

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE 3<sup>rd</sup> MEETING OF THE SENATE POSTGRADUATE COMMITTEE (2025-26)**  
**HELD ON DECEMBER 18, 2025 (Thursday) FROM 11:00 AM**  
**DOAA CONFERENCE ROOM (FACULTY ANNEX BUILDING (DOAA), LEVEL-4)**

**Members Present (offline):** Prof(s): Arnab Samanta (AE), Shatarupa Thakurta Roy (DES), Abhishek Kumar Gupta (EE), Animesh Mandal (ES), Vinay Ramani (DoMS), Ketan Rajawat (IS), Sarosh Ghausi (KSS), Anikesh Pal (ME), Pritam Chakraborty (MSP), Aakash Chand Rai (SEE)

**Members Present (online):** Prof(s): Gaurav Tiwari (CE), Ark Verma (CGS), Dipin S Pillai (CHE), Madhav Ranganathan (CHM), Debadatta Mishra (CSE), Sarani Saha (ECO), Rajarshi Sengupta (HSS), Arijit Ganguly (MATH), Kunal P Mooley (SPASE)

**Members Absent:** Prof(s): Appu Kumar Singh (BSBE), Shobit Omar (MSE), Chanchal Sow (PHY), Sapam Ranjita Chanu (PSE)

**Senate Nominee:** Prof. Sudhanshu Shekhar Singh (Absent), Prof. Naren Naik (Absent)

**Student representatives:** Mr. Kartik Rout, Mr. Utkarsh Tripathi, Ms. Kumari Ritika (present online), Mr. Mohak Pravin Pachpor (present online)

**(A) Confirmation of minutes of 2<sup>nd</sup> SPGC meeting held on December 5, 2025**

The minutes were confirmed.

**(B) To ratify the following decisions taken /approvals given by Chairman, SPGC**

The requests below were submitted to SPGC with recommendations from supervisor and DPGC. SPGC ratified the approval given by Chairperson, SPGC to the requests (Table under item (a), and items (b) to (d)) of the students/department.

**(a) Request for extension of comprehensive exam / Thesis submission deadline:**

S. No.	Roll No.	Name	Dept.	Prog.	Request For	Due Date	Approved Till
1	242060602	Jeetendra Kumar Pradhan	MSE	PhD	Extension of comprehensive exam deadline (after extension of 2 months, comprehensive date – 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec)	19 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	15 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
2	241140612	Venya Srivastava	DoMS	PhD	Extension of comprehensive exam deadline (after extension of 2 months, course requirement not completed)	19 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	30 <sup>th</sup> November 2025
3	251010608	Pratip Ghoshal	AE	PhD	Extension of comprehensive exam deadline (1st extension)	28 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	31 <sup>st</sup> January 2026
4	18507263	Devki Nandan	CHM	PhD	Extension of Thesis submission deadline (1 <sup>st</sup> extension)	25 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	25 <sup>th</sup> March 2026
5	19112262	Preeti Sati	MSP	PhD	Extension of Thesis submission deadline (1 <sup>st</sup> extension)	27 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	27 <sup>th</sup> March 2026

**(b) Approval of Transfer from MTech to MTech (with project) as per clause 7.9 of the PG Manual (Saurav V Sonawane/22101060/AE/MTech)**

\*(Approved subjected to reinstatement)

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

SPGC noted the approval given for the below requests.

**a. Request details given in (Annexure-A)**

**b. Constitution of PG-APEC committee for 2025-26-I Semester (Annexure-B)**

*P. S. Sonawane*  
01/10/2026

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(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. Conversion will be considered from Semester 2025-26-II.

S.No.	Roll No	Name	Dept	Prog	Supervisor & DPGC Recommendation	Remark	SPGC Decision
1.	251060039	Upamanyu Vyas	MSE	MTECH	Recommended	CPI = 8.75 CU = 36 Last Qual.: MSc <b>As per 4.6. (a)</b> <b>Transcript or certificate mention grade B division.</b> <b>Marks 66.7%. CGPA 6.75. (2.3.10.b)</b>	Approved
2.	251110012	Ankit Kumar	CSE	MTECH	Recommended	CPI = 7.67 CU = 27 Last Qual.: BTech <b>Satisfy 4.6. (a)</b>	Approved
3	241060015	Niranjan Kumar Singh	MSE	MTECH	Recommended	CPI = 9.13 CU = 72 Last Qual.: MSc <b>Satisfy 4.6. (b)</b>	Approved
4	241230004	Bulbul Barik	ES	MTECH	Recommended	CPI = 8.08 CU = 75 Last Qual.: MSc <b>Satisfy 4.6. (b)</b>	Approved

b) New course approval

Course No.	Title	Credits	Instructor	SPGC Decision
SEE636	Catalysis for clean Energy	3-0-0-0-9	Dr. Sayan Kar	Approved
SEE637	Recycling Energy Materials	3-0-0-0-9	Dr. Vivek Verma	Approved

*Re Chakrabarti*  
*01/01/2026*

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

**a) Appeal for reinstatement:**

The following decisions were made.

S N o	Roll No	Name	Dept	Prog	Supervisor Recommendation	DPGC Recommendation	SPGC Recommendation for reinstatement
1	22101019	Ganesh Ananda Valtule	AE	MTech	Recommended (conditionally, if submit draft of thesis)	Not Recommended	Based on the recommendation of the supervisor and the DPGC, considering thesis is not ready for submission, <b>reinstatement was not recommended.</b>
2	20101007	Alvin Sebastian	AE	MTech	Not Recommended	Not Recommended	Based on the recommendation of the supervisor and the DPGC, considering (i) thesis is not ready for submission; (ii) exceeded the period of maximum residence, <b>reinstatement was not recommended.</b>
3	22101407	Debleena Das	AE	MSR	Not Recommended	Not Recommended	Based on the recommendation of the supervisor and the DPGC, considering thesis is not ready for submission, <b>reinstatement was not recommended.</b>
4	22101060	Saurav V Sonawane	AE	MTech	Recommended (To graduate in Project mode)	Recommended (To graduate in Project mode)	Based on the recommendation of the supervisor and the DPGC, <b>reinstatement was recommended from 2025- 26-II.</b> <b>Must complete registration.</b> <b>(Request for Transfer from MTech to MTech (with project) as per clause 7.9 of the PG Manual is approved subject to reinstatement in Programme.)</b>
5	22104019	Bura Aravindasai	EE	MTech	Recommended	Recommended	Based on the recommendation of the supervisor and the DPGC, considering thesis is ready for submission, <b>reinstatement was recommended from 2025-26-II.</b> <b>Must complete registration.</b>

\*This matter will be sent to the Senate for consideration.

*Rishu Chakraborty*  
01/01/2026

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- b) To consider requests for academic extension for the semester 2025-26-II from those P.G. students who have completed four years (M.Tech/M.Des/MSR), Regular Ph.D students who have completed six years of their academic programme. Students enrolled in PhD (in engineering) programmes with qualifying degree of B.Tech./ B.S. (4 years)/M.Sc who have completed seven years of their academic programme. And add an additional year in case of part-time/external students:

**Specific details provided in Annexure-C.**

- Total applications received: 11 which consisted of 10 applications from PhD students and 1 from a MSR student.
- PhD program of 7 students and MSR program of 1 student were already extended by more than 2 semesters. These 8 students were given a thesis submission deadline of 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026. Else, their program will be considered for termination.
- 2 students sought extension for the first or second time. These were recommended favorably without a deadline.

Above recommendations to be placed in the Senate for discussion and approval.

- The extension of 1 PhD student is deferred to the next meeting.

**F) Any other item with the permission of chair:**

S. No.	Item Description	SPGC Recommendation/Decision
1.	To add MSR in last qualifying in table 7.1 of the PG Manual	Deferred to next SPGC meeting
2.	To discuss the term CFTIs for the wavier of GATE Score in the admission criteria	Deferred to next SPGC meeting
3.	Request for semester leave for 2025-26-II semester and thesis submission beyond the due date after exit from PhD with MSR (Abhijat Kumar/21103261/CE/MSR)	Exit from the PhD programme with MSR was approved, and the order was issued on 19/06/2025. The student is required to submit the thesis by 19/12/2025 (within six months). After due deliberation, considering student mental well-being approval is granted only for semester leave. The student also referred to the CMHW.
4.	To discuss the PG APEC report of 2025-26-I	After due deliberation SPGC approved the PG APEC report of 2025-26-I semester. ( <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jkh-WyR1xLBuJ-yHKfHyrYLPdrk7QVw-/view?usp=sharing">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jkh-WyR1xLBuJ-yHKfHyrYLPdrk7QVw-/view?usp=sharing</a> ). This matter is to be placed in the Senate for noting item.
5.	Proposed Language Change in the Evaluation Report of External Examiner for Ph. D Thesis	After due deliberation SPGC approved the proposed change (Annexure-D)

*Pika Chakraborty*  
01/01/2026

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S. No.	Item Description	SPGC Recommendation/Decision
6.	Request for academic (duty) leave from 01 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2026 to 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2026 (Annesha Deb/22108265/MTH/PhD)	After due deliberation, SPGC did not approve the request.

*Annesha Deb*  
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Annexure-A

S. No.	Dept.	Details of requester	Request For	Other Details	Recommendation of SPGC
1	EE	Harsh Dwivedi/241040610/EE/PhD	Extension of comprehensive examination deadline after appearing in the exam. Unaware about the rule to obtain extension if deadline is missed.	Comprehensive exam due date:19/09/2025,1st exam date: 18/09/2025 (failed) 2nd Comprehensive exam date :13/11/2025 (Passed). Extension was not sought.	As per clause 8.2 an extension till 19th Nov 2025 approved.
2	CE	Yatharth Mittal/251030628/CE/PhD	Extension of comprehensive examination deadline till January 2026. M.Tech to Ph.D. converted student from 2025-26-I.	Comprehensive exam due date: 28/11/2025 1st extension only allowed for 2 months (28/01/2026)	As per clause 8.2 an extension till 28th Jan 2026 approved.
3	PHY	Shrey Jain/22109269/PHY/PhD	SOTA 2nd extension request till 28/12/2025	SOTA 1st extension over on 28/11/2025	As per clause 10 an extension till 28th Feb 2026 approved.
4	CE	Rachna Devi/231030607/CE/PhD	SOTA 2nd extension request till 02/12/2025 due to health reasons.	SOTA 1st extension over on 02/09/2025, SOTA 2nd extension till: 21/11/2025 (Only 2 Months), SOTA delivered on 21/11/2025	As per clause 10 the 2nd extension could have been till 21/12/2025. Accordingly, the request is approved.
5	EE	Gedala Sai Praveen/21104030/EE/MTech	Transfer of programme from MTech (Thesis) to MTech (Project).	Y21 student eligible for the transfer under clause 7.9.	Approved.
6	ME	Ruchira Kumar Pradhan/231050619/ME/PhD	Addition of external co- supervisor. Receiving valuable support.	<b>Dr. Keval Ramani</b> , Assistant Professor, School of Mechanical Sciences (SMS), Indian Institute of Technology Goa. NOC provided.	Recommended.
7	CE	Prof. Priyanka Ghosh	Change of course title of CE734, Department of Civil Engineering	<b>Old title:</b> Plastic Equilibrium in Soils, <b>New title:</b> Plasticity in Geomechanics Consistent with content and learning objectives	Approved.

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8	PHY	Rohan Joshi/241090027/MSc-2Yr/PHY	Leave from 05/10/2025 to 05/11/2025 due to medical emergency in family. Father had severe infection and paralysis. Bed ridden. Needed continuous care.	MSc students are not entitled for personal leave. Student applied post facto. DPGC recommended.	Considering the severity of the issue, Approved.
9	CE	Anand Mishra (231030032), Aman Hayaran (21103012), Prashant Mahour (21103072)	Extension of time to conduct oral examination for MTech students beyond four months after thesis submission. Job commitments and personal reasons.	Thesis submission date: Anand Mishra (231030032) on August 1, 2025 Aman Hayaran (21103012) on July 29, 2025 Prashant Mahour (21103072) on July 28, 2025	Extension approved till Dec 16th for all the students with the message that "the students will be considered for termination from program under clause 11.6.1.1 if the oral examination is not completed before this deadline".
10	PHY	Anita Yadav/231090603/PHY/PhD	2nd SOTA extension for 3 months	SOTA expected date: 23/07/2025, 1st SOTA extension approved: 23/10/2025 (health issues - ear Treatment)	Approved till 23/01/2026. This is the last extension no more will be granted.
11	PHY	Renaissance Hansda/232090901/PHY/PhD	2nd SOTA extension for 3 months	SOTA expected date: 30/07/2025, 1st SOTA extension approved: 30/10/2025	Approved till 30/01/2026. This is the last extension no more will be granted.
12	CHM	Shivam Singh Tomar/21102288/CHE/PhD	Three months thesis submission deadline extension	Open Seminar date: 09/06/2025, Thesis submission expected date: 09/12/2025	Approved till 09/03/2026.
13	CHM	Rahul Gupta/21102280/CHE/PhD	Three months thesis submission deadline extension	Open Seminar date: 09/06/2025, Thesis submission expected date: 09/12/2025	Approved till 09/03/2026.
14	CHM	Shubham Singh/20107306/CHM/PhD	One month thesis submission deadline extension	Open Seminar date: 02/06/2025, Thesis submission expected date: 02/12/2025	Approved.

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15	CHM	Athira P/20107271/CHM/PhD	One month thesis submission deadline extension	Open Seminar date: 02/06/2025, Thesis submission expected date: 02/12/2025	Approved.
16	EE	Heera Lal Maurya/14104284/EE/PhD	Three months thesis submission deadline extension	Open Seminar date: 12/06/2025, Thesis submission expected date: 12/12/2025	Approved till 12/03/2026.
17	AE	Abhilash Karan/241010401/AE/MSR	Change of Registration from MSR Programme to Ph.D. Programme	CC:36, CPI:7.75, Last Qualifying: BTech, (As per clause 4.6.(b) of the PG manual), Assistantship type change from IA to project.	Approved from 2025-2026-II semester
18	AE	Shah Neelkumar Bhaveshbhai/241010060/AE/MTech	Change of Registration from MTech Programme to Ph.D. Programme	CC:63, CPI:7.50, Last Qualifying: BTech, (As per clause 4.6. (a) of the PG manual)	Approved from 2025-2026-II semester
19	ME	Ratanlal Sahu/241050066/ME/MTech	Change of Registration from MTech Programme to Ph.D. Programme	CC:76, TC:90, Last Qualifying: BTech, (As per clause 4.6. (a) of the PG manual)	Approved from 2025-2026-II semester
20	HSS	Prof. Ritwij Bhowmik	Proposal for a new course	Course No: ART717M, Course Title: Introduction to Chinese Painting, Credits :3-0-0-0 (5)	Approved
21	SPASE	Prof. Prashant Pathak	Modification of SPASE course SPA634	<b>1. Change in course title (old title: Optical Instrumentation Astronomy, new title: Applied Optics: from Rays to Waves)</b> <b>2. Change in credits (old:3-0-0-0(9), new: 3-0-1-0-(10))</b>	Approved
22	CHE	Naveen Kumar Verma/22102267/CHE/PhD	Registration Exemption (QIP) for upcoming 2025-26-II semester	Comprehensive exam date: 26/05/2023, SOTA seminar date: 25/09/2023. Recommended by supervisor & DPGC.	Approved

*As per  
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**Constitution of PG-APEC committee for 2025-26-I Semester (Annexure-B)**

The members of the PG-APEC committee for 2025-26-I are as follows:

Prof. Anikesh Pal, DPGC ME (Convener)

Prof. Gaurav Tiwari, DPGC CE\*

Prof. Vinay Ramani, DPGC DoMS

Prof. Aakash Rai, DPGC SEE

Prof. Arijit Ganguly, DPGC MTH

The committee will identify the academic deficient students and prepare a report, which will be discussed in the SPGC meeting tentatively scheduled on 18<sup>th</sup>Dec2025.

\*Prof. Gaurav Tiwari was unable to continue as APEC member due to an exigency. He was replaced by Prof. Arnab Samanta.

**Annexure-C**

S.No.	Roll No.	Student's Name	Prog.	Dept	Not Recommended for 2025-26-I by senate 576 (2025-26/1st)	2 or More extension exceeded	Thesis Supervisor (s) Recommendation	DPGC Recommendation	SPGC Recommendation
1	19111277	Ms Yashika Verma	Ph.D	CSE	#N/A	No	Yes	Yes	Recommended
2	14104262	Ashish Kumar Shrivastava	Ph.D	EE	#N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Thesis submission by 11 May 2026, else termination from prog
3	16204284	Yogesh Darmwal	Ph.D	EE	#N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Thesis submission by 11 May 2026, else termination from prog
4	18104266	Amrendra Kumar	Ph.D	EE	#N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Thesis submission by 11 May 2026, else termination from prog
5	18104271	Chiranjeev Prachand	Ph.D	EE	#N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Thesis submission by 11 May 2026, else termination from prog
6	18104272	Debapratim Dhara	Ph.D	EE	#N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Thesis submission by 11 May 2026, else termination from prog
7	18104277	Himanshu Gupta	Ph.D	EE	#N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Thesis submission by 11 May 2026, else termination from prog
8	20204420	Thishyan Raj T	MSR	EE	#N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Thesis submission by 11 May 2026, else termination from prog
9	18205262	Bipin Kumar Mishra	Ph.D	ME	#N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Thesis submission by 11 May 2026, else termination from prog

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10	17208262	Rajendra Kumar	Ph.D	MTH	#N/A	Yes	Yes	No	Deferred to next SPGC meeting
11	19116261	Dhananjoy De	Ph.D	PSE	#N/A	No	Yes	Yes	Recommended

**Annexure-D**

**Proposed Language Change in the Evaluation Report of External Examiner for Ph.D Thesis**

This proposal outlines a structured framework for revising the PhD thesis evaluation categories. In order to enhance clarity and streamline the doctoral thesis evaluation process for external examiners the Senate Postgraduate Committee (SPGC) is proposing a revised language for the evaluation form of PhD theses.

<b>Existing</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
(i) The thesis is acceptable in the present form for the award of the Ph.D Degree.	(i) <i>The thesis is acceptable in its current form for the award of the PhD degree.</i> <i>Select one:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>No correction suggested by me.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Minor corrections pertaining to spelling, grammar, punctuation, or language suggested by me may be incorporated at the discretion of the supervisor.</i>
(ii) The thesis is acceptable and the corrections, modifications and improvement suggested by me be incorporated in the thesis to the satisfaction of the oral board.	(ii) <i>The thesis is acceptable subject to minor technical corrections, modifications, and improvements suggested by me being incorporated in the thesis. The candidate must address the comments to the satisfaction of the oral board. The student's response and modified thesis need not be sent to me for re-evaluation.</i>
(iii) The thesis needs technical improvement/modifications which must be carried out to my satisfaction. Student's written response to the above suggestions be sent to me and I will give my reply to the same within two weeks of its receipt. This is necessary before I recommend the thesis for acceptance.	(iii) <i>The thesis requires technical improvements and/or modifications. The candidate must submit a detailed response to all the comments, which must be sent to me for re-evaluation. I agree to review and respond within two weeks of receipt of the student's response and modified thesis. This is necessary before I recommend the thesis for acceptance.</i>

*M. C.*  
*01/01/2026*