



Amendments to the Student Activity Council (SAC) Constitution-2026

A. Major Amendments

1. Revision and Renaming of the Science and Career Development Council (SCDC)

Justification: The current SCDC oversees both science clubs and placement activities. Given the growing student population across programs, a dedicated secretary is required for the effective operation of the placement cell. Moreover, the overlapping timelines of science activities necessitate decoupling these responsibilities.

Amendments:

- a. Creation of the Career Development Council (CDC), as detailed in Amendment 2.
- b. Renaming of SCDC as the Science Council (SC).
 - i. The roles of the SC shall be the same as those of the former SCDC, excluding all responsibilities related to the operation of the placement cell.

2. Creation of the Career Development Council (CDC)

Justification: Placement activities demand consistent effort throughout the year and are essential for outreach to companies, as well as for organising career development initiatives such as workshops and training sessions. The existing Placement Sub-Council (PSC) lacks sufficient structure and departmental representation.

Amendments:

- a. The CDC, to be led by the Secretary, CDC (S-CDC), and shall comprise representatives from BS-MS programs and PhD scholars, with at least one representative from each department.
- b. The CDC shall assume all responsibilities of the existing PSC, including placement activities. It shall further organise workshops and training sessions throughout the academic year to prepare students for the placement season. Additionally, the Career Development Council (CDC) shall manage all sponsorship-related communications for SAC annual fests. To this end, the CDC shall constitute a dedicated sub-council tasked specifically with these responsibilities.
- c. Establishment of the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Council (IIEC): The existing IIEC shall be restructured as a dedicated council under the S-CDC, comprising 5 members from BS-MS programs and from PhD programs, to foster entrepreneurship through startup support and incubation activities; it shall directly facilitate incubation services, coordinate a faculty panel for student entrepreneurship guidance, scrutinize startup and patent ideas alongside said panel to assess their real-world impact, and provide assistance to viable ideas up to the fundraising stage.

3. Creation of the Student Welfare Secretary for Postgraduates (SWS-PG) Position

Justification: PhD students experience distinct campus dynamics, warranting a dedicated secretary to address their welfare needs.



Amendment:

A new position, SWS-PG, shall be established within the Student Welfare Sub-Council (S-SWS). The SWS-PG shall address all welfare concerns of the PhD community, including mental health issues, and serve as the primary liaison between PhD students and the administration.

4. Definition of the Role of General Secretary-Postgraduates (GS-PG)

Justification: The GS-PG's role in representing PhD students across councils is currently ambiguous and inefficient. To ensure effective representation, the GS-PG requires a dedicated team of members to assist across relevant domains.

Amendment:

The GS-PG shall appoint a council of five members, with one member assigned to each of the following councils: Sports, Cultural, Publication and Outreach, Placement (CDC), and Science (SC). These members shall collaborate with the respective secretaries under the GS-PG's coordination. The PG-Cultural Secretary position shall be discontinued.

B. Minor Amendments

1. Role of the SMC Secretary as Chairperson of Mess Representatives (MRs)

The SMC Secretary, being elected through an open process, shall serve as the Chairperson of all elected Mess Representatives (MRs).

2. Responsibilities and Tenure of Mess Representatives

The roles, responsibilities, and authority of Mess Representatives shall be equivalent to those of Council Members, subject to the provisions of this Constitution. The tenure of all MRs shall be co-terminous with that of the SMC Secretary; accordingly, all MRs shall resign upon the completion or termination of the SMC Secretary's tenure.

3. Reassignment of Class Representatives (CRs) and Departmental Representatives (DRs)

CRs and DRs shall no longer be part of the S-SWS. Instead, they shall be integrated into the Senate Representatives Council and shall report directly to the Senate Representatives.

4. Procedure for Floor Checks and Removal of Representatives

- The relevant Secretary may recommend a floor check for any elected MR, CR, DR, or Hostel Representative (HR), providing valid reasons in writing.
- Upon completion of the floor check, the Secretary shall forward the recommendation, along with the results, to the Dean of Students' Affairs (DoSA).
- The final decision on the removal of any MR, CR, DR, or HR shall rest solely with the DoSA.

5. Time Restrictions and Compliance for All Programmes and Events

- Curfew for Programmes: All programmes, regardless of nature, shall conclude by 11:00 PM, with no provisions for extensions or negotiations. Violations shall result in the initiation of Tier II disciplinary action against the event or club coordinator.



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b. Adherence to Sanctioned Timetables: All events must strictly adhere to the timetable approved at the time of permission granting. Gross violations shall result in a two-year suspension of the event.

6. Diversity Provision for SAC Composition

Should the elected Student Activity Council (SAC) lack representation from one gender, the Hostel Representative (HR) of the underrepresented gender shall be automatically appointed as an ad-hoc SAC member, ensuring balanced representation. This HR shall participate fully in all SAC proceedings and ensure representation.

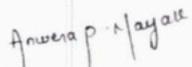
7. Composition of the Student Welfare Sub-Council (SWS)

The SWS shall comprise 8 members, selected as 2 Hostel Representatives (HRs) from each hostel, ensuring equitable representation with 4 members identifying as female and 4 as male. Members may be drawn from BS-MS, PhD, or i-PhD programs.

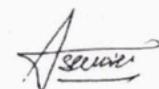
8. Discontinuation of SAC Honorarium

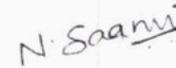
Absent approval from the Board of Governors, the provision for SAC honorarium payments is hereby discontinued pending further discussions. It is noted that no other IISER institutes maintain such provisions. In recognition of their service, all SAC members shall receive certificates of appreciation.

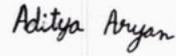

Secretary, SSWS

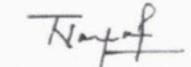

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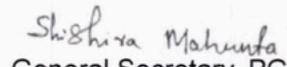

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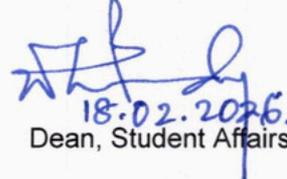

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