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# End-Term Report

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## General Affairs Council:

### Institute Standing Committees:

#### 1) Institute Advisory Committee (IAC)

- The proposal to fund selected conferences and publications for the PhD students was accepted by the Institute.
- Presentation on Placement session of 2016-17 was given by the Chairman, SPC. Concerns were raised over the scenario of the Placements and the IAC has asked to come with recommendations regarding the placements.
- Presentation was given over the status of office Automation. Serious concerns were raised over the delay in the completion of modules. Team was asked to take DoAA modules at priority.
- Institute Mission and Vision statement was presented before the committee. After incorporating relevant suggestions, the same was sent to Board of Governors for approval.
- Policy on External Sponsorship was accepted by the IAC. President, Students' Gymkhana has been asked to come up with the operating guidelines by May 2017.
- Student Entrepreneurship Policy was accepted by the IAC. The same will be presented in the upcoming Academic Senate meeting.
- Electricity issue and the issue of Dog menace was discussed and sub-committees were formed in this regard (details in the later part of the report).
- New Student-Ombuds Group has been formed for a period of three years. President, Students' Gymkhana will be a special invitee for the group.

#### 2) Health Centre Users Committee (HCUC)

- The proposal for medical insurance for all the students of IIT Kanpur has been accepted at all the appropriate forums and the call for tender is going to be released soon.
- Protocol for handling the psychiatric cases was formulated and enforced.
- A comprehensive analysis of the survey conducted with regards to services of the Health Centre was done and the results were shared with the External review committee as well as the Student community.
- In coordination with the Tobacco Control Unit of Kanpur, awareness campaign against smoking was carried out during Techkriti'17.
- Monthly review of complaints lodged on Pingala has been initiated.
- Number of President's Nominee to HCUC has been increased to two (One UG and One PG).
- Lecture Series on Health Care was initiated.

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- Health Centre User Manual is almost complete and will be made public soon.
- Health Centre website was updated.
- Health Check-Up camps are proposed to be held in the second week of April.
- Online databasing of the Medical vitals and the medical history of the students is being pursued.
- Addition of Psychiatric OPD, Ophthalmology OPD and Dental Speciality Clinic done

#### 3) Security Advisory and Executive Committee (SAEC)

- Review of the placement of SIS guard was done. A new SIS guard has been deployed in the SBRA owing to the concerns raised by the SBRA residents.

#### 4) Commercial Establishments Monitoring and Management Committee (CEMMC)

- New tenders:
  - Salon in New ShopC and Hall 12
  - Poster printing, photo studio, signage works, souvenir printing shop in Hall 1
  - Electrical, Electronics and hobby items shop in Hall 1
  - Fruit juice and shakes shop near Main grounds gate
  - Vegetable & fruits shop in ShopC
  - Cold drinks and snacks shop in ShopC
  - Photocopy shop in Hall 12
- Campus Restaurant has been retendered to ChickBlast.
- Urban Crave was inaugurated in October 2016. Several complaints have been received regarding high pricing and poor quality of items. The concerns were raised with the owners of the shop.
- Payment of ₹12000 has been charged from Dominos for usage of one of the rooms of New SAC.
- Pandit has started operations in the CC Canteen, DoAA Canteen and Hall 12 Canteen. Gas Godown in the ShopC is being renovated for acting as a full-fledged kitchen for Pandits.
- The Facebook page of CEMMC is active now.
- Two shops in the MT section have been closed for violation of the COTPA act 2003.
- Subway deal got cancelled due to a long delay from the side of the franchise owner.
- All the shopkeepers of the campus are being trained to work with UBI Mode of payment. Cashless transaction has been enabled in almost all the shops.

#### 5) Minimum Wage Monitoring Committee (MWMC)

- Following issues were discussed:
  - Issue of certain canteens employing workers below the age of 18

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Blacklisting of workers which have been removed from one of the offices from all the Institute offices. President, Students' Gymkhana has been asked to formulate guidelines in this regard and present the same in the next meeting of MWMC.

### 6) Computer Centre Coordination Committee (CCCC)

- Annual budget for the CCCC was discussed. Proposal for buying license for various software has been forwarded by the Students' Gymkhana, reply on which is awaited.
- CCCC formulated guidelines for allowing the shopkeeper owners to have their individual internet connections

### 7) Students' Placement Committee (SPC)

- The committee met once in the month of August in which the proposal to revoke the blacklisting of DirectI was discussed.
- Placement Statistics of the session 2016-17 were discussed with the SPC. SPO has agreed to share the statistics, sector-wise placements with the Student community.
- Taking pledge from the graduating students regarding promise for donating certain % of their annual income (to be brought up in Students' Senate soon) has been discussed and accepted in principle.
- SPO will coordinate with Students' Gymkhana, Career Development Cell to help the students with their placements preparation.
- SPO will coordinate with DoRA office for utilising the Alumni network.
- To improve placement scenario for the PhD students, SPC has taken numerous initiatives, major ones of them being:
  - Hiring of an additional staff member for PhD placements
  - Collation of data of top universities that have employment opportunities for the PhD students
  - Coordination with IITK-NYC office in this regard
- A major restructuring has been proposed in the current working of SPO to make DPCs more accountable for their work and relieve the OPCs with their clerical works.
- Discussions are being done to bring OPCs back to the ambit of the Students' Gymkhana.

### Students' Activity Centre

- All the shopkeepers have been trained with the UBI mode of payment, services of which should start soon.
- Food menu of Kathi Rolls, Wazwan Food has been changed.

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- Contract of Crown Burgers has been terminated on grounds of poor quality and violation of contract. A similar food outlet is currently being searched for.
- Guidelines for the SAC users has been prepared.
- Various machines (Vacuum Cleaner, Insect Killer Machines, Printing Machine) kept in the New SAC have been repaired. Further, notice boards are being replaced and the glow sign board kept at the rooftop is being renovated.

### Gymkhana Library

- Gymkhana Library faced some major issues owing to complete deletion of their database. Most of the time of the book-keepers went in to re-creating the catalogues.
- New Books have been purchased based on the students' demand.
- New Website has been prepared and will be released after finding relevant server.
- Subscriptions of the magazines were renewed.

## Infrastructure:

### 1) Halls

- Hall 12 was inaugurated and is currently being used for accommodation.
- Two blocks of Hall 13 are ready and were used for accommodation during Techkriti'17. Remaining blocks are expected to be complete by July 2017.
- About 200 rooms of GH2 are completely ready and were used for accommodation during Techkriti. The Mess is completely ready. Remaining part of GH2 including the lifts is expected to complete by July 2017.

### 2) Academic Area

- Students' Lounge's construction is complete. The furniture for the lounge is being procured. Tender has already been awarded and the furniture is being installed. Lounge will be inaugurated before the End-Sems.

## Council of Students for Hostel Affairs:

### 1) Hall Constitution

All the hostels were requested to complete their hall constitution and it was decided that hostels should be brought under some jurisdiction of Students' Senate. Further discussion in this regard will take place in the next CoSHA meeting.

### 2) Online Doc of the rates of food items

The database was prepared and shared with the Students' community with the aim of bringing transparency in the system.

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### 3) **Water Quality Check by Independent Authorities**

A letter in this regard was written by the President, Students' Gymkhana to the Dean, Students' Affairs. Relevant organizations are being identified.

### 4) **Construction of Rooms for Washing Machines**

A letter in this regard was written by the President, Students' Gymkhana to the Dean, Infrastructure and Planning. Reply is awaited.

### 5) **Issue of Insects in the hostels**

Acting President and the Incoming Convener, CoSHA has been in talk with the MT section and the Sanitation department in this regard. Strong actions will be taken soon.

### 6) **Electricity Issue**

A letter in this regard was written by the President, Students' Gymkhana. Details of the entire issue have been discussed later in the document.

### 7) **Warden Selection**

A concern was raised over the issue of names being submitted by the HECs for their Wardens. It was decided that the CoSHA would create a pool of professors from which the HECs can consider names for their Wardens.

### 8) **First-aid Kit in the Hostels**

A proposal to have one first-aid kit, one in the Hall office and the other in the SIS room at the entrance of the hostel was discussed. The proposal has been discussed with the CMO and details of the hostels requiring new kits are being sought.

## Major Initiatives/Work Done:

### 1) **Intra-Campus Mentorship Program (ICaMP)**

Following sessions and the tests to help the students were organized:

- Session on the current scenario of placements
- Resume making session
- Two sessions on Consulting
- Session on Young Leadership Program (ISB)
- Online speed test for trading
- Online test for Aptitude

An entire series of events to be conducted from March 30<sup>th</sup> till April 10<sup>th</sup> have been planned. Further, the databasing for students graduating this year has also been done and will be clubbed along with the existing student database to make a web of similar category students.

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### 2) Entrepreneurship

- The Entrepreneurship Policy was edited in coordination with all the stakeholders and was presented in the IAC where it has been accepted and will now be presented in the upcoming meeting of Academic Senate. The policy also talks about deferral of placements for students engaging in entrepreneurial activities.
- Along with the Overall Coordinators of E-Cell, I attended the Start-up India Master Class event in Bengaluru where following things were discussed:
  - Presence of a student representative in Alumni Board Meetings
  - Guidelines for EIR programme for IIT Kanpur students
  - Session on Entrepreneurship basics for students
- Draft of the Deferred Placement Program has been prepared and a meeting of SPC is awaited in this regard.

### 3) Substance Abuse

- A comprehensive report on the issue was submitted to the Director, IIT Kanpur. Some concrete measures are being taken in coordination with the law enforcement agencies.
- Posters were installed at various places in the hostels in coordination with the DoSA office.
- A Standard Operating Procedure for dealing with such cases is being prepared in coordination with Empanelled Psychiatrists of the institute.

### 4) Finances

A major focus was given on the improving the Finances of Students' Gymkhana.

- Centralised Cycle Auctioning was carried out in the month of September. A large amount of money was collected from the New SAC usage by specifying the guidelines for usage.
- The proposal of External Sponsorship was accepted by the sub-committee of IAC. With proper CSRs being targeted, Students' Gymkhana will be able to cash in billions of rupees for their activities. The Incoming President, Students' Gymkhana needs to present the marketing guidelines for the same before May 2017.
- A lot of proposals from the Councils and Cells were collated and pitched at all the possible platforms. ₹5.37 Lakhs of the Students' Activity Fund and ₹50000 from Alumni donations have been utilised in these proposals.
- Waiver in the usage of VH and allied facilities was sought which was accepted by the Institute Authorities.
- DCF allocation was done and focus was kept on procurement of energy efficient equipments to reduce the burden of electricity bills.

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### 5) Electricity Issue:

Several letters were written and the issue was raised at all the relevant forums. Proposals were sent, meetings were held in this regard. In the meeting of the sub-committee formed by IAC, following things were agreed upon by the Institute:

- Institute contribution to the total bill be increased from the current 10% to 15%.
- Institute will help the hostels in installing meter boards for individual rooms as and when desired.
- Special emphasis will be laid by the Institute over usage of Energy-efficient lights. IWD is going to start the replacement in phases with priority being given to the hostels.
- The proposal to review the model of billing will be considered based on the final recommendations of the Students' Senate through CoSHA.

### 6) Dog issue:

Based on the letter written by the President, Students' Gymkhana, a sub-committee was formed in this regard. The committee has met twice and following conclusions have been drawn till now:

- Institute will coordinate with the Kanpur Municipal Corporation to carry out the Sterilization of the campus dogs.
- With the help of student volunteers, entire mapping of the dog community in the residential areas will be done. Further, in coordination with the HECs, specific feeding zones for the dogs will be identified.
- Generic guidelines for animals will be prepared and the same would be made available to the campus community.
- A helpline and an informal committee consisting of animal lovers (faculty, staff, students) will be formed which would be available for advisory/help to the campus community.
- Institute will work for sensitizing the campus community towards animals.

### 7) Students' Senate

Following were the major proposals which were presented and accepted in the Students' Senate:

- Proposal for having an Outreach Cell.
- Proposal for having a Medical Insurance Policy for the students of IIT Kanpur.
- Guidelines for the Student Entrepreneurship Policy.
- Proposal for having a male student as a special invitee in the proceedings of ICC.
- Proposal for naming the Students' Lounge after Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam.

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### 8) Miscellaneous

- Action Plan for the Career Development cell is being prepared in coordination with the Chairman, CDC. Sources of funding are being identified in this regard.
- Six students were sent to Nepal and Sri Lanka as a part of the Indian Youth Delegation program conducted by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.
- Three students were sent to Japan on an 8 days' trip as a part of JENESYS.
- Posters for creating awareness against Smoking were installed at all the major places in the campus.
- Various modules of Pingala were initiated and tested successfully, major ones being the Complaint Management System and Letter forwarding.
- To keep track of the students going for foreign university internships, a form was created and is now being mandated upon every student for submission in the OIR. This would significantly help IIT Kanpur in improving its global rankings.
- Partial Automation of the Registration process was successfully tested and will be implemented on a full scale from the next semester.
- A couple of meetings with the local branch manager of SBI has been held for providing interest-free loans to the students of IIT Kanpur.
- In coordination with Pragati, proposal was formulated to help the PwD students.

## Institute Events:

### 1) Matribhasha Diwas:

The event was successfully organized in coordination with the Cultural Council where students recited poems/stories/songs in their native languages.

## Awards:

### 1) Satyendra K. Dubey Memorial Award:

The award was conferred upon Mr. K.M Abraham

## Manifesto Review:

- 1) The review of my manifesto can be found at the following link:  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B5PbbjNk3vo\\_c2ttRFMxZjY3ZjQ/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B5PbbjNk3vo_c2ttRFMxZjY3ZjQ/view?usp=sharing)
- 2) The summary of the review is:
  - a. Total No. Of Promises = 40
  - b. No. of Promises Fulfilled = 18 (45%)
  - c. No. of Promises which are more than 75% complete = 10 (25%)
  - d. No. of Promises in which the work has been initiated = 6 (15%)
  - e. No. of Promises not addressed = 6 (15%)

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## Requests:

- 1) Following issues could not be taken up due to paucity of time. It is requested that the Students' Senate and the Incoming President, Students' Gymkhana kindly work on these proposals:
  - Dynamic Messing
  - Masters in Entrepreneurship
  - Professors of Practice
  - Linking the Reading rooms of the hostels with the Institute Library
- 2) The Incoming Senate is requested to seek regular updates on the minutes and the Action Taken Report as they are the direct sources of information for the General body members about the working of the Students' Senate. Further, ATR helps the Office bearers in completing the work assigned to them by the Senate.

## Recommendations:

- 1) Along with the present Convener, CoSHA there was an initiative to bring the Hostels under some jurisdiction of the Students' Senate. This should be carried forward and the CoSHA should formulate relevant guidelines in this regard.
- 2) All the incoming office bearers are requested to formulate some strict guidelines for usage of the mailing list for routine purpose. Further, there should be constant push from the office bearers requesting the students to shift to Pingala.

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## Note of Thanks:

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