



Students' Senate (2021-22) Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur



To define & consider changes in regulation of Gymkhana/Institute ratified POR's at IITK

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The proposal is essentially my formalisation of the discussion which had taken place on the Senate mailing list over the nominations of Mr. Sanidhya Rathore and Mr. Animesh Singh to the SSAC committee. My proposal is based on the following fundamentals:

- It is our moral responsibility to ensure the independence in working of various hierarchies and bodies being a part of or related to the Campus community.
- The Level 1/4th year POR's are quite involved and require a significant dedication. At stake, we often have the whole of Student's Gymkhana, any compromise with whose expectations and requirements shall be a huge injustice and an insult to the system itself.
- There is a need to make this entire ecosystem of responsibilities more and more inclusive, having several faces into it rather than a bunch being the face of everything
- With the past 2 years through the pandemic with the remote conduction of activities, there is currently a need to fill up the huge void created through a thorough reconsideration of our current motives and actions as well as those of past 2 terms.
- A day on Earth at all locations comprises of approx. 24 hrs. to be distributed across various involvements which leads to a hierarchy in priorities for each involvement .

After an elaborate consideration over the inferences and implications of each of these fundamentals , I thus conclude with the following proposal:

“ All those holding a Level-1 Gymkhana/Institute POR shall not be allowed to handle or levied with any other ratified responsibility which might contradict the above stated principles. In the rare cases of being compelled to opt for other pathways, it shall be done but not until having gone through an elaborate and conclusive discussion for approval over the same by the Student's Senate. All those motivated students who find themselves at a dearth of activities in spite of their commitments to a level-1 POR shall be advised to opt for Community services at Prayas or any other similar Institute organisation which shall help them to directly contribute towards the society.”

Further, to give an even better meaning to this proposal, we need to define the responsibilities which shall justify towards the Level-1 POR. We can have an ad-hoc sub-committee working towards this. In any possibility, if the work over POR Handbook* is over, we can directly use it to give definition to this hierarchy of POR.

*(*as promised in earlier Senate meeting by Mr. Sanidhya Rathore)*