



IIIT RAICHUR

**MINUTES
of
8th Meeting of the Senate**

Mode : Hybrid Mode
Date : 30th August 2025,
Saturday
Time : 10:30 AM
Venue : IIIT Raichur

MINUTES OF 8th SENATE MEETING OF INDIAN INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RAICHUR

The 8th Senate meeting of the IIIT Raichur was held on 30/08/2025 through online mode and the following members were present :

Sl. No.	Name	Position	Attendance
1	Prof. Harish Kumar Sardana Director, IIIT Raichur	Chairperson	Offline
2	Prof. Natesan Srinivasan IIT Guwahati	Member	Offline
3	Prof. Somanath Tripathy IIT Patna	Member	Online
4	Prof. Vijay Laxmi MNIT Jaipur	Member	Online
5	Dr. Ramesh K Jallu, FIC - Academics Assistant Professor, IIIT Raichur	Member	Offline
6	Dr. Alka Chadda, FIC - Management Assistant Professor, IIIT Raichur	Member	Offline
7	Dr. Priodyuti Pradhan, FIC - Cultural and Sci-Tech Clubs, Assistant Professor, IIIT Raichur	Member	Offline
8	Dr. Debmalya Sain, FIC - Sports & Library Assistant Professor, IIIT Raichur	Member	Offline
9	Dr. Neha Agarwal, FIC - Student Affairs Assistant Professor, IIIT Raichur	Member	Offline
10	Dr. Jahnvi Tiwari, FIC-Placement Assistant Professor, IIIT Raichur	Member	Offline
11	Dr. Natesha B V, FIC - Networking Assistant Professor, IIIT Raichur	Member	Offline
12	Dr. Dubacharla Gyaneshwar, FIC - R & D Assistant Professor, IIIT Raichur	Member	Offline
13	Dr. Priyanka Singh, FIC - Women Cell Assistant Professor, IIIT Raichur	Member	Offline
14	Dr. Anup K Halder, FIC - Website, PRO Assistant Professor, IIIT Raichur	Member	Offline
15	Dr. Chandra Mohan D, FIC - Examinations Assistant Professor, IIIT Raichur	Member	Offline
16	Mr. B Ramu, Assistant Registrar, IIIT Raichur	Secretary	Online
17	Academic Secretary, IIIT Raichur	Student Representative	Offline
18	General Secretary 1, CoSA, IIIT Raichur	Student Representative	Offline

The Senate Chairperson, Prof. Harish Kumar Sardana, greeted and welcomed all members present online to the 8th Senate meeting.

The Chairperson then asked the FIC-Academics to present the agenda points to be discussed. The following agenda points were discussed:

S.No.	AGENDA	Resolution
8.1.1	Confirmation of the minutes of the 7th meeting of the Senate Committee The minutes of the 7th Meeting of the Senate Committee, held on 23rd December 2024, were communicated to all members of the Senate Committee for their information and comments.	The minutes of the 7th Senate meeting were confirmed.
8.1.2	Action Taken Report on the minutes of the 7th meeting of the Senate Committee The FIC-Academics provided a detailed item-wise action taken report based on the minutes of the 7th Senate meeting.	The Senate noted the action taken report.
	8.2 AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL	
8.2.1	Convocation for the 2020 & 2021 Batches : ● IIIT Raichur will be celebrating its second convocation ceremony on September 06, 2025. ● Prof. Kalidindi K. Satyanarayana, Director, IIT Tirupati, will grace the occasion as the Chief Guest. ● A total of 25 students registered in 2020. 1. Number of Graduations - 24, including 1 Honors. 2. Number of backlogs - 1 ● A total of 43 students registered in 2021. 3. Number of Graduations - 41. 4. Number of backlogs - 2	The FIC Academics presented the details of the students eligible for graduation in the next Convocation. The Senate approved the agenda item in connection with conduct of 2nd Convocation on 6th September, 2025. Due to typographic error, it was mentioned as 42 instead of 41, in the agenda circulated. The senate noted the same.

8.2.2	Cumulative Marks Sheets and Degree Certificates Printing It is proposed before the committee regarding printing of certificates with the same vendor, who provided the same services for the 2019 batch (1st Convocation) on the same terms and conditions of the first order. The details of the Service provided are as below : M/s Sasthi Infotech 49/72, Sahibabad Industrial Area Site-IV Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh-201010 (India) Mobile No. 9555446085, Phone: 01204 155 100, E-mail: work@sasthiinfotech.com Web: https://sasthiinfotech.business.site/	The Senate approved the agenda item for printing of Certificates with the said firm.
8.2.3	Nomination of Three Persons for the Senate - Co-opted by the Senate In terms of the IIIT(PPP) Act 2017 under clause 18 (1) (f), three persons who are not members of teaching staff are co-opted by the Senate for their specialised knowledge. Hence, it is proposed to nominate three persons as specified above for the Senate of IIIT Raichur. Further, the term of office of members nominated under clause (f) shall be for a period of two years from the date of nomination.	The Senate has been requested to nominate three members as per the Act. The Senate has advised that the nominations may include experts from industry, eminent persons from multinational companies, and distinguished professionals from organizations such as R&D institutions, ISRO, DRDO, etc. A set of proposed names may be presented in the next Senate meeting for selection and approval.
8.2.4	Approval for the Academic Calendar for the September-December 2025 session The Academic Calendar pertaining to September-December, 2025 Session, is prepared by the Academic Office.	The FIC-Academics presented the academic calendar and explained its structure. It was also stated by the FIC that the academic calendar for the existing batches (July–December 2025 session) has already been approved by the Senate Chairman and is currently in place. The Senate approved the academic calendars with the following suggestions: 1. The absolute dates involving penalties should be clearly mentioned.

		2. The dropping period for any course, irrespective of credits, should be limited to a maximum of one week (i.e., 3 hours of lectures), so that students do not lose significant class time. 3. Holi and Diwali breaks may be included for 2–3 days, and the resulting academic loss may be compensated by utilizing buffer days or Saturdays. 4. It should be ensured that every course has an equal number of classes as per its credit structure. If needed, the academic calendar may schedule some days to follow the timetable of other weekdays. 5. A student may be permitted to drop a course after the mid-semester due to unforeseen or unavoidable circumstances, subject to prior approval of the course faculty, faculty advisor, FIC Academics, and the Director, on a case-by-case basis.
8.2.5	Increase the SWAYAM course limit to 6 credits. In the 6th Senate meeting, it was approved that students may register for elective courses on SWAYAM with a limitation of up to 3 credits. Considering the current faculty strength and to facilitate greater diversification in the choice of electives, the students request that this limit be extended to up to 6 credits.	The Senate approved the registration of SWAYAM courses with a maximum limit of 6 credits, with the following suggestions: 1. The current final year students (i.e., 2022 batch) may be allowed to register for up to 6 credits of SWAYAM courses until the eighth semester. 2. From the Academic Year 2025–2026 onwards, registration for such courses shall be permitted only up to the seventh semester.

8.2.6	Standardization of grading policy for the ‘D’ grade. As there is no clear policy regarding the award of the ‘D’ grade (i.e., passing a course), we propose the following policy: 1. A student should secure at least 50% of the class average marks, or 2. A student should secure at least 34% of the marks obtained by the highest scorer in the class.	The Senate suggested that the minimum requirement for passing a course (‘D’ grade) shall be: • At least 50% of the class average marks, or • At least 35 marks (on a scale of 100).
8.2.7	Reinstatement of Course Swap Window to 8th Semester In the second Senate meeting, it was decided that for the purpose of final CGPA calculation, only the best 120 credits will be considered. This provision applies solely to elective courses. Elective courses may be swapped at the end of the 7th semester. Additional courses taken beyond the prescribed curriculum will not be considered for CGPA calculations. Students request that the provision of swapping be done at the end of 8th Semester.	The Senate approved with the following suggestions: 1. Courses done under SWAYAM category or online cannot be allowed to swap. 2. The swapping option is only for electives offered by IIT Raichur faculty. 3. The current 2022 batch is allowed to swap elective courses after the eighth semester.

8.3 PROPOSALS

8.3.1	Inclusion of a 2-credit skill development course on Disaster Management in the curriculum As per the letter received from MoE, integration of a compulsory course on Disaster Management is to be integrated at the undergraduate level across the country. The letter and the list of suggestive activities are provided in the meeting. The course will carry 2 credits and will be offered as part of the Institute’s curriculum from the upcoming academic session. The updated curriculum for all the upcoming CSE, AI & DS, M & C 2025 branches also provided in the meeting..	The Senate approved the inclusion of the course with the following suggestions: 1. The course shall be a mandatory course without any evaluative components. 2. All the suggested activities must be completed by every student. 3. The course should be completed before the sixth semester. 4. The course shall be applicable to all students of the 2025 batch (all branches)
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		onwards. 5. Upon completion, a satisfactory grade 'S' may be awarded.
8.3.2	Inclusion of a 2-credit course on Yoga for Youth Empowerment & Skills in the curriculum In line with the objectives of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 to impart holistic, multi-disciplinary, and value-based education, it is proposed to introduce a 2-credit course titled "Youth Empowerment & Skills" for students of IIIT Raichur. The course will be offered in collaboration with <i>The Art of Living (TAOL)</i>, Bengaluru, under a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). The proposed course, based on TAOL's <i>Youth Empowerment & Skills Program (YES!+)</i>, is a 30-hour hybrid module (15 hours offline + 15 hours online) spread across 3-4 months. It aims to develop life skills, including communication, teamwork, leadership, stress management, and emotional resilience, thereby supporting students' overall well-being and academic performance. The course will carry 2 credits and will be offered as part of the Institute's curriculum from the upcoming academic session.	The Senate approved the inclusion of the course with the following suggestions: 1. The course shall be a mandatory course without any evaluative components. 2. All the suggested activities must be completed by every student. 3. The course should be completed before the sixth semester. 4. The course shall be applicable to all students of the 2025 batch (all branches) onwards. 5. Upon completion, a satisfactory grade 'S' may be awarded.
8.4 - ITEMS FOR RATIFICATION		
8.4.1	Empanelment of Professor of Practice by IIIT Raichur IIIT Raichur invited applications from distinguished professionals for the contractual/temporary position of Professor of Practice. Currently, the institute has an empanelment of 05 Professor of Practice. The following distinguished professionals have been engaged: 1. Dr. Vishwas Mehta, IAS (Retd). 2. Dr. Anil Jain 3. Prof. Raj Singh 4. Mr. Prasanna Chandran 5. Prof. Avinash Kumar Srivatsav	The Senate noted the same.

8.4.2	Panel of experts for Non-Faculty Recruitment The Hon'ble Chairman Senate has approved the Panel of Experts for Non-Faculty Recruitment as per the statutes of the institution.	The Senate noted the same
8.4.3	Panel of experts for Faculty Recruitment The Hon'ble Chairman Senate has approved the Panel of Experts for Faculty Recruitment as per the statutes of the institution.	The Senate noted the same.
8.4.4	The closure of the first AICTE QIP PG Certification Program in Machine Learning The AICTE QIP PG Certification Program in Machine Learning at IIIT Raichur was successfully conducted. A total of 71 candidates (50 sponsored and 21 self-financed) enrolled in the program, and all participants successfully completed the curriculum and project requirements. Each participant has been awarded the PG Certificate in Machine Learning. The program met its academic, financial, and training objectives and has significantly contributed to faculty development in AI/ML across AICTE-approved institutions. 1. Number of Sponsored Candidates : 50 2. Number of enrolled Self-Financed Candidates : 21 3. Total Number of Candidates : 71 (Sponsored + Self-Financed) 4. All 71 candidates have completed the program requirements and have been awarded the PG Certification in Machine Learning.	The program coordinator explained the outcomes. The Senate noted the same
8.4.5	2nd AICTE QIP PG Certification Program in Machine Learning IIIT Raichur is pleased to announce the commencement of the 2nd QIP PG Certification Program in Machine Learning, funded by AICTE. Target Audience: The program is intended for faculty members who work in AICTE-recognized institutes and have a minimum of 5 years of experience. Program Overview:	The program coordinator explained the ongoing program and the future engagement. The Senate noted the same.

	The PG Certification Program in Machine Learning is designed to offer a comprehensive learning experience through a combination of theoretical knowledge, practical applications, and hands-on training. The program will utilize a hybrid mode of delivery to accommodate diverse learning preferences and ensure maximum engagement. This includes: ● Online Lectures: Foundational and advanced topics in Machine Learning will be covered through virtual classroom sessions. ● Workshops: Interactive workshops to deepen understanding and apply concepts in real-world scenarios. ● In-Person Sessions: Face-to-face interactions to facilitate direct mentoring and collaborative learning. Objectives: ● To provide a solid foundation in Machine Learning principles. ● To enhance practical skills through hands-on projects and case studies. ● To bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and industry practices. ● To cater to the needs of working professionals seeking to upskill. Instructors : ● Dr. Neha Agrawal (Program Coordinator) ● Dr. Alka ● Dr. Priyanka Singh ● Dr. Natesha ● Dr. Gyaneshwar Date of Commencement: Details about the fee, curriculum, selection criteria, and other relevant information are provided during the meeting. This document contains comprehensive guidelines on the enrollment process, course modules, assessment methods, and certification criteria.	
8.4.6	Electives offered during Jan - May 2025 Session. The following list of new electives (which were not explicitly mentioned in the curriculum) was offered by IIIT Raichur faculty and by external members in the last semester, with the prior approval of the Hon'ble Chairman, Senate.	The courses were ratified by the Senate.

	1. Introduction to Cyber Security and Blockchain Technologies by Dr. Vishal Sharma, NFSU, Dharward 2. Computational Optimization Methods and Algorithms 3. Advanced Data Structures 4. Analytic Number Theory 5. Computer Vision 6. Soft Computing and Evolutionary AI 7. Deep Learning for Speech Processing 8. Introduction to Generative AI 9. Advanced Functional Analysis for PhD 10. Orthogonality in Banach Spaces for PhD 11. Geometry of Operator Spaces for PhD																					
8.4.7	Courses offered by IIIT Dharward in online mode IIT Raichur recently had an MoU with IIIT Dharwad to foster academic and research collaboration. The partnership aims to facilitate joint research projects, faculty and student exchange, resource sharing, and other mutually beneficial initiatives that will enhance the academic environment at both institutes. The following courses are offered to IIIT Raichur students by IIIT Dharwad: <table><tr><th>S.No.</th><th>Course</th><th>Instructor</th><th>Credits</th><th>Eligible Students</th></tr><tr><td>1.</td><td>Agentic AI</td><td>Dr. Sunil Saumya</td><td>3</td><td>5th and 7th Semester CSE students, and 5th Semester AI & DS students</td></tr><tr><td>2.</td><td>User Experience and Interactive Design</td><td>Dr. Sandesh Phalke</td><td>3</td><td>5th and 7th Semester CSE students</td></tr><tr><td>3.</td><td>Managerial Economics</td><td>Mr. Ram Subramanian</td><td>2</td><td>3rd semester CSE and AI & DS</td></tr></table>	S.No.	Course	Instructor	Credits	Eligible Students	1.	Agentic AI	Dr. Sunil Saumya	3	5th and 7th Semester CSE students, and 5th Semester AI & DS students	2.	User Experience and Interactive Design	Dr. Sandesh Phalke	3	5th and 7th Semester CSE students	3.	Managerial Economics	Mr. Ram Subramanian	2	3rd semester CSE and AI & DS	The senate noted the same.
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8.5 Discussions and Reports						
8.5.1	Report on existing students and 2025 batch students.				The Senate noted the same. In order to analyze the students withdrawal of admissions, the senate suggested providing the details on the same in the forthcoming Senate Meetings.	
	● B.Tech					
	AY	Branch	Intake	Reported		Withdrawn
	2021-2022	CSE	50	43		00
	2022-2023	CSE	60	48		01
	2023-2024	CSE	80	70		05
		AI&DS	60	45		02
	2024-2025	CSE	80	58		02
		AI&DS	80	59		00
		M&C	60	42		03
	2025-2026	CSE	80	Admission under process		
		AI&DS	80			
		M&C	60			
	● PhD					
	AY	Deptt	Mode	Total		
	2023-2024	M&C	Regular	01		
	2024-2025	M&C	Regular	01		
		CSE	External	06		
	2025-2026	M&C	Admission under process			
		CSE				

8.5.2	Report on internships and placements. Placement Data for 2021 batch • Total students registered for the placement: 32 • Total number of students who participated in the placement: 30 • Total students placed: 13 • Highest CTC: 48 LPA • Lowest CTC: 4 LPA Few companies where students are placed are Google, Royal Caribbean, Dialpad, Tally Solutions, Luminous, Goldman Sachs, Abida Digital, FN Mathlogi Consulting Services Pvt. Ltd., and Value First In addition to this, 7 students from the B.Tech (CSE) 2022 cohort are pursuing semester-long internships at Amazon, Franklin Templeton International Services India Pvt. Ltd, ARTPARK (IISc Bangalore), Wadhawani School of Data Science & AI - IIT Madras, IIITDM Kurnool.	The FIC-Placement stated that the presented data is the offcampus statistics.
8.6	Any other item with the approval of the Chair : Proposal 1: CGPA Eligibility Revision for Semester-long Internships. Proposal 2: 8th Semester Internship Option	The FIC-Placements discussed the need to revise the existing eligibility conditions for availing internships and made the following proposals: Proposal 1: CGPA Eligibility Revision for Semester-long Internships. The FIC-Placements proposed that the CGPA eligibility for undertaking a semester-long internship be reduced from the existing 7.5 to 6.5. Senate Suggestion: The Senate suggested that the CGPA requirement be brought down further to 5.0 CGPA (the minimum degree requirement), with the additional condition that the student should have no active backlog.

		Proposal 2: 8th Semester Internship Option It was also proposed that students who have completed all credit requirements (which may or may not include a prior internship) except the major project, have no active backlog, and who do not intend to claim credit for the semester-long internship, may be permitted to pursue an internship in the 8th semester. This will be allowed without any CGPA bar, with the major project continuing in online mode under faculty supervision. Senate Suggestion: The Senate suggested that: ● A student availing such an internship should have no active backlog. ● Eligibility will be decided on a case-by-case basis. ● A committee may be constituted to analyse such cases individually. ● The decisions of the committee must be presented in the Senate agendas for approval and ratification.
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The Senate meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

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Secretary-Senate***