents the total credits divided by the number of semesters student registered excluding the summer term.
9.4 Appeal against termination	Since there exists No-Termination policy based on academic performance, this is not needed in PG manual	NA
Chapter 10 Rules governing Change, Addition in the Programme	Add word 'MSc' in clause 4.6. Add clause 4.6.(d) in the PG manual. Add Annexure VI in the PG manual Clause 10.4 in MSc-MSPD manual will be clause 3.6 in the PG manual	4.6. Change of Registration from M.Tech. /M.Des./M.S. by Research/MSc/MBA Programme to Ph.D. Programme 4.6.(d) For MSc programme, refer Annexure VI. Annexure VI: MSPD programme: Change in registration, Academic roadmap 3.6. All MSPD students are eligible to get a financial assistantship in the first semester. For subsequent semesters, they must have a minimum CPI of 6.5 to avail this assistantship. For students with a CPI of less than 6.5, the assistantship will be discontinued until their CPI rises to 6.5 or above and shall be resumed in the following semester, provided they have not migrated as PhD student. If an MSPD student has not migrated as PhD student at the end of four semesters, due to reasons such as backlogs and semester drops, and the CPI is not less than 6.5, then the assistantship, which had earlier been withheld, may be awarded. The decision will be taken on case-to-case basis. In no case, a student will receive this assistantship for more than a total of four semesters. *The existing Annexure VI will become Annexure VII

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Chapter 11 Leave of Absence		
11.1 Mid-Semester Recess and Vacation	No need to include in PG manual	NA
11.2 Medical/Short Leave	Add a sentence in clause 5 of PG manual. Also, add a sentence in	<p>5. LEAVE RULES: Students may be granted leave under Sections 5.1 and 5.2 on application to DPGC of the concerned Department. Leave under Sections 5.3 and 5.4 will be sanctioned by SPGC on the recommendation of DPGC. Applications must be submitted well in advance of the date of commencement of the leave requested. Leave for a period longer than that specified in Sections 5.1, 5.2 and 5.3 may be sanctioned by SPGC on the recommendation of DPGC and it will entail loss of financial assistantship for the extended period. MSc students may be granted only casual, medical, and semester/term leave.</p>
	With regard to short leave, 5.1.2. clause of PG manual seems fine. Instead of 5 days of short leave for MSc students, casual leaves of 6 days in regular semester and 4 days in summer are proposed (similar to other PG students).	5.1.2. NA
	With regard to medical leave, clause 5.2 seems fine. Instead of 10 days (in regular semester) and 5 days (in summer term) of medical leaves for MSc students, medical leave of 8 days per semester and 4 days in summer term are proposed (similar to other PG students).	5.2. NA
11.3 Temporary Withdrawal/ Semester Leave	Already exists in PG manual (clause 5.4)	NA

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11.4 Penalty for Unsanctioned or Excessive Leave	<p>First paragraph is in modified 4.5.2 of the PG manual</p> <p>Second paragraph: same as 6.1.7 and 2nd paragraph of 7.1.6 and has been taken care of before</p> <p>Third paragraph already exists in PG manual (clause 5.7). This is same as third paragraph 7.1.6 of MSc-MSPD manual)</p>	<p>NA</p> <p>NA</p> <p>NA</p>
Chapter 12 Scholarships, Awards and Medals	No need to include in PG manual	NA
Chapter 13 Conduct and Discipline	No need to include in PG manual	NA
Chapter 14 A Quick Guide for Students Important Information	<p>No need to include this. SPGC is in the process of creating this for PG students, which will be made available in DoAA website.</p> <p>In MSc, students can only repeat courses in which s/he has obtained E/F/X grade. In this view, a sentence on this is to be added in clause 4.2.2 in the PG manual.</p>	<p>NA</p> <p>4.2.2. Except for MSc students, a student may be permitted to repeat or substitute courses in which he/she has obtained D+, D, E or F grades. MSc students can only repeat courses in which s/he has obtained E/F/X grades. Permission to repeat/substitute a course will be governed by the guidelines laid down in Section 7.6. The request for repeat or substitution of a course must be given in writing duly endorsed by the DPGC to the Academic Section at the time of registration.</p>
Chapter 15 Waiver and Amendments		
15.1 Waiver	Already exists in PG manual (Clause 1.2)	NA
15.2 Amendments	No need to include in PG manual	NA
Chapter 16 Course Templates	No need to include in PG manual. Departments are requested to place this in their website	NA

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Other changes in the PG manual

Modification in clause 7.1.1: All PG students shall be required to pass an English proficiency test or complete a remedial course successfully in the partial fulfillment of their PG program. The students in MBA, DIIT, MSc and MSPD programs or with IELTS/TOEFL/GATE-English scores above a specified threshold will be exempted from this requirement. The students must appear in the English proficiency test in the first semester of their program and clear the test in the first academic year of their joining. The remedial course will be counted towards the semester load, but not towards the minimum credit requirements for graduation. This is applicable for Y23 and later batch students.

Modification in clause 7.1.2: Except for MSc students, all PG students shall register for a zero-credit PG Seminar Course, at least for one semester for M.Tech./M.Des/M.S. by Research/MBA and two semesters for Ph.D. students. This is applicable for Y23 and later batch students.

Annexure VI

MSPD programme: Change in registration, Academic roadmap

1. Change in registration from MSc to MSPD Programme

Students admitted in the MSc programme may apply for MSPD programme subject to fulfilment of eligibility criteria as mentioned below and availability of seats in the programme.

(i) *Eligibility:* A minimum CPI of 7.0 and no backlogs at the time of applying.

(ii) *Application Process:* Students may apply at the end of their third semester (but before the date of registration for the fourth semester). Students should include two letters of recommendation with the application. At least one of the letters should be from an instructor with whom the student has done a course at IIT Kanpur. Applications shall be considered by a selection committee, to be set up by the head of the department, and approved by the Chairperson, SPGC. The recommendations of the selection committee shall be approved by SPGC.

2. Academic Roadmap

(A) From the perspective of whether MSc or PhD rules apply, the time spent in completing the MSPD's first 3 years of approved coursework is split into two parts:

(i) *First two years of coursework:* During this period, an MSPD student will be governed by the rules meant for MSc students. However, the course template will be followed as per Departmental MSPD template.

(ii) *Third year of coursework:* MSPD students migrate to the PhD part of the programme provided they have cleared all the courses of the first four semesters as per MSPD template with at least 6.0 CPI. Furthermore,

(a) Till a student migrates to PhD part, they will be governed by MSc rules (except for the course template). After migration, the student will be governed by the rules meant for the PhD students (except for the course template).

(b) When a student migrates late (after fifth or later semester), then the already done third-year-courses in the template should be counted towards their PhD coursework.

(B) If a student completes the 3-year coursework but is still unable to migrate (CPI less than 6.0), then the student is allowed to either (a) exit the programme with an MSc degree or (b) continue doing extra elective courses to improve the CPI to 6.0. The maximum duration in such cases is (1.5 times of normal duration) 9 semesters.

(C) MSPD students will get an MSc degree after successful completion of the full three-year-course-template of MSPD program.

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3. Summer Term

Until MSPD students migrate to the PhD part of the programme, they are expected to spend a minimum period of 8 weeks during every summer term doing a project on campus with a faculty member of the Department of Physics, IIT Kanpur. A co-supervisor from within IITK or outside IITK is allowed. However, if they spend time outside IITK for the project, they will not get funding from two sources. A student who does not do such a project is not eligible to receive any assistantship during the summer term.

Annexure E

The following students of M.Sc.-Ph.D. (Dual) program in the department of Physics have satisfied all the requirements, at the end of 2024-25-II semester/Summer term-2025 for migration to Ph.D. part. Details of students are as follows:

S. No.	ROLL_NO	NAME	DEPT.	REMARK
1.	231090401	ABHINAV KUMAR	PHY	MIGRATED
2.	231090402	ABHINAV KUMAR KARN	PHY	MIGRATED
3.	231090403	AKASH ADHIKARY	PHY	MIGRATED
4.	231090405	ASTHA TIWARI	PHY	MIGRATED
5.	231090406	DEBANJAN BHATTACHARYYA	PHY	MIGRATED
6.	231090407	DHANJAY	PHY	MIGRATED
7.	231090408	DHARAMISTHA	PHY	MIGRATED
8.	231090409	HRITHIK BISWAS	PHY	MIGRATED
9.	231090410	JAGDISH	PHY	MIGRATED
10.	231090411	JYOTI PRASAD PEGU	PHY	MIGRATED
11.	231090412	MARSHAL SOREN	PHY	MIGRATED
12.	231090413	MITALI ROY	PHY	MIGRATED
13.	231090415	SAGAR SANTRA	PHY	MIGRATED
14.	231090416	SHUBHAM PANDEY	PHY	MIGRATED
15.	231090419	TARUN YADAV	PHY	MIGRATED
16.	231090420	VIVEK KUMAR	PHY	MIGRATED
17.	231090028	SASWATA CHATTERJEE	PHY	MIGRATED
18.	231090027	SANDIPAN RAKSHIT	PHY	MIGRATED
19.	231090031	SHIVAM KUMAR MISHRA	PHY	MIGRATED
20.	231090026	SANDEEP SHARMA	PHY	MIGRATED
21.	231090024	ROHAN SINGH	PHY	MIGRATED
22.	231090021	RAVI KANT	PHY	MIGRATED
23.	231090014	MALAY GARG	PHY	MIGRATED
24.	231090009	DIPAK VERMA	PHY	MIGRATED

* S.no 17-24 - These students converted their program from M.Sc.-2yr to MS-PD (Dual)

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Annexure F

Existing	Proposed
<p>11.1.3. Under exceptional circumstances, other employees of IITK with the rank of senior scientific officer and above can be appointed as co-supervisors of Ph.D. students. The recommendation of a peer group (appointed by the Head of the Department to which the student belongs) regarding the merit and qualifications of being considered as co-supervisor should be sent to the SPGC through the DPGC for approval. One such co-supervisor can be appointed to only one student at a time.</p>	<p>11.1.3. Under exceptional circumstances, other employees of IITK with the rank of senior scientific officer and above and faculty fellows can be appointed as co-supervisors of Ph.D. PG students. The recommendation of a peer group (appointed by the Head of the Department to which the student belongs) regarding the merit and qualifications of being considered as co-supervisor should be sent to the SPGC through the DPGC for approval. One such co-supervisor can be appointed to only one student at a time.</p>

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