

अभिषद Senate

26वी बैठक के कार्यवृत्त Minutes of 26th Meeting

17 July 2026 (Friday) at 3.30 PM-4:20 PM
(Hybrid Mode)

Board Room, Permanent Campus, IISER Berhampur

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Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Berhampur
Senate

Minutes of the 26th Meeting
17 July 2026 (Friday) at 3:30 pm
Board Room, IISER Berhampur

The 2026-1/26th meeting of the Senate, IISER Berhampur was held on 17 July 2026 (Friday) at 3:30 PM in the Boardroom (in Hybrid Mode). The following members were present:

1.	Prof. Ashok Kumar Ganguli, Director, IISER Berhampur	Chairperson
2.	Prof. Preeti Ranjan Panda Department of Computer Science and Engineering, IIT Delhi (attended online)	Member
3.	Prof. R Swathi Department of Chemistry, IISER Thiruvananthapuram (attended online)	Member
4.	Prof. Tushar Kanti Nandi Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IISER Kolkata (attended online)	Member
5.	Prof. Prosenjit Mondal Dean of Academic Affairs	Member
6.	Prof. Joydip Mukhopadhyay HoD, EES and Dean (Faculty Affairs) (attended online)	Member
7.	Dr. Bodhisatta Nandy Dean (R&D) and DUGC Convener, Biological Sciences	Member
8.	Dr. Rakesh Kumar Pathak Dean, International Relations, Outreach & Alumni Affairs	Member
9.	Dr. Senthil Raani K S Associate Professor, Dean, Student Affairs (attended online)	Member
10.	Dr. Prosenjit Daw Associate Professor, Associate Dean, Academic Affairs & Coordinator of Academic Affairs (PG)	Member
11.	Dr. Ritabrata Sengupta Associate Professor, HoD, Computer Science	Member
12.	Dr. Kasi Viswanadham Gopajosyula Associate Professor, HoD, Mathematical Sciences	Member
13.	Dr. Shashi Bhushan Singh Associate Professor, HoD, Physical Sciences	Member



14.	Dr. Thirupathi Barla Associate Professor, HoD, Chemical Sciences (attended online)	Member
15.	Dr. Santanu Bhattacharyya Associate Professor, Head, Central Advanced Instrumentation Facility	
16.	Dr. Jose Sebastian Associate Professor, HoD, Biological Sciences Coordinator (UG), Academic Affairs	Member
17.	Dr. R. Selvi Bharathavikru Associate Professor, Associate Dean, Student Affairs	Member
18.	Dr. Somrita Ray Assistant Professor, Chemical Sciences	Member
19.	Dr. S Rajesh Associate Professor, Earth & Environmental Sciences	Member
20.	Dr. Ujjal Kumar Dey Associate Professor, Physical Sciences	Member
21.	Dr. Amiya Mondal Associate Professor, Mathematical Sciences (attended online)	Member
22.	Dr. Chinmaya Kumar Dehury Assistant Professor, Boys' Hostel Warden	Member
23.	Shri Sayan Sen, Student Representative-UG (attended online)	Member
24.	Shri Pranjal Barik, Student Representative-PG (attended online)	Member
25.	Dr. Subal Dey Assistant Professor, Coordinator (Scholarship & Fellowship)	Special Invitee
26.	Dr. Victor Mukherjee Associate Professor, Coordinator, Academic Affairs (Semester Timetable management/ Examination/ Academic Calendar)	Special Invitee
27.	Shri Pradeep Kumar Ray, Registrar	Secretary

The following are the resolutions of the 26th Senate Meeting:

26.1	Welcome to the Chairperson and other members; opening remarks by the Chairperson
	Shri Pradeep Kumar Ray, Secretary of the Senate, extended a warm welcome to the Chairperson and all the members of the Senate. Prof. Ashok Kumar Ganguli,

	Chairperson of the Senate, IISER Berhampur, welcomed the newly inducted members of the Senate, including the three external members. The Chairperson also placed on record the Senate's appreciation for the valuable contributions of the members whose tenure had concluded and thanked them for their support to the Institute.																												
26.1.1	Confirmation of Minutes of the 25th Meeting of the Senate held on 02 September 2025																												
	The Senate agreed to the addendum of a phrase "starting from 2025 batch" to the resolution 25.2.1 of the Minutes of the 25th Meeting of the Senate held on 02 September 2025 and resolved to confirm the aforesaid minutes. The resolution 25.2.1 reads as follows: The Senate discussed the matter at length and resolved to approve the Concept Note, Credit Structure, and Curriculum (combined in Annexure-1) for the 5-Year BS–MS Dual Degree Programme, to be implemented from Academic Year 2025–26, Semester I onwards, starting from the 2025 batch.																												
26.2	Discussion items																												
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	The Senate noted the scheduling of the 6th convocation of the Institute for 27 July 2026.																												
26.2.2	To consider and recommend to the BoG for the award of Medals including endowment medals to the winners among the graduands during the 6th Convocation of the Institute																												
	The Secretary informed that the duly constituted committees for the award of medals, including endowment medals, recommended the following students for respective award of medals: <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>SN</th><th>Name of Medal</th><th>Awardee Name & Roll No.</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td><td>President's Gold Medal</td><td>Rourim Bhunia (21134)</td></tr> <tr> <td>2</td><td>Director's Gold Medal</td><td>Pratikshya Tripathy (21133)</td></tr> <tr> <td>3</td><td>Shri Durgadas Mohanty Memorial Gold Medal</td><td>Yashashwani Garg (21110)</td></tr> <tr> <td>4</td><td>Founder Director's Gold Medal</td><td>Pratikshya Tripathy (21133)</td></tr> <tr> <td>5</td><td>Proficiency Silver Medal (Department of Biological Sciences)</td><td>Madhulika Rakshit (21168)</td></tr> <tr> <td>6</td><td>Proficiency Silver Medal (Department of Physical Sciences)</td><td>Yashashwani Garg (21110)</td></tr> <tr> <td>7</td><td>Proficiency Silver Medal (Department of Chemical Sciences)</td><td>Rourim Bhunia (21134)</td></tr> <tr> <td>8</td><td>Proficiency Silver Medal (Department of Mathematical Sciences)</td><td>Srinjini Mukhopadhyay (21076)</td></tr> </tbody> </table>		SN	Name of Medal	Awardee Name & Roll No.	1	President's Gold Medal	Rourim Bhunia (21134)	2	Director's Gold Medal	Pratikshya Tripathy (21133)	3	Shri Durgadas Mohanty Memorial Gold Medal	Yashashwani Garg (21110)	4	Founder Director's Gold Medal	Pratikshya Tripathy (21133)	5	Proficiency Silver Medal (Department of Biological Sciences)	Madhulika Rakshit (21168)	6	Proficiency Silver Medal (Department of Physical Sciences)	Yashashwani Garg (21110)	7	Proficiency Silver Medal (Department of Chemical Sciences)	Rourim Bhunia (21134)	8	Proficiency Silver Medal (Department of Mathematical Sciences)	Srinjini Mukhopadhyay (21076)
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The Senate considered and recommended to the Board of Governors (BoG) for approval of the same: However, while considering a query from a member of the Senate, it was resolved that an agenda item be placed before the next meeting of the Senate for deliberation on the policy regarding the award of two or more medals to the same student.																																																
26.2.3	To consider and recommend to the BoG for the award of BS-MS dual degree, BS (General) Exit Degree, MS Exit Degree, MS (Research) Exit Degree and Ph.D. degree during the 6th Convocation scheduled to be held on 27 July 2026																																															
	The Secretary informed that this year, 13 students completed their requirements for the award of the PhD degree. 04 students of the iPhD programme have completed all requirements for the award of MS Exit Degree / MS (Research) Exit Degree. 191 students of the BS-MS dual degree programme have completed all requirements for the award of BS-MS Dual Degree. 03 students of the BS-MS Dual Programme opted for BS (General) Exit Degree. A summary of the degrees recommended to be awarded is as follows: <table><tr><th>Programme</th><th>Department</th><th>No. of Students</th></tr><tr><td rowspan="6">BS-MS Degree</td><td>Biological Sciences</td><td>72</td></tr><tr><td>Chemical Sciences</td><td>43</td></tr><tr><td>Earth and Environmental Sciences</td><td>19</td></tr><tr><td>Mathematical Sciences</td><td>08</td></tr><tr><td>Physical Sciences</td><td>49</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>191</td></tr><tr><td>BS General Exit</td><td>-</td><td>03</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">MS Degree</td><td>Chemical Sciences</td><td>01</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>01</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="3">MS (Research) Degree</td><td>Biological Sciences</td><td>02</td></tr><tr><td>Physical Sciences</td><td>01</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>03</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="5">PhD</td><td>Biological Sciences</td><td>05</td></tr><tr><td>Chemical Sciences</td><td>05</td></tr><tr><td>Mathematical Sciences</td><td>02</td></tr><tr><td>Physical Sciences</td><td>01</td></tr><tr><td>Total</td><td>13</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Grand Total</td><td>211</td></tr></table> The Senate congratulated the students on the successful completion of the degree requirements and recommended to the BoG for the award of BS-MS dual degree, BS (General), MS, MS (Research) and Ph.D. degrees during the 6th Convocation scheduled to be held on 27 July 2026. The final complete list of students qualified for various degrees is placed in Annexure- 26-2.			Programme	Department	No. of Students	BS-MS Degree	Biological Sciences	72	Chemical Sciences	43	Earth and Environmental Sciences	19	Mathematical Sciences	08	Physical Sciences	49	Total	191	BS General Exit	-	03	MS Degree	Chemical Sciences	01	Total	01	MS (Research) Degree	Biological Sciences	02	Physical Sciences	01	Total	03	PhD	Biological Sciences	05	Chemical Sciences	05	Mathematical Sciences	02	Physical Sciences	01	Total	13		Grand Total	211
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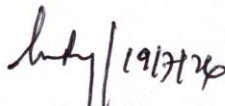
26.3.1	To consider and ratify the approvals accorded by the Chairperson, Senate		
	The Senate considered and ratified the following items approved by the Chairperson, Senate		
1.	Withdrawal from BS-MS Programme		
	S N	Roll No	Name of the Student
			Date of approval by Chairperson, Senate
	a	24130	Swarnabha Banerjee
	b	25251	Ritika Sarkar
	c	25281	Sara Anil Choudhary
	d	25032	Aviraj Duggal
	e	25307	Bhukya Gnanada
	f	25203	Niranjan Krishna
	g	24011	Agnidipto Chatterjee
	h	25328	Samrat Paul
2.	Withdrawal from Ph.D. Programme		
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			Date of approval by Chairperson, Senate
	a	2320104	Rituparna Sahoo
	b	2420201	Gitanjali Muduli
	c	2420204	Soumen Kr Mani
	d	2510504	Akanksha P. Gawande
	e	2420205	Bisal Kumar Guin
	f	2510201	Liza Mama Barad
	g	2420206	Subhransu Sekhar Dash
	h	2310105	Arun Kumar
	i	BIO701603	Subhranil Daw
3.	Approval of Grades:		
	Grade Approval for AY 2025-26 Sem-I & II		
	Grade changes for AY 2025-26 Sem-I & II		

	Re-exam grades for AY 2025-26									
4.	Involuntary Exit from iPhD Programme - Yatrik Bhaveshbhai Dave (Roll No. 202301)									
5.	Exit of 3 BS-MS students from the programme with BS (General) Degree									
6.	Fee structure for AY 2026-27									
7.	Rejection of Candidature - BS-MS Admission 2025 <table><tr><td>IAT Roll No.</td><td>Name of candidate</td><td>Reason for rejection</td></tr><tr><td>IAT07932139337</td><td>Akash Vishwakarma</td><td>Passed XII in 2022*</td></tr></table> * Candidates passed XII in 2023, 2024 and 2025 were eligible for IAT-2025	IAT Roll No.	Name of candidate	Reason for rejection	IAT07932139337	Akash Vishwakarma	Passed XII in 2022*			
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8.	Academic Calendar for Semester-II of AY 2025-26									
9.	Academic Calendar for Semester-I of AY 2026-27									
10.	Change of fellowship source from ICMR to CSIR in respect of Ashutosh Singh, Roll No.2510103 w.e.f. August 2025									
11.	Conduct of one-time Re-exam/Repeat exams for Semester-I (First Year) in December 2025									
12.	Conduct of Re-exam and Special Re-exams - July 2026									
13.	Correction of Spelling in the Names of two BS-MS Students <table><tr><td>Roll No.</td><td>Name as per Institute Records</td><td>Correct Name of the Student</td></tr><tr><td>23116</td><td>Rajdeep Lasklar</td><td>Rajdeep Laskar</td></tr><tr><td>25297</td><td>Ullas Cahdnra Bachu</td><td>Ullas Chandra Bachu</td></tr></table>	Roll No.	Name as per Institute Records	Correct Name of the Student	23116	Rajdeep Lasklar	Rajdeep Laskar	25297	Ullas Cahdnra Bachu	Ullas Chandra Bachu
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14.	Guidelines for issuance of Certificates by the Office of Academic Affairs									
15.	Issuance of certificates for BS & MS parts of the BS-MS Programme to Mr. Prem Kishan (21101)									
16.	Issuance of Corrected Transcript of Ms. Jhanvi Sareen									
17.	Proposal for introduction of Thesis Title on Ph.D. Degree Certificates.									
18.	Implementation of Special Scholarship Scheme for the Union Territories of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh (SSSJKL) (PMUSPY) Scholarship for session 2026-27									
19.	Issuance of Ph.D. Provisional Certificates <table><tr><td>Roll No.</td><td>Name of Student</td><td>Date of Approval</td></tr></table>	Roll No.	Name of Student	Date of Approval						
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		2110101	Biswajit Panda	June 04, 2026
		2010201	Sri Rama Dasu Vinay Kumar	May 05, 2026
		1910102	Rabi Sankar Pal	January 01, 2026
		1940401	Saikat Patra	March 20, 2026
		2010104	Gitanjali Mishra	March 26, 2026
		1920101	Sourav Dey	March 26, 2026
		1910501	Kaiser Shafi	April 24, 2026
		1910101	Pratyay Seth	January 01, 2026
		1920202	Raju Sharma	January 01, 2026
		2010103	Satabdee Tanaya Sahoo	January 01, 2026
		2010107	Ramesh Mandal	July 03, 2026
	20.	Issuance of Provisional Certificates - iPhD Exit MS Degree		
		Roll No.	Name of Student	Date of Approval
		202301	Dave Yatrik Bhaveshbhai	March 23, 2026
	21.	Ph.D. Admission Datasheets - AY 2025-26 Semester-II		
		Department Name	No. of students admitted	
			Institute Fellowship	External Fellowship
		Biological Sciences	0	1
		Chemical Sciences	07	06
		Computer Science	00	00
		Earth& Environmental Sciences	02	01
		Mathematical Sciences	00	00
		Physical Sciences	00	00
	22.	Admissions into PhD during Semester-1 of AY 2026-27		
		Department Name	No. of students approved for admission	
			Institute	External

			Fellowship	Fellowship
		Biological Sciences	1	2
		Chemical Sciences	5	3
		Earth& Environmental Sciences	4	2
		Mathematical Sciences	1	5
		Computer Science	1	0
	23.	Minutes of the meetings of IAAC : 23rd Meeting of IAAC held on 20 November 2025 24th Meeting of IAAC held on 25 February 2026		

In the end, the Chairperson invited all external members of the Senate to the 6th Convocation Ceremony. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair and members.


Secretary, Senate

Approved

Chairperson, Senate IISER Berhampur